

# Glad Tidings

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## Other opportunities to be in God's Word

### Tuesday Morning

Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.

This group has been using the magazine "Good News", which is published by Concordia Mission Society. The editor is the former LHM speaker Wallace Schultz.

There are several editions available in the pastor's study/office for anyone who would like to review a topic or use one for a personal Bible study.

### Wednesday morning

Ladies Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 28th started the "Joy" Bible Study.

Women spend a lot of their time waiting to be happy; thinking it will be right around the corner. Don't keep waiting. You can start enjoying the blessings of God today when you start noticing the joys hidden in plain sight. Books are \$8.00. The books help follow along with the study, but are not required. Please let Kristin Myher know if you would like a book.

If evenings are better, join us at the **Cottage Meetings** the last Friday of the month at 7 p.m. hosted at a members home. February will be hosted by the Myhers'

**Pastor Snider's Sunday Adult Bible Study** will be stepping us through the book of Isaiah. Join us for this insightful study of this important work of this prophet.

We hope to see all of you at one or more of these Bible Studies.

## Christian Education News

It's March and time to start planning for our "Tell It on The Mountain" Vacation Bible School. We will explore 5 great Bible stories that all take place on top of mountains! Mark your calendars for July 8th-12th. We will have our first planning meeting on April 9th at 7:00 PM. Please plan to attend if you will be able to help with VBS this year. I'll need lots of volunteers the week of VBS and also planning before so if you aren't available that week, not a problem! It pretty much takes all of Trinity to pull VBS off so please let me know how you'd like to help!

Don't miss the cottage meeting Friday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm hosted by Cathie and Pastor Snider. If you've never attended a cottage meeting before, I encourage you to give it a try. We have a Bible Study, snacks and fellowship in a "cottage" environment.

The board of Education had our quarterly meeting on January 16th. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 15th at 7:00 PM. Please plan to come if you have any ideas or input for us.

Our Sunday School has a few needs, if you would be able to provide any of these, we would be grateful!

- Stick On Jewels

- Tape
- A small CD player for the pre-school room
- Glitter glue
- Glue sticks
- Crowns made for the Wiseman costumes (ours are falling apart!)

I found this article in the Growing in Christ Nursery Roll 10 and I wanted to share an excerpt from it with the Dads out there.

Dads, you really do influence your child powerfully. Both boys and girls get many unspoken assumptions from their fathers. Not only our early ideas and concepts about God but also our ideas about life in general often come from what we see and sense is important to our dads.

Did you notice that the above sentence says "see and sense," not "hear"? What you do is at least twice as important as

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## Know What Our Children Are Studying

The topics for March include:

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| 3/3 Jesus Feed Five Thousand | John 6: 1-14 |
| 3/10 Jesus Seeks the Lost    | Luke 15      |
| 3/17 Jesus Is Anointed       | Luke 7:36-50 |
| 3/24 The Lord's Supper       | Luke 22:1-23 |

# Pastor's Page

*We are a gift  
to each other*

by Pastor Snider

We who believe that Christ died and rose from the dead receive many blessings from our Lord, Savior and God. It is a package deal that includes added blessings from our Father in heaven. One of the greatest gifts is the blessing that we are to each other. Each of us through our Lord is a little bit of Jesus. That makes it very easy for us to reach out to others with our abundant gifts. We do have a responsibility to manage the blessings we receive from our Lord Jesus. Some might encourage you to be good stewards of these gifts by distributing them among others in your family, congregation and community. Caring for one another and for those whom God made is a gift we receive and costs nothing to pass along to others. How would you feel if you received a kind word? How would you know some one cares for you if they didn't say anything as you struggle with your thoughts or feelings? Caring might include acts of kindness but can very well be simply telling a friend or neighbor that you feel good when they are happy and sad when you know they are sad.

Sharing what we have been given by God in the way of blessings is a very common method of reaching out to others. There are many other sharing events that take place in our congregation and community. We traditionally share our food with

those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. A recent fundraiser is an example of sharing what we have with those in need. We can share the words, which Christ spoke and are recorded for us to read in the Bible with those who have not heard. Sharing what we have includes sharing the promise for salvation. Each of these different opportunities to reach out to others is a way of being a blessing to them because God the Father has blessed you.

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Giving is typically the act of sharing our money. Through the combined efforts of the congregation and synod we give money to various mission and support groups in a very organized way. This is a practice which first allows for a larger amount of money available to large projects and secondly we combine the money from those less blessed and the more blessed to make the work of our Lord a common practice for all. We all recognize that we are one of God's creatures and that giving to one of us is like giving to another but often we satisfy our needs and then give what is left over. This is not the plan Jesus talks about as He teaches us through the Gospels. The first fruits belong to the Lord and we are given the freedom to give to those we see have a need to receive blessings from our Lord.

Loving may be the most difficult of the blessings to describe and also the most difficult to manage. As we look around we compare our love with others and we keep it as if it were a limited commodity. Scripture teaches us that it is increased like faith through handing it out to God's creatures. This is one of those things, which we are to be careful not to hide in our yard or



field. This love is to be heaped on others even when we have no other blessings we are reminded that God so loved us ... As we live a life filled with blessings we most certainly have been loved. Often loving is hard to do because of jealousy of others blessings or because we hold a grudge. Jesus loved us and did not hold it against anyone that He was killed for our sins. He continued to love those who abused and mocked Him.

Believers, who possess Christ's righteousness and feel His love in their hearts, will, like the apostles, constantly want to grow in their knowledge of Him. They will want to experience His love ever more deeply and respond to that love with lives of loving service to Jesus. Caring, sharing, giving and loving are part of our responsibility as stewards of all the blessings God gives to us each day. These blessings increase as we grow closer to God the Father and God the Son by letting God the Holy Spirit reach us through increased scripture reading and study. Grow and Glow through His word!



# March 2013

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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31 <b>8:00 Sunrise Service</b> <b>8:45 Breakfast and 9:30 Easter Egg Hunt</b> <b>10:00 Easter Celebration Service</b>						

# Youth Group

## News



LCMS is pleased to share with you today, that registration is now open for the annual Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering taking place July 26-28, 2013 at Concordia University Ann Arbor. This event is for all youth entering grades 7-9 in the fall of 2013. The theme, "UNCHANGING," is based on Hebrews 13:8: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

This week, you should have received a postcard inviting you to the event.

## Lilies



We will be decorating the altar with Easter lilies again this year. Look for your order form in your mailbox the beginning of March. The cost is \$10.00 each. If you wish to purchase a Lilly, please turn your order form in to Barb Yek by March 20th. Thank you.

## Posse Posts

CALLING ALL TRINITY LADIES  
Our next posse meeting will be Thursday, March 7th. At 7 p.m. Please join us for devotions, a short meeting & of course desert! GREAT GIRLS NIGHT OUT! Come learn more about LWML, our up coming Zone Rally to be held right here at Trinity the morning of Sat., April 20th. Kathryn Carlton will be our guest speaker, talking about her mission trips. ( you'll want to put this date on your calendar as well. ) You will also learn about the National LWML Convention this summer, June 27 thru June 30th in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. ROAD TRIP LADIES!!

Registration, promotion materials, and other information can be found and downloaded at [www.michigandistrict.org/events/jrhigh13](http://www.michigandistrict.org/events/jrhigh13).

### EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

Please note that we are offering an early bird registration price of \$115/person to make it more affordable for your youth to attend. The registration price covers all programming and activities, lodging, food, and a gathering t-shirt. The early bird registration deadline is May 13, 2013. After that date, the price will increase to \$130/person.

## Music

## Notes



Well Trinity, it looks like we are going to get to enjoy more of our talented musicians in our congregation. They will be added to our Passion Week . Look for us to expand on this in the future .

## A Note From Barb

We had our Annual Ham Dinner last Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Thirty six of us enjoyed a delicious meal & evening together. We collected \$235 in our free will offering. The posse has designated this money to hire Bob Meinert from Ministry Development Services. Mr. Meinert is a lay minister who specializes in evangelism & church growth. We are excited to have him help us here at Trinity in our growth process.

Thank you to everyone who brought food & helped to make this evening a success.

## From our Youth Group Leaders

We had a great time Bowling on the 22. We had a group of five kids and two adults attend. Bryanna Bickel and friend Jacob, Kenny Minger, Kyle Bickel, Dani Sidebottom, Mitch Minger and Janice Lasko.

The Board of Christian Ed had a Kid's Craft Night that enjoyed a nice little turnout. Mitch would like to thank Youth Group members Jimmy Polenz and Kenny Minger.

### Winter Jam!

WinterJam 2013 is almost here! March 24 at Van Andle Arena in Grand Rapids. Usually we leave after Church and return late in the evening. Talk to Mitch Minger and check out [www.jamtour.com](http://www.jamtour.com) for more details

## Acolyte:

- 3/3 Cassie Gulowski
- 3/10 Kenny Minger
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- 3/24 Mathew Frazzini
- 3/31 Craig Rydzewski

## Altar Guild:

MARCH-- Cathie Snider and Helen Riggs

## Family Fun Day

On January 27th., around 25 of us gathered for our annual family fun day after church at White Lodge. A great time was had by all. Some of us spent the afternoon in a game of "Chicken Foot" while others played a few hands of euchre. The kids enjoyed ping pong & a few games of Jenga, plus just hanging out together. Great food too!!!

**Christian Education News**

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what you say. Children sense very early the differences between what we say is important and what really is important as reflected in what we choose to do and not to do. Your own walk with God will reveal itself in your church attendance and partaking at the Lord's Supper, Bible study and devotions, personal habits and time spent with family commitments, and on and on. Your child is watching, Dad.

That's quite a responsibility, isn't it? You know you will fail at times; nevertheless, keep doing. When you fail, confess your sin and rest assured that God will forgive you. Also, He will renew you and give you the power to provide a better example in the future.

In Christ,

Elizabeth Eppler

**Upcoming Events**

MAUNDY THURSDAY

MAR. 28

Service at 7:00

GOOD FRIDAY

MAR. 29

Tenebrae Service at 7:00

EASTER SUNDAY

MAR. 31

Easter Sunday Worship Services are at 8 and 10 a.m. Please join us also in between services for our Easter breakfast at 8:45 and the children's Easter egg hunt at 9:30

THE CROSS AND THE LIGHT

MAR. 24-31

MUSIC HALL DETROIT  
WWW.CROSSANDLIGHT.COM

**THE MUSIC HALL IN DETROIT**

is having a "deeply moving musical journey through Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. This powerful performance will bring you to the foot of the Cross to experience Jesus' final hours in a way that becomes a personal and profound encounter with our Savior. After Jesus' death, the Risen Lord appears to His Apostles and prepares them for Pentecost. This joy-filled experience will leave you uplifted!. Don't Miss It! March 24-31. Also see info on bulletin board in the Narthex.

**Happy Birthday!!**

A very Happy Birthday from the members of Trinity Lutheran Church:

Heidi Pelto 3/5

Joshua Krueger 3/16

Michael Groeller Jr. 3/18

Penny Myers 3/19

Kimberly Gray 3/21

Kenneth Minger 3/21

Samantha Minger 3/21

Marsha Wallace 3/22

Doris Young 3/22

Alexa Glynn 3/24

Andrew Hollister 3/24

Danielle Sidebottom 3/27

(Dixie) Russell 3/31



**Ecclesiastes 11:8**

However many years a man may live, let him enjoy them all. (NIV)

**Anniversary wishes go out to:**

Janet & (Raymond) Salla 3/26



**Colossians 3:14**

And beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.

**Prayer List**

Praise and thanksgiving

Gracious God and Father, we humbly magnify the wisdom of your ways and in childlike trust commit ourselves to Your fatherly guidance. Uphold us, we pray You by Your right hand, guide us with Your counsel, and receive us at last into glory. We pray for those among us who are in special need of your guidance and healing:

- For John and Diane Menning give them comfort, peace and strength.

- Georgia Rydzewski -- hospitalized
- Lee Clacher--hospitalized, comfort and strength for he and Carol
- Carolyn and Joe Benkovsky and family.
- Cathie Snider relief from pain
- Jeannette Fansler continued healing from shingles
- Richard Parks, Kenny Cadle and Terry Kaczmarek
- For the soldiers overseas who are still protecting freedoms, our own and others in the world: Brandon Snider in Korea, Tyler Martin, Ken Alton and Anthony Chapman who are serving in Afghanistan.
- Guidance, wisdom and strength of faith for the Congregation of Trinity as they make decisions that will help it to grow.
- Pray for our Missionaries in other countries that they remain safe in Your care as they spread Your Word

# Stewardship Charitable Giving Focus for January & February 2013

The Stewardship Committee has chosen the following two organizations for Trinity's charitable giving focus for January & February, 2013:

**HOPE for Developmental Disabilities:** HOPE (Haven, Opportunities Pathways Education) is a ministry of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Hillsdale. They embrace and support individuals with developmental disabilities, including autism spectrum disorders, cognitive impairments, and Down syndrome, in all aspects of living to enhance their quality of life, develop their God-given talents and gifts, and realize their full, individual potential.

## Lutherans for Life Michigan:

Lutherans For Life of Michigan believes that all human life is loved and valued by the Creator God — from the moment of conception to the moment of death — regardless of size or condition. Because we believe this to be the absolute truth, we strive to educate children, youth and adults on the issues of LIFE, such as stem cell research, abortion, post abortive healing, physician assisted suicide, euthanasia and the related issue of sexual purity. Our desire is to see all human life honored and respected in word and deed. Their website is <http://lutheransforlifeofmichigan.org/main/>

Donations for either of these organizations can be made, starting in January, via the blue envelopes available in the pews. Please check the appropriate box.

## Faith Medical Clinic

### How can we help?

Probably most of you have heard or read about the fire that occurred at the Faith Medical Clinic in Pinckney a couple weeks ago. Their equipment was destroyed & the building is not useable. The Ladies' Posse would like to do something to help them get up and running again. We are designating our free will offerings from the March Lenten soup suppers to them and will apply for Thrivent matching funds to help as well.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. for the soup suppers and Worship Service at 7 p.m.

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