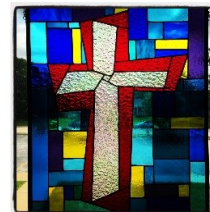


# News of the Son

Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO



April  
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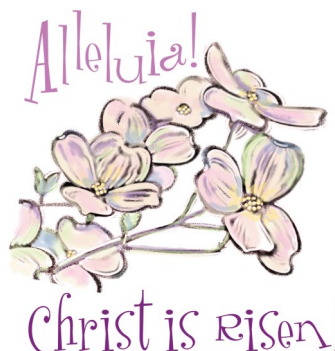
*From the  
Pastor*



Christ is arisen  
From the grave's dark prison.  
So let our joy rise full and free;  
Christ our comfort true will be. Alleluia!

Were Christ not arisen,  
Then death were still our prison.  
Now, with Him to life restored,  
We praise the Father of our Lord. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Now let our joy rise full and free;  
Christ our comfort true will be. Alleluia! (LSB 459)\*



Easter is the oldest festival of the Christian Church. For 2000 years the life of the Church has centered on it. The resurrection of Christ is the center of our faith and the high point of the Church year. Lent was the time of preparation, and alleluias were removed from the liturgy and hymns. Now six more weeks are set aside to meditate on Easter's meaning in the Christian life. The alleluias are returned, and we are reminded through faith that Jesus' death and resurrection are also our death and resurrection.

*Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Romans 6:3-11*

In Him we have died to sin and risen to life. Baptism becomes the recurring theme in the Easter season, along with the joy and the fruits of the Christian life.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Easter Prayer:

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Your Servant in Christ,  
*Pastor Brian Thieme*

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**Knowing Christ's Love  
Seeking His Will  
Spreading His Word**

# Worship Schedule for HOLY WEEK



In addition to our regular Sunday and Monday services and our midweek Lenten services on Wednesday April 3 and April 10, we invite you to join us for the following services during Holy Week:

<b>Sunday, April 14</b> <b>Palm Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 6:00 p.m. (Monday) Worship Service <i>"Save Us Now!"</i> <i>Matthew 21:1-11</i>	<b>Thursday, April 18</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b> 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Worship Service with Communion <i>"Take and Eat;              Take and Drink"</i> <i>Matthew 26:26-28</i>	<b>Friday, April 19</b> <b>Good Friday</b> 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Worship Service <i>"It Is Finished!"</i> <i>John 19:28-30</i>	<b>Sunday, April 21</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b> 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship Service with Communion 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. (Monday) Worship Service with Communion <i>"Remember Jesus Christ:              He Has Risen!"</i> <i>2 Timothy 2:8</i>
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## Easter Breakfast



Please join us Easter morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. for our annual Easter breakfast served by the Youth Group and the Board of Youth. Breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall and the Gym. All freewill donations collected will be used to help our Youth Group members attend the LCMS National Youth Gathering in July.

## MARTIN THE MOUSE



Hi! I'm Martin the Church Mouse! I spend my days running around Trinity, and I see a lot of things other people never would. The parishioner I seemed to see the most this month was Jan Lang. On multiple occasions I saw her and Mary Riggert up in the Choir Loft organizing sheet music. I think one of the times Mary knew I was watching because she said she hoped she didn't find any mouse droppings in any of the boxes. Maybe I'll have to leave a little surprise for her. Last month I saw Candis Francis outside cleaning up the landscaping, and then this month I saw Jan and her husband Don going to town on much of that dead foliage from last year too. I think when things finally start to bloom, all those flowers and bushes will be simply beautiful examples of God's wondrous creation.

## TANZANIA- JUNE 13-24

I will be participating in a medical mission trip with a Mercy Medical Team (MMT) through the LCMS. This trip will involve opening a medical clinic in a village outside of Moshi, Tanzania. This is a unique opportunity to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ by providing medical care, while at the same time sharing with them the saving Gospel message.

My team and I would greatly appreciate your prayerful support. Prayers that we might have safe travels, stay healthy, and provide healing from illnesses. More importantly, pray that we might be God's hands and feet during our time with the Tanzanian people.

If you wish to provide financial support, Trinity Lutheran Church is graciously handling the funds. So, checks may be made out to "Trinity Lutheran Church" with a note in the memo line stating "Mercy Medical Team (MMT)-Tanzania". I am excited to share my experiences when I return!

*Asante sana!*

(This means "thank you very much" in Swahili)

~Amanda McDowell



## STEPHEN MINISTRY



As announced here last month, we are beginning a great ministry that will deepen and expand the person-to-person caregiving capacity of our congregation. The Stephen Ministry is a way for our congregation to train and mobilize members to provide Christ-centered care and support to people experiencing life difficulties.

Our next step is to send a team of people to be trained as Stephen Leaders at a one-week Leader's Training Course in St. Louis, where they will learn how to begin and lead the Stephen Ministry here at Trinity. Our Stephen Leaders will return home with the knowledge and skills to train members to serve as lay caregivers – called Stephen Ministers – in our congregation, match those Stephen Ministers with people in need of care, and provide ongoing support to our Stephen Ministry.

Here are some steps you can take as we begin this journey together:

- † Give thanks to God for the life-transforming ministry ahead of us.
- † Watch a couple of three-minute videos at [www.stephenministries.org/stories](http://www.stephenministries.org/stories) to learn more about the difference this caring ministry makes in people's lives.
- † Give thanks for those who have been moved to become our first Stephen Leaders (Rev. Brian Thieme, Joanna McDowell, Debbie Antel, and Larry McCoig) and pray for them as they attend the training April 28-May 4.

In the days and weeks to come, you will be hearing much more about the Stephen Ministry. Meanwhile, if you have any questions about the Stephen Ministry, what Stephen Ministers do, or how you could be involved with the Stephen Ministry, please contact Joanna McDowell (573-881-4138) or Debbie Antel (573-819-3140).

*Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

*Galatians 6:2*



## STUDY GRANTS AVAILABLE

Attention high school seniors and college students planning a career in LCMS church work:

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Mo. District, has study grants available for the 2019-2020 academic year for both Seminary students and persons going into professional church work in the LCMS.



- ✚ Applicants must be a member of a congregation located in the Missouri District of the LCMS for twelve (12) months prior to filing an application.
- ✚ Applicants must be preparing for full-time professional work in the LCMS and be enrolled in a seminary or university of the LCMS full-time.
- ✚ Colloquy students may apply provided they are full-time teachers in a LCMS school working toward rostered status.
- ✚ Recipients are chosen according to financial need and commitment to Christian service.
- ✚ Completed applications must be received by April 15, 2019.

Applications and instructions are available from your LWML Zone President, society presidents, the financial aid office of your university or seminary, or they may be downloaded from the Missouri District web site at [www.missourilwml.org](http://www.missourilwml.org) (under forms).

For more information, contact Edie Turner, the CWSG chair, at [lwmlmostudygrant@yahoo.com](mailto:lwmlmostudygrant@yahoo.com).



## ART PRESENTATION

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Palm Sunday (April 14) during the Sunday School hour for a presentation given by former member Cenedra Eaton. She will be displaying and discussing her body of artwork entitled "Cries from the Cross," which is a visual study of the seven statements Christ spoke while being crucified. If you would like to view the artwork prior to the talk, visit her website at [www.congruentangles.us](http://www.congruentangles.us)

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIPS

Trinity offers scholarships to students preparing for church work. Qualified applicants will be those who are:

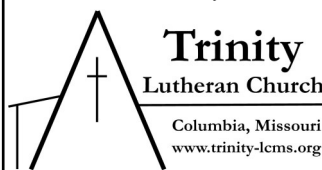
1. Studying for an LCMS church vocation (pastor, teacher, DCE, deaconess, etc.) **and**
2. Attending an LCMS college, university, or seminary **and**
3. Are a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

To apply, send a letter of application to:

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Attn: Board of Directors  
2201 W. Rollins Rd.

Columbia, MO 65203-1433

Applications for Fall 2019 scholarships must be received by May 9, 2019. Your application letter should include a description of your church work goals, the semester(s) for which you are seeking financial support, and the amount you would like to receive. The Board of Directors will be recommending scholarship recipients and amounts at the Assembly of Voters in May.



For more information, contact the church office at (573) 445-2112 or [church@trinity-lcms.org](mailto:church@trinity-lcms.org).

## BIG RED SHOE DRIVE

From now until April 9, as one of the fundraisers for National Youth Gathering 2019, the Youth Group is collecting like new & gently-used shoes. All styles of shoes are welcome from flip-flops and baby shoes to cowboy boots and dress shoes. We invite you to join us by putting shoes in the Big Red Shoe in the hallway. Our goal is to collect 3,000 pairs, and so far we have collected about 1,200 pairs. Thanks for your help! If you would really like to help, pick up a donation bag by the Big Red Shoe, fill it with as many pairs as you can find, and bring them back. For more info, contact Chris Bailey at (573) 639-0727 or [VANITY411@yahoo.com](mailto:VANITY411@yahoo.com).



**MARCH 12, 2019**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES**  
**(Draft Minutes - Yet to be Approved)**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on March 12, 2019 at 7:02 p.m. Attendees included Gary Kespohl (Chairman), Jacque Eckhoff (Secretary), Virginia Propp, Annette Kiehne, Jim Niederjohn, Pastor Brian Thieme, Larry McCoig, James Harms, Angel Arnall and Rob Hall.

Pastor Thieme gave the opening devotion.

Chairman Kespohl added Proposal for Human Resources Committee, Mercy Medical Team Mission Request, College Scholarship Request, and Kitchen Refrigerator Repair to New Business. Angel Arnall moved to approve the Meeting Agenda with these changes; seconded and approved.

Angel Arnall moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded and approved.

The Consent Agenda meeting minutes and reports are filed in the Congregation Secretary's notebook. The following are summaries of the reports, with the name of the board representative at the Board of Directors meeting listed:

**PASTOR'S REPORT - Pastor Thieme**

No report filed.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY - Not Present**

For the month of February, the Regular Envelope collections are 95.09% of the anticipated monthly amount. Loose Plate collections are 21.09% and Sunday School are 60.92%. The Total Monthly collections are 91.61% of the monthly anticipated amount of \$36,081.21. The Total Year to Date collections through the end of February are 101.94% of the anticipated amount of \$75,250.28.

**BOARD REPORTS:**

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - No Rep. Present**

The BOCE is still in need of a Superintendent for Sunday School. They would like to add another member to the Board to act solely as Sunday School Superintendent. The Board is still trying to fill a current vacancy. Plans for Easter Sunday include the Resurrection story followed by an Easter egg hunt. The BOCE is in the process of compiling a calendar of events to be used each year by the incoming board members. They are also in the process of compiling a listing of board member duties for each of the members based on year of service.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD ED. - Virginia Propp**

The members of the BOECE are continuing the visioning process for TLCLC for 2019. There is currently one TTh Pre-K opening. Summer 2019 and Fall 2019/Spring 2020 enrollment continues. Two used laptops were purchased for staff use and placed in the TLCLC Office. Seventeen staff members attended the Missouri District Early Childhood Educator's Conference on Saturday, March 2, 2019 in Wentzville. The newly constructed classroom bathrooms and the gym ceiling passed the Health Department Inspection in February.

**ELDERS - Larry McCoig**

The Elders met with President Hagan to discuss the Call Process. This will involve the congregation preparing a position description. The Elders were the Board working the Lenten Light supper and lunch on March 6, 2019, Ash Wednesday. The schedule of services will need to be reviewed by the May meeting to be presented at the May Assembly of Voters.

**EVANGELISM - Rob Hall**

The BOE met February 21, 2019. The Plus-One Initiative was discussed. Other topics of discussion were potential projects, and current events and their possible effect on community relations (loss of GSLS, publicity from the lawsuit over TLCLC playground cover, etc.)

**PAROCHIAL EDUCATION - No Rep. Present**

See agenda packet for financial report.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY - Angel Arnall**

The Senior Ministry group is no longer meeting at Denny's on a weekly basis. A board member looked into other venues in the area. In polling different attendees, the Board found that most have found other weekly groups to join at Lenoir and various other locations. There will be no new location for weekly luncheon at this time. There is a need for a lead person to assist with planning activities and events for the Senior Ministry group. The Board of Social Ministry was made the contact for "Room at the Inn". The Board will look at directory providers through mid-2019 and provide bids to BOD in the Fall of 2019. The hope is to schedule photo sessions around Easter of 2020 and publish a paper and online directory by Summer of 2020.

**STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE - No Rep. Present**

The offering count continued during the month, per

the agreed upon schedule.

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND - No Representative Present

No report filed.

#### TRUSTEES - Jim Niederjohn

No report filed.

#### YOUTH - No Representative Present

No report filed.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No report filed.

##### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Transfer Out: None

Transfer In: None

##### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

Pastor Thieme stated that this year's winter weather has made live streaming or recording of services a priority. Those who are unable to attend could still see the service.

##### TREASURER'S REPORT - Jim Harms

For the month ending February 28, 2019, the Church income is \$41,419 (15.84% of the \$540,599 income budgeted for the year).

The Learning Center income for the month ending February 28, 2019 is \$61,912 (17.24% of the \$711,200 budgeted income for the year).

For the month ending February 28, 2019, Church expenditures are \$30,249 (13.97% of the annual expenditure budget of \$439,029 (\$550,599 - \$101,530 Pastor Contingency)).

The Learning Center expenditures for the month ending February 28, 2019 are \$54,521 (13.79% of the annual expenditure budget of \$711,200).

Net operating cash available as of February 28, 2019 is \$141,181. Dedicated accounts total \$76,250 as of February 28, 2019.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (Designated Reserves & \$40K General Operating 4-yr 4% CD) accounts total \$382,376 as of February 28, 2019.

TLC received by direct deposit the \$18,221 owed by MoDNR on the TLCLC playground.

GSLS reimbursed TLC \$2,165.11 for expenses paid in removal of the classroom trailer.

2018 TLC & TLCLC EOY funds in excess of ex-

penses totaled \$141,343.22. As per the October 2018 AOV, 10% or \$14,134.32 was sent for budget mismissions to the MO District LCMS and 90% or \$127,208.90 was transferred to 190 Capital Outlay Reserve LCEF account.

Several changes were made to the EOM Summary Treasurer Report. Adjustment made to reflect \$215,653 Net Operating Cash as of 12/31/2018. Reserve Accounts name was changed to LCEF Accounts which reflect both designated reserve and general operating accounts.

198 Scholarship Fund LCEF in the amount of \$6,852.50 was added as an additional TLC asset to the LCEF Accounts.

Angel Arnall moved to allow the Treasurer to combine 195 and 198, and to call 198 "Operating Cash"; seconded and approved.

Larry McCoig moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded and approved.

##### OLD BUSINESS:

##### Stephen Ministries

Four congregation members are participating in training: Joanna McDowell, Debbie Antel, Larry McCoig and Pastor Thieme.

##### Vision Plan Update

The committee met 3/11/19. Suggestions from congregation members are already being considered, and the committee is still taking input.

##### Nominations: Elder & Christian Education

##### Elder - VACANCY

##### Board of Christian Education - VACANCY

Insurance Claim Update—The adjuster inspected on 2/14/19; we are now waiting on the report.

##### NEW BUSINESS:

Call Process Update—The Elders met with President Hagan. The Elders next step is to write a position description.

Life Network Banquet—Sylvia Glenn sent a letter requesting Trinity be a Sponsor for the Life Network of Central Missouri Banquet. Larry McCoig moved to approve a \$500 Sponsorship; seconded and approved.

Locking of Lower Level/Fellowship Hall—Pastor Thieme stated that from now on the two downstairs doors with codes will not be locked. The doors between the gym and TLCLC will be locked for the

safety of TLCLC.

**Signed Contract for Furnace Repair/Replacement—**The upstairs furnace that feeds into the Associate Pastor's office does not work and will not work. The West wall furnace is also not working well. Crum quoted the price of \$8400 for two new units. Chairman Kespohl signed the contract so they could start work. Rob Hall moved to approve the contract; seconded and approved.

**Proposal for Human Resources Committee—**The proposal states that a standing committee at TLC should be established to provide oversight and guidance on Personnel/Human Resources. This standing committee would be appointed by the Executive Board and linked with the Executive Board on decisions and approvals (as needed). See complete proposal in Congregation Secretary's notebook.

**Mercy Medical Team Mission Request—**A college congregation member would like to be part of a Mercy Medical Team Mission. They'd like voluntary support, meaning it will be advertised in the newsletter. Larry McCoig moved to approve the request; seconded and approved.

**College Scholarship Request—**A college congregation member is asking for renewal of a yearly scholarship. Angel Arnall moved to approve the request; seconded and approved.

**Kitchen Refrigerator Repair—**The kitchen refrigerator is not cooling correctly. Chairman Kespohl contacted Commercial Kitchen Services. He would like permission to sign a contract with the company to get the process of fixing it started. Larry McCoig moved to approve the request; seconded and approved.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Kespohl requested that TLCLC create a proposal for remodeling the TLCLC Kitchen. He would like the proposal by the April BOD meeting.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on April 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

The next Assembly of Voters meeting will be held on May 19, 2019 at 12:30 PM.

Angel Arnall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM; seconded and approved. Pastor Thieme led the group in the Lord's Prayer.

Jacque Eckhoff, Secretary

**April Board of Directors reports and agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, April 5, 2019.**

**The Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

**The Assembly of Voters will meet Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

### **2019 Trinity Lutheran Church Board Members**

#### **Chairman**

Gary Kespohl

#### **Secretary**

Jacque Eckhoff

#### **Treasurer**

Jim Harms

#### **Financial Secretary**

Ron Dicks

#### **Board of Christian Ed.**

Mary Frerking

Julie Smith

vacancy

#### **Board of Early**

**Childhood Ed.**

Carole Eilers

Christina Hartman

Karen Niederjohn

Virginia Propp

Mark Unterreiner

#### **Board of Elders**

David Attebery

Ron Barrett

Jim Cherrington

John Frerking

Doug Kiehne

Larry McCoig

vacancy

#### **Board of Evangelism**

Robert Hall

Doug McDowell

Pattie Smith

#### **Board of Social Ministry**

Angel Arnall

Kathy Ferguson

Loanna Thompson

#### **Board of Parochial Ed.**

Cynthia Green

Candice Kling

Mary Raisch

#### **Board of Stewardship and Finance**

Lori Bresnahan

Sean Huggans

Buck Katt

Darren Laupp

Richard Mangold

Andrew Saeger

#### **Board of TLC Endowment Fund**

Kevin Burns

Gary Frisch

Carey Smith

#### **Board of Trustees**

Michael Brown

Charlie Cott

Jim Niederjohn

#### **Board of Youth**

Chris Bailey

Melissa Remer-Phifer

Michelle Wren



**Lutherans  
For Life**

Dear Friends of life,

You are cordially invited to attend Lutherans For Life of Missouri's Annual meeting. See details below.

## **LFL OF MO'S ANNUAL MEETING PRESENTS**



**Deaconess Rachel Geraci  
Mission and Ministry Director**

**Topic:  
Meet the LFL Mission and  
Ministry Director**

**Also speaking:**

**Rev. Jason Wagner, MO District Life Coordinator  
Diane Albers, President of LFL of MO**

**MO's Essay Contest winners will be invited to read  
their essays!**

**Messiah Lutheran Church  
2846 S. Grand Blvd.  
St. Louis, MO 63118**

**April 27, 2019  
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Cost: \$10 (includes lunch)**

**Baby items (for girls and boys) will be collected to make layettes for  
Seminary families as well as a Thrivent Action Team Grant:**

<b>Onesies in sizes 3-6, 12 mon</b>	<b>Sleepers, size 6, 9 mon</b>	<b>Sleep sacks</b>
<b>Outfits, size 6-9 mon</b>	<b>Socks</b>	<b>Diapers</b>

**Misc: sweaters, blankets, small toys, baby nail cutters, baby wash and shampoo, books for children of all ages. \*\*New or gently used clothing up to 12 months can also be brought.**

**RSVP by April 22 to Diane at  
lflofmo@gmail.com or 314/240-2018**

**Don't miss this opportunity to meet your state board and learn more about Lutherans For Life. See you there!**

In Christ,  
Sylvia Glenn

Feel free to call me (573-592-7866) for information or concerns about life issues. For those who have had an abortion, there is a **word of hope!** "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3). For **confidential post-abortion referral, counsel, and reconciliation** contact WORD of HOPE, toll-free 888-217-8679, [info@word-of-hope.org](mailto:info@word-of-hope.org), or visit [www.word-of-hope.org](http://www.word-of-hope.org).



# EASTER SUDOKU

Using the nine words below, place the words in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3 x 3 box contains the same word only once.

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| 1. CROSS  | 4. JESUS | 7. RISEN  |
| 2. EASTER | 5. MARY  | 8. SAVED  |
| 3. LILY   | 6. PETER | 9. SUNDAY |

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			PETER					LILY
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		LILY						MARY
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	SUNDAY		EASTER	SAVED				

You can find the solution on page 16.

Trinity Lutheran Church supports Erin Mackenzie's mission work through the Together In Mission (TIM) program.

Local traffic authorities have been cracking down lately! Thankfully, there are a number of experienced missionaries in the DR who know that all drivers are required to keep the following in their vehicles at all times:

1. Neon-colored cone
2. Tire-changing kit
3. Spare tire
4. Fire extinguisher
5. First aid kit
6. Drivers' license
7. Proof of insurance
8. Copy of proof of registration

Jumper cables are suggested too!



How my Hyundai Cantus more than likely made its way to the island. See the Korean flag?

(If you received a hard copy of this and would like to help me be green and save on postage, please send an email to [erin.mackenzie@lcms.org](mailto:erin.mackenzie@lcms.org).)

## "Genesis 1:3!"

That was my high school theology teacher's exclamation whenever he entered the classroom, found us sitting in the dark, and flipped the switch. I'll never forget the performative words "Let there be light."

Beginning with its epic appearance in Genesis, light is a powerful image throughout Scripture. But then, we come to Matthew 5:14: "You are the light of the world." Me? I don't feel very bright sometimes. I worry. I say things I regret. I'm prideful. I'm judgmental. Jesus goes on. "A city set on a hill cannot be hidden." One more reminder of my inadequacy! My feeble filament is laid bare on a pedestal.

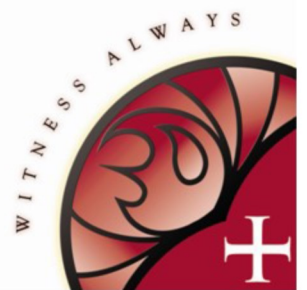
Yet the 2nd half of Jesus's statement is also reassuring. Cities are communal. "You" is plural. I'm reminded of the fellowship I share with my faith family every time I return home to my neighborhood here, whose name literally translates to "high hill!" I also inhabit a figurative city on a hill. As prayer warriors and donors use their gifts and callings to bolster missionaries in ours, our luminescence multiplies.

My prayer is that Genesis 1:3 might be true for a world in darkness: Let there be light. "And there was light" (Gen. 1:4) — the Light of the World, Rejoicing in the forgiveness won for me on the hill of Calvary that cannot and will not be hidden, I confidently echo the familiar song: "This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!"

\*Adapted from my fourth Lutheran Witness blog post, which went live earlier this month.



A sunrise—as seen from my balcony—that only the God who spoke light itself into being could have created.





### Praises and Petitions

1. Thanksgiving for the return of regional chaplain Jonathan, who suffered a heart attack last fall and had been recuperating in the States.
2. Thanksgiving for emerging synergy (thanks to a new monthly Zoom meeting!) amongst fellow Volunteer Coordinators around the world.
3. Thanksgiving for a meeting of Regional Directors, Business Managers, and Communications Specialists in Taiwan earlier this month.
4. For the Sharp family in Uruguay, as Rev. James' father is seriously ill in Texas.
5. For missionary families in Panama and Spain battling visa issues.
6. For protection for all from spiritual attack, especially in the form of sickness.

## Catching Up on *Conchos*

Bet you didn't know the maximum capacity of a Toyota Corolla was SEVEN, did you? Oh, the things you learn as a missionary!

Conchos are a Dominican form of public transportation similar to taxis. Streets here are clogged with them in the mornings and afternoons as santiagueros go to and from work and school. They differ from taxis in sticking to designated, lettered routes: C, M, ZP, etc. There's no published route map...you learn by doing. Conchos operate on a hop-on-hop-off basis and cost RD \$25 (\$0.50 USD)/ride, no matter the distance. Concho drivers typically hog the right lane so they can easily pull over to pick up or drop off passengers. They signal the number of open seats by holding a hand out the window.

Conchos are almost always Toyota Corollas that have seen better days, and yes, I have personally been in one with SIX other humans. It was...a cultural experience!



Above, L: Engaging w/ a DR FORO participant slated to lead a July 2020 team.



Above, R: Dominican flags made of everything from Styrofoam cups to macaroni noodles on display at a local school.

Right: My church's catechumens recite a portion of Luther's Small Catechism and a memory verse for the congregation every week.



### Quote of the Month!

"Distant shores and the islands will see / Your light as it rises on us."

—Rita Springer, "You Said"

To support the LCMS through me, you may give a tax-deductible gift...

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  - ⇒ LCMS, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861; or
  - ⇒ Mission Central, 40718 Highway E 16, Mapleton, IA 51034.







# JCC Jr High Youth

## April Servant Event

**Date: Friday, April 26**

**Time: 7pm-9pm**

**Location: Oak Tower**

**700 N Garth Ave**

**For our last servant event of the 2018-19 school year, the JCC Jr High Youth will volunteer with ForCOLUMBIA to assist with an evening of BINGO at Oak Towers.**

**We need all JCC members that are available to sign up and assist with the event.**

Monica Smith & Jessica Kespohl will be the Trinity adults in charge.

**Sign-up at:**

**[www.forcolumbia.com/volunteer/](http://www.forcolumbia.com/volunteer/)**

Reminders for Sign-up:

- All attending must complete the ForCOLUMBIA sign up. Adults are welcome to serve too.
- Select Friday Evening (regardless of the point that the site lists Saturday, April 27th as the event date).
- On the question regarding part of small group, list "Trinity Confirmation" as Group Name.





*Jesus said, "Let  
the little children  
come to me..."*  
—Matthew 19:14



# Enrollment Is Open For Our Summer and School-Year Sessions!

- Serving 2 years old through pre-kindergarten
- Open 6:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. with full-day and part-day schedules
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Larry & Judy Lammers .....April 3, 1960  
 Larry & Elaine Samuel .....April 15, 1967  
 Fred & Dana Luetkemeier.....April 17, 1993  
 Joseph Mwamgiga & Agnes Mrutu .....  
 .....April 17, 1999  
 Tom & Sarah Stone .....April 18, 1998  
 James & Bonnie Lawler .....April 20, 1985  
 Larry & Diane Jeide .....April 21, 1993  
 Andy & Kelly Reiff .....April 23, 2016  
 Don & Jan Lang .....April 24, 1976  
 Buck & Norma Katt .....April 25, 1952  
 Jeffery & Nanette Schneider ...April 25, 1981  
 Jim & Debbie Harms .....April 26, 1980  
 Kevin & Elizabeth Kasper .....April 29, 2017

**1**  
 Arla Benskin  
**2**  
 Gideon Anderson  
 John Fischer  
**3**  
 Rylee Eckhoff  
**5**  
 Andrew Lawler  
**6**  
 Jason Kiehne  
 Megan Walz  
**8**  
 Stephanie Baehman  
 Timothy Kling  
 Butch Reynolds  
**10**  
 Tori Thompson  
**11**  
 Preston Baehman  
**12**  
 Nathaniel Dyer  
**13**  
 Abby Eckhoff  
 Stephen Harris

**14**  
 Zachary Mariott  
 Grace Thieme  
**15**  
 Liz Cherrington  
 Mark Unterreiner  
**16**  
 Kim Crouch  
**17**  
 Emma Crouch  
**18**  
 Reese Eckhoff  
 Conner Gibson  
**19**  
 Trinity Reiss  
 Nick Swartz  
 Nicole Thompson  
**21**  
 Mary Earnhart  
**22**  
 Betty Landers  
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 Connie Hanson

**24**  
 Sue Pickett  
 Jeff Smith  
 Nick Weber  
**25**  
 Kenny Klussman  
 Fred Luetkemeier  
 Cole Wohlgemuth  
**26**  
 Gary Frisch  
 Lauren Schaumberg  
 Austin Tipton  
 Rachel Weber  
**27**  
 Michael Laupp  
**28**  
 Loralee Adam  
**29**  
 Sam Tackitt  
**30**  
 Bob Clark

The information for Anniversaries & Birthdays is obtained from our Shepherd Staff database. If any info is incorrect or omitted, please contact the church office so this information can be updated.



### JCC SCHEDULE:

JCC sessions will be at 6:00 p.m. most Sundays in April except Easter on April 21. On April 28 JCC III meets at 12 p.m., but JCC I & II still meet at 6 p.m.

### CONFIRMATION:

Confirmation will be held May 5, the first Sunday in May at the 10:30 a.m. service. Congratulations confirmands!

### ACOLYTE SCHEDULE:

JCC II will be the acolytes for April. Check your email for the link or go to the Trinity website → Ministries → Youth → Jr. High Youth → Acolyte Schedules to sign up for the services when you would like to acolyte.

Coming in 101 days:



[lcmsgathering.com](http://lcmsgathering.com)

## YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS:

PLEASE HELP US WITH SETTING UP  
 AND SERVING THE EASTER BREAK-  
 FAST! SET UP WILL BE SATURDAY AT  
 11:30 A.M. ON APRIL 20. WE'LL ALSO  
 NEED YOUR HELP WITH SERVING  
 AND CLEANING UP ON EASTER  
 MORNING BEGINNING AT 6:30 A.M.



# April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	2 530p Board of Early Childhood Ed.	3 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel 12p Midweek Lenten Worship Service 7p Midweek Lenten Worship Service	4 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	5	6
7 8a & 1030a Worship Service w/Communion 915a Sunday School 1p Board of Trustees 1p Board of Youth 5p Choir Practice 6p LLL 6p JCC	8 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	9 6p Vesper Guild 7p Bd of Directors	10 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel 930a Mary Martha Guild 12p Midweek Lenten Worship Service 7p Midweek Lenten Worship Service	11 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	12	13
PALM SUNDAY 14 8a & 1030a Worship Service 915a Sunday School 12p College Student Lunch 5p Handbell Practice 6p JCC 630p Sr. Youth Night	15 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service	16	17 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	18 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel 12p Maundy Thursday Worship w/Comm. 7p Maundy Thursday Worship w/Comm.	19 12p Good Friday Worship 7p Good Friday Worship	20 11:30a Easter Breakfast Setup
EASTER 21 7a Easter Worship Service w/Communion 815a Easter Breakfast 1030a Easter Worship Service w/Communion	DYNGUS DAY 22 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	23 6p Bd of Elders	24 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	25 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	26	27
28 8a Worship Service w/Communion 915a Sunday School 1030a TLCLC Sunday (Worship, No Communion) 12p JCC III 5p Handbell Practice 5p Choir Practice 6p JCC I & JCC II	29 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	30	1 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	2 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	3	4
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**SUNDAY 8:00 AND 10:30 A.M.**  
**MONDAY AT 6:00 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE CLASS**  
**SUNDAY: 9:15 A.M.**

**PHONE: 573-445-2112**

**FAX: 573-445-4078**

**EMAIL: CHURCH@TRINITY-LCMS.ORG**

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## ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Items for the monthly *News of the Son* are due to the church office by noon on the 25th of the month (or the previous Friday if the 25th falls on a weekend).

Announcements for the *Trinity Weekly News* are due to the church office by noon each Thursday. Announcements of 75-100 words are preferred.

**Dear Church Family,**

**Please contact the church office when:**

- a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so visits can be made
- someone you know is very ill or has passed away
- your class, board, or group would like to use the church for a meeting or event so it can be scheduled on the church calendar
- your contact information or address changes
- a new baby arrives in your family
- a member of your family leaves home for college, joins the military, or is getting married
- you would like to have a member call you to visit or assist you in some way
- you have a prayer request
- you would like to share your time and talents
- you feel the church can assist you in any way