

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JANUARY 31, 2010

This Week At Trinity

TODAY 4th Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship Service 8:00am Z1
 Bible Class 9:15am
 Sunday School 9:15am
 Worship Service with ChristCare
 Leader Commissioning 10:30am Z2
 Hearts on Fire PoP Fundraiser
 @ Holiday Inn 11:30am
 Anuak Worship Service 2:00pm

MONDAY ChristCare Equipper Mtg 4:00pm
 Girl Scouts 6:00pm

TUESDAY Bible Class 10:30am
 Friends in Harmony 7:00pm
 Young Adult Mtg 8:00pm

WEDNESDAY Men's Bible Study 7:00am
 SPLASHH CC 9:30
 Adult Choir 6:00pm
 Confirmation Classes 6:00pm
 Handbell Choir 7:15pm
 Sr. High Bible Study 7:15pm
 Green Team 7:15pm

THURSDAY Sewing Guild 9:00am
 Fruitloops CC @ noon
 Crossways 6:30pm

FRIDAY Parish Workers 10:00am

SATURDAY Altar Guild 9:00am
 Bible Study @ St. Cloud Prison 9:30am

IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship Service 8:00am (HC) Z3
 Adult Bible Class 9:15am
 SundaySchool 9:15am
 Worship Service 10:30am Z4

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 6:1-8 1 Cor 14:12b-20
 Luke 5:1-11

Church Office Hours: M-F 9:00AM—12:00PM
 & 1:00PM—4:00PM
 Business Office Hours: M-F 9:30—4:00PM

Offering and Attendance Figures for the week of January 24th 2010

DATE	TIME	ATTENDANCE		OFFERING
24-Jan-10	8:00am	141	General Fund without Bldg	\$6,712.25
24-Jan-10	8:00am	181	Loose	\$250.75
	TOTAL	322	TOTAL	\$6,963.00
			Amount needed weekly	\$13,462.00
	Missions Needed Wkly	\$528.85		
	Missions this Week	\$310.00	Missions 1 January to date	\$2,792.25

Next Sunday, Feb 7th, Rev. Walter Volz will be with us to share the ministry of *Food for the Poor*. In addition to being our guest preacher that day, he will also share during Bible class information on conditions and rescue operations in Haiti from first-hand sources.

Food For the Poor was founded on the basis of the Gospel of Matthew chapter 25 verse 40 “*As often as you did it to one of the least of My brothers and sisters, you did it to Me.*” They seek out the poorest of the poor in 17 different countries, aiding some of the most destitute. In each face they see the living Christ, who is hungry, thirsty, a stranger and naked. Their ministry focuses on the greatest needs of the destitute. Just as our Lord served those society ignored, this organization is there feeding the hungry, building water wells for thirsty villages, building houses for the homeless, aiding the impoverished elderly, raising orphans in a loving atmosphere of Christian discipline, healing the sick or overcoming illiteracy by supporting schools.

Annual Giving Statements are Available in the Narthex for Pick-up – The annual statements that can be used for tax purposes are available for pick-up in the Narthex.

Today’s Radio Broadcast is Sponsored by Trinity’s Hospitality Guild--The broadcast of today’s worship service is sponsored by the members of Trinity’s Hospitality Guild. We thank the guild members for making today’s broadcast possible. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial at 8:00am and also streams live on the internet at www.800wval.com.

Lutheran Witness Magazine -- This is a great LCMS magazine providing news, information and inspiring stories of faith. There is also a Minnesota North District news insert in each edition. Each year our church members are offered an opportunity to have this magazine delivered each month to their home (note: June & July are combined editions). The price for the yearly subscription is only \$18.08. If you would like to receive this magazine please leave your name, address and payment for the \$18.08 in an envelope in the church office or in the offering plate. Please be sure the envelope is marked “Lutheran Witness”. **Orders need to be received by January 31st.**

Senior High Youth Event – The annual “Acquire the Fire” event is just around the corner! This year’s event will be held Feb 5th-6th at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Cost is \$47 plus food and hotel. Partial cost will be picked up by using existing youth group funds. Please sign-up on the bulletin board outside the Youth Room. Acquire the Fire is a 27 hours of great music, powerful speakers and impactful videos. Don’t miss out! Chaperone will be Jenn Kranz.

Superbowl Subs -- The youth are again selling Superbowl subs. A sign-up table will be available after services from January 17th through the 31st. Subs can be picked up at church on Superbowl Sunday (February 7th).

Extra Hands Requested for Monday's Assembling of Our Monthly Newsletter

Volunteers are needed this Monday, to help prepare our newsletter for mailing. We start at 10:00am in the fellowship hall. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Tuesday Morning Bible Class -- The Bible class will resume this Tuesday, February 2nd at 10:30am.



Needs for Christian Care

Every day you see people who are hurting: those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, gone through a divorce, or are battling a terminal illness. Stephen Ministers are God's representatives who bring His love to those who are hurting. God is waiting to make a difference in their lives through **you!** If you want to find out more about how you can be involved in this one-to-one caring ministry, contact Joanne Keck 252-1590, Lucie Schwartzkopf 493-8334, Pastor Paul 252-3670 or Lynn MacKenzie 255-1459.

Radio Sponsors Needed – If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please see ask an usher for a form or call the office (252-3670).

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL AUCTION & DINNER – If you purchased a ticket – we will see you at the Holiday Inn today starting at 11:30. There are a very limited number of tickets available at the door. Thank you so very much for your support of Prince of Peace☺!

Trinity has a house for rent across the street from the church. The house is nearly new and has 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, with a partially finished basement. Available immediately. If you are interested or have questions, please call Bob Behrendt @ 253-5689. Rent negotiable.



February's Salt & Pepper Event -- Roses are Red, Violets are Blue -- Trinity's Salt & Pepper Welcomes You! Tuesday February 9th @ 6:30 pm, we will be playing Bunco in the Fellowship Hall. Popcorn & Cookies will be served and Prizes will be given! Invite a Friend!!!

Lynn MacKenzie's Book The Tear Catcher is Available in the Church Office -- In her book "The Tear Catcher" - *God's Hand in your heartache*, Trinity church member Lynn MacKenzie chronicles her journey of grace, traveling a road from unspeakable fear and grief to abundant peace and joy when her husband Bruce battled and eventually succumbed to cancer. You'll be moved, inspired and uplifted. Books are available in the church office for purchase. Price with tax: \$18.14.

Wanted: Used Van for Anauk Ministry

John Bakou, the leader of the Anauk ministry here at Trinity, had his transmission go out on his car and is reluctant to repair it as he has also outgrown the car. He now has four children and is looking for a larger vehicle so that everyone can be buckled in safely. John is not yet working fulltime so he is not able to get a loan or make payments so he is looking for a donated vehicle for his family and so he can use it for transportation to church for other Anauk who are without a vehicle. Please contact Craig Cooper (252-3670) in the church office if you can help or if you have any further questions.



Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing grocery relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States.

We would like to remind you that the ministry is available to ANYONE! The February menu offers some new tasty specialty boxes that work great for quick meals that are sure to impress. On-site orders for February are due by Wednesday the 17th, and online orders are due by Thursday the 18th. Distribution is Saturday, February 27 from 10:00-11:30am.

Angel Food Ministries now has gift cards available for purchase, request forms can be picked up in the office or at the Angel Food table in the foyer between 9:15-10:15. Through this opportunity you can extend a hand to friends, family, and those in the community.

Special thanks to the dedicated Angel Food volunteers, who with God's love help, reach the needs of many each month! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Chelsea or Trent Anderson at trinityangelfood@gmail.com or at 252-3670 ext. 118. You can serve by helping on distribution day, taking orders on Sundays between 9:15-10:15, or spreading the ministries mission to those in the community.



ChristCare Small Group Leaders to be Commissioned Today.

Today at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service our two new ChristCare Group Leaders, Chelsea Anderson and Jeremy Ringsmuth will be commissioned. They have successfully completed their 40 hours of Initial Training and are ready to start their small groups. Notice the updated ChristCare Brochure, with group descriptions in the bulletin today. The best time to join a ChristCare Group is when it is first formed. Try one meeting and see what you think.

All ChristCare Group Leaders and Equippers are invited to participate in the "laying on of hands".

If you'd like to learn more about joining a ChristCare Group please contact one of our ChristCare Equippers: Craig Cooper (252-3670) dco@trinitysr.org; Connie Bump (267-1666) gmagpabump@charter.net; Connie Mooney (563-508-1295) tanglewood77@hotmail.com; Barbi Stankey (333-7524) barbella88@yahoo.com.

Body Image and Self Esteem Workshop @ Living Waters Lutheran Church, Sauk Rapids, MN -- This workshop is for Girls ages 6+, teens and adults who care about them. Date: Feb. 13, 8:30am-3:30pm Cost: \$12 per person, scholarships available. Join us for a day of learning, art, music, and fun as we stand up together and re-define beauty. There will be a nondenominational Christian message. Back by popular demand; singer Rachel Kurtz, featuring *Got Stress? Get a plan!* There will be a keynote presentation by Jim Otremba, family therapist and author. We will have a myriad of community specialists gathered to present topics you will be interested in, such as: Mean Chick, Cliques, and Dirty Chicks, Male Body Image and its impact on daughters, Yoga, and much more! Please register by Fri, Feb 5th or by Fri, Jan 29 if you want to order a T-shirt. Learn more and download a registration form at www.bodyimagerworkshop.org. Questions? Call Cheri, 320 255-1135 or Tauna 320 293-7560.

Haiti Relief News

A Letter from President Gerald B. Kieschnick

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with a grateful heart that I write this update regarding support for Haiti earthquake response. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans announced a 50-percent matching gift –\$1 for every \$2 its members contribute – to Lutheran disaster relief agencies including LCMS World Relief and Human Care in St. Louis.

Thrivent Financial has pledged to contribute as much as \$1 million to this effort, which they are calling “Helping Haiti.” This campaign may generate \$3 million for desperately needed earthquake relief efforts in Haiti – \$1 million from Thrivent Financial added to \$2 million or more from its members.

Here is the information on how to give to Haiti earthquake relief that will qualify for the matching gift:

LCMS World Relief and Human Care in St. Louis:

Online: https://catalog.lcms.org/givenow/Gift_Input.asp?ID=800

Phone: 888-930-4438 (toll-free) Mail: **LCMS World Relief and Human Care**, P.O.

Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861 (Mark checks “Haiti Earthquake Relief”)

(Donations will be accepted through March 31st. Thrivent will add a maximum of \$250 per member donation.)

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Soup Suppers – Ash Wednesday is February 17th. Start planning which favorite soup you would like to make or ask us to make for you. It may seem early but it takes time to get everything organized. All suggestions are welcome. Just a reminder that Trinity's kitchen is still peanut free. We need many volunteers. More information will be in the February Newsletter. Please call Gail Reginek (253-9462) if you can help or if you would like to make some soup suggestions.

Job Opening -- Trinity's Leadership Team and Youth Board have developed a plan to hire a part-time Youth Coordinator for 10 hours per week. The job will be to organize youth activities, etc. A job description is in the church office. Call 252-3670 or stop in at the church office if interested. The position will start as soon as possible.

Youth Bible Study -- Pastor Dave Strohschein will be continuing Wednesday Night Youth Bible Study. This is a great way for senior high youth to interact with each other and learn more about God's word. Please join Pastor Dave and other youth on Wednesday nights at 7:15pm in the youth room.

God is Calling – Where will you go? There are more than 200 opportunities available to serve with LCMS World Mission, ranging from one week to a lifetime! Check out their website for more information. www.lcmsworldmission.org/service