

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 285

**HYMNS:** 497; 691; 698

**SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:** 8:00 a.m. Page 235 10:30 a.m. Page 235

**HYMNS:** 8:00 a.m. 497; 691; 913 Adult Choir  
10:30 a.m. 497; 691; 913 Adult Choir

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Ezekiel 37:1-14 P. 724

Psalm 139:1-12 (13-16) P. 521

Acts 2:1-21 P. 909

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 P. 902

**THE PRAYERS**

Living with bold faith. Graduates. Jack and Shelly Knuppel, 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The family of Judge Byron E. Koch (brother of Bernita), deceased. Charles Shipman, Terry Suttill. Ryder Reels, baptism.

**CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Today: 9:30-10:30 a.m. Church Library is Open  
Wed: **12:10 p.m.** Service - Church  
Thu: 9:00 a.m. Quilters - School  
Sat: **5:30 p.m.** Service - School  
Sun: Holy Trinity, June 7, 2009  
**8:00 a.m.** Holy Communion  
**10:30 a.m.** 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.

	Sat:	Sun:	Wed:	Total:
At Worship Last Week:	<u>100</u>	<u>110</u> <u>145</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>365</u>
Adult Bible Classes:	<u>67</u>		Sunday School:	<u>21</u>
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$9,928.41</u>

**FLOWERS** are placed on the altar today by Jack and Shelly Knuppel with gratitude to God for all His blessings as they celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**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.

**On this last Sunday** of the spring quarter of Sunday School, students study “John’s Vision of Heaven.” Those who believe that salvation has been accomplished by the all-availing sacrifice of Jesus’ blood on the cross will bear the name of Christ, written on their forehead in Holy Baptism, and will have the right to the tree of life. Consider discussing, “*How does John describe heaven? How is the promise of eternal life in heaven ours?*”

**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.

**TRINITY MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION:** Bring non-perishable food items to Saturday evening service June 6 or Sunday morning services June 7. Low salt and no salt foods are needed. Thank you for your support. ***All persons interested in assisting with the sorting of the food collection please contact Mary Alexander at 414-5180.***

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING** applications for financial assistance through Trinity’s Synodical School Scholarship Fund is July 1<sup>st</sup>. Any member enrolled in an LCMS college, university or seminary majoring in a course of study that will lead to a position as a full time church worker interested in receiving an application for Trinity’s Synodical Scholarship Fund, please call Adrian Harless at 546-0759.

## **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](mailto: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!!!

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> thru June 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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.

**RIDE NEEDED** for 8:00 or 10:30 service from Sherman. Contact either of the pastors if you can help.

**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 4<sup>th</sup> Street by 7:30 a.m. Please contact Addie Farris 523-9927/Email [AdelaideFarris@aol.com](mailto:AdelaideFarris@aol.com) or Natalie Foss 528-1380/Email [san10491@aol.com](mailto:san10491@aol.com) and let one of us know how you can help. Thank You and God Bless!!



**RECEIVED THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** in the 8:00 service this morning is Ryder Elise Reels, daughter of Jennifer Suttill. May God strengthen her family as they oversee her spiritual growth.

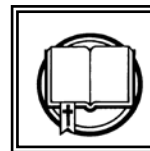
**DUTCH OVEN** – The Ladies Aid are taking a “breather” for the summer from providing refreshments for the Dutch Oven in the Parish Hall following the 8:00 a.m. service on Sunday. If your group is interested in taking a month starting June 7<sup>th</sup>, please call Brad Carlson, 622-5202, or the church office, 522-8151.

**ATTENTION VOTERS** – On Monday, June 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall there will be an important meeting of the voters. The budget for 2009-10 will be presented for discussion and passage. Please mark your calendar for this important meeting. We want and need your input to this discussion.

**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL MEN'S CLUB** Pancake and Sausage Supper, Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2750 Sangamon Avenue. The menu will consist of pancakes, sausage, varying types of syrups and drinks. A free-will donation will be taken. For more information call 528-5232. Supplemental funds will be provided by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

## 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** is on summer recess.

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Philippians. 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.

## **“A CHURCH FOR A CHANGE”**

John 15:26-27; 16:4-11

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Radtke

***<sup>26</sup>"But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. ... <sup>4</sup>But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup> concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup> concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.***

- I. Through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
  - A. The disciples would be empowered.
  - B. Believers would be witnesses of the truth.
  
- II. In our baptism the Holy Spirit has made us alive.
  - A. His word is at work in us.
  - B. We have an influence on others.