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Dear members and friends of Faith on Forty,

I am writing this letter on Thursday, April 25th. This Sunday, April 28, the Gospel will be Jesus appearing to his disciples and telling them three times "Peace be with you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you." The disciples are uncertain and fearful, and Jesus steps into their midst with words of reassurance and peace. He extends words of love in the face of the greatest loss the world has known. These words are for us too; in the face of our many losses and in the face of our death.

What is his peace: the peace that passes all understanding? What is the peace that the world cannot give; that only He can give?

Among the lists of early Christian martyrs there were a number of married couples. Saints Timothy and Maura had been married only 20 days when they were arrested during the Diocletian persecution of Christians in Upper Egypt around the year 285. Timothy served the local Christian community by reading, safeguarding, and teaching scripture. When persecuted he refused to surrender the Christian books in his care. Timothy was subject to abuse and torture yet he remained unyielding. When the Governor learned he had a wife, she too was arrested and tortured. Maura was willing to die with her husband in order to protect and preserve holy scripture. When neither relented, the Governor ordered both to be tortured and executed. Face-to-face husband and wife were nailed to two crosses. In this manner they lived for ten days, encouraging one another in prayer and reassuring each other of the peace of Christ that sustained them in their suffering.

Few of us will suffer like Timothy and Maura because of our faith - but all of us have trouble enough to need the peace of Christ which only he can give. Thank God for His peace. Without this peace, we would have nothing. There is little else that matters.....eternally.

The resurrection of Christ takes place right here on this side of the grave. Jesus is not standing on the shore of eternity beckoning us to join him. He is standing beside us; strengthening us this very day, this very minute. The good news of the resurrection is not that we shall die and go home to be with him; but that he has risen and comes to be with us. On the morning of the resurrection, God put life in the present tense, not in the future. He gave us not a promise but a presence.....not a hope for the future but power for the present. The proof that God raised Jesus from the dead is not the empty tomb, but the full hearts of his transformed disciples. The crowning evidence that he lives is not a vacant grave; but a spirit filled community of believers. It's not a rolled away stone - but rather a carried away church.

This is what gives us the peace of Christ. He is with us - always and everywhere; always extending His peace. By the way, Governor Arianos, the Governor of Thebaid (who persecuted and tortured Timothy and Maura) converted to Christianity later on and was himself martyred for Christ.

He, too, came to know the peace of Christ. With love and blessings, Pastor Carol

Our Southtown Ministry

Will be Tuesday, May 21st at 4:30 PM to 5:00

WELCA Circle

Will meet on May 9th at 2:00 p.m.



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 May21st 11:30





Music and Worship Committee

Tuesday May 28th @ 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



Milledgeville Fireman's Breakfast

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

Upcoming Events for Chadwick/Milledgeville Graduations

May 1st, 7:00 PM
Trinity will host the Milledgeville High School Scholarship Night

Baccalaureate service will be Wednesday, May 14th at 7:00 PM at Chadwick First Lutheran Church

High School Graduation is Saturday 18th at 6:00pm At Milledgeville High School

8th Grade Promotion will be On Wednesday May 22nd at 7:00 pm At Chadwick Junior High

May Daily Prayer

May 1st –Lord, help us to keep heart in your gift of the Sprit while serving you, though Christ. Amen

May 2nd –Jesus, give us the strength to reach out with your love to those we meet today. Amen

May 3rd-O Lord, open or mouths to praise you for our healing and not be silent. In Jesus name. Amen

May 4th-As we sing a new song, O God, motivate us to challenge injustice in the word, for Jesus' sake. Amen

May 5th-O God, keep us steadfast in our daily disciplines of a life of faith. Hear our prayer. Amen

May 6th-O God, forgive us when we scatter far from our ways, reunite us as our people, though Christ Jesus. Amen

May 7th-O God, when we fail to do your will, forgive us with your merciful love, though Christ Jesus. Amen

May 8th-O Lord, help us trust in your Compassion to free us from our worries. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 9th-O God, thank you for placing faithful role models in our midst to inspire us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

May 10th-Gracious God, refresh us with the healing powers of the water of life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

May 11th-God, renew us with your healing powers as we continue your mission. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 12th-Loving God, we trust in your faithfulness though life's struggles. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 13th- Lord Jesus, we trust in your steadfast love and praise your holy name. Amen.

May 14th-Lord God, guide us to share the good news of Christ's resurrection each day. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 15th-Lord God, protect us and lead us to live with one another in peace. In his name. Amen

May 16th-Creator God, open my heart to experience the great diversity of life. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 17th-Almighty God, may my words and my works always be offerings of praise to you. In Christ's name. Amen

May 18th- Holy God, breathe new life into our hearts and your creation, for Jesus' sake. Amen

May 19th-God of love, inspire us to be people of love, though Christ Jesus our Lord. . Amen.

May 20th-Open our hearts and hands, generous God, to share the bounty we have received from you, though Christ Jesus. Amen.

May 21st-Help us to use all your gifts, Lord, for their intended purpose, for Jesus' sake. Amen

May 22nd-Gracious Lord, thank you for the ability to learn and to teach, through Christ Jesus. In your name we pray. Amen

May 23rd-Speak Lord, for we are listening, and give us the ability to obey. In Jesus' name. Amen.

May 24th-Bring in your kingdom, Lord, with justice for all. We pray in Jesus's name, who is Lord of all. Amen.

May 25th-God, help me find ways to open the floodgates and quench the thirst of your people. In the name of the Lamb we reigns. Amen. May 26th-Thank you, God, for your gift of the Sprit. Enable us to be

attentive and obedient, In the name of the Risen Lord. Amen.

May 27th-Lord, may the truth of your reign empower us to be faith-

ful and courageous. In Jesus' name. Amen

May 28th-When we are impatient, God, help us to wait for the Sprit's

power. We pray in the name of the Risen Lord. Amen.

May 29th-When I am mired in troubles, O God, help me to see the light of your love and grace in your name. Amen

light of your love and grace, in your name. Amen

May 30th—You have given us you Sprit, Oh God. Use us now to be

with South 1 ou have given us you spin, On God. Use us now to be witnesses of your love. In Jesus' name. Amon

May 31st- Thank you for our gifts, and passions, God. Use them to your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen



For May

May 1st	2 Corinthians 4:1-6
May 2nd	Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
May 3rd	Psalm 30
May 4th	Revelations 5:11-14
May 5th	John 21:1-19
May 6th	Ezekiel 11:1-25
May 7th	Ezekiel 20:39-44
May 8th	Luke 12:29-32
May 9th	Acts 9:36-43
May 10th	Psalm 23
May 11th	Revelations 7:9-17
May 12th	John 10:22-30
May 13th	Psalm 100
May 14th	Acts 1:15-26
May 15th	Revelations 11:15-19
May 16th	Acts 11:1-18
May 17th	Psalm 148
May 18th	Revelations 21:1-6
May 19th	John 13:31-35
May 20th	Leviticus 19:9-18
May 21st	Proverbs 2:9-15
May 22nd	Acts 16:1-8
May 23rd	Acts 16:9-15
May 24th	Psalm 67
May 25th	Revelation 21:10,22-22:5
May 26th	John 14:23-29
May 27th	Psalm 97
May 28th	Luke 24:44-53
May 29th	Acts 16:16-34
May 30th	Acts 1:1-11
May 31st	Luke 1:39-57

June 2019									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
						1 Birthday: Dan Nye Birthday: June Purvis Birthday: Steven Blake			
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Birthday: Carole Adolph 8:30a-9:30a Worship @	11a-3p Sewers Meet	ĺ		Birthday: Lee Hinrichs	Anniversary: Dan and Heather Schmidt				
FWJ 10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity									
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day	15			
Birthday: Frank Ward	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Anniversary: Robert and Marlys Carpenter	9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting	Birthday: Ava Schluter	Birthday: Alexis Matteson	Birthday: David Folk			
Birthday: Kurt Landis		Birthday: Craig Dusing		Birthday: Brady Doyle	Birthday: Lisa Hinrichs	Birthday: Justin Janssen			
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ				Birthday: Cory Brubaker	US Flag Day				
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity				2p-4p Dorcas Circle					
16 Father's Day	17	18	19	20	21	22 Summer Solstice			
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-1p Grace Meals	Birthday: Marlys Carpenter	Birthday: Carol Schryver		Birthday: Barry Imel			
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home Milledge- ville)				Birthday: Justin Peterson			
						Birthday: Spencer McClaine			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29			
Birthday: June Franks	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Birthday: Caleb VanDyke	Anniverary: Andrew and Janet Barkley		Anniversary: Mark and Jenn Dettman				
8:30a-9:30a Worship @		Birthday: Jerry Hereen	Birthday: Jenn Dettman						
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30 Birthday: Erin Dettman	Notes:								
Birthday: Mike Miller									
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ									
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity									

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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					
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						Birthday: Madilyn Todd		
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5 Cinco De Mayo	6	7	8	9	10	11		
Anniversary: Mitch and	Birthday: Curt Eubanks			Anniversary: Steven and Phyllis		Birthday: Erica Kaufman		
Sharon Woodard			Korey Fossett	Jewell				
Birthday: Arden Queck- boerner	Birthday: Paige Bauling		Birthday: James Brubaker	Birthday: Brad Grenoble		Birthday: Patty Murray		
	Birthday: Staci Trobaugh		Birthday: Scott Bryson	Birthday: Craig Bauling		Birthday: Shirley Woessner		
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet		9a-12p Pastor at Conference	Birthday: Jamie Doyle				
10:15a-11:15a Worship @			Meeting	Birthday: Katie Gallagher				
Trinity				Birthday: Keagan Livengood				
				Birthday: Pam Eubanks				
				2p-4p Dorcas Circle				
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	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					
	11a-3p Sewers Meet							
Trinity								
19	20	21	22	23	24	25		
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Ramona Koett	Birthday: Alayna Beckham	Birthday: Todd Brubaker		Birthday: Dan Hinrichs	Birthday: Jaidon Doyle		
	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-1p Grace Meals						
Trinity		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry						
		(Southtown home Milledge-ville)						
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	Notes:		
		Anniversary: Craig and Kaye Dusing	Birthday: Bryce Palmer		Birthday: Otto Wagenknecht			
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Teresa Wagenknecht							
	Birthday: Violet Ohlwine							
	11a-3p Sewers Meet							

West Jordan



Worship Helpers

May 5th & 12th Gary & Carol Sibley

Lector:

Carol Sibley

May 19th, & 26th

LaVerne & Carol Woessner

Lector:

LaVerne Woessner

Circle Hostess: Janet Koett

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, Donna Folkers Johnson, Lawrence Maxwell, Rick Miller, Vernon Milnes, Corinne Ohlwine, Debbie Oldham, Craig Schlidgen, Otto Wagenknecht, Trae VanZuiden

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Bible School

Milledgeville Community **Vacation Bible School**

June 10—13th at 3:00pm to 5:00pm At Dutchtown Church of the Brethren More information to follow

Thank You

To Pastor Carol, the ladies in the kitchen, Lynn Kaufman for cleaning up after us, all who made salads, & desserts, for Our beloved Sister, Mother, Aunt, Grandmother & Great Grandmother. Barbara Miller

The Family of Barb Miller



Church Leaders Directory

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Custodian Lvnn Kaufman

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President

Jan Wetzel (631-9353)

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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



A MOXHER'S

There's no love like a mother's, Her heart is filled with care. With Christ as her example, Her Savior's love she'll share.

A mother's love is endless, Not changing for all time. When needed by her children, A mother's love will shine.

God bless these special mothers, God bless them every one. For all their tears and heartaches, And special work they've done.

When days on earth are over, A mother's love lives on, Through many generations, God's blessings on each one.

Be thankful for our mothers, Who love with higher love, From power God has given, And strength from up above.

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

Emergency Pastoral Care Concern?

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