

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation, but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Collect for the Day

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SATURDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SERMON HYMN:

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SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:

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HYMNS:

8:00 a.m.

491; 830; 493 st. 1-2, 5-6

10:30 a.m.

491; 830; 492; 701; 493 st. 1-2, 5-6 Trinity Choir

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Acts 1:12-26

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Psalm 1

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I John 5:9-15

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John 17:11b-19

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THE PRAYERS

Assurance of forgiveness and protection, and joy in His purpose. Candidate Anthony and wife Sarah Voltatorni on first call to Standish, Michigan. Charles Shipman, Dorothy Wernecke, Emily Janssen, Arianne Miller.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

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| Today: | <u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u> | Church Library is Open |
| Mon: | | Memorial Day |
| Wed: | <u>8:15 a.m.</u> | Chapel - School |
| | | Last Day of 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: | Pentecost, May 31, 2009 | |
| | <u>8:00 a.m.</u> | Morning Worship |
| | <u>10:30 a.m.</u> | Morning Worship |

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

LUTHERAN HOUR BROADCAST on WLUJ, 89.7 every Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

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| | Sat: | Sun: | Wed: | Total: |
| At Worship Last Week: | <u>110</u> | <u>158</u> <u>137</u> | <u>10</u> | <u>415</u> |
| Adult Bible Classes: | <u>80</u> | | Sunday School: <u>23</u> | |
| Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work: | | | | <u>\$15,173.83</u> |

FLOWERS are placed on the altar today by Bill and Mary Denham with gratitude to God for all His blessings, and in celebration of the Lutheran High Graduates.

THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS are still available for flower donations for the church altar: August 30, September 6, November 8. Please sign up on the chart in the Narthex.

Today, the Sunday School students study the account “Paul Sails for Rome.” As Christ was with Paul and His companions, so He is with me, holding me up, keeping me with Him in the ship of the Church, and casting all my sins into the depths of the sea. Parents could ask, “*Who and what did God use to keep Paul safe? How does God keep us safely with Himself?*”

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL UPDATE

| | <u>April</u> | <u>Year to Date</u> |
|--------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Receipts | 83,293.23 | 786,706.52 |
| Expenses | <u>96,972.04</u> | <u>932,470.68</u> |
| Over (Short) | (13,678.81) | (145,764.16) |

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

God calls us, as stewards of His gifts, to give what we have. The Lord doesn't ask us to give what we don't have. *“For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.”* (2 Corinthians 8:12). Satan will make every effort to tell us that we don't have anything to give or that what we could give would be so small it would be meaningless. With God's strength, we can give faithfully from a small or large amount of money. God is just as pleased with those who give generously from a small sum of money as those who give generously from a large sum.

TRINITY'S MINISTRY AND MISSION

Sharing Christ – Meeting Needs

Primary Ministries

- Worship Services – Word, Sacrament, Fellowship of believers
- Christian Day School – Christian Education, strong academic curriculum

Over recent years Worship Attendance has been declining:

- o Average for the past 4 weeks = 394/week
- o Capacity = 1000/week (400/service at Church and 200 Parish Hall)

Over recent years School Attendance has been declining:

- Currently we have a teacher at every grade level
- Projected enrollment for 2009-2010 is 125 (ave. class size 14 per grade)
- Capacity with class sizes at 20 per grade = 180

Offerings over the past 2 years have been steady

- 2008 Offerings were up 1.7% over 2007
- First Quarter Offerings for 2009 down 11.1% compared to same period 2008

Trinity was blessed with large bequest which has allowed us to make important capital improvements and meet the gap between our ministry expenses and our income for the past 3-4 years.

We project that with the current conditions, the balance in our accounts could maintain the status quo until near the end of 2010.

The operating budget for the past several years (with the exception of capital projects) has been a “bare bones” budget.

If nothing is changed, we will be required to make drastic cuts in our expenses in 2010 which will most likely result in a loss of staff and reductions to our ministry.

The Board of Directors is asking for your support and participation in our efforts to maintain and expand our ministry. We all will be working hard over the next year to make positive changes.

You can help:

- Consider Trinity's collective ministry and your personal role in it.
- Support Trinity with your prayers, time, talents, and treasure.
- Encourage friends, neighbors, and family to attend our Worship Services.
- Encourage friends, neighbors, and family with school age children to consider our excellent school.

If you know of a family of a school age child who may be a candidate for Trinity Lutheran School, please provide contact information to Mr. Rodgers at the school at 787-2323 or tls.tiger@springnet1.com.

CID-LWML DISTRICT CONVENTION will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2009 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 3000 S. Dirksen Parkway. The theme is "A Crown of Life" based on Rev. 2:10. The LWML representative will be Pat Reichert, who serves as LWML Meeting Manager; the guest mission speaker is Kristy Grannis who serves as Mission Projects Administrator for LCMS World Missions. The fee is \$25 and includes lunch on Saturday. Friday afternoon servant events including a blood drive, marking Bibles for a prison ministry, and tying quilts will be held at the Parish Hall at Trinity School. The community servant event will be held at Helping Hands Homeless Shelter and will include sorting clothes for their clothing bank and sorting and shelving food for their food pantry. Friday evening activities will take place at the Crowne Plaza beginning at 6:30 p.m.; there is a \$3.00 activity fee for Friday's evening event. A Sibling Harmony youth concert for the District youth (and the young-at-heart) will begin at 8:30 p.m. The "admission fee" for this concert in non-perishable food items, personal care products and office supplies. This ingathering will benefit Contact Ministries, who will also receive Saturday's ingathering items (see list in the May newsletter). For more details or questions, please contact Cindy Ushman, Mary Denham or Debbie Rodenburg.

SIBLING HARMONY Youth (and young-at-heart) Concert will be held on Friday evening, June 5, from 8:30-11:00 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. This talented trio consists of Kevin, Kurtis and Kimberly Bueltmann. Their concerts are a multimedia experience and feature many original songs throughout the evening. Sibling Harmony has released two CDs and they may occasionally be heard on WLUJ FM 89.7. "Admission fee" is non-perishable food items, personal care products and office supplies that will benefit Contact Ministries Homeless Shelter. This concert is partially funded by the Effingham County Chapter Thrivent Financial for Lutherans; Tim Ippel, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans agent; and other generous benefactors. Hope to see you there!!!

RIDE NEEDED for 10:30 service from Sherman. Contact either of the pastors if you can help.

COME JOIN US AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 22-26, 2009, 9:00-11:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran School. Volunteers are needed as well as donations of cookies and lemonade. Please contact Jessica Benning, 553-2288.

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.

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.).

FEEDING THE 5000? – NOT QUITE, BUT the Christian/Sangamon County Thrivent Chapter Board will be serving breakfast to 250-300 people at Washington Street Mission on June 13, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Obviously **WE NEED HELP**. All food and other supplies are provided by the Board's Operating Fund but we are asking for help with set-up, serving and clean-up. The food preparation is being taken care of. Those helping with set-up would have to be at the facility at 436 North 4th Street by 7:30 a.m. Please contact Addie Farris 523-9927/Email AdelaideFarris@aol.com or Natalie Foss 528-1380/Email san10491@aol.com and let one of us know how you can help. Thank You and God Bless!!

Camp CILCA Annual Hog Roast (Memorial Weekend), Sunday, May 24, serving from 11:30 a.m. to 2:-00 p.m. Tickets available at the door. The price is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 dollars for children 4-12. After the BBQ pork dinner, participate in tours of the camp and all sorts of games for children led by our new summer staff of 2009! Fishing and canoeing are also available at no charge. Make it a family weekend! Tent and trailer camping, cabins, and rooms in our Christian Growth Center are available. Call ahead to reserve a spot! 217-487-7497. **Register your children for an unforgettable summer!** Camp CILCA is still taking registrations for all camp sessions this summer! Summer camping allows a child to grow leaps and bounds in their understanding of God's love in our world. Allow our summer staff to give your children an unforgettable summer in outdoor ministry! Register at www.CILCA.org or call and ask for a pamphlet at 217-487-7497.

CONGRATULATIONS! To the Trinity Lutheran School track team who finished 9th in the State Meet.

Dakota Follis – 1st in 100 meters; 5th in Long Jump

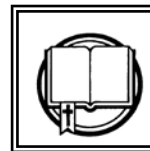
Ian McKinney – 2nd in Discus

Chaela Krueger – 7th in Triple Jump

Boys 4 x 200 Relay (Ian McKinney, Ian Ericksson, Jeff Baker, Dakota Follis) – 7th place

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: School Library. 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
[Child care is available for Adult Bible Classes]

WEEK DAY BIBLE CLASSES

TUESDAYS:

LADIES MORNING STUDY meets this week at the home of Debbie Rodenburg, 400 Tecumseh. For more information call 787-5796. Studying “Angels”.

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 meets at 6:30 a.m. in the Church Library. Studying Philipians. 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.

“YOU ARE PROTECTED FOR HIS PURPOSE”

John 17:11b-19

Rev. Aaron D. Schnelle

¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

- I. The need of protection.
 - A. From our own sinfulness.
 - B. From discouragement
 - C. From despair.

- II. The means of protection.
 - A. The revelation of the Father Jesus has given.
 - B. The Word of the Father Jesus has given.

- III. The purpose of protection.
 - A. God's purpose through us.
 - B. So we remain set apart and together.