



February 5, 6 & 9, 2022 Weekly Bulletin

Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven S. Billings

Principal/Associate Pastor: Rev. Keith E. GeRue

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm



✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, February 12:

Elder on Duty: *Tom Harrmann*

Usher Team: *Lee Colby*

Communion Assistant: *Ian Thomas*

Altar Guild: *Philip & Mary Conradt*

Acolyte: *Melani Gast*

Sunday, February 13:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*

Usher Team: *Dave Collingwood*

Communion Assistant: *Robert Flater*

Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*

Acolyte: *Dylan Kobs*

Wednesday, February 16

Elder on Duty: *Dave Collingwood*

Usher Team: *Steve Reinke/Bill Diesch*

Communion Assistant:

Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*

✠ We Pray For...✠

Harvey Bielefeld, Bill Otto, Jill Thomas, Michael Burns, Carla Watson, Gabriel Mlodik, Peter Keller, Mary Howden, Lorna Forbes, Ken Schwerbel, Rosie Michel, Dorothy Wirth, Karen Lambert, Liz Swaney, Shannon Braun, Jim Perry, Ronald Virchow Sr., Rose Kosloski, Pr. Ronald Meier, Joan Reinke, Tom Drum, Michael Hastings, Merle Webber, Dennis Durkey, Joyce Virchow, Jeff Dionne, Sue Maynard, Donna Mies, Kathy Rigotti, Dianne Olsen, Frank Erdmann, Alan Manteufel, Debbie Manteufel, Shirley Fleischer, Dan Schael, Lana Gast, Sandy Rammer, Scott Steenepoorte, Norb Pomerence, Judy Krause, Lynn Olson, Rev. Jerry Stecker, Dominic Hall, Sam Koch, Gloria Williamson, LuAnn Ratzburg, Lydia King, and David Cotter.

Bible Study Opportunities At Trinity Lutheran Church:

10:30 AM Sunday School – Pre K-6th Grade begins in the Second Floor Choir Room

10:30 AM Sunday – "Community. We are not alone." with Rev. Alliet & Rev. Billings (In Person & Online) - Large Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Sunday – Young Adult Bible Study (7-8th Grades, High School & College Students) "Daniel a Man of God" with Rev. GeRue - Small Fellowship Hall

10:45 AM Sunday – Book of Isaiah with Blaine Henkel—Narthex Conf. Room

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

6:30 AM Tuesday – Ladies Bible Study, Ten Minute Bible Journey with Dottie Kraus

6:00 AM Thursday – Men's Bible Study, Book of Acts with Steve Reinke, Large Conference Room

For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or contact the church office.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God
by the Ladies Aid/LWML

This Weekend's Banners

"Joy:Fully Lutheran" and
"King of Kings and Lord of Lords; Alleluia"

\$ Current Finances \$

Monthly Income Needed : \$75,637

Ladies Aid/LWML February Meeting

All ladies are invited to join us on Tuesday, February 15th @ 6:30 p.m. in the Small Fellowship Hall for our Ladies Aid/LWML meeting. There will be a Bible Study led by Barbara Kester. Come, be in His Word and enjoy fellowship with your Sisters in Christ. Bring a light snack to share if you'd like. May God bless you with His brightness and joy during these, at times, dark winter months.

Lost & Found

Our lost and found basket is in the narthex by the coat racks. Please check here if you left something at church.

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

Luke 5:5 – "And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.'" In Peter's words there are both exasperation and trust. He's tired. He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust God's Word – and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting God's Word and acting on it.

✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, February 5

Soup & Bread Sale (Before & After Service)
5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

Sunday, February 6

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online
Soup & Bread Sale (Before & After Service)
10:30-11:30 AM Ed Hour Online & In-Person

Monday, February 7

Pastor's Sabbath
9:00 AM Sewing
4:30 PM Basketball @Trinity Oshkosh
6:00 PM Prayer Time
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, February 8

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
3:45 PM Basketball Practice
6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, February 9

8:45 AM Chapel
5:00 PM Catechism
6:30 PM Worship In-Person Church

Thursday, February 10

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Friday, February 11

Saturday, February 12

9 AM Food Pantry
Soup & Bread Sale (Before & After Service)
5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

Sunday, February 13

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online
Soup & Bread Sale (Before & After Service)
10:30-11:30 AM Ed Hour Online & In-Person

Holy Communion

We ask that those desiring to commune be members in good standing of Trinity or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. If you have questions regarding this, please speak with one of the Pastors.



Friends of the Pipe Organ & Grand Piano Soup & Bread Sale January 22–February 20

(Before & After Services)

A variety of Soups and Breads will be available. A ready-made meal to warm the day.

Bring in your favorite soup or bread/quick bread to support the maintenance of our organ and grand piano. Jars and instructions will be available in the Narthex in January.

Contact Elaine with any questions (920) 470-9090. If you have a favorite you'd like us to make - let us know.

Check Your Mailbox

Please check your mailboxes for your 2022 Offering Envelopes, and for your 2021 Contribution Statement. Thank you!

Sewing Help Needed

Non-sewing help needed for the Shelter Sewing group. We have been continually blessed with donations from Fair Market of sheets, fillers and much more, to the point that we need help sorting and cutting apart items that have come in. Working at home is an option or come and share the comradery (and a cup of coffee) while working together to make warm coverings for the needy. We meet Mondays at 9-ish. Contact Elaine for more information. 920-470-9090. More sewers are always welcome too!

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Now is a great time to check your Thrivent Choice account choice dollars balance. A reminder-all choice dollar amounts can be directed to Trinity Church or School, but must be completed before March 31st. Thanks.

Trinity's Food Pantry

Trinity's Food Pantry serves those in need in the Fox Cities.

You can continue to provide for our Pantry distribution. Currently, the following non-perishables are needed—Paper Products, Pudding/Jell-O, toothpaste, Salad Dressing, and Soup Crackers. If you or someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Mark Your Calendar—Game Night!

The Board of Outreach and Social Ministry will be hosting "Game Night." This is an event you and your family won't want to miss. There are games for every age and the competition can get pretty crazy! Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 19, 2022, 7:00–10:00 PM, in the Large Fellowship Hall. Pizza and soda will be served. Bring your favorite snacks, and games you love to play!

Prayer Chain

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

Portals of Prayer

Portals of Prayer, a devotional book, is \$.75 each. These are available in the narthex or let the office know if you wish to purchase one.

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church/School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:00PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

How to Order Scrip? Call the office Mon.- Fri., 8:00AM-3:00PM, or email your order to: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com. They will put it together.

Fleet Farm Scrip—get yours now at a special 10 percent discount!

Tom's Drive In Scrip—10 percent rebate!

✠ SCHOOL NEWS ✠

“In All Things” All Amazed and Engaged

Luke 5:1–11

“For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, ‘Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men’” (LUKE 5:9–10).

Jesus went fishing! Our Scripture reading for today is the first of several times in Jesus’ ministry where we find Him by a lake and interacting with fishermen. With several lakes in the area where Jesus lived, fishing was an important source of food and an important occupation. Like today, some people also fish for the fun of the experience.

Jesus is in a fishing boat with Simon. In the context of Jesus’ time, the fishing equipment was rather simple. The fisherman didn’t use poles and bait and some of the fishing equipment we may use. The basic equipment was a net that was let off the side of the boat. They hoped the net would catch the fish swimming by the boat. Jesus gives fishing advice to Simon, and miraculously the nets are full of fish.

Peter realized that the passenger in his boat was not just another curious observer. Peter calls his passenger “Master” and when he sees the amazing catch, he realizes he is in the presence of the Lord (“Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord” [V. 8]). Before Peter can be in the salvation “net” of Jesus’ grace and power, he has to realize that he is not a worthy “catch.” None of us are worthy to be in the presence of Jesus.

There was a much more important “net” being let down than the fishing net. Jesus was catching followers. Jesus chose to bring Peter into His net. Every time a Baptism takes place,

every time God’s Word is taught, Jesus is letting down the net and bringing in a catch for the kingdom.

Jesus was doing more than participating in a fishing experience on the lake of Gennesaret. Jesus was “fishing” for disciples. It was God’s plan that Jesus would have a special group of students who would travel with Him, listen to His teaching and watch His miracles. These disciples would follow Jesus all the way to the cross and tomb. They would see the risen Jesus. They would share the news of Jesus’ Words and invite others to follow Jesus. The fishermen would continue to let down nets and to make a catch. They would be using the net of God’s Word to catch other followers for Jesus. We are glad that we have been brought into His net. We, too, become “fishers” of men, women and children when we share God’s Word.

In All Things

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Your Son among the fishermen so that they could “catch men.” Thank You for bringing us into the “net” of Your grace. May we continue to go fishing for You, bringing others into Your kingdom. In Jesus’ name, Amen.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Feb. 7	4:30 & 5:30 pm Basketball Trinity Oshkosh @ Home
Feb. 9	8:45 am Chapel
Feb. 10	100th Day of School
Feb. 10-11	CWES– 5th & 6th Graders
Feb. 11	1st–4th PAC Schoolhouse Rock Live!