

Almighty and Everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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**  
**SERMON HYMN:** 408; 409; 554

**SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE:** 8:00 a.m. **Page 184** 10:30 a.m. **Page 219**  
**HYMNS:** 8:00 a.m. 401; 409; 704; 395 st. 1,3,4  
 10:30 a.m. 401; 409; 395 st. 1,3,4 Junior Choir

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY: Isaiah 62:1-5 P. 621  
 Psalm 128 P. 518  
 I Corinthians 12:1-11 P. 959  
 John 2:1-11 P. 887

**THE PRAYERS**

Faithfully shining the light of Christ. Marge Olsen, hospice care. Julie Kochman, recovering from surgery. Ellen Herbert, Dennis Boesdorfer, Maureen Grim, surgery. Aid workers, the crew and medical staff (including Sean Bohl) of the USNS Comfort, victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

**CHURCH AND SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Today:	<u>9:30-10:30 a.m.</u>	Church Library is Open
	<u>6:00 p.m.</u>	Men's Basketball - School
Mon:	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	World Relief Quilting - School
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Stewardship - Church
Tue:	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Elders - Church
Wed:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	Chapel - School
	<b><u>12:10 p.m.</u></b>	<b>Service - Church</b>
	<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 Instruction Class - School
	<u>7:00 p.m.</u>	Board of Property Management - School
Sat:	<b><u>5:30 p.m.</u></b>	<b>Communion Service - School</b>
Sun:	Third Sunday After Epiphany, January 23/24, 2010	
	<b><u>8:00 a.m.</u></b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
	<b><u>10:30 a.m.</u></b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

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

	Sat:	Sun:	Wed:	Total:
At Worship Last Week:	<u>117</u>	<u>103</u> <u>143</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>372</u>
Our offerings for the Lord's Kingdom Work:				<u>\$12,857.11</u>

**FLOWER CHART DATES STILL AVAILABLE:** January 24; February 28; March 21; May 23 & 30; June 13; August 1; November 14 & 21; December 25..

**Today in Sunday School** the children learn the story of Jesus' first miracle, the changing of water into wine at the wedding in Cana (John 2:1–11). Through His first miracle, Jesus revealed Himself to be true God. God uses His Word and physical means—water, bread, and wine—to reveal to us that Jesus is our Savior. Discuss the story with your children and talk about how we are like the disciples, not sure just who Jesus is. At times, we also doubt Him and His Word. Emphasize that in His Word and Sacraments, Jesus shows us that He is the Savior, conquering our doubts with these visible means. We hear Jesus in His Word and see Him in His Sacraments.

**FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL UPDATE**

	<u>December</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Receipts	127,937.96	522,708.51
Expenses	<u>98,862.14</u>	<u>555,268.63</u>
Over (Short)	29,075.82	(32,560.12)

**PLEASE HELP THE UNBORN - The Right to Life Signature Ad** will be published in the State-Journal Register on Life Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. The theme is ***“Made in God’s Image, All Life is Sacred.”*** If you would like your name added, please contact either Larry and Paula Boehme, 626-2179, or David and Sandra Booher, 793-1072. Names will be taken following services this weekend. A donation of \$5.00 per line helps defray the cost of publication.

**THE ANNUAL COMMITMENT TO LIFE RALLY**, sponsored by the Springfield Right to Life Civic Committee will be held January 24, 2:00 p.m. in the State Capitol Rotunda. This rally commemorates the 37<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion. The keynote speaker will be Mark Harrington of the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform. Following the rally, a **reception** will be held in the former Hall of Flags of the Michael Howlett building. Refreshments and pro-life material will be available.

**THE LORD HAS AGAIN BLESSED TRINITY CONGREGATION** by both your attendance and your generous contributions. The average attendance for our Advent and Christmas Eve services was 263. Total December year-end offerings were \$92,650.94, reducing the deficit to (\$32,560.12).

**INSTALLATION** of Officers, Directors, Board Members Sunday, January 24, 8:00 a.m. service.

## **GUIDELINES FOR CALLING A DIRECTOR OF THE LEARNING CENTER**

The Board of Christian Day School is requesting names of individuals for the Director of our Trinity Learning Center. List below are the guidelines that we will be using to fill that position. All names should be submitted to the school office/church office. Please include the individual's name and their location.

- I. Timothy 3:1-7 (NIV) "Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task. Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to much wine, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. (If any one does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap."
- II. The Call Committee shall follow the stipulations of the congregation as stated in the Constitution (November 14, 1994 Revision) regarding the Creed of the Congregation (Paragraph II, Page 2) and the ministerial Office (Paragraph VII, Page 9).
- III. The cash salary and housing allowance, be as per the salary structure adopted by the congregation for its Administrative Salary Schedule.
- IV. In detail, the Call Committee recommends that the Director of the Learning Center to be called shall be:
  - a. Synodically trained and totally committed to the doctrines of Holy Scripture, as taught by Dr. Martin Luther, our Lutheran Confessions, and the infallibility of Holy Scriptures.
  - b. Scholastically trained (with at least a Bachelor's degree) and capable of maintaining an adequate measure of academic excellence, and to possess the sensitivity to current trends in the church and world, and be able to make application to the education of God's children .
  - c. Endowed with sincerity, speaking skills and creativity to employ expertly both the Law and Gospel with equal emphasis on compassionate, tactful firmness during the exercise of the Office of Public Ministry in all its phases, including working with staff members, children, and families.

- d. Genuinely concerned with the evangelistic spread of the Gospel to the families of the Learning Center, especially to those within the congregation, but also beyond into the local community and the world.
- e. Committed to the furtherance and support of our Learning Center, Trinity Lutheran School, part-time educational agencies, and Lutheran High School.
- f. Endowed with spiritual wisdom, leadership, and a humble spirit.
- g. Committed to cooperate with the Senior Pastor as well as other pastoral, principal and teaching staff in Christian ministry to the congregation and toward the community, in which Jesus Christ is lifted up as Savior and Lord.
- h. Committed to the Spiritual growth of the children of the congregation by assisting the pastors in developing programs for families and young children.

\*56 quilts

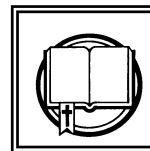
**TRINITY LEARNING CENTER** needs a part-time preschool teacher, 1:00-5:00 p.m. Qualifications: CDA, 60 college semester hours, or experience with 30 college hours. Contact Rebecca Logan at 547-4055.

**THE LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTING** project continues every Monday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch is served. So far we have made 35 quilts. If we are to meet our goal of 250 quilts by Easter, we need more help. If you cannot spend all or part of the day with us, you can pick up pieces to sew into tops, sew around the quilts or tie them at home. This is a congregational project. If a small congregation of 80 members in Eugene, Oregon could make 1,108 school kits and 524 health kits for L.W.R. in the year 2009, we surely can make 250 quilts in three months. For more information call Helen Hoffman at 789-4912, or Dee Boehm at 793-6370.

**VARSITY SOFTBALL POSITION A LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL** – Lutheran High is looking for a Girls Softball Head Coach. Candidates must have coaching experience. Interested parties should send resumes to Don Duensing, Lutheran High School, 3500 West Washington, Springfield, Il 62711; 546-6363 x 117; or [lhs@family-net.net](mailto:lhs@family-net.net).

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES

9:30-10:15 a.m.



**Family Cornerstone** – This class focuses on Christ-centered guidance and encouragement in three areas: priorities, family conflict, and children. Booklets for each area will be available for \$3.50 per booklet (the class may be attended without the booklets). Location: Parish Hall. Leader: Pastor Schnelle

**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

**I Believe But I Have Questions** – A Bible study exploring some of the more difficult questions all Christians struggle with, such as "Why didn't my problems disappear when I became a Christian?" or "How can I find God's will for my Life?" Location: Science Room. Leader Eric Garvue

[Child care is available for Adult Bible Classes]

## WEEK DAY BIBLE CLASSES

### TUESDAYS:

**LADIES MORNING STUDY** will meet in January at 9:00 a.m. at the home of Deb Zyznieuski, 2008 Montague (787-3816). We will continue our study of The Acts of the Apostles.

**SENIOR CITIZENS BIBLE CLASS** Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., class at 10:00 a.m. Studying II Peter. 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 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.

# **“LIVING AS GOD’S NEW CREATION”**

John 2:1-11

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*<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. <sup>3</sup>When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.*

- I. Even when times are hopeless.
  - A. We wonder where God is.
    - 1. The wine ran out. (v. 3).
    - 2. Difficult problems face us.
  - B. God uses ordinary means to provide.
    - 1. Purification water. (v. 6)
    - 2. Things that seem insignificant. (John 6:9)
- II. The work of Jesus goes beyond our understanding.
  - A. His time is not our time.
    - 1. As Mary learned. (v. 4)
    - 2. As He determines. (v. 8)
  - B. We rejoice in the life He brings to us.
    - 1. Which is greater than we can imagine. (v. 10)
    - 2. His Word is the basis of our faith. (v. 5)