

O Lord by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, 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
HYMNS: 671; 575; 676; 680; 673

SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:00 a.m. Page 184 10:30 a.m. Page 235
HYMNS: 8:00 a.m. 789; 575; 783; 806; 643; 672
 10:30 a.m. 789; 575; 672 Trinity Choir

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Daniel 12:1-3 P. 750
 Psalm 16 P. 453
 Hebrews 10:11-25 P. 1006
 Mark 13:1-13 P. 849

THE PRAYERS

Lives grounded in God's Word. Carol Bohner, recuperating from surgery.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR

Today:	<u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u>	Church Library is Open
Mon:	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Stewardship - School
Tue:	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Elders - Church
Wed:	<u>12:10 p.m.</u>	Service - Church
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Adult Choir Practice - Church
Thur:	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	Quilters - School
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Adult Information Class - School
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Property Management - School
Fri:	<u>8:15 a.m.</u>	Chapel - School
Sat:	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	Service - School
Sun:	Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost, November 21/22, 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>102</u>	<u>183</u> , <u>135</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>426</u>
Adult Bible Classes:	<u>81</u>		Sunday School:	<u>37</u>
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$13,802.25</u>

FLOWERS are placed on the altar today by Russ and Cathy Benning with gratitude to God as they celebrate their 39th wedding anniversary and the 4th birthday of their granddaughter Caroline Benning.

The account of “**The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace**” serves as the focus of Sunday School today. Just as Jesus was with and saved the three men in the fiery furnace, so our Savior is with us and saves us in His Word and Sacraments, sustaining us when we suffer for His name. *Questions for discussion include, “Who appeared in the fiery furnace with the three men? How has God rescued us from the fires of hell?”*

FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<u>October</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Receipts	77,457.33	291,346.90
Expenses	<u>89,710.91</u>	<u>365,732.60</u>
Over (Short)	(12,253.58)	(74,385.70)

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION: Bring non-perishable food donations for Trinity's Thanksgiving Food Collection to Saturday evening service on November 21, or Sunday morning services at the church on November 22. Thanks be to God for all that He richly provides us!

WILSON, RENFRO, HELM RESTORATION FUND – On November 22, 2009, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will be remembering the lives of Colonel John Wilson, Mr. Nicholas Renfro, and Mr. James Helm. A fund has been established in their names to aid in ongoing and future building projects at the church. Members of Trinity who wish to participate in this offering may do so on November 21/22 with door offerings at all three services that weekend.

MEN'S BASKETBALL – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sunday evenings. All men of the congregation invited for fellowship and recreation. Guests welcome. For information call Ken Rodenburg (787-5796), Brent Radtke (787-8342) or Cliff Krueger (529-9443).

**RESOLUTION FOR THANKSGIVING DAY OFFERINGS
ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2009**

(Approved at the September 14, 2009 Voters' Assembly)

WHEREAS, many sons and daughters of our congregation are, or soon will be, attending Synodical colleges or seminaries; and

WHEREAS, the need and Christ's call for full time church workers are great; and

WHEREAS, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church has traditionally furthered its ministry by sharing the Thanksgiving Day offering with other Christian ministries or the church at large; and

WHEREAS, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans (Thrivent), through the congregational matching funds program, will provide up to \$500.00 in matching funds for any special project or appeal; and

WHEREAS, those Thrivent matching funds are on the basis of 50 cents for each donated dollar;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the contributions received on Thanksgiving Day not within a congregational member's envelope, and those contributions received in the special Thanksgiving Day envelopes be designated for the Synodical School Scholarship Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Synodical School Scholarship Fund be designated the congregation's special project and that congregational matching funds of up to a total of \$1,000.00 received from contributions on Thanksgiving Day not within a congregational member's envelope, and those contributions received in the special Thanksgiving Day envelopes be applied for through Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

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!

CALENDAR YEAR 2010 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

In an effort to save substantial mailing costs, the Board of Christian Stewardship asks you to please pick up your 2010 contribution envelope packet. All envelope packets are now available, in the Parish Center, on tables located near or against the north windowed wall, and arranged in alphabetical order (reading from the bottom of the table to the top, left to right). The Parish Center is conveniently located and accessible to all. No having to go up and down stairs. Also, if you need assistance in getting your envelope packet, fellow worshipers will be around before and after Saturday evening service as well as before and after the Sunday School hour (after first service and before second service on Sunday). Just ask them for help.

Please note that ***Renewing Our Past – Seizing Our Future*** envelopes are in the 2010 packets. Please use them for your Capital Campaign offerings.

To make things easier for all concerned, the envelope packets for 2010 have been renumbered to match the alphabetical listing of family names. This greatly eases the administration, preparation and distribution of envelopes. Please be assured that all records of past giving (as well as pledges) recorded under (an) old envelope number(s) will be transferred completely to your new envelope number.

Please pick up your envelope packet as soon as you can. Remaining packets will be prepared for mailing on Saturday, December 12.

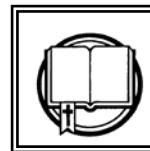
Finally, please do not use your new envelopes until after January 1, 2010. Also, after New Year's Day, throw out any unused 2009 (or previous years) envelopes. Please note your new number. The contribution counters ask that you write it on the memo line of your contribution checks in 2010. Thanks!

Trinity Lutheran School Blanket Throws Warm Hearts With School Spirit!!! Trinity Lutheran School custom blanket throws are available for order. The throws commemorate the 150th anniversary of our school. A sample throw is hanging in the school lobby. Orders can be placed in the school office or by emailing ksriechers@aol.com. The throws cost \$45 each and payment must be made at time of order. Proceeds from the sale of the blanket throws go towards the 8th grade class trip in May. Thank you for your support!

HOLIDAY TRIVIA NIGHT Saturday, December 5, St. John's Lutheran Church in Chatham. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Trivia starts at 7:15 p.m. Only \$10 per person, teams of up to 10 members. Contact Ben Ladage at 217-652-0924, church office at 217-483-2612, or email imbenladage@hotmail.com to reserve your table.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES

9:30-10:15 a.m.



God's Gifts for Service – A discussion according to Scripture and our Lutheran Confession of our many callings in life. Location: Science Room. Leader: Pastor Radtke

God's Grace in St. Paul's Letter to the Church of the Thessalonians – Join us as we discuss Paul's reassurances that we are saved through the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit and belief in the truth of God's grace. Location: Parish Hall. Leader: Bill Denham

Looking at the Liturgy: How We Worship – Join us as we explore the biblical origins and historic nature of our services. Location: Parish Hall. Leader: Eric Garvue

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 at 9:00 a.m. at the home of Deb Zyzniesuki, 2008 Montague Drive (787-3816).

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 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 Mark. 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.

“STANDING ON HIS WORD”

Mark 13:1-13

Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Radtke

¹And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" ²And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." ³And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains. ⁹"But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹²And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

- I. The foundations of the world are uncertain.
 - A. Impressive as they may seem.
 - 1. The Temple was an awesome sight. (v. 1)
 - 2. They will not stand. (v. 2)
 - B. The end is coming soon.
 - 1. We live in a hostile environment. (vss. 7-8)
 - 2. The Gospel is the key. (v. 10)
- II. God's promise is our assurance.
 - A. In the time of frightening signs.
 - 1. We are not deceived. (v. 6)
 - 2. The signs are not the end. (v. 8)
 - B. It is the anchor of our faith.
 - 1. Which produces boldness. (v. 12)
 - 2. The Holy Spirit keeps us. (v. 13)