

Trinity Trumpeter



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Mission statement: “To make disciples of all people through a faithful ministry of Word and Sacrament.”

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Welcome Home: ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. (Luke 15: 6b-7)

On Sunday, September 19th we shall have an evangelism / welcome home worship service. Words of encouragement will be sent to our members who have not been in church recently. Perhaps, you will also personally share words of encouragement to members to join us on this Sunday. Our plan is to serve refreshments in the south parking lot as we leave worship on this day.

One method to use to share your faith is called “**The Roman Road Map to Heaven**”.

Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

First, a person needs to know why they need Jesus. Sin, of course! The Bible tells us we are blind and enemies of God.

Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Next, a person needs to know what the results are for being a sinner. Yes, death was the result of the fall of mankind into sin, as recorded in the book of Genesis.

Romans 5:8 “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

Then we explain that God has provided an escape plan so that we do not have to experience eternal death that is life in hell. Jesus, our Savior came to earth to suffer and die in our place. Jesus took the payment of our sins upon Himself.

Romans 10:9 “That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Of course, being sinners, we are enemies of God, we want nothing to do with him. We read in Romans chapter five verse ten: “For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.”

We are dead in our sin; we can't do anything! We can't even come to faith in Jesus our Lord. It is the Holy Spirit who brings us to faith. We read in 1 Corinthians 12:3, "Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says, "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit." And in Titus 3:5, "...he [Jesus] saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit..."

Romans 5:1 "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

The Holy Spirit brings us to faith, and we are justified, that is it is now "just as If I had never sinned", we are seen as holy in the eyes of our heavenly Father as He looks at us through the blood poured out by His Son, Jesus.

Worship via electronic means is certainly not a replacement for worshipping in the House of God. Seeing one another in person allows for the mutual encouragement and support that we read about in I Thessalonians 5: 9-11, "For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore **encourage one another** and build one another up, just as you are doing."

Hebrews 10: 24-25; "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."

See you in worship.

Paster Kehnke

Ladies Tuesday Bible

The woman's Bible study group will meet in the church again on September 7th @ 12:45. We will continue our Bible Study on Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah It's never too late to join the study! Hope to see you there. Please let Shirley Holtzen know if you will be joining and she will get you a copy of the study. Ph. 531-289-0396



Sunday Morning Bible Class: Study of the Old Testament with Pastor Holtzen. Starts at 9:00am

Monday Evening Bible study resumes on Monday, September 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. **Angels and Demons:** Six lessons. About This Series "You believe in angels? You've got to be kidding!" "The Bible teaches that there are angels . . . and demons." "So you believe in harps, wings, pitchforks, and pointy tails?" "Well, not exactly." As Lutherans interact with other Christians, they often find themselves struggling to explain their beliefs and practices. Although many Lutherans have learned the "what" of the doctrines of the Church, they do not always have a full scriptural foundation to share the "why." When confronted with different doctrines, they cannot clearly state their faith, much less understand the differences. Because of insecurities about explaining particular doctrines or practices, some Lutherans may avoid opportunities to share what they have learned from Christ and His Word. The Lutheran Difference Bible study series will identify how Lutherans differ from other Christians and use the Bible to show why Lutherans differ. These studies will prepare Lutherans to share their faith and help non-Lutherans understand the Lutheran difference.



Sunday School News: Special thanks to Mandi Kemper and Becki Maahs for their years of teaching in these two positions!

Karla Snoozy and Kristi Refior will be teaching the Elementry class, Lydia Carney will be teachign the nursery class.Sunday school promotion day will be Sunday, September 12th

Our Mission Dollars at Work



HAITI LUTHERAN
MISSION SOCIETY

HAITI TRIP September 3-8, 2015

I left Omaha, NE for Chicago then Fort Lauderdale to Port-au-Prince. On this trip I carried funds from Messiah Lutheran Lincoln, NE to buy food for an orphanage, plus funds for food supplies for our other supported churches, as well as other requested items including a security system and cameras for Pastor Thomas Bernard's church and school.

Immediately after arriving in Haiti I attended the evening service at Zion, the church that meets outside of the home of Leonard Isador. This wonderful service was attended by approximately 200 people. On Friday, Leonard and I met with Pastor Thomas and Josie, who runs the House Of Hope and Love Orphanage, to talk about needs of the orphanage and transfer the needed funds to her for support. We learned that the orphanage is still without reliable electricity which affects their ability to use the pump on their well. We promised to visit the orphanage on Saturday to meet with her further about this problem. We spent the remainder of this day purchasing and delivering supplies to the neediest in the congregations and to the supported churches.

We spent Saturday at the orphanage. It is now costing Josie seven dollars US each day to have water delivered to the orphanage to be used for washing, cooking and drinking, adding a large financial burden to her running of the orphanage. Even with the provided well and pump at the site, without needed electricity they are unable to use it. After researching quality well made generators in Haiti we discovered that we can purchase a quality generator for \$3,000 US. We are currently seeking these extra funds for this needed project. With gas in Haiti currently running at \$4.00 US per gallon, it is yet unclear if running a gas powered generator would be saving her money.

On Sunday I attended church at Pastor Thomas Bernard's church at Delmas 75 from 9:00 am – noon. This service was very well attended as usual and I was greeted by many friends. During the evening service at Zion we were able to distribute food supplies to those in attendance. 275 pounds of rice were distributed that evening. Food continues to be in short supply for many of our friends in Haiti, and hearing stories of individuals going several days without food is not unusual.

Thank you for your prayers for my safety on this trip and for your much needed support of this important work in Haiti.

Dick Buethe, Executive Director

Sunday Circle will meet next on September 5, after the service. The Sunday Circle would like to thank the congregation for the spontaneous freewill offering \$225.00. Your generosity will make it possible for us to create several more banners, support Lutheran Bible Translators, and begin another project for Orphan Grain Train.

Mary & Martha League: September 16, 1:30 pm. From September to May, the Mary and Martha League will be collecting the cash register receipts from Super Saver and Russ's Market. We trade these receipts with Trinity Church in Lincoln for their Best Choice labels. We use the Best Choice labels to help support Lutheran Family Services and Trinity Lincoln uses the Cash register receipts to get items for their school. So, we are asking you for your Best Choice Labels and your cash register receipts.



Dinner Out: will possibly resume on **September 12, 2021**. The plan is to go to Lee's. It will also depend on how many will still want to go with the new mask mandate, and the delta variant. We will take a poll after church on Sunday August 29th.

September Birthdays

9/1 Mark Kemper, Mat Broening, Melinda Pike
9/4 Laura Hametis, Paul Lemke
9/6 Eden May, Andrew DeNino
9/9 Steve Hiatt
9/14 Nolan Maahs
9/18 Tracy Refior
9/19 Marin Maahs
9/22 Emma Rink
9/25 Kilian Kemper
9/27 Madelyn Rosecrans



September Anniversaries

9/8 Derrick & Megan Rexroth 2018
9/23 Rev. Kevin & Candace Kohnke 1995
9/25 Dennis & Rosanne McClarnon 1977
9/27 Barbie & Logan Bruss 1986

Are you interested in having your name on the ballot for the election of Trinity officers? It can be made this easy for you. Email your name and the office you seek to trinitywaltonsecretary@gmail.com and your name will be put on the ballot. Elections will be held on Sunday, October 31, 2021. Offices: Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Elder, Trustee. The next voters meeting will be October 31st after church.

There are several ways you can support a student studying to become a pastor. You can adopt a student, provide student aid, or even donate items. Here are the links to the support web pages for Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana: www.ctsfw.edu/support-ctsfw and Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri: www.csl.edu/support

Urgent calls for help for Haiti, from Orphan Grain Train You may know that a 7.2 magnitude earthquake caused widespread destruction, injury, and death in Haiti last week. Then, just days later, Tropical Storm Grace passed over the same region where families are now struggling to survive. One of Orphan Grain Train's recipients, Bethesda World Ministries, Inc. in Haiti has been leveled from the recent 7.2 earthquake. They have several orphanages that have severe damage and one is destroyed. They have a birthing center north of the orphanages and are not able to travel to it because roads are destroyed. They have many outreach programs that help families living in poverty, which is very overwhelmed from the destruction and crucial needs of many. They are requesting immediate help, especially with medical supplies such as bandages, gauze, pain relievers, antiseptic, antibiotic ointment, etc. and hygiene kits/supplies. OGT is partnering with Go Serve Global to help fund a plane to fly the aid into Haiti. We need your help to get this done in the next 48 hours. You can donate online at www.ogt.org; or mail a check to OGT P.O. Box 1466 Norfolk, NE 68702 marked for Haiti Earthquake Relief; or drop off medical supplies and hygiene kits/supplies to the Norfolk warehouse located at 606 W. Phillip Ave, Norfolk, NE. Please pray for everyone affected by this devastating earthquake and that we are able to get aid to those hurting.



The LCMS Foundations *Lifetime Plan for Giving*TM Course

September 28, 29, & 30 Pastor Kohnke will be in Denver attending this free training is for leaders looking to create an ongoing, long-term funding source for their ministry in a way that encourages God's stewards to think beyond the offering plate or periodic capital campaigns.

Specifically, it will equip your leaders to identify and work with members of your congregation, schools and affiliate ministries to include gift plans within their wills or financial and estate plans. Gift planning enables members to plan charitable gifts to their cherished LCMS ministries, while caring effectively for family, after they're called home to Heaven.

We'll discuss what stops people from including a gift in their financial and estate plans, how to help donors see they have more assets than they realize and equip them to recognize that they don't have to be wealthy to leave a gift that will have a lasting impact on the Lutheran ministries they are connected with. We'll also review basic tax strategies and charitable options that make it possible for stewards to leave a gift to ministry, without sacrificing their ability to provide for their family and loved ones.

Alberts Joke of the month!

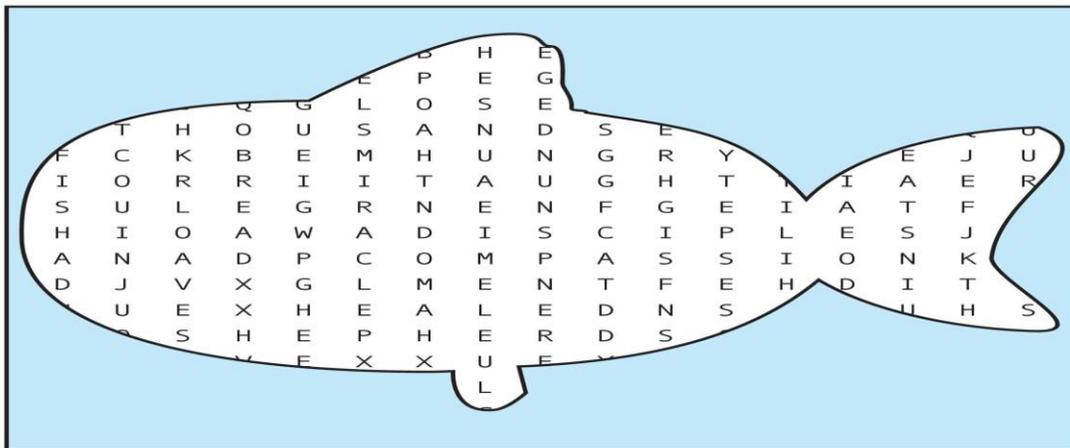
From your Secretary!



I recently took a pole and found out that 100% of the people in the tent were angry when it collapsed.

Jesus Fed the People Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be right to left, up and down, or diagonally.



September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service 11:15 Sunday Circle	6 Labor Day	7 Woman's Bible Study 12:45 Fellowship Hall	8	9	10	11 Elder's Meeting 7:00 am
12 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service Promotion Sunday & Dinner out	13 Bible Study 7:00 pm Angels and demons	14	15	16 1:30 p.m. Mary & Martha League	17	18
19 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service Special Service followed by refreshments	20 Bible Study 7:00 pm Angels and demons	21	22	23 Newsletter Print Date	24	25
26 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service Mite Box Sunday	27 No Bible Study this evening	28 Pastor attending The LCMS Foundations <i>Lifetime Plan for Giving™</i> Course	29 Pastor attending The LCMS Foundations <i>Lifetime Plan for Giving™</i> Course	30 Pastor attending The LCMS Foundations <i>Lifetime Plan for Giving™</i> Course		

Those serving in September, 2021 Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Elders

5th Alan Retzlaff, Hank Oetjen
12th Tracy Refior, Steve Cartagena
19th Alan Retzlaff, Roger Pearson
26th Hank Oetjen

Altar Guild

5th Candy Kohnke, Shirley Retzlaff
12th Deb Pavey, Laura Hametis
19th Erin Singh, Megan Rexroth
26th Becky Nisley, Laura Hametis

Acolyte

5th Lydia Oetjen
12th Knoxly May
19th Willa Oetjen
26th Ruby Oetjen

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