

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect for the Day

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SATURDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE 5:30 p.m. Page 151
SERMON HYMN: 790

SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:00 a.m. Page 235 10:30 a.m. Page 167
HYMNS: 8:00 a.m. 482; 790; 481 Trinity Choir
 10:30 a.m. 482; 790; 475; 633; 481 Adult Choir

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Acts 3:11-21 P. 911
 Psalm 4 P. 448
 I John 3:1-7 P. 1022
 Luke 24:36-49 P. 885

THE PRAYERS

May we always joyfully anticipate His return. Kaylee Jane Ruettinger, granddaughter of Steve and Lila White, baptism Des Plaines, IL. Carolyn Dannenberger, recovering from surgery. Karen Friedrich, Call to Lutheran High School.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

Today:	<u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u>	Church Library is Open
	<u>6:00 p.m.</u>	Men's Basketball - School
Mon:	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Christian Day School - School
Wed:	<u>8:15 a.m.</u>	Chapel - School
	<u>12:10 p.m.</u>	Communion Service - Church
Thu:	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	Quilters - School
Sat:	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	Service - School
Sun:	Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 3, 2009	
	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	Holy Communion
	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	Morning Worship

GROWING IN WORSHIP BULLETINS for children are available at the usher's stand.

	Sat:	Sun:	Wed:	Total:
At Worship Last Week:	<u>114</u>	<u>124</u> <u>167</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>414</u>
Adult Bible Classes:	<u>84</u>		Sunday School:	<u>33</u>
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$16,453.19</u>

FLOWERS are placed on the altar today by Betty Haffner with gratitude to God for all His blessings and her granddaughter Kristin's 22nd birthday..

In Sunday School today, students learn the story of "Paul's First Missionary Journey." Just as God sent Paul and Barnabas to spread the Gospel, so today He sends pastors to preach the Gospel, baptize, and feed Jesus' body and blood to His children, against whom the gates of hell cannot prevail. Consider discussing, "*Who gave Paul directions on where to travel? What was Paul's message?*"

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<u>March</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Receipts	98,906.09	703,413.29
Expenses	<u>102,377.37</u>	<u>835,498.64</u>
Over (Short)	(3,471.28)	(132,085.35)

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS – Class meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Science Room at the school. This class examines the teaching of Scripture and is for those interested in what we teach as a church, or for those interested in membership. Of course those wishing to have a review are encouraged to join us. If you are in need of child care for the class, please notify Pastor Schnelle.

Stewardship Corner

Christ's death on the cross assures us of our salvation. Likewise, His Resurrection assures us that we, too, will rise again. In 1 Corinthians 15:17 and 19, Paul writes, "*And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile . . . If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.*" Certainly for the Christian, eternal life has begun already, and the passing from this life to the next is just a blip on the screen. In the confidence of such a sure hope, let us spend our time here in carrying on the work of Christ that the lost may be found and restored to their Savior.

POTLUCK TO HONOR PASTOR GARVUE - Mark your calendar for Sunday, May 3rd at 5:00 p.m. when we celebrate Pastor Garvue's 45 years of ministry in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The potluck will be held at the Parish Hall—please bring a dish to pass. (Previously we mistakenly indicated Laura Filter had reached 15 years of ministry, but actually she has 12 years of service – so we will have to wait a few more years to honor her for the 15 year milestone.)

SUMMER SOFTBALL – Trinity will have a men's team competing this year in the recreation league on Friday nights at Calvary. Any men 18 or older interested in playing slow-pitch softball should contact Jeff Read at 544-9074 or Scott Anderson at 498-8806 to get signed up. Games began April 17.

TRINITY CO-ED SOFTBALL PLAYERS: Anyone interested in playing on the Co-ed team should contact Jim Fenton at 638-0332. Watch here for more info as it becomes available.

STATE FARM CLASSIC PARKING VOLUNTEERS: The State Farm Classic will be held June 3rd thru June 7th, 2009. I will not be sitting around the school and church much this year due to my schedule and I will be calling volunteers that worked last year. If anyone wishes to help, please call Jim Fenton at 638-0332 or e-mail at jnotnef@unionplus.net. The shifts will be 5 am-8 am, 8 am-12 pm and 12 pm-4 pm. Please call me with any questions.

NOTICE – Please take care not to “accidentally” drop a pencil into the rack holding the attendance cards. The pencils are difficult to remove, not counting the time it takes to check all of the card holders.

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND SUNDAY – May 3 is the 2009 Central Illinois District Scholarship Endowment Fund Sunday. In today's worship folder is an envelope marked for Scholarship Sunday. Please take the envelope home with you and prayerfully consider how you can assist students from the Central Illinois District who are pursuing careers in full time church work. These young people are our future pastors and teachers. Will they always be there? Please do what you can to help.

LUTHERAN HOUR BROADCAST can be heard every Sunday at 3:00 p.m. on WLUI, 89.7.

NEED A GRADUATION GIFT IDEA? “Chicken Soup for the Soul: College Chronicles” has just been released and features a poem by Cindy Strong. Copies can be ordered through the Lutheran High office or at Barnes and Noble for \$16.

NEW BRICK GARDEN ORDER – A new order for engraved bricks will be sent in July. If you would like to order a commemorative engraved brick, obtain an order form from the Parish Hall or the Church Narthex. Engraved Brick prices have gone up and will be as follows:

4" x 8" bricks are \$35 each with up to 3 lines of text

8" x 8" bricks are \$70 each with up to 6 lines of text

Each line of text may contain up to 20 characters (including spaces, periods, commas, etc.).

MOWERS NEEDED – Lawn mowing season is upon us again. Each year Trinity saves over \$1,000 by using volunteers to mow the school property. We plan to set up mowing teams of 2 – 4 people each, with each team mowing once a month. Mowing equipment is provided. If you are interested in joining a mowing team, contact Dave Booher, 622-3290, booher@ie-consultants.com.

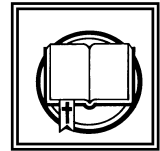
PRAYER PAGE REMINDER: This tool has been generated by the Building Caring Relationships (BCR) in Christ group for Trinity members to use during their personal devotion time and to keep the congregation connected through prayer. The prayer page is prepared bi-weekly (purple one time, yellow the other, to help distinguish when a new one is available). The prayer page is on the bulletin table for the Saturday service and at each of the church exits for the Sunday services. Pick up your copy today!

WOMEN WITH MISSION will be dining out on Monday, May 4th, at Mariah's Restaurant, 3317 Robbins Road, **6:00 p.m.** (note the time change). Please contact Cathy Von De Bur (487-7846) if you will not be attending or if you will have a guest with you.

CALL EXTENDED – The Lutheran High School Board of Directors has extended a Divine Call to Miss Karen Friedrich (currently serving at Our Savior's in Springfield) to serve as an Art Teacher. Please keep Miss Friedrich in your prayers as she deliberates her Call to Lutheran High School.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES

9:30-10:15 a.m.



It's a Miracle! – What miracles really are and the importance of miracles in the ministry of Jesus. Location: Parish Hall. Leader: Pastor Radtke

A Study of Exodus and the Torah – At the center of this study is God's love for His people despite their sinfulness. Location: Science Room. Leader: Pastor Schnelle

Victory over Sin, Death, and the Devil – The purpose of the Book of Revelation is to give comfort to Christians at all times. Using LifeLight materials. Location: Parish Hall. Leader: Bill Denham

Parenting – Gain confidence and a clear plan for being a faith builder in the lives of your children. Location: Parish Room. Leader: Paul Benning

High School Bible Class – “What About?” Location: Youth Room. Leader: Katie Gilman

WEEK DAY BIBLE CLASSES

TUESDAYS:

LADIES MORNING STUDY meets in April at the home of Cathy Von De Bur, 65 Cinnamon Creek. For more information call 487-7846.

SENIOR CITIZENS BIBLE CLASS – Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., class at 10:00 a.m. Studying James. Parish Hall. Leader: Pastor Garvue

LADIES AFTERNOON STUDY meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Loretta Rodenburg, 12 Turnberry.

WEDNESDAYS:

BIBLE AND BREAKFAST will resume April 29 at 6:30 a.m. in the Church Library. Studying I Kings. Leader: Pastor Radtke

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER ... We believe that the Lord's table must be approached with sincere faith and full understanding. We believe that approaching the Lord's table is a declaration of unity of faith with this congregation. Thus, we ask anyone who has not made that declaration of faith or is not a confirmed member in good standing of a Missouri Synod congregation to please refrain from communing until you can be brought into full doctrinal fellowship with us.

“WHAT WE WILL BE!”

I John 3:1,2

Rev. Aaron D. Schnelle

[1] See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

- I. God’s love (agapa).
 - A. Revealed to the world through Jesus Christ.
 - B. A one-sided, unconditional love.

- II. Now we are children of God.
 - A. Now we know God.
 - B. Now we have fellowship with God.
 - C. Now we trust Him.
 - D. Now we live with Him.

- III. Anticipation of what we will be!
 - A. The world doesn’t understand us.
 - B. We really have something to offer.