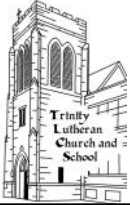
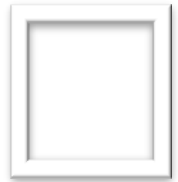


February 25 & 26, 2023 Weekly Bulletin



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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, February 25: First Week in Lent

9:00 AM Food Pantry
5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, February 26: First Week in Lent

9:00 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School

Monday, February 27:

Rev. Billings' Sabbath
9:00 AM Sewing
5:30 PM Adult Information Class
6:00 PM Prayer Time
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, February 28:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
12:30 PM 5th-8th Grade FVLHS Musical
3:45 PM Boys VB
6:30 PM Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting

Wednesday, March 1: First Mid-Week in Lent

9:00 AM Lenten Service
5:00 PM Catechism
5:15 PM Lenten Dinner/Board of Education
6:30 PM Lenten Service

Thursday, March 2:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
3:45 PM VB Practice
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 3:

Saturday, March 4: Second Week in Lent

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, March 5: Second Week in Lent

9:00 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School

NOTE TIME CHANGE

Please note that the Lenten morning mid-week services will begin at 9:00 AM and not 10:30 AM.

✠ We Pray For...✠

The Sick: Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Jan Bathke, Mark and Jean Becker, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, David Cotter, Jean Damon, Matt Daniels, Ed Diesch, Jeff Dionne, Dennis & Judith Durkey, Tim E., Carol Evensen, George Engele, Frank Erdmann, Shirley Fleischer, Alma Garza, Michael Hastings, Mary Howden, Peter Keller, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Sam Koch, Dottie Kraus, Karen Lambert, Warren Lindner, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Mlodik Family, Dianne Olsen, Lisa Olson, Lynn Olson, Norb Pomerence, Joan Reinke, Kathy Rigotti, LeRoy Schaefer, Dan Schael, Jan Schroeder, Ray Schroeder, Sam & Amy Schroeder, Jordan Schroeter, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steene-poorte, Liz Swaney, Bud Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth, Terry Wray.

Celebrating Birthdays: Emma Anderson, Alyssa Bowers, LeRoy Schaefer, Mya Worm, Todd Kohler, Burnett Pagel, Mayson Mullins, Jean Toeppler, Paul Collingwood, Anne Dahms, Alexander Kamprath, Larry Olsen, Brittney Voigt, Lawrence Schewe, Daniel Siebert, Jodi Wendler

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Connie & Blaine Henkel, Merle & Noelle Webber

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.

Menu for Ash Wednesday's Dinner, hosted by the Board of Education

Spaghetti Casserole, Garlic Bread, Desserts, Salad, & Drinks

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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Altar Flowers

The flowers have been given to the glory of God by the Altar Guild.

This Weekend's Banner

"Look to the Hills, God Reigns"
"Let the Son Shine Through"

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

Matthew 17:8 – "And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only." Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

Trinity Shut-Ins

There are several new faces on our shut- in list at Trinity, along with numerous folks that have not been able to worship with us for some time. The photos, addresses and phone numbers are updated and are visible in the narthex. Please remember these wonderful people in your prayers, send them a card or a note, give them a call, or even make a visit. It is a blessing to be able to see them and experience a wealth of knowledge. We are so very grateful to Reverend Alliet for his ongoing visits as these individuals look so forward to his visits and being spiritually fed with the Word and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Ice Melt Needed

Since we are only about half way through winter, we can always use donations of ice melt or salt for the sidewalks. **Please no rock salt.** Donations can be brought to the school or church office or if you see Mr. Colby you can give it to him as well. Thank you in advance for your donation and helping to make our sidewalks safe!

Trinity's Food Pantry

This month, our Pantry needs are Raman, Baked Beans, Jello, Pudding, Canned Fruit, Laundry Detergent and Tomato Soup. If someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Thank you for all that you do to support our Food Pantry!

Trinity Gallery Choir

Trinity's Gallery Choir is now meeting weekly, Thursday nights at 6:30 pm. If time is an issue contact Connie Henkel, (920) 257-6590.

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.

Gluten-Free Hosts Available

If you prefer a gluten-free host for communion, please talk with one of the pastors before the service.

Announcing!... At Last!!! ...

- **ALLELUIA RINGERS!!**
- *Prof. Mark Bloedow, Director*
- *(Concordia Univ. – Mequon, WI)*
- **Handbell Concert**
- at Trinity LC&S!
- **12 April at 7:00 pm**
- Reception follows!
- A Freewill Offering!
- (Fundraising Event to help raise \$\$
- for Trinity to purchase Handbells!!)
- Questions? Call the church office
- (722-2662) or Rose (608-213-2644)

Don't miss this spectacular event!! 🎵

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, February 25: FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *Tom Harrmann*
Usher Team: *Tom Harrmann*
Communion Asst: *Lee Colby*
Altar Guild: *Philip & Mary Conradt*
Greeter: *Betty Allen*
Acolyte: *Maya Torres*

Sunday, February 26: FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *Bart Nielsen*
Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*
Communion Asst: *Ron Kraus*
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*
Greeter: *Rosemary Collingwood*
Acolyte: *Melani Gast*

Lenten Mid-Week 1, March 1: 9:00 AM/6:30 PM

9:00 AM Elder:
Usher Team: *Dave Acker*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
6:30 PM Elder: *Craig Thomas*
Usher Team: *Harrmann/Weinig*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
Acolyte: *Dylan Kobs*

Friday Night Hymn Sing:

Come join us at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 3 for our second hymn sing. We start out with a wonderful devotion followed by singing favorite hymns.

The evening ends with snacks and refreshments in the Narthex. Please invite your friends to come along as well.

Let's fill the pews and raise the rafters!

§ SCRIP News §

SCRIP is sold in the Church & School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:45 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

Special Rebates!:

Grocery Only Kwik Trip Scrip at 20%; Regular Kwik Trip, Fleet Farm & Tom's Drive In-10%

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, March 4: SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *David Little*
Usher Team: *Jerry Maynard*
Communion Asst: *Ian Thomas*
Altar Guild: *Paula Reichert*
Greeter: *Barb Kester*
Acolyte: *Donavan Rausch*

Sunday, March 5: SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*
Communion Asst: *Lee Weinig*
Altar Guild: *Volunteer Needed*
Greeter: *Jane Nielsen*
Acolyte: *Levi Kroes*

Lenten Mid-Week 2, March 8: 9:00 AM/6:30 PM

9:00 AM Elder:
Usher Team: *Reinke/Maynard*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
6:30 PM Elder: *Craig Thomas*
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
Acolyte: *Melani Gast*

South Wisconsin District Financial Aid

Applications are due **May 15**. Anyone attending a Concordia University or Seminary, is a member of an LCMS congregation in the SWD and is preparing to be a full-time church worker (pastor, teacher, deaconess, DCE/DCO, DFLM, DPM, lay minister) is encouraged to apply. There are two applications required (District Financial Aid Application and Personal Aid Application). Both are available on the SWD website - swd.lcms.org/resources/student-aid-applications/.

Who may apply? Active female members of congregations of the South Wisconsin District of the LCMS who are residents of the SWD prior to college and are preparing for "full-time service in the LCMS" are encouraged to apply. An applicant must be enrolled as an undergraduate at one of the educational institutions of the Synod for the 2023-2024 school year. (Full-time service is defined as any position available through the Board of Assignments of the Synod)

Trinity Lutheran School

“WORD OF LIFE”

Matthew 4:1–11

“It is written ...’ ‘Again it is written ...’ ‘For it is written ...’” (MATT. 4:4, 7, 10).

In today’s Bible reading, we read about Jesus defending Himself, and He teaches us how to defend ourselves from the attacks of Satan.

When we began the Epiphany season, we saw Jesus at His Baptism. As we begin the Lenten season, we now follow Jesus and His disciples on His journey to the cross. The devil wanted to do anything and everything to keep Jesus from beginning and ending that journey. The first promise of a Savior (Gen. 3:15) said that the Savior would crush the head of the serpent, Satan. Satan certainly did not want his head crushed!

Jesus immediately encountered the devil as He began His ministry journey. For forty days, the devil constantly and intensely tempted Jesus. Matthew’s Gospel tells us about three temptations. When the devil tempted the hungry Jesus to turn stones into bread, Jesus quoted the Old Testament words of Moses, “Man shall ... live by every word that comes from the mouth of God” (Deut. 8:3). When Jesus was tempted to jump off a temple tower, Jesus quoted the words of a psalm. When Jesus was tempted to take earthly goods and glory, He again quoted words of Prophet Moses. Three times Jesus defended Himself from the temptations of the devil with the all-powerful words of the inspired Old Testament writers.

Throughout Jesus’ earthly ministry, the devil would continue to attempt to keep Jesus from the cross. Jesus, who defeated the devil in the battle in the wilderness, defeated the devil with the Good Friday battle on the cross and the victory of His resurrection on Easter Sunday. We confess Jesus’ victory every time we say the Apostles’ Creed. We confess, “He descended into hell” (Small

Catechism, Second Article of the Creed). Jesus showed Himself alive to the devil. The devil was finally and forever crushed.

While we wait for Jesus’ return, the devil still tempts Jesus’ disciples. The good news is that we have a defense against the temptations of the devil. Our defense is more certain and powerful than any type of self-defense class. There are no moves that we can make to defend ourselves against the devil. Our defense comes from God. Our defense is the all-powerful Word of the Bible. Like Jesus, we can defend ourselves with His Word, “It is written ...” As His disciples, we continue to learn His Word, believe His Word and use His Word as our defense.

Jesus, through the Word, You defended Yourself from the temptations of the devil. Through Your resurrection, You forever defeated the power of the devil. Thank You for the Word to us that defeats Satan and brings life to Your disciples now and eternally. Amen.

Making
Disciples
for Life 

HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY SCHOOL

FEB. 27—MAR 3

- Tue Feb 28 12:30 PM 5th-8th Grade FVLHS Musical
- 3:45 PM Boys VB
- Wed Mar 1 9:00 am Lenten Service
- Thu Mar 2 3:45 pm Boys Volleyball Practice
- Fri Mar 3 2:45 – 3:15 pm Electives

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Join Us During



Midweek Series: *Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus* (These services will combine the story of God's rescue of the people of Israel from slavery in Egypt, with Jesus' rescue of us from our slavery to sin and death, and how that great rescue is presented to us in the "ordinaries" of the liturgy.)

Ash Wednesday February 22, 2023 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"I Almost Got Away with It" Joel 2:12-19; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Lent 1 March 1 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus: The Kyrie" Exodus 1:8-14; 2:23-25; Mark 10:46-52

Lent 2 March 8 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus: The Gloria" Exodus 14:30-15:21; Luke 2:8-14

Lent 3 March 15 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus: The Creed" Exodus 3:1-6, 13-15; Matthew 16:13-18, 21-23

Lent 4 March 22 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus: The Sanctus" Exodus 19:16-20; 20:18-21; Isaiah 6:1-8;
Matthew 21:1-11

Lent 5 March 29 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Our Ordinary Lenten Exodus: the Agnus Dei" Exodus 12:1-13, 21-27; John 1:29-36

Maundy Thursday April 6 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"Everything Old Is New Again" Exodus 24:3-11; Hebrews 9:11-22; Matthew 26:17-30

Good Friday Tre Ore April 7 12:00-3:00PM

Good Friday Vespers April 7 6:30PM
"When Push Comes to Shove, God is Love" Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; John 18-19

Easter Vigil April 8 5:00 PM
"The Night That Changed Everything"

Easter April 9 6:30 AM 9:00 AM
"The More Things Change . . ." Luke 24:1-12; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; Isaiah 65:17-25