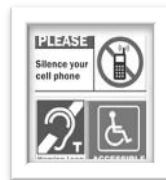


March 11 & 12, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, March 11: Third Week in Lent

9:00 AM Food Pantry
5:00 PM Worship Service
Day Light Savings Time Spring Ahead 1 hour

Sunday, March 12: Third Week in Lent

9:00 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School
4:00 PM Seder Meal Sign In
4:30 PM Seder Meal Program Begins

Monday, March 13:

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, March 14:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 15: Third Mid-Week in Lent

9:00 AM Lenten Service
5:00 PM Catechism
5:15 PM Lenten Dinner/Board of Outreach & Social Ministry
6:30 PM Lenten Service (**Live Streamed on FB**)

Thursday, March 16:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 17:

Saturday, March 18: Fourth Week in Lent

5:00 PM Worship Service/Choir Sings

Sunday, March 19: Fourth Week in Lent

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

✠ 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, Colyn Hopfensperger, 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 Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Bud Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth, Terry Wray.

Celebrating Birthdays: Lorena Hintz, Isaac Gast, Darrell Krause, Tim Jandrey

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Tim and Teresa Wray

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 Wednesday, March 15th
Lenten Dinner Hosted by the
Board of Outreach & Social Ministry:
Sloppy Joes, Baked Beans, Chips,
Dessert, & Beverages**



News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com or
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Altar Flowers

The flowers have been given to the
glory of God by the Ladies Aid

This Weekend's Banner

"and God Blessed Them"
"Seder"

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

Exodus 17:3 - "But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?'" Even the Israelites, who saw miracles with their own eyes, fell into unbelief and fear. From this distance we can see how foolish their worry is. How foolish will our worries appear from the distance of eternity? The Lord cared for them, and He will care for us.




Gluten-Free Hosts Available

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

Announcing ... 

 A premier **HANDBELL CONCERT** ... HERE ...

at Trinity Lutheran Church & School!!





on 12 APRIL at 7:00pm   

Featuring **ALLELUIA RINGERS!!**

Prof. Mark Bloedow, Director
(Concordia University - Mequon, WI)

A reception and light refreshments will follow the concert!

A Freewill Offering will be taken at the recital
with all proceeds going to Trinity's
purchase of Handbells. ☺

Don't miss this spectacular event! If you have questions, call the
church office (722-2662) or Rose (608-213-2644)

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.

Time is running out! Thrivent Choice \$

Thrivent Members - Important reminder - Last Chance! - eligible Thrivent members have until **March 31, 2023** to direct any remaining 2022 choice dollars. Simply logon to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice and log in to check your account balance, and to allocate your choice dollars. Please take advantage of this opportunity prior to the 31st!

Ice Melt Needed

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 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.

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, March 11: THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *David Little*
Usher Team: *Lee Colby*
Communion Asst: *Dan Seibert*
Altar Guild: *Paula Reichert*
Greeter: *Dan & Peggy Dahms*
Acolyte: *Sydney Gast*

Sunday, March 12: THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*
Usher Team: *Dave Collingwood*
Altar Guild: *Carol Evensen*
Greeter: *Rose Collingwood*
Acolyte: *Simon Kroes*

Lenten Mid-Week 3, March 15: 9:00AM/6:30PM

9:00 AM Usher Team: *Dave Acker*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
6:30 PM Elder: *Craig Thomas*
Usher Team: *Collingwood/Colby*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
Acolyte: *Ava Schmidt*

Ladies Aid/LWML

We will be meeting Tuesday, March 21 @ 6:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Leah McCormick, Menasha Senior Center Activity Director; she will enlighten us on what the senior center has to offer. Join your sisters in Christ for fellowship!

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.

§ 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 & Tom's Drive In-10%

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, March 18: THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *David Little*
Usher Team: *Roger Voigt*
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*
Greeter: *JoAnn Schultz*
Acolyte: *Payton Lenth*

Sunday, March 19: THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*
Usher Team: *Jim Wittmann*
Altar Guild: *Carol Evensen*
Greeter: *Connie Henkel*
Acolyte: *Emma Schmidt*

Lenten Mid-Week 4, March 22: 9:00AM/6:30PM

9:00 AM Usher Team: *Dave Acker*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
6:30 PM Elder: *Craig Thomas*
Usher Team: *Voigt/Wittmann*
Altar Guild: *No Communion*
Acolyte: *Mierella Taschner*

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

“WATER OF LIFE”

John 4:5–26

“Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life” (JOHN 4:13-14).

What percent of the earth is covered with water? What percent of our body mass is water? Why is it important for us to drink plenty of water? Where do we find salt water? fresh water?

We need water for physical life. Plants need water. Animals need water. Our bodies need water. In today’s Bible reading, we learn that more important than water for physical bodies is the water of life in Jesus.

As true man Jesus needed water to live. Jesus asked the woman at the well, “Give me a drink” (John 4:7). Jesus’ appearance at the well was not accidental and it was more than having a refreshing, life-sustaining drink. Jesus came to the well so that His presence and words might be a blessing to a woman of Samaria who came to the well.

Jesus knew that the woman needed more than a cup of refreshing well water. The woman was thirsty for Jesus’ forgiveness. The all-knowing Jesus knew everything about the woman’s life. She had not been faithful in her marriages. She had not been faithful to God. The water in the well could not take care of the woman’s physical thirst forever. She would have to come back to this well and others again and again.

The woman might go to other “wells” to try to take care of her thirst for a relationship with God. She might go on to other marriages or relationships. She might try to find her identity as a citizen in Samaria. Everything would leave her still thirsty for forgiveness.

Jesus came as the water of life. Believing in Jesus would be like taking a refreshing, life-giving drink of everything He had to offer. On the cross, Jesus said, “I thirst.” (John 19:28). Jesus thirsted, suffered and died physically so that by believing in Him we might drink of the

forgiveness that He alone can give.

Our bodies need good, clean water frequently so that we stay alive. In the waters of our Baptism, we have received the water of life. The water of our Baptism satisfies our thirst for God’s grace. We continue to hear and believe God’s Word so that our thirst for forgiveness is quenched. The water of Jesus not only satisfies us now; it gives us eternal life.

Thank God for the waters of life. Thank God for the water of eternal life in Jesus.

Dear Jesus, we confess that we are spiritually thirsty. Thank You for the water of Baptism which first brought us life. Thank You for the promises and power of the water and Word of our Baptism that nourishes us to eternal life. Amen.

HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY SCHOOL MAR 13—17

Mon. March 13:	2:15-3:15 pm All School Rehearsal
Tue. March 14:	10:00-11:00 am All School Rehearsal
Wed. March 15:	9:00 Lenten Chapel 2:15-3:15 pm All School Rehearsal
Thur. March 16:	9:30 am PS3-K5 Llama Llama PAC 2:45 pm Electives
Fri. March 17:	2:15 – 3:15 pm All School Rehearsal End 3rd Quarter
Sat. March 18:	9:00 am Light Set-up for Musical

PIZZA SALE

5th-8th Grade are selling Kwik Trip pizzas. Options available are Cheese, Sausage, Pepperoni / Sausage, Pepperoni, Supreme, 4 Meat, Tailgater (Sausage and Cheese Curds). Make checks payable to: Trinity Lutheran (Payment is due with orders) They are \$13.00 Per Pizza. Pizzas will be delivered on March 24th.



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.)

- 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

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