

Trinity Weekly News

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January 21 & 22, 2024

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by
Bill & Joyce Raines in honor of their
61st wedding anniversary



This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 1/21

Life Sunday

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School
10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
12:00 p.m.—JCC
5:00 p.m.—Handbell Practice

Monday 1/22

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study (Acts)
6:00 p.m.—Divine Service +Comm

Tuesday 1/23

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball
5:30 p.m.—Sound Words/Adult Cat.

Wednesday 1/24

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

Thursday 1/25

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel
5:30 p.m.—Pickleball
6:00 p.m.—Board of Elders

Friday 1/26

Pastors' day off

Sunday 1/28

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School
10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
12:00 p.m.—JCC
5:00 p.m.—Handbell Practice

Narthex Expansion and Elevator Fundraising Committee Call for Members

During the Special Meeting of the Assembly of Voters on March 19, 2023, the congregation approved a Building Committee motion to improve our church facilities. Those improvements include expansion of the narthex, installation of a full-size elevator, relocation of the choir loft, replacement of the Fellowship Hall stairs, and improvements to the driveways. Now the time has come to appoint a committee dedicated to raising the funds to pay for those improvements.

My goal is to form a committee of seven church members, and I am pleased to announce that three individuals have already agreed to join the committee. Four more people are needed, including one or two to serve as chair or co-chairs. If you have a passion for our church community and are interested in being part of this vital endeavor, please reach out to me today at 660-247-3026.

The more members we have involved, the greater our chances of achieving our fundraising goal to finally improve some of our church facilities.

Larry McCoig, President



The Life Team is holding a freewill offering today to celebrate Life Sunday. The funds raised will go to LFL's of Missouri adoption fund. (Checks should be made out to Lutherans For Life with 'adoption fund' in the memo line. These funds will be used to help defray the costs of adoption for families who want to adopt a child. You will truly be standing for life with your freewill offering. The Life Team thanks you in advance for your offering.

The Life Team will also be serving a Lenten Light supper on Wednesday, February 21st starting at 5:30 pm. Our menu is soup, salad, cheese, crackers, fruit and desserts. We hope you will join us for this time of food, fun and fellowship! Blessings, the Life Team

Lutheran Singles Cruise



Set sail on a spiritual adventure with our four-day Lutheran Singles Cruise, departing from Galveston on August 1st. This journey is designed for connection and fellowship, offering daily devotions, Bible studies, and opportunities to meet like-minded singles. Embrace this chance to deepen your faith, make new friends, and enjoy the beauty of the sea. Don't miss out on this unique blend of spiritual growth and social fun – book your spot today! Learn more at www.wolfmueller.co/cruise

Who: Lutheran Singles between the ages of 21-41

Date: August 1-5, 2024 (Departs 4:00 pm Thursday, Arrives 7:00 am Monday)

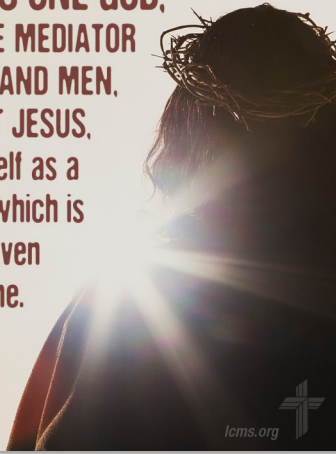
Depart and Return: Galveston, TX

Ship: Mariner of the Seas

MEMORY VERSE

**FOR THERE IS ONE GOD,
and there is ONE MEDIATOR
BETWEEN GOD AND MEN,
the man CHRIST JESUS,
who gave himself as a
ransom for all, which is
the testimony given
at the proper time.**

1 TIMOTHY 2:5-6



Are you a *Lutheran Witness* subscriber? Would you like to be? Please let the church office know if you would like to start or renew a subscription. Cost is \$20.65/year (\$1.60/issue) for 11 issues. If interested, please contact the church office via email (church@trinity-lcms.org) or phone (573) 445-2112 **no later than January 31, 2024!**



Payment can be done via check or cash, using the Lutheran Witness envelope included with your contribution envelopes. If paying by check, please put 'Lutheran Witness' on the memo line. Thank you!



Are you struggling with the loss of a loved one or know someone who is? Please consider joining our Grief Share group.

The GS classes will meet on Thursday evenings from February 22 thru May 23, from 7pm-9pm.

To sign up, visit the GS website www.griefshare.org/findagroup.

Any questions, please call/text Kevin Burns (Facilitator) at (573) 424-7514.

Guest Preacher



Missouri District President Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan will be preaching and leading Bible Study on Sunday, January 28, 2024.



Men's Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Men's Bible Study is studying *Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions – A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord (second edition)*. If you have an individual copy of *Concordia*, bring it along but there should be enough copies for each attendee (church copies). We will use the same format as with The Lutheran Study Bible; i.e., we will read each section together and discuss the doctrine using the *Concordia* notes.

Please plan on joining us and remember, we start at **7:00 am each Thursday**.



2024 Member Contribution Envelopes

Please pick up your box of envelopes for 2024 off the tables in the overflow area. There are new numbers for many of our members, so **please discard any unused envelopes from previous years.**

If your address on the box is absent or incorrect, please contact the church office to update it. Thank you!

If you cannot locate your box, please let the Financial Secretary know and she will be happy to assist you.



The Altar Guild is looking for volunteers! Those who are interested should reach out to the church office via phone

(573.445.2112) or email church@trinity-lcms.org.

The handbell choir is looking for new ringers to join us. Ages 4th grade and up are welcome, no experience required. Rehearsals are held most **Sundays at 5 pm**. If interested, please call or text Kimberly Walker at (708) 532-3358.



Life Thoughts

January 21 – Epiphany III – The size of a people (as in the case of Nineveh, Jonah 3:3-4) makes no difference to their worth. Nor does the height of an individual's status (so says the Psalmist, Psalm 62:9) affect his or her sanctity. The life-giving grace of God measures according to His abundance rather than our scarcities of age, appearance, or ability. May we likewise direct gazes beyond abortion's and assisted suicide's shortsightedness (1 Corinthians 7:30-31).

Stewardship & Scripture

January 21 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Mark 1:14-15 – “Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, **‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.’**” To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and His Gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?

Brought to you by LCMS Stewardship Ministry and Trinity's Board of Stewardship & Finance

Y GROUP U T H

Board of Youth invites

ALL HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS

Tuesday, January 23, 2024
4:30-6:00 PM
Youth Room

ICE CREAM FLOATS, FREE SCHOOL SUPPLY & ENTER TO WIN A
\$25 Chick Fil A GIFT CARD
&
a LUTHERAN STUDY BIBLE

**Come any time. Floats can be made "to go".
Must be present to enter the drawings.**

IT'S TIME FOR SUPER BOWL SUB ORDERS

Trinity Senior Youth are selling sub sandwiches for Super Bowl Sunday!

Order forms are available on the Youth bulletin board, across from the church office. Place your order form in the provided envelope on the board. Please pay by cash or check when you pick up your sandwiches on Sunday, February 11, 2024.

All orders are due by noon on Friday, February 2nd.

Sandwich Options:

- * Turkey
- * Roast Beef

All sandwiches will include Salami, along with Swiss & American cheeses. Each sandwich will also come with potato chips.



Pricing:

Sandwiches are **\$6 each** or **6 for \$30**

CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR

Feasts (F), Festivals (f), & Commemorations (c)

January 24 – St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor (f) | Acts 16:1-5; Psalm 71:15-24; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Matthew 24:42-47

January 25 – The Conversion of St. Paul (f) | Acts 9:1-22; Psalm 67; Galatians 1:11-24; Matthew 19:27-30

January 26 – St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor (f) | Acts 20:28-35; Psalm 71:1-14; Titus 1:1-19; Luke 10:1-9

January 27 – John Chrysostom, *Preacher* (c) d. 407 AD. Archbishop of Constantinople nicknamed the “golden-mouthed” for his preaching abilities.

THEME OF THE WEEK

The Lord Calls Us to Himself by the Preaching of Repentance in His Name When “*the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time,*” sending him to preach judgment against the great city of Nineveh, “*Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD*” (Jonah 3:1, 3). By this preaching, the people were brought to repentance. Because they “*believed God,*” as He spoke to them through His prophet, “*they turned from their evil way*” and were spared “*the disaster that he had said he would do to them*” (Jonah 3:5, 10). St. Paul also warns that “*the appointed time has grown very short*” (1 Cor. 7:29). Therefore, while we live in this world and deal with it, we are not to cling to it, nor put our trust in it, for “*the present form of this world is passing away*” (1 Cor. 7:31). Rather, give “*your undivided devotion to the Lord*” (1 Cor. 7:35). When our Lord Jesus Christ comes and is proclaimed in the Gospel, “*the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand*” (Mark 1:14–15). Therefore, He still calls men and sends them to become “*fishers of men*” with the net of that Gospel (Mark 1:17).

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WEEKLY PSALMS

Morning Psalm 113*Evening* Psalm 147

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday Daniel 1; Matthew 15:1-19*Tuesday* Daniel 2:1-23; Matthew 16:1-20*Wednesday* Daniel 4:24-49; Matthew 18:1-20*Thursday* Daniel 3:19-4:18:1-23; Mark 1:16-42*Friday* Daniel 4:19-37:1-23; Mark 3:1-19*Saturday* Daniel 5; Mark 6:1-12

HYMN OF THE WEEK

839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Old Testament Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Psalm 111

Holy Gospel

St. Mark 1:21-28

Introit

Ps. 32: 1-2, 5-7, ant. v. 10

DAILY CATECHISM

Lesson of the Week: **4th Commandment & Meaning**

Monday **Proverbs 23:22** | What word of God stands behind this reading? Why should children listen to their fathers? How does this remind us of our heavenly Father? What about our mothers? Why does the passage speak about mothers specifically when they are old?

Tuesday **Ephesians 6:1-4** | Which offices (roles) are mentioned in this passage? What are the duties given to each office? How are these offices, and their duties, essential to a family's well-being?

Wednesday **Genesis 22:1-19** | How does Isaac keep the 4th Commandment? How did Abraham keep the 4th Commandment? Did Isaac know how things would turn out? How does this demonstrate deep faith?

Thursday **Romans 13:1-7** | Who has appointed governmental authorities? How does the 4th Commandment apply to us as citizens? And to them as government officials? How does this serve the well-being of a country? What is the point of the government having power of the sword, v. 3-4?

Friday **Hebrews 13:7-10, 17** | Who does the passage teach us to honor? What sort of leaders? Do the leaders also have a duty? How might we "let them do this with joy"?

Note: Reviewing the "Table of Duties" in the Small Catechism is particularly helpful in when studying the 4th Commandment.

Learn By Heart Verse: "Honor your father and your mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." Ephesians 6:2-3



Radio & Podcast Resources

The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be heard on www.lhm.org, on their mobile app, or Sundays on several area radio stations:

8:00 a.m. on **KMCV 89.9FM**

8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM**

9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM**

10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM**

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Hear Mental Health Monday and the 3rd episode in the LCMS History Series on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), study 2 Corinthians 6-9 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and study all of Colossians and the beginning of Lamentations on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!



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