

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

Collect for the Day

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SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Isaiah 6:1-8

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Acts 2:14a, 22-36

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John 3:1-17

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THE PRAYERS

May we continue in comfort and joy of the Kingdom of the Triune God. Charles Shipman, Emily Janssen, Marcia Beyer, Terry Suttill.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

Today:	<u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u>	Church Library is Open
Mon:	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Voters Meeting - School
Wed:	<u>12:10 p.m.</u>	Service - Church
Thu:	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	Quilters - School
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Adult Information Class - School
Sat:	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	Communion Service - School
Sun:	Second Sunday After Pentecost, June 14, 2009	
	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	Morning Worship
	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>	Holy Communion

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>79</u>	<u>144</u> <u>144</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>391</u>
Adult Bible Classes:	<u>67</u>		Sunday School: <u>21</u>	
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$11,150.73</u>

FLOWERS are placed on the altar today to God's glory by Julie and Brian Kochman in memory of their father, and in observance of their parents' 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.

Throughout the summer Sunday School, students will be exploring the connections between biblical characters and modern-day vocations. Today in Sunday School, students explored "Rebekah Serves at the Well." By moving Rebekah to selfless service (drawing countless gallons of water for a man and his camels), God identified an ancestor of the One who would serve us by His suffering and death. Consider discussing, "*Why did Rebekah choose to help the traveler? Who serves us today?*"

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.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING applications for financial assistance through Trinity's Synodical School Scholarship Fund is July 1st. 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.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! Ushers are needed for the Saturday night service. If you are a Saturday night regular or if you are willing to attend occasionally, we need ushers. The time commitment is minimal as each person serves once every couple of months and only on the two Saturday nights each month when communion is served. If you are willing to serve, please call Wayne Harshaw, 529-5399, or speak to one of the pastors. Thanks.

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.

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!!

JUNE DUTCH OVEN will be sponsored by the 8th Grade Class, under the leadership of Sharon Reichers.

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.

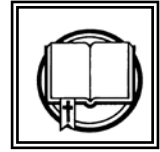
TEN COMMANDMENTS RADIO SERIES...Do the Ten Commandments still apply to us today? Do you keep any of them? What does it mean to fear, love and trust God above all things? Issues, Etc., a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken, will air an in-depth series on the Ten Commandments through the month of June. You can listen to this series anytime you want at www.issuesetc.org.

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.

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

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 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 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.

“TOGETHER IN THE LIGHT OF THE SON”

John 3:2-3

Rev. Aaron D. Schnelle

²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

I. Nicodemus' Quest for Truth.

- A. "No one can do these signs that you do UNLESS God is with him."
- B. Obviously impressed with Jesus' signs and teachings.

II. Jesus' seemingly unresponsive response.

- A. "UNLESS one is born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God."
- B. God's Kingdom comes to man. Man does not come to God's Kingdom.

III. Together in the Kingdom of God.

- A. The Trinity and man together in Light of the Son.
- B. "Where am I?" "How did I get here?"