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Dear members and friends of Faith on Forty,

Rabindranath Tagore was an Indian poet born in Bengali in the late 1800's. His poetry was so widely known he was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913. (I think that's the date).

This is one of his poems that has been a comfort to me.

Faith is the bird that feels the light, And sings while the dawn is still dark.

It feels dark to me right now with the loss of my sister. Truth is I have lost two soul mates. To use a Celtic word, Eddie (my son) and Linda (my sister) were my Anam Cara = soul friends. We understood each other without saying a word. When we did speak, we had the same thoughts and ideas and dreams. The same issues bothered us and inspired us.

Now I ask, as many of us have, "where is God? where is the tender compassion of God for his creatures and creation?" "Where is God in this suffering?" Maybe Jesus asked those same questions when he cried out from the cross "my God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

From now until Easter, I will be singing in the dark - like the early morning birds. Their song is very beautiful if you get up early enough to hear them. I remember years ago when I lived in New York, there were so many birds singing outside the window of our home - my son got a tape record to record it. Even at 12 years old he knew he was hearing something magnificent; something truly God-given......just before dawn.

Maybe God does his best work in the dark?

Like Nicodemus who comes to find Jesus by night.

Like Mary who goes to the tomb to find Jesus in the early morning while it is still dark.

Like the 3 hours of Good Friday when dark covered the face of the Earth.

In each case, the dark gave way to a brilliant light - the light of faith and hope and most importantly, resurrection. Which tells us that the darkness in this life WILL give way to the light of eternal life in the presence of God.

So, dear friends, be patient with the darkness that seems to cover your life once in a while - as I will - as I had to 5 years ago when my Eddie died.

Be patient with the dark, and wait for the Light It will come. We will rejoice in it on Easter Day.

With much love, Pastor Carol

Our Southtown Ministry

Will be Tuesday, April 16th at 4:30 PM to 5:00

WELCA Circle

Circle will be going to Sinsinawa Mound Center for a program called "Women of the Bible " on April 11th.

We will be leaving around 9 a.m.

** VOICES OF PRAISE Emmanuel Reformed Church 202 E. Morris, Morrison Il . ** Spring Cantata At 7:00 p.m. on Thursday April 25th Friday April 26th Sunday April 28th Join us for a evening



of worship and Joy

Birthdays and Anniversaries

for both congregations will now be listed on our monthly calendar pages.

Please let the office know if your birthday or anniversary information is missing, needs to be corrected, or should be removed. Thank you.

Grace Meals

Grace meals will be Tuesday April 16th 11:30





Music and Worship Committee

Tuesday April 30th @ 1:00p.m.

Milledgeville/Chadwick Youth Group #The 521

Next meeting is on April 14th Call Ginger Morhardt @815-535-3780 for more details.

Check them out on Facebook #THE 521 Youth

Thing's in our Community Pancake Breakfast

Annual Shannon Fireman's Breakfast Sunday April 7th 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

At the fire station, Shannon II.

Annual Chadwick Fireman's Breakfast

Sunday April 28th 7:00 am to 1:00 pm At the fire station, Chadwick IL.

Milledgeville Fireman's Breakfast

Sunday May 5th 7:00 to 1:00pm. At the fire station, Milledgeville IL.

American Legion Semi-Annual Luncheon

Saturday April 13th 11:00 to 2:00 pm
At Milledgeville Fire Station
Pork Chop Sandwich & Potato salad,
baked beans,
cookies & drink

April Daily Prayer

Apr. 1st –God, when I am worried about finances, remind me that I am worth more to you than I relegalize. Amen

Apr. 2nd – Precious Lord, use me today to be part of someone's good news, through the grace of Jesus. Amen

Apr. 3rd-Lord Jesus, grant me your strength today so I can show hope to someone else, in your name. Amen

Apr. 4th-God of might, help me trust your work in times of stress and change, for Jesus' sake. Amen

Apr. 5th-Lord, help me let go where I need to and live for you, in Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 6th-God of life, help me put things into your world today, for Jesus' sake. Amen

Apr. 7th-God, grant me the gift of rejoicing in my future with you, though Jesus Christ. Amen

Apr. 8th-God of wisdom, expand my understanding of someone who is different from ne today. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 9th-Thank you, gracious Spirit, for everyone who shares the gospe with me. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 10th-Holy Wisdom, open my heart to learn new things from you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Apr. 11th-Jesus, let me fine healing in your presence when I an hurting In you blessed name. Amen

Apr. 12th-Gracious God, let the loving and wise mind of Christ dwell in me, for his sake. Amen

Apr. 13th-Lord Jesus, increase in me the pure joy of worshiping you, in

your holy name. Amen. Apr. 14th-Dear Jesus, remind me that nothing can keep your love from me, for your name's sake.. Amen

Apr. 15th-Holy Spirit, give me the wisdom and courage to rightly follow Jesus to the cross. In his name. Amen

Apr. 16th-Thank you, Lord God, for doing a new thing in and through me. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 17th-Thank you, God, for all the people who helped us along the way, though Christ. Amen

Apr. . 18th – God, help me to remember that I belong to you and live in your Kingdom. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 19th-Lord God, thank you for being in control and forgiving us, fo Jesus' sake. Amen.

Apr. 20th-Thank you, God, for your unrestricted love and grace flowing to us through you Son, In Jesus' name. Amen. **Apr. 21st-**God of new life, empower me to witness to your love, in

Christ name. Amen

Apr. 22nd-Lord, thank you for my siblings in Christ who share their

stories of faith with me. In your name we pray. Amen **Apr. 23rd-**Thank you, God, for making us a community of love and grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 24th-Be with me, O Spirit, and guide me to be a witness to Christ' resurrection and God's love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 25th-Thank you, O God, for bringing the kingdom to the world and to us though Jesus Christ. Amen.

Apr. 26th-Steadfast God, thank you for always seeking us out in love, through Christ. Amen.

Apr. 27th-Praise to you, O God, for your saving action in Christ yesterday, today and tomorrow. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 28th-Lord Jesus, grant us peace amid our fears and worried. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 29th-Lord Jesus, help us to trust that you have prepared the way to the kingdom of God, in your name. Amen

Apr. 30th—God, help me to hear your voice and see your work in the church and the world. In Jesus' name. Amen



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	Apr. 4th	Isaiah 43:16-21
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	Apr. 8th	Luke 18:31-34
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	Apr. 10th	Isaiah 50:4-9a
	Apr. 11th	Psalm 31:9-16
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	Apr. 19th	John 18:1-19:42
	Apr. 20th	Matthew 27:57-66
	Apr. 21st	Luke 24:1-12
	Apr. 22nd	Luke 24:13-49
	Apr. 23rd	1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
t's	Apr. 24th	Acts 5:27-32
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	Apr. 29th	Revelation 1:9-20
	Apr. 30th	Revelation 2:8-11
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			Birthday: Robert Woessner		Birthday: Stacey Jacobson	Birthday: Al Vickers
			7p-8p Milledgeville Senior Scholorship Night			Birthday: Barbara Miller
						Birthday: Madilyn Todd
5 Cinco De Mayo	6	7	8	9	10	11
Anniversary: Mitch and Sharon Woodard	Birthday: Curt Eubanks		Anniversary: Antoinette and Korey Fossett	Anniversary: Steven and Phyllis Jewell		Birthday: Erica Kaufman
Birthday: Arden Queckboerner	Birthday: Paige Bauling		Birthday: James Brubaker	Birthday: Brad Grenoble		Birthday: Patty Murray
Birthday: Payton Harris	Birthday: Staci Trobaugh		Birthday: Scott Bryson	Birthday: Craig Bauling		Birthday: Shirley Woessner
	11a-3p Sewers Meet		9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting	Birthday: Jamie Doyle		
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity				Birthday: Katie Gallagher		
				Birthday: Keagan Livengood		
				Birthday: Pam Eubanks		
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	2p-4p Dorcas Circle 16	17	18 Armed Forces Day
Birthday: Kaitlin Dettman	Birthday: Emma Sinn	Birthday: Drew Sauer	Birthday: Mia Meyer	Birthday: Amanda Schildgen		Birthday: Donna Landis
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Opal Kleckler	Birthday: Le-Anne Nye	Birthday: Samantha Merlak			
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	11a-3p Sewers Meet					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Birthday: Ramona Koett	Birthday: Alayna Beckham	Birthday: Todd Brubaker		Birthday: Dan Hinrichs	Birthday: Jaidon Doyle
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-1p Grace Meals				
		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home Milledgeville)				
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	Notes:
	Birthday: Kennedy Liven-	Anniversary: Craig and Kaye	Birthday: Bryce Palmer		Birthday: Otto Wagenknecht	
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10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	Wagenknecht Birthday: Violet Ohlwine					
	11a-3p Sewers Meet					

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	Birthday:Allen Chronister	Birthday:Linda Folkers		Birthday: Anita Gilbert	Birthday:Jenna Green	Birthday:Kim Stewart
	11a-3p Sewers Meet			Birthday:Allen Chronis-		Birthday:Linda Peterson
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				Sandwich & Study		
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niversary:Ken & Lynn lufman	11a-3p Sewers Meet		9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting	Anniversary:Mike & Tammy Miller		Anniversary:Lawrence & Nancy Maxwell
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30a-9:30a Worship @ NJ				9a-5p Dorcas Circle trip		Birthday: Jim Wetzell
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14	15 Tax Day (Taxes	16	17	18	19 Good Friday	20
	Due)					
30a-9:30a Worship @ VJ	Birthday:Amy Strehlow	11:30a-1p Grace Meals	Anniversary:Rick & Connie Brockhouse	Birthday:Ron Lartz		
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		home Milledgeville)				
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21 World Immunization Week/	22 Earth Day	23	24 Administrative Professionals	25 World Malaria Day	26 Arbor Day	27
Easter/Easter						
30a-9:30a Worship @ VJ	Birthday:Janet Barkley				Birthday: Dan Woessner	Birthday:Caden VanDyke
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West Jordan



Worship Helpers

Apr. 7rd & 14th Mia & Jon Meyer

Lector:

Mia Meyer

Apr.21st, & 28th

Jim & Jan Wetzell

Lector:

Jan Wetzell

Circle Hostess: Luann Gvozdjak

In our prayers:

From First:

In our Prayers

Irene Burdick, Sandy Bushman,
Linda and Myron Deets, ,
Anita Gilbert, Linda Habben,
Milford Habben, Roger Hinrichs,
Scotty Powell, Jon Ryner, Sherry Schwartz,
Ray Ricklefs, Ramon Woessner

From Trinity:

Doris Bernard, Jerry Blair, Bill Borth, Cindy Brandt, Leland Bryson, Jim Brubaker, June Franks, Tom Graff, Lawrence Maxwell, Barb Miller, Rick Miller, Vernon Milnes, Corinne Ohlwine, Debbie Oldham, Craig Schlidgen, Otto Wagenknecht, Trae VanZuiden

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Church Secretary Janet Barkley Church # 815-225-7410 Cell# 815-590-0520

Joint Council Meeting

The joint council meeting will be at First Lutheran, West Jordan on Tuesday the 9th at 6:45p.m.

Soup and Lenten Study

There will be a Lenten study continue March 28th at 6:00pm. Soup & Sandwiches for supper, then at 6:30 the Lenten study will continue on Revelations. The Soup & Lenten study will go on April 4th

Holy Week Events

Maundy Thursday April 18th

Trinity Lutheran will have a service Starting with lunch at 11:30a.m. Maundy Day service after. First Lutheran will have a evening Maundy Day Service at 7:00p.m.

Good Friday Services

Pastor Rick will have a Community Cross Walk at 1:00p.m. starting at school. He will get more information out on that service.

United Methodist will have Good Friday Community service at 7:00p.m. at the U.M. church in Coleta

Easter Sunday

First Lutheran will have Easter service At 8:30 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran will have a Coffee hour at 9:00am with a egg hunt for the kids.

Easter service will be at 10:15

Church Leaders Directory

Trinity Lutheran Church

President Kevin Anderson (625-3403)

Vice-President Kim Stewart

Secretary Karen Landers
Treasurer Connie Brockhouse

At-Large Tammy Miller

Lori Oncken
Harlan Meinsma

Ken Peterson
Lynn Kaufman

Custodian Lynn Kaufman Musician Nancy Janssen Financial Secretary Ken Peterson

First Lutheran West Jordan

President Jan Wetzel (631-9353) Secretary Jodi Woessner

Attention Snowbirds

Please let the office know when you leave and return, so we can make sure we send the newsletter to the correct address.

Thanks

Holy Week quiz

How much do you remember about the people and events of Holy Week? Here's a little quiz to test your knowledge. The answers are at the bottom of this page.

- 1. Where did the Agony in the Garden take place?
- 2. Who betrayed Jesus?
- 3. Who denied Jesus three times?
- 4. Who ordered Jesus to be scourged?
- 5. What criminal was released instead of Jesus?
- 6. How many Stations of the Cross are there?
- 7. How many times does Jesus fall on the way to Calvary?
- 8. Who helped Jesus carry his cross?
- 9. Who wiped the face of Jesus?
- 10. What did the sign on the cross say?
- 11. Who made arrangements for the burial of Jesus?
- 12. Who was the first to discover that Jesus had risen?

1) Gethsemane, or the Mount of Olives; 2) Judas; 3) Peter; 4) Pontius Pilot; 5) Barabbas; 6) Fourteen;



EASTER

CARROT

BASKET

CANDY

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SPRING

EGGS

GRASS

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Easter Word Fun

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BCKWRSEKEGGS
LAOCSJKALOWI
CMIAOWSITMDK
ALRKITANCYAK
AGSKEOBAEDLM
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CMIJENSRMAHF
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RIWOCHOPCJKL
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How does a rabbit keep his fur looking good?

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How to get what you need at Trinity Lutheran/First Lutheran Church's

Emergency Pastoral Care Concern?

7) Three; 8) Simon of Cyrene; 9) Veronica;

10) King of the Jews; 11) Joseph of Arimathea; 12) Mary Magdalene

Answers to quiz:

Hospitalizations, Illness, Family Crisis

Call Pr. Carol Soderholm cell phone 312-771-1145

Do **NOT** rely on the hospital to contact the church.

Do **NOT** rely on word of mouth/ The grapevine.

Do **NOT** rely on mindreading skills. Pastor missed that class in seminary.

Non—Urgent Pastoral Needs?

Scheduling a home visit/baptism/ wedding. Confirmation/Christian Ed, Coffee & Conversation

Leave a message at Trinity for Pr. Carol. She will return it as soon as possible.

E-mail Pastor Carol @ carol.soderholm@gmail.com

Questions about Administrative stuff?

Announcements for the bulletin, questions about schedules, Financial questions, hall rental, etc....

Call the Church and leave a message for Janet on the Church answering machine, for her to return during office hours 815-225-7410

E-mail Janet at telcsecretary@mediacombb.net

Contact a council member