

† School News † "Sent to Serve"

This Week's Theme: **Growing to Serve** Mark 4:26-34

"It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade" (Mark 4:31-32).

God's creation is so amazing. Through God's power, the seed is planted in the soil. The seed is watered. The sun shines on the plants, and soon they sprout through the ground and grow. From those seeds, we may get vegetables or fruit, or we may enjoy the beauty of plants and flowers.

Jesus often used creation to teach lessons about the kingdom of God. Jesus used birds and lilies to teach us not to worry (Matthew 6). Jesus taught how seeds falling on soil were like planting and growing in His Word (Mark 4). Jesus shares a lesson from the mustard seed and its plant. Jesus' lessons share the importance of "growing" in Christ.

The mustard seed was a small seed. From the small seed, a plant could grow up to 10 feet high. How did that growth take place? God gave the seed soil, nutrients in the soil, water, sunshine and everything it needed to grow. Even more

amazing than the growth of a plant is the growth of the kingdom of God. God plants His Word in the "soil" of the church. God sends the water of Baptism. God sends His Spirit to work through the water and Word so that faith grows in the heart of the believ-

Just like we can't see a plant growing from one hour to the next, or even from one day to the next, often times we can't see the church growing. However, it does grow!

Just as the mustard plant grew "so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade" (v. 32), the church grows to hold many different kinds of people. Perhaps as we look at our church and school we not only see different ages, but are also blessed to see different cultures and colors of skin. Certainly as we look at the church around the world, we see many different kinds of people who share in the joy of Jesus as their Savior.

The growing of God's "mustard seed" church is amazing.

PRAYER: Jesus, in the springtime of the year we give thanks for the plants that You created and the plants that bring beauty to Your creation. Bless the growing season. Thank You for the seed of Your Word, and grant that it may grow in us so that we might sow the seed so others grow in Your grace. Amen.

ENROLL NOW!

Searching for a Christian School for your child(ren)? Call us today for more information or a tour (920) 725-1715. We are enrolling for the 2021-2022 School Year.



June 12 & 13, 2021 Weekly Bulletin

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



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Saturday, June 12

5:00PM Worship in Church & Online

Sunday, June 13

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

Monday June 14

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

Tuesday, June 15

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

Wednesday, June 16

6:30PM Worship in Church (masks optional)

Thursday, June 17

6:00AM Men's Bible Study

Friday June 18

Saturday, June 19

5:00PM Worship in Church & Online

Sunday, June 20

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

Congregational **Voters Meeting- Budget**

Tues. June 29th at 6:30PM In the Sanctuary to adopt the 2021-2022 Budget.

Jeff Briggs, Jim Perry, Dan Schultz, Mona Bahrke, Merry Voigt, Ronald Virchow Sr., Brenda Kempf, Rose Kosloski, Pr. Ronald Meier, Charity Gerard, Ruth Wright, Kari Lindner, Joan Reinke, Tom Drum, Janine Jandrey, Sherry Bricco-Tobin, Michael Hastings, Jim Wittmann, Bud Tschirgi, Karleton Borchardt, Merle Webber, Shelly Holewinski, Pastor Michael Ahlemeyer, Dennis Durkey, Jackie Kislewski, Levi Kroes, Joyce Virchow, Pastor Timothy Kinne, Michelle Mahoney, Jeff Dionne, Sue Maynard, Donna Mies, Sally Bolen, Kathy Rigotti, Dianne Olsen, Frank Erdmann, Blaine Henkel, Alan Manteufel, Debbie Manteufel, Shirley Fleischer, Dan Schael, Ann Keller, Jeanne Juve, Walter Brinkman, Jerry Peotter, Lana Gast, Scott Dontje, Sandy Rammer, Scott Steenepoorte, Norb Pomerenke, Brooke Schroeder, Judy Krause, and Lynn Olson.

Mark 4:34 - "He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything." How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. He has told us all things plainly. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our fight against sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore, let us receive the Lord's help in His Word and Sacraments, and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: <u>www.trinitymenasha.com</u>or "Like" Us on Facebook

Altar Flowers

For the Glory of God from the Ladies Aid

This Weekend's Banners

"New People"
"Look to the Hills, God Reigns"

A Memorial Gift – was given to Trinity in memory of Elizabeth Chick.

Church Office – The Church Office hours are 8:00AM-3:00PM.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities:

10:30AM Sunday – "Prayer: We Speak to God" with Rev. Alliet & Rev. Billings (In Person & Online).

10:30AM Sunday – "Daniel a Man of God" with Rev. GeRue, will resume in August.

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

6:30PM Monday – Women's Bible Study, "Joy: A Study of Philippians" by Deb Burma (Connie Henkel) Large Conference Room

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 Jean know.



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 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.

<u>Ushers</u> – We are looking for more ushers to help on Wednesday nights, Saturdays, and Sundays. If you would like to help, please contact Jean or Mary at the office and they can get you on the schedule.

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

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

Trinity's Food Pantry – thanks to 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: Canned Fruit, Tomato Sauce, Salad Dressing, and Mustard. If you or someone you know would benefit from the pantry, call Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

NOTE THE NEW
ADMIN E-MAIL ADDRESS:
ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com

Ordination Anniversary Celebration!

Our Trinity Family has an opportunity to celebrate with the Reverend and Mrs. Steven Billings on the occasion of Pastor's 30th Anniversary of his Ordination. He will be recognized at the worship services on June 26, 27, and 30th. Your Board of Outreach and Social Ministry will be serving treats after those services plus we would love to shower them with many cards of love, thanks and appreciation during the month of June. There are note cards available on a small table in the narthex for you to take. We praise and thank God for Pastor and Liz Billings and their dedication to our Lord and our Trinity Family.



"For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." Phillipians 1:21

Trinity Camping Weekend

This year Trinity Camping weekend is August 20-22 & will again be held at Wild West Campground & Corral.

They are located 8 miles west of Waupaca on Hwy 54. Check them out at http://www.wildwestcampground.com.

New this year: Reservations are now taken online. Go to their website and place your reservation today.

To plan for future years, a questionnaire will be created to get your input. Question? Contact Roger or Merry Voigt, at (920) 725-9908 or rvoigt@sbcglobal.net.

SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church/School 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 Jean or Mary with your order at:

<u>ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com</u>. They will put it together.

Kwik Trip Scrip is now at 12% rebate – Limited time only!!

Help Needed Mowing Grass

Volunteers needed for lawn mowing this season. All equipment needed is provided by Trinity. Please contact Lee Colby for more information or to sign up. Thank you!

Outdoor Plant Care

God's Ray of Sunshine and your help with taking care of the plants outside around the church would certainly make it a beautiful display for Trinity! There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex on the spinner.

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

\$ Current Finances \$

Monthly Income Needed: \$75,637 Income as of June 6: \$11,194