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CAPITAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN BEGINS!

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

Wednesday Ladies Bible study: will be starting a new book July 3, From nail biting to cell phone addiction, procrastination to overspending, bad habits seem to outnumber the good ones. Unfortunately, we pay a price for bad habits that outweighs the immediate gratification that they bring. In this book, Joyce Meyer starts by examining the nature of habits.

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. **September** will be hosted by the Brumm's

Pastor Snider's Sunday Adult Bible Study is stepping us through the book of Isaiah. Join us for this insightful journey of important works of this prophet.

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

Want to know what's involved in our Capital Stewardship Campaign and why we call it a CSC?

Wondering where, when and how you can be involved?

On Sunday, September 15th during our 10 a.m. worship service, we, the members of Trinity Lutheran Church, take another step closer toward realizing our dream for our church and our ministry. Led by Pastor Donald Sandmann, our Consultant from Capital Funding Services of our synod's Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF), we begin our Capital Stewardship Campaign, "Gathering With Christ, Growing Where We've Been Planted". We start with an Orientation for all congregation members.

This Orientation is an important early step in our campaign. We will answer typical questions members may have and will chart our course for the next three years. Together we will come to a better understanding of Christ's vision for our church, and together we will begin turning that vision into reality.

Please come to this important informational time on Sunday, September 15th. Your presence will help us get our campaign off to a good start.

SEE YOU THERE!

My dwelling place shall be with them. I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Ezekiel 37:27

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 3:18.

To Him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity! Amen

Pastor's Page

Being an Advocate

By Pastor Snider

Greetings to each of you from the cluttered desk of Pastor Snider. The reason for the confession of clutter is that first of all our church building is small so if you wandered off the beaten path you stepped past or into my office which usually has more than one project in progress. This is usually the front of my desk and it may be a project that is in progress or one that is waiting for the completion to be acknowledged and the resources put back where they can be located until the next time they are needed for a similar project.

On Thursday, July 25, 2013 the combined boards of stewardship and evangelism met to discuss first the role of each board and then to determine how we can apply the principles of reaching out with the gifts we have been given. The roles can and well might be a mirror image of each other. The gifts from within the membership are to be used in the kingdom of Grace which is where each baptized member resides. The reflection then or mirror image is the Evangelism portion of who we are and how we use the gifts and blessings to reach people who have not received the blessings we have received.

This is demonstrated in a couple of ways. Many of us have needs and we are able in some type of means to satisfy those needs and still have some leftovers. One of those gifts which we have been given is the gift of Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. This faith makes all of the resources

at our disposal much less important by comparison to the gift of faith.

Our world of the 21st century has a new approach to ministry. We are all effected by it at home and to some extent at church.

When the phone rings at home or in the office often the person calling is representing a very important need in our world and would like us to raise their cause to a high enough level that we will make a contribution to that cause which they represent.

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It has been the practice of the Stewardship Committee over the past couple of years to promote four different organizations through fund drives and publication of their need in the newsletters and bulletins. The problem with this method is that there are many other organizations that the membership does not see the need or the ministry of those not chosen. Like those who call your home we are unable to support most of the organizations and in some cases even to keep a good idea of special events in those organizations.

We have discussed beginning a program where someone, or maybe several people, accept the role to be an advocate who would become the focal point for a group and communicate to the congregation the highlights of the group and the special events that the membership may not be aware of but if they knew might be interested in the prayerful support of and organization.

Currently we have Barb Yek as our advocate for Thrivent and Cathie Snider as our advocate and coordinator for Love In the Name of Christ.

Deb Dugan and Faith Kukuk have been involved with Right to Life

Livingston county. Another organization that we are unable to support is 'Lutherans for life' an organization that helps people see the alternatives to abortion and the impact that it has on the individual and the family.

There are other groups and organizations that are active in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod such as Lutheran hour and Devotions for shut-ins that are available and could well be served by a small group or even a couple of members who are interested in sharing the cause within the congregation.

There are others who are doing wonderful projects with the intention and efforts to bring people to the Word of Salvation. Lutheran Bible Translators are doing a lot of work in the Muslim communities and in countries where in some cases there is no written language. Lutheran Heritage Foundation is providing non scriptural books in many languages where the missionaries need to be able to teach and preach in the language of the local people.

The benefit of us having an advocate is that they can champion the cause of these important groups and the members of Trinity are more able to support ministries outside the congregation and return the success stories back to the others who have become a part of those ministries.

There are many others most of which begin with Lutheran. We pray for each of them for success in their work.



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September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:45 Bible Class & Sunday School 10:00 Worship w/ Comm.	2	3 10:00 Bible Study @ Trinity	4 10:30 Bible Study @ Trinity	5 7:00 Posse	6	7 7:00 am Men's Group
8 8:45 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	9 6:30 Confirmation 7:00 Trustees	10 10:00 Bible Study @ Trinity	11 10:30 Bible Study @ Trinity	12 7:00 Elders	13	14 CSC Leaders Meeting 9 am-1 pm
15 8:45 Bible Class & Sunday School 10:00 Worship w/ Comm.	16 6:30 Confirmation	17 10:00 Bible Study @ Trinity	18 10:30 Bible Study @ Trinity	19 7:00 Council	20	21
Orientation Sunday	23 6:30 Confirmation	24 10:00 Bible Study @ Trinity	25 10:30 Bible Study @ Trinity	26 7:00 Stewardship & Evangelism	27 7:00 Cottage Meeting @ Brumms	28
22 8:45 Bible Class & Sunday School 10:00 Worship	29 8:45 Bible Class & Sunday School 10:00 Worship	30 6:30 Confirmation				
Awareness Sunday						

Christian Education News

What a fun summer it has been here at Trinity! Summer Sunday School has been filled with interesting Bible stories, fun crafts and even some snacks! Thank you to all the different teachers who taught Sunday School the past few months. I hope you have learned something and enjoyed your time with the children of Trinity. Summer is almost over; I've already noticed some trees that are starting to change colors. Fall is coming whether we are ready or not. It's time to go back to school and our regular Sunday School classes. I am still in need of some teachers. Would you be willing to teach pre-school or first-third grade? We are very flexible and you do not have to be here every Sunday. We always have lots of substitutes plus most classes are taught in teams. All materials are provided! Please prayerfully consider if this may be the right area for you to serve.

Rally Day is Sunday, September 8th. Make sure you come to meet your teachers and see your friends again. Invite your friends and neighbors to join you for

Sunday school. If you brought friends to VBS, maybe they would enjoy coming to Sunday School too.

The Board of Christian Education met on July 15th at 7:00pm. Our next meeting will be October 15th at 7:00pm. Our board meets quarterly and we always welcome anyone with ideas or concerns about the Christian Education here at Trinity. Our members are Mitch Minger, Allison Corcoran and Elizabeth Eppler. We'd also like to welcome our newest board member to our team.....Laura Groeller!

Don't miss the cottage meeting Friday, September 27th at 7:00 pm hosted by The Brumms

Please pray for all our Sunday School students. Logan, Daniel, Andrew, Michael, Kathryn, Abbie, Jared, Luke, Brianna, Madysin, Elisabeth, Glorianne, Jonah, Kyle, Rachael, Matthew, Rachel, Brad, Cassandra, Kenny, Ruthie, Craig, Kyle, Danielle and Bridget.

In Christ,

Elizabeth Eppler

Prayers

- Betty Jean Sigro and Cathie Snider relief from pain
- Sarah Burns battling liver cancer
- George Lasko, battling lung cancer
- Richard Parks, Kenny Cadle, Terry Kaczmarek, Charlie Thompson in their battles with cancer
- For the soldiers overseas who are still protecting freedoms, our own and others in the world: Matt Hall in Korea, and Ken Alton who are serving in Afghanistan. Keep Brandon Snider and family safe in their move back to the US.
- Guidance and strength of faith and strength of spirit for the members of our congregation to help Trinity to send out the message of Christ.
- Pray for our Missionaries in other countries that they remain safe in Your care as they spread Your Word



Know What Our Children Are Studying

1	9/1/2013	David Becomes King	1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 5:1-10	Luke 14:1-14
2	9/8/2013	Nathan Rebukes David	2 Samuel 12:1-23	Luke 14:25-35
3	9/15/2013	The Wisdom of Solomon	1 Kings 3	Luke 15:1-10
4	9/22/2013	Solomon Builds the Temple	1 Kings 5-6	Luke 16:1-15
5	9/29/2013	God Provides for Elijah	1 Kings 17	Mathew 18:1-11 or Luke 10:17-20

Page-o'-Blessings

This is a page that recognizes persons of our congregation who have "blessed" Trinity with their actions. If there is someone you would like to recognize for the blessings they've shown, please print their name and the "blessing" on the slip of paper and put it in the envelope provided on the bulletin board in the Narthex. We have so many blessings around us that we can thank God for.

Blessing:

The person responsible for the new air conditioner in the office.

Blessing:

The Lawnmowers. Trinity looks so nice due to your ministrations

Happy Birthday!!

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



- Bradley Friebe 9/4
- Joanna Krueger 9/5
- Jon Corcoran 9/7
- Jeff Huetteman 9/7
- Becky Martin 9/7
- Peggy Engel 9/10
- Kyleigh Beauchamp 9/15
- Alyssa Martin 9/18
- Logan Churches 9/19
- Bridgit Buurma 9/21
- Pamela Wenzel 9/21
- *Patty Rydzewski 9/22
- Cheryl Polenz 9/23
- Rachael Corcoran 9/24
- Matthew Frazzini 9/25
- *Robert Dugan 9/26
- Andrea Krueger 9/30
- *Julie Welch 9/30

Ecclesiastes 11:8
 However many years a man may live, let him enjoy them all. (NIV)

Colossians 3:14
 And beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.



Anniversary wishes go out to:

- Ross and Sharon Huetteman 9/8
- Carolyn and Joseph Benkovsky 9/23



Birthday celebrations for Betty Jane at Tues morning bible study.



Oct 6th is slated as Life Chain Sunday. Place this date on your calendar. Please join members of our congregation and other members of our community as we line the streets of M-36 at the Pinckney Town Square from 2:00 - 3:30 holding signs supporting the sanctity of life. For additional info and to help to notify members of the community, contact Deb Dugan 734-255-7264.

Share more times like these by texting your pics to Lynda Minger at 517-404-3938 or email at lyndamngr262@gmail.com

In Our Community

We are pleased to announce that Livingston County Christian Musicians will be presenting the third annual production of Child of the Promise, a benefit concert for Love Inc! Last year, 33 churches sent musicians to sing and play their instruments in a concert declaring the birth of the Savior of the World! Over 1,500 people attended!

It is our prayer that each church in our community participate in some way with this concert-whether by sending musicians, helping to underwrite costs or offering your building for rehearsals/auditions! Together, we can show Livingston County and the surrounding areas the entire Body of Christ united to bless their community and to bless those ministered to by Love Inc. Included are links to our website and a link to Love Inc's website if you would like to familiarize yourself with the great work that they do everyday.

In an effort to ease any stress or burden through the Season, we will be done with our production Thanksgiving weekend. We also have very limited rehearsals, allowing people to work on the music at home as it is convenient for them. **Would you please share the information about Child of the Promise to your congregations-to include audition times and location? (Sept. 14th 9-12, Sept 15th 2-5 First Presbyterian in Brighton, 300 E Grand River)**

Lastly, we would like to **invite each of you to join us for breakfast on August 29, at 9 am at the Brighton Chamber of Commerce.** It is our prayer that the fine arts pastors of our local churches begin to know one another, share ideas and encourage each other as we all serve together. There will be opportunity for networking, a few minutes of presentation of the work of Livingston County Christian

Musicians and a time of prayer together for our musicians, congregations and our community! The meeting will conclude at 10am although we have the room until 10:30 if you would like to stay and continue to network. **Please RSVP for this event to Jenni Curtin at jcurtin@comcast.net or at 810-623-4216** via phone call or text. Please state your name and which church you represent. We are looking forward to seeing old friends and meeting many of you for the first time.



Music Notes

Any one able to play an instrument, brush it off! shine it up! and start practicing! because before we know it our Christmas season will be here and it is made so much nicer by the loving efforts of those who use their talents to grace our services. Please prayerfully consider adding your special sound.



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