



Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; 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
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SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:
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8:00 a.m. 842; 739; 921
10:30 a.m. 842; 739; 727; 617; 921

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Genesis 9:8-17 P. 7

Psalm 136:1-9 P. 520
Ephesians 3:14-21 P. 977
Mark 6:45-56 P. 842

THE PRAYERS

Faith that trusts in God's care through our difficulties. Julius and Karen DeVarose, 40th wedding anniversary. Joan Schnelle, Vernelle Radtke, recovering from surgery. Emily Janssen and Jacob Summers, cancer treatments, Reese Hill, Sarah Prather.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

Today:	<u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u>	Church Library is Open
Wed:	<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:	Ninth Sunday After	Pentecost, August 1/2, 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.

WORKDAY SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 8AM to 3PM. Meet at the school. We will be removing carpet in the church basement, working on the concrete ramp at church, remodeling a classroom at school and working on several other inside and outside projects. Lunch will be provided and everyone is welcome. Time worked qualifies as service hours for Lutheran High School.

	Sat:	Sun:	Wed:	Total:
At Worship Last Week:	<u>142</u>	<u>89</u> <u>122</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>367</u>
Adult Bible Classes: <u>84</u>			Sunday School: <u>16</u>	
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$14,324.27</u>

FLOWERS are placed on the altar today to God's glory by Betty Haffner in thankfulness for His many blessings and in honor of her son's 50th birthday.

Today's Sunday School lesson studied the role of fathers though the example of "Joseph, the Father." The heavenly Father used dutiful Joseph to deliver His Son from death at the hands of Herod to preserve Him for death in due time on the cross. You might ask, "*How did Joseph keep Jesus safe? How does your father help make sure you are safe?*"

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<u>June</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Receipts	66,707.77	958,137.55
Expenses	<u>88,993.94</u>	<u>1,113,537.84</u>
Over (Short)	(22,286.94)	(155,400.29)

TRINITY CONGREGATION IS INVITED to the celebration of Margaret Krueger's 100th birthday, Saturday, August 1 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Incredibly Delicious, 925 South 7th Street. Please RSVP by July 27th to Leslie Groth at 544-1676 or email to jkmills10@msn.com.

KINDERGARTEN OPENINGS – There are two spots available in kindergarten at Trinity Lutheran School for the 2009/2010 school year.

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

SIX FLAGS FOR \$6! On Friday, August 14, 2009, the St. Louis Heartland Region of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will host a Member Appreciation Day at Six Flags – St. Louis! **Benefit members** and immediate family members in their household are invited to Six Flags for \$6! Day includes park admission and all-you-can-eat buffet with children's activity fair. For more details and Registration Form, go to www.lutheransonline.com/rfo528. Celebrate your Thrivent membership with us!

TRINITY MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: Bring non-perishable food items to Saturday evening service 8/1 or Sunday morning services 8/2. Low salt/no salt added foods and canned fruits are needed. Thank you for your generous support. ***All persons interested in assisting with the sorting of the monthly food collection please call Mary Alexander at 414-5180.*** This is a great way for students to earn service hours. Please consider helping out.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES

9:30-10:15 a.m.



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

The Epistles for You. Join us as we study, discuss, and learn from the Epistles, beginning with Paul’s letter to the Ephesians. Based on the lectionary reading for the upcoming Sunday. Class will meet in the Parish Hall, leader will be Eric Garvue.

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 I Peter. Parish Hall. Leader: Pastor Garvue

LADIES AFTERNOON STUDY is on summer recess.

WEDNESDAYS:

BIBLE AND BREAKFAST meets at 6:30 a.m. in the Church Library. Studying Ecclesiastes. 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.

“GOD’S VISION FOR YOUR LIFE”

Mark 6:45-52

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Radtke

⁴⁵Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

- I. God’s foreknowledge is behind our understanding.
 - A. We face fearful situations.
 1. As the disciples did (vss. 45-48).
 2. There are various trials in our lives.
 - B. We wonder if God cares.
 1. Jesus passed by the disciples (v. 48).
 2. Answers to our prayers seem unanswered.
(II Corinthians 12:8)
- II. God’s purposes are only visible through faith.
 - A. He has our good in mind.
 1. He delivers us from our fears (vss. 50-51).
 2. His death and resurrection assures us of that.
 - B. He uses the trials of our life to strengthen us.
 1. Our faith trusts His providing (v. 51).
 2. We are in awe of His goodness. (Romans 8:28)