

WHY SEEK YE THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD?

HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN...

TRINITY tidings

LENTEN & HOLYweek Services

- **Wed Mar-2nd 7 PM Lenten Service**
- **Wed Mar-9th 7 PM Lenten Service (At Bethel)**
- **Wed Mar 16th 7 PM Lenten Service**
- **Thur Mar 24, 7 PM Maundy Thursday Service 8th Choir Practice**
- **Fri Mar 25 Good Friday**
 - **Noon –3 PM Good Friday Community Service, Community Church RM**
 - **7PM Service At TLC**
- **Easter Sunday Services, Sun Mar 27th at 7AM and 10AM**

**March Combined
Worship Service
Sunday, March 6th At
10:00AM
Church Potluck
Luncheon To Follow**

A word from Pastor

Dear Sisters and Brothers, I write to you from Jerusalem! Tomorrow, Sunday, February 28, we will be worshipping at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, just a few blocks from the place that tradition says our Lord was crucified, died and was buried.

That, of course, is not the whole story. Jesus had a ministry for several years before he was arrested, convicted in a mock trial and executed under the jurisdiction of the occupying Roman government. And his crucifixion was not the end of the story or of his ministry.

The reason that Kathie and I will worship tomorrow in Jerusalem and you will worship in Rolling Meadows is that we believe that Jesus was raised from the dead and commissioned his disciple--then and in every generation--to spread the good news (Gospel) that because he lives, we also have not just the hope but the promise of new and eternal life with Jesus and with all the children of God!

As many of us gathered for our midweek Bible Studies in January and early February to study the Acts of the Apostles, we were reminded that the same Spirit of God that raised Jesus from the dead empowered and emboldened his disciple to take great risks for the sake of the gospel.

We were also reminded that even in its earliest years the new Christian movement struggled within itself to figure out how best to order their lives to carry out the great commission that Jesus gave his disciple before he returned to his Father. "Go into all the world," Jesus said, and make disciple everywhere, teaching people what I have taught you." That great commission was accompanied by an equally great promise: "I will be with you to the close of the ages," said Jesus.

We do not know when the world will end. But we do know that because Christ lives, we will never be alone and we will never be powerless. As we anticipate Holy Week and the remembrance of the great price God paid for our salvation, let us, in our celebrations of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter, be strengthened, comforted and emboldened in our understanding that God is far from finished with us and our mission and ministry in our small part of God's beloved world.

Let us struggle TOGETHER to hear God's call to us in this young century and to respond faithfully.

In Christ's peace,

Pr. Dan

A DEACONS VIEW

Over the past several months many members of Trinity (and non members as well as non Christians) and I have had conversations relative to our individual beliefs concerning Christianity.

As none of us were theology "experts", the majority of our words were based on doctrine or dogma (a body of principles in a branch of Christianity that we learned when we studied a particular system of belief). While this is not terrible, our conversations called for patience, concentrated listening to each other, concern and love - not always easy when your beliefs seem to be questioned.

I write these words as we here at Trinity Lutheran Church are starting to create and implement a new vision for our congregation and I believe that our actions and words will be crucial as we implement it.

I quote A. W. Tozer in his book written way back in the 1960's: "To carry on these activities (evangelism, missions) scripturally the church should be walking in fullness of power, separated, purified and ready at any moment to give up everything, even life itself, for the greater glory of Christ. For a worldly, weak, decadent church to make converts is but to bring forth after her own kind and extend her weakness and decadence a bit further out..."⁽¹⁾

I pray that we follow the scripturally portion of Tozer's message and truly preach the Gospel thru language and actions.. Chapter 12 of Romans also tells us how we should act - that "God demands our action as well as our believing and thinking. Faith expresses itself in obedience. ...that this is not ritual activity but the involvement of heart, mind and will - WORSHIP."⁽²⁾

I suggest that it would be wise for each of us to read Saint Paul's 12th chapter in Romans prior to our implementing our vision this year. (F.Y.I. Have you ever noticed that our "sister" parish Bethel Lutheran Church, has the second verse -the renewal of your mind - inscribed over their altar?) Shalom, Parish Deacon Glenn

1.) A. W. Tozer, "The Knowledge of the Holy", (New York: Harper & Row, 1961), p. 83.

2.) "The NIV Study Bible", General Editor : Kenneth Barker, (Grand Rapids, MI.: Zondervan Publ. Hse., 1995), notes p. 2238 large print version.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DEENA
MCINTOSH WHO WAS INSTALLED AS A
TRINITY LUTHERAN COUNCIL MEMBER
THIS PAST SUNDAY...

The heavens declare
the glory of God; And
the firmament shows
His handiwork.

Psalm 19:1

EVENING LADIES GROUP..

There will be a woman's club meeting on Friday March 11, 2016 at 7 pm hosted by Dana Mueller, location and activities TBD. Please watch for updates through email as well as in the bulletin and reply if you can make it.

The April woman's club meeting will be an event at church on Friday April 1, 2016. We will have an artist come in and teach us how to paint something on canvas. No previous painting experience required nor artistic talent needed. There will be a \$25 fee required to participate which the artist charges for supplies and you get to bring home an original piece of art to proudly display in your home.



More details will follow, including what picture we will be painting. A sign-up sheet will be available for about 2 weeks before April 1st. Registration is required so the artist can bring enough supplies for the entire group. Men and woman are welcome to sign up for this event.

Any questions about these upcoming events or about the Woman's club, please contact Donna Bisesi at northregion@comcast.net or 847-772-8412. Thank you.

IN this LIFE

March Birthdays

- Dominick Bisesi 01
- Luka Carlsen 01
- Kaitlyn Vigna 01
- Ann Schaeftges 01
- Jaret Carlsen 03
- Marie Chizek 05
- Melissa Huhn 06
- Renee Wessel, Jr. 12
- Kaylee Brodnan 17
- Emmett Mueller 20
- Dave Witt 24
- Bill Blaetz 26

Anniversaries

Chuck & Jan Cosman
07-Mar-1992

Russ & Lynn Griesmeyer
12-Mar-1983

Belated Happy Birthday Wishes
To Our Pastor Dan!



TLC Women's Group

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 8th from 12-3 pm. Remember to bring your lunch and a drink. Last month we watched the movie War Room.

It was a very inspiring movie that we would highly recommend seeing. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming afternoon of fellowship.

Any questions please feel free to call Jill Powell at 847-506-1986

CHARLIES STEW

- 2 LBS. LEAN STEWING BEEF
- 1 CAN CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP
- 1 CAN FRENCH ONION SOUP
- 1/4 CUP BURGUNDY WINE

PLACE IN CASSEROLE DISH AND BAKE 6 HOURS AT 250 DEGREES UNCOVERED. SERVE OVER ROTINI NOODLES OR HERB RICE.

FROM THE KITCHEN OF:
MARIE CHIZEK

Growing Together

The title above is this year's theme for the journey on which we are embarking here at Trinity in order to discern the shape of our mission and ministry going forward in 2016 and beyond. It is the banner under which we will move forward to discover what God wants us to do.

Why this theme?











First of all, growth is integral to our lives as children of God. In our baptism God made us His children. At that time He set each of us on a lifelong path of growing in faith toward Him and in love and service to others. No matter where we are on our journey, no matter what our age might be, we are always God's children. As perpetual children of God, we are always in a state of growth.

Secondly, as members of the body of Christ, we are to grow not in isolation by ourselves but together with one another. When St. Paul compares the members of the church to the parts of the body in 1 Cor 12, he emphasizes how they must fit and work together in order for the body to function properly. And they must also grow together; otherwise the body is misshapen and dysfunctional. To avoid this outcome, we must always be open to opportunities for growth together.

Look for other ways to grow together in a future issue of the Tidings.

Ken Voight
Outreach Task Force
Strategic Planning Steering Committee

MARCH 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 8:00 AM Boy Scout Wilderness First Aid Training 8:30 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Contemporary Worship & Sunday School 12:00 PM Westminster Reformed Church 4:00 PM Masihi Church of God	29 4:00 PM Cub Scout Den Meetings	1  6:30 PM Garden Working Group 7:00 PM Fellowship Team	2  6:00 PM Lenten Dinner at Trinity 7:00 PM Lenten Worship at Trinity 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	3 6:30 PM Strategic Planning Steering Group 7:30 PM A.A. Meeting	4	5
6 10:00 AM Combined Worship & Sunday School 11:15 AM Pot Luck Lunch 12:00 PM Westminster Reformed Church 4:00 PM Masihi Church of God	7 4:00 PM Cub Scout Den Meetings	8 10:00 AM Hopeful Beginnings 12:00 PM Talk, Lunch, Crafts Ladies Club 6:30 PM Communications Working Group	9  6:00 PM Lenten Dinner At Bethel 7:00 PM Lenten Worship At Bethel 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	10 7:30 PM A.A. Meeting	11 6:30 PM Cub Scouts - Pack Night	12 8:00 AM Scoutmaster Training
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