March 13 & 14, 2021 Weekly Bulletin





Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven S. Billings Principal/Associate Pastor: Rev. Keith E. GeRue Church Administrative Assistant: Beth Wohlrabe Church (920) 722-2662, School (920) 725-1715 Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

廿 This Week at Trinity 廿

Sunday, March 14

9:00AM Worship in Church & Online 10:30AM Ed. Hour - Online & In Person

Monday, March 15

Pastor's Sabbath 9:00AM Sewing 6:00PM At Home Prayer Time 6:30PM Women's Bible Study Online

Tuesday, March 16

6:30AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30PM Ladies Aid

Wednesday, March 17

8:45AM School Lenten Chapel 10:30AM Lenten Midweek Service 5:00PM Catechism 6:30PM Lenten Midweek Service (Mask Required)

Thursday, March 18

6:00AM Men's Bible Study

Friday, March 19

2:45PM Electives

Saturday, March 20

5:00PM Worship in Church & Online

Sunday, March 21

9:00AM Worship in Church & Online 10:30AM Ed. Hour - Online & In Person

ቲ We Pray For...ቲ

Sally Bolen, Frank Erdmann, Blaine Henkel, Alan Manteufel, Judy Watkins, Shirley Fleischer, Dan Schael, Paul Collingwood, Nancy Williams, Ann Keller, Jeanne Juve, Walter Brinkman, Jerry Peotter, Roman & Flora Turenko, Kayla Jochman, Lana Gast, Scott Dontje, Sandy Rammer, Steenepoorte, Norb Pomerenke, Brooke Schroeder, Judy Krause, Lynn Olson, Mike Godwin, Barbara Thomas, Rick Stanford, Mona Bahrke, Scott Henrickson, Jason Seals, Lee Weinig, Merry Voigt, Karen Beard, Rose Kosloski, Alyce and James Thurber, Kari Lindner, Joan Reinke, Tom Drum, Merle Webber, Joyce Virchow, Jeff Dionne, Donna Mies, Roman Brockman, Kathy Rigotti, and Dianne Olsen.

♥ Stewardship Lesson ♥

Ephesians 2:10 – "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Even the good we do in this world is a gift from God, prepared beforehand for us to do. And this too is a gift! For isn't doing good also a good thing for the one who does it? So from first to last, from the Lord's free salvation given to us to the good works He's prepared for us to walk in, it is all a gift of God's grace.

\$ Current Finances \$

Monthly Income Needed: \$75,637 Income as of March 7: \$15,870

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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Altar Flowers

In honor of Dorothy Gehrt's birthday from her loving family.

<u>This Weekend's Banners- The Pulpit</u> <u>Banner</u> –Scripture Alone, Faith Alone, Grace Alone.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities:

10:30AM Sunday - Smalcald Articles with Rev. Alliet & Rev. Billings (In Person & Online).

10:30AM Sunday - Teaching the Faith with Rev. GeRue.

10:45AM Sunday – Book of Job (Blaine Henkel) (Online).

6:30PM Monday - Women's Bible Study - Living a Chocolate Life (Connie Henkel) (Online).

6:30AM Tuesday - Ladies Bible Study – Ten Minute Bible Journey (Dottie Kraus).

6:00AM Thursday - Men's Bible Study - Book of Acts (Steve Reinke).

For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or let Beth know.

Women's Bible Study- If you wish to join the online Women's Bible Study contact Connie Henkel by email at sonshine_54952@yahoo.com or call (920) 725-0694.

<u>Church Mailbox-</u> Please look for your name on your church mailbox.

Help Needed- The Altar Guild is looking for someone that would love to join our Altar Guild team. The tasks are to set up, reset and take down the communion; and on Sundays to deliver the Altar flowers to members after Worship. If this sounds like something you would like to do, contact Kari Lindner at (928) 279-7192 or Beth in the church office.

<u>Ushers-</u> More ushers are needed to help on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays. If you would like to help, please contact Beth at the office and she can get you on the schedule. Also, we have a sign-up sheet on the usher podium in the Narthex for the upcoming Holy Week services.

<u>Greeters</u>- We are in need of people to take attendance, ask members if they wish to receive Communion, and if they want to join us for Worship the following week. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Beth in the office at (920) 722-2662.

<u>Prayer Chain-</u> If you desire prayers for yourself or someone else, please call Barbara Kester at (920) 722-3228.

<u>Altar Flowers-</u> If you wish to donate flowers please contact the office. The cost is \$25.00.

<u>Portals of Prayer-</u> Devotional books are \$.75 each. Please let the office know if you wish to purchase one.

Lent 2021 Midweek Series: 10:30AM and 6:30PM "Return to the Lord"

March 13&14 – Lent 4 - Ephesians 2:1–10 Gift of God

March 17 - "Return to the Lord . . . Who Does Not Change" Malachi 3:6-12; Matthew 6:25-33

March 20&21 – Lent 5 - Mark 10:32–45 Boneheads for Jesus

March 24 - "Return to the Lord . . . Who Does Not Tire of Calling You" Amos 4:6-13; Luke 20:9-18

March 28 – Palm Sunday - John 12:20–43 Seeing Jesus In the Cross

April 1 - Holy Thursday - "Incredible Love" John 13:1-17, 31b-35; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

April 2 - Good Friday Tre Ore 12:00-3:00PM

April 2 - Good Friday Vespers 6:30PM – "Mine!" Isaiah 52:13-53:12; John 18-19

April 3 - Easter Vigil 5:00PM

April 4 - Easter 6:30, 9:00 and 10:30AM

<u>Trinity's Food Pantry</u> has a special request – we would appreciate any donations of Pancake Mix & Syrup for our Easter distribution. Please drop off by March 22nd. We thank all who continue to support Trinity's pantry through food & monetary donations. You are a blessing for many who are currently in need. We can use the following non-perishables: Cream Soups, Tomato Sauce, Baked Beans, Mustard, and Paper Goods. If you or someone you know would benefit from the pantry, call Steve Reinke at 920-540-5090.

<u>Thrivent 2020-</u> Eligible Thrivent members have until March 31, 2021 to direct any remaining 2020 choice dollars.

Be an ESL Conversation Partner- How would you like to work with missionaries without ever leaving your home? For the first time, you can volunteer as an online conversation partner with English language learners around the world! Give your partner the chance to practice their English skills with a native speaker. You also get to support the work our missionaries are doing! Classes are one hour a week, for six weeks. All you need is a webcam on your computer and a good internet connection. To sign up, go to servenow.lcms.org.

Ladies Aid- All ladies and young ladies of the congregation are invited to our March 16th meeting at 6:30PM in the Small Fellowship Hall. Ilene Anderson will be demonstrating Kringle Making. If you've ever tasted one of her Kringles, you won't want to miss it. She promises samples. We would appreciate you calling Beth in the church office at 722-2662 by March 15TH if you plan to attend so we have enough for everyone. Please wear your mask to provide a safe environment for all involved. We begin with a short devotion and end with a short meeting.

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:00PM.

How to Order Scrip? You can call the office Mon.-Fri. 8:00AM-3:00PM, or email Beth with your order –

<u>bwohlrabe@trinitymenasha.com</u>. She will put it together and you can receive your order at door #7 when the office is open.

Kwik Trip Scrip is back to a 10% rebate – Limited time only!!

⊕ School News ⊕ "Sent to Serve" Upcoming Events

Wed. March 17: Lenten Chapel 8:45AM Fri. March 19: Electives 2:45PM Wed. March 24: Lenten Chapel 8:45AM Fri. March 26: Electives 2:45PM Wed. March 31: School Chapel 8:45AM April 1 – April 9: No School Easter Break Thur. April 29: 2:00 PM School Musical Fri. April 30: 6:00 PM School Musical Sun. May 2: 10:45 AM School Musical

⊕ School News ⊕ "Sent to Serve"



This Week's Theme: Suffering Servant — Silenced

Isaiah 53:7; Matthew 27:11-14

"He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth" (Is. 53:7a).

Jesus had spoken often of the kingdom of God; Jesus had talked to little children; Jesus had commanded the storm to "be still!"; Jesus had commanded Lazarus to come out of the tomb. Jesus, who had spoken many words, is perfectly quiet.

The prophet Isaiah had written about the promised Savior, "He opened not his mouth." When Jesus' accusers told lies about Him, He remained silent. When Pilate quizzed Jesus about who He was, Jesus remained silent.

Jesus would go quietly to the cross. The scene on Calvary's hill was most likely noisy and chaotic. There was the noise of hammer blows; soldiers were shouting directions; some of those watching continued to shout insults at Jesus; the two thieves crucified with Jesus argued with each other; there were tears and cries of sorrow from those who loved Jesus.

Jesus patiently and silently hung on the cross, submitting as the Father's sacrifice for the sins of the world. When Jesus spoke (seven times), His words were carefully, Divinely chosen. Jesus broke the silence with the announcement, "It is finished." Then Jesus was silent again. He was silent in death. The sacrifice was completed once and forever.

The Lenten season is a time for some silence. We silently think about and confess our sins, which put Jesus on the cross. We meditate quietly on all that Jesus experienced for us. We pray silently, giving thanks to Jesus for His death for us.

We have lots of time to talk with our friends, to listen to music, to cheer for the team and to experience the noise and activity in our lives. The Lenten season and the reflection on Jesus' Passion is also a time to be respectfully and reverently quiet.

PRAYER: Jesus, too often we speak when we should be quiet. You went quietly to the cross. You kept quiet in the agony of Your Passion. Now, open our mouths to give You thanks and praise. Open our mouths to share the blessings of Your Passion with others. Amen.