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Introducing: Zaccheaus’ Feast
Wednesday, January 13, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Here at Trinity Lutheran

We are beginning the new year with a new community meal. This meal is open to the entire Milledgeville-Chadwick Community. Our aim will be to provide a free, family style meal to anyone who wishes to be part of the meal. We will advertize in the community and at the local food pantry.

A planning meeting for the January meal will be held on Tuesday, January 5th at 6 pm.




What is PADS? PADS stands for Public Action to Deliver Shelter. This is an emergency shelter and entry point into other outreach programs. From here the individuals are directed to organizations such as: Tri County Opportunities, Northwestern Illinois Center for Independent Living, YWCA, and Sinnissippi Mental Health.

A list of needs will be posted on our bulletin board and in our weekly bulletins.

Thank you for your generosity in helping raise funds and collect other needs for PADS!

January Mission Focus



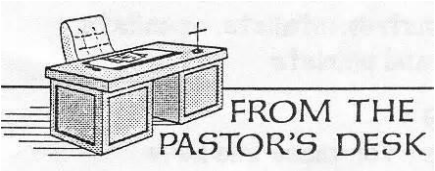
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Glad Tidings
Sound the Good News





Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

—Romans 6:4 —


A new year has begun, and with it comes all our new promises of things we will do this year, things we will change about ourselves, or habits we will start or end. These New Year resolutions are really fun to make. We have a whole new year ahead of us, not just a new day, but a whole new year. Anything is possible. So why not reach for the stars? Make that promise to lose weight, be nicer, give more, watch less TV, spend more time with the family, etc.

Each new year, each new day, each new breath we take is a gift from God. This is the foundation to our resolutions to change our ways. We have been given a gift. In our Christian faith, the sign of this gift is baptism. And on Sunday, January 10th, our worship lessons focus on Jesus baptism. The Bible story about Jesus baptism is actually fairly short. It leaves a lot of questions unanswered. Who were the sponsors? Did John drop the candle in the river? Okay, so those are a little silly. But there are unanswered questions. We don't even know the words John actually said to Jesus. Just that John did the baptism.

What we know is Jesus baptism serves as the sign of God's amazing gift of newness of life. This does not come in the form of resolutions that we make while watching Ryan Seacrest Rock in the New Year from New York City. This does not come in the form of resolutions that we have easily given up by January 10th. This sign comes with water and God's word. And when God's Word is involved, an unbreakable promise is made. When you were baptized, God's word became an unbreakable promise in your life. God resolved to give you newness of life with every breath you take not just on January 1st, not just with the alarm clock of a new day. God's resolution of newness of life is experienced with each breath.

Now usually that thought is too overwhelming. So we need moments like the alarm clock each day, or the annual ball dropping over Times Square, to remind us that newness of life is a gift and a reality we get to experience. Let's resolve also to include each time we shower, or wash our hands, or wash our dishes, or go through a car wash anytime it rains even whenever water touches you, make the resolution to remember God's eternal promise in your life. You have newness of life. This is not something we are waiting for. This is something God has given as an amazing free gift of his love.


Pastor Jamie Gallagher



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Trinity will hold its Annual meeting on Sunday, January 31
Immediately after worship



Our Bible Study returns on Wednesdays in January at 7 PM.

We will not meet on Jan 13, instead join us for the Zacchaeus Feast meal.

On January 6th we will meet: Solomon
On January 20th we will meet: Elijah
On January 27th we will meet: Daniel



January Grace Meal
January 19th @ 11:30 am

Have you updated your email address contact list for Trinity? Our new office email is:

telcsecretary@mediacombb.net



And don't forget to Friend us on Facebook:

Trinity Lutheran Church Milledgeville

Thank You!


I would like to thank everyone who gave cards and gifts to me and my family this Christmas.

I appreciate your love for us.

ô Pastor Jamie

Tuesday, January 19th
4:30 PM
Southtown Ministry


Share in story, craft, song and prayer with the residents of Southtown. It is the most amazing half-hour of the entire month.



Trinity will have Sunday school at 9 am on Sunday, January 10 and Sunday, January 24

To help with Sunday school, please contact Amy Strehlow

A Noisy Offering will be taken on Sunday, January 17th. This will be taken during the Children's Sermon. Children can bring coins to worship for this offering, and the Children will pass their "Noisy Offering" cans through the congregation.




The offering collected will be dedicated to PADS, our January Mission Focus

Lent is right around the corner. I know, we just had Christmas, we can't possibly think about Lent yet.

But here it is: Ash Wednesday is February 10th.

Our worship will be at 7 PM at Trinity.




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Our Lenten Series will be called "Praying with the Saints", we will explore famous saints and prayers attributed to them during our Lunch and Devotion time starting on February 17th at noon.



This January the pledge cards will be distributed in worship on January 10th, or mailed home that Monday. Please return them in worship on January 17th or in the mail by January 18th.

Thank you for all your generosity in supporting the ministry of our congregation and our partnership ministry as Faith on Forty Parish.





Youth News

Sunday, January 17th at 6:30 PM Movie and Popcorn. Bring your favorite popcorn/or other movie snacks to share. Bring as many friends as you want. This is open to all Junior High/Senior High kids.

Sunday, January 24th at 6:30 PM "What's The Word" Teen Bible Study. Bring your Friends. This is open to all Junior High/Senior High kids.

Parents Meeting: Sunday, January 17th after worship. We will discuss a summer mission opportunity and other plans going forward as we strive to keep our kids faithfully active.





Helpers

Week 1 & 2
Ushers/Greeters: Dan and Jodi Woessner
Lector: Dan Woessner

Week 3, 4
Ushers/Greeters: Lee and Kathy Hinrichs
Lector: Kathy Hinrichs

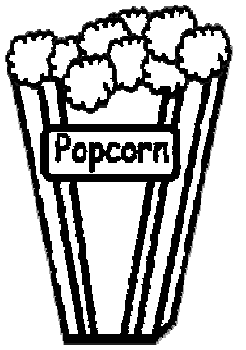
First West Jordan News

January Birthdays:

12 - Ray Ricklefs
21 - Meghan O'Brien
22 - Myron Deets
23 - Janet Koett & Leonard Gilbert

National Popcorn Day Is January 19th!

Eat More Popcorn!



First's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 31st, following the worship service

Church Leaders Directory

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<u>Musician</u> Nancy Janssen	
<u>Financial Secretary</u> Ken Peterson	

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

If any information is incorrect or we have missed something, please let the office know.

February 2016

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 11a-3p Sewers Meet	2	3 1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Men- toring (Milledgeville Elementary School) 7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)	4 6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement	5 Pastor's Day Off	6
7 8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ 10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	8 11a-3p Sewers Meet	9 1:30p-3:30p Naomi Circle	10 9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meet- ing 1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Men- toring (Milledgeville Elementary School) 7p-8p Ash Wednesday Worship (Trinity, Milledgeville)	11 7p-9p Dorcas Circle	12 Pastor's Day Off
13	14 8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ 10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	15 Trinity Delivers Golden Meals 11a-3p Sewers Meet	16	17 12p-1p Lunch and Devotion (Trinity, Milledgeville) 1p-2:30p Milledgeville School Men- toring (Milledgeville Elementary School) 7p-8p Bible Study (Trinity Lutheran)	18
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Personal Readings and Prayer Calendar

Psalm 119:105

to my feet and a light to my path.

Paul wrote the Letter to the Romans before he went to Rome. It was a way of letting the Jews and Gentiles living there know about the Gospel of Jesus, so they would know what to expect from his teaching.

Paul's teaching in Romans can be broadly summed up as the Righteousness from God, which includes themes of justification by faith, and guilt, and sanctification, and security.

Whether you just completed catechism, or whether you were confirmed 50 years ago, this Letter to the Romans serves as a basic introduction to Jesus. The season of Epiphany is a season of discovering Jesus. So this January is an excellent time to spend a little time each morning with Paul, his Letter to the Romans, and our Lord Jesus. As we remember our Baptism on January 10th, this letter will remind you that you are justified (that is made right with God) by faith, not your works. This letter will free you from guilt and encourage you in your sanctification (your being made holy by God's Spirit), and assure you that nothing can take away God's amazing love in your life.

Jan 1: Romans 1:1-17
Jan 2: Romans 1:18-32
Jan 3: Romans 2:1-16
Jan 4: Romans 2:17-29
Jan 5: Romans 3:1-20
Jan 6: Romans 3:21-31
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Jan 8: Romans 4:13-25
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Jan 29: Romans 15:1-13
Jan 30: Romans 15:14-33
Jan 31: Romans 16:1-27



1/0	Ron & Pat Jaquet
1/4	Carl & Margaret Bauling
1/7	Ed & Kali Landis
1/20	Kenneth & Linda Peterson
1/23	Ron & Sharon Judd
1/23	Randy & Opal Kleckler



1/8 Laura Buckman
1/9 Kenneth Peterson
1/10 Leland Bryson
1/10 Emily Kleckler
1/12 Elsie Heward
1/14 Kaitlin Murray
1/16 Roger Koett
1/17 Therol Anderson
1/17 Richard Bushman
1/18 Charles Faulkner
1/27 Kara Koett
1/31 Amanda Miller



1/1 Nichlaus Strehlow
1/1 Shirley Woessner
1/1 Steve Buckman
1/1 Mike Miller
1/1 Robert Woessner
1/1 William Borth
1/1 Margaret Bauling
1/1 Amy Eye
1/1 Brandon Eye
1/9 Carol Frederick
1/11 Patty Murray
1/21 John Murray
1/23 Connie Brockhouse
1/24 Josh Nye
1/28 Keasha Kelley
1/29 Bridget Newcomer

January Prayer

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son.

Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit
faithful in your service,
that we may rejoice to be called children of God,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.
Amen



If you have a prayer request for our prayer chain or for our Sunday prayer list, please contact Pastor Jamie

January 1-7

This Week in prayer our homebound members: [First:] Myron and Linda Deets, Leonard and Anita Gilbert, Elnora Hinrichs, Lucille Hook, Adeline Sheehan, Frank and Leona Ward. [Trinity:] Carl and Peg Bauling, Bill and Ruth Borth, Nancy Dittmar, Ardree Fogel, Joan Massengil,
Pray also for the residents of Southtown Terrace, a home here in Milledgeville for adults with mental and physical challenges.

January 8-14

Pray for peace in places torn apart by war; pray for people making new year's resolutions regarding healthy lifestyle choices, that they may experience God's healing and be encouraged as they discover new healthy habits; pray for those who begin the new year having lost a loved one, that they may see God's light in the midst of their darkness.

January 15-21

This week in keep in prayer those from our prayer lists in worship:

From First: Ruth Borth, Sandy Bushman, Linda and Myron Deets, Anita and Leonard Gilbert, Linda Habben, Roger Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Janet Koett, Jon Ryner, Allen Vickers

From Trinity: Lori Anderson, Adlee Barajas, Joyce Blair, Ruth & Bill Borth, Bob Brandt, Leland Bryson, Nancy Dittmar, Cody Druce, Dee Gerdes, Alfred Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Kevin Judas, Janet Koett, Stephen McCormick, Ivan Miller, Corinne Ohlwine, June Stewart

The families and friends of those who passed away: Darrell Spencer, Danny Miller, Jenny Banks

January 22-31

Pray for our ministry partners: Northwest and Central Conferences of the Northern Illinois Synod, the Northern Illinois Synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Bishop Gary Wollersheim of the NIS and Bishop Elizabeth Eaton of the ELCA.

Lift up our local partners here in the Chadwick-Milledgeville community: Faith on Forty Ministry, Church of the Brethren on Main Street, Dutchtown Brethren, Milledgeville United Methodist, and Community Baptist Church, First Lutheran Church, Chadwick, Evangelical Free Church, Chadwick, Fairhaven United Methodist Church, Hope Methodist Church; and the Helping Hands Food Pantry.