



# Trinity Messenger

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## From the Pastors



### Here and There

*"Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee. There you will see Him, just as he told you" (Mark 16:6-7).*

Dear Brothers and Sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Have you ever gone to pick up one of your kids and they weren't where you thought they would be? We must confess that it has happened to both of us. Of course, it was only because we weren't attentive to the early morning instructions of our wives.

"He is not here." This is the message of the angel to the women at the tomb. They should have already known that given the message they had heard from Jesus Himself before His suffering and death on the cross. "After I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee" (Mark 14:28). In other words, "don't look for Me in the tomb. It's not where you're going to find Me. Besides, I won't be dead anymore."

"He is not here." This is where Easter begins, with the proclamation that Jesus has conquered death. Yet, if all we had of Easter were an empty tomb and an angel, it would mean nothing for our life and for our salvation. An empty tomb without Jesus does us no good. He's the One we need – the living Lord Himself.

"There you will see Him, just as He told you." The message of the angel is that Jesus is "there," that is, where He said He would be. Jesus was in Galilee alive and well for His disciples, just as He had told them. Not only that, Jesus is "there" for us, too, just as He has said, "Where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them" (Matthew 18:20). Jesus is "there" whenever and wherever His people are gathered in His name. Jesus is "there" whenever and wherever His word is proclaimed. Jesus said, "Make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name...and teaching them...and I will be with you always" (Matthew 28:19ff).

Remember how Jesus, after He had risen from the dead, was "there" with the Emmaus disciples even though they didn't know it? He admonished them for being "slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken" (Luke 24:25). "And beginning with Moses and the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself" (Luke 24:27). Later, "when He was



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**Divine Services:**  
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:45 am  
Monday at 6:00 pm  
Family Education Hour 9:30 am

**Bible Classes**  
(throughout the week)

Trinity Lutheran School  
3-K thru 8th grade

at table with them He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight” (Luke 24:31). They saw that Jesus was “there” for them in the breaking of the bread. He is “there” for us, too, in the breaking of the bread to give us His body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.

The Resurrection of our Lord is about the “here and there.” This Easter, when you visit the grave of a loved one may the message of the angel and its application come to mind – “He is not here, or, she is not here.” He is there, she is there, with Jesus, the angels, archangels and all the company of heaven, just as He told you.

In Christ,



Rev. Timothy J. Mech  
Senior Pastor



Kevin R. Loughran  
Associate Pastor

### The Nave and Beyond

+ Please plan on being faithful to the Lord by attending His services to us in Word and Sacrament this Holy Week and Easter. Jesus will be there. We hope you will, too. Services and times are listed in this newsletter.

+ Please bring your Lenten Thank Offering boxes to the church this Easter. Large boxes to put them in will be available in the narthex.

+ Please plan on attending the Easter breakfast sponsored by our youth (7:30 am – 10:30 am). A “free will” offering will be received to support VBS and the high school your servant event to Red Lake, Ontario Canada.

+ Sunday morning Adult Bible Class for April:

Pastor Loughran’s Class – Our Life in Christ (April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>)

Pastor Mech’s Class:

What About... Pastors – April 2<sup>nd</sup>

What About...the Bible – April 9<sup>th</sup>

What About...The Ten Commandments – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

What About...The Apostles’ Creed – April 30<sup>th</sup>

Classes do not



### Youth - Mark Your Calendar Noah’s Ark

South Wisconsin District  
Annual Youth & Family Day  
Friday, June 30, 2006

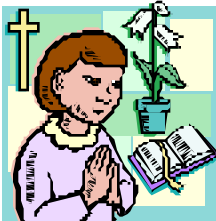
Watch the bulletin and Youth Bulletin  
Board for registration information



## From the Principal



Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



With the coming of April, spring is upon us. Flowers blooming, weather warming, and sun shining longer. It is a renewed time of the school year. Spring break ends, Easter arrives, and we move along into the final quarter of the school year. It is a wonderful time of the year to focus on the new beginning we have through Jesus our Savior. A time to once again, or for some hear it for the first time, that the Messiah has come to take away the sins of the world. As you see your perennials break through the soil and rise above the earth, think of the new life that is given to us from God Himself. A life that is forever!

We are really looking forward to having a tremendous fourth quarter. Camps are being planned, servant events are scheduled, field trips will be taken and even a nice stop at the end of the year to Blue Harbor Water Park for all of our students will take place. Amidst the fun, learning and checking on learning still occurs. We take our achievement tests, we have our science fair, and many different reports, projects and general instruction are experienced. It is a great time of the year.

Please continue to keep Trinity Lutheran School in your prayers as we seek to end this year on a high note and plan for next year, doing so in the proper fashion. It is a joy being with the children, teachers and families on a regular basis, and it is my prayer that we are able to serve our students well, meeting their needs in the light of the Gospel. God's richest blessings to all of you and Happy Easter!

Yours in Christ.

Rick Schneider  
Principal

## Flower Sale



### 2006 Trinity Lutheran Rangerette Spring Hanging Basket & Flower Sale

Flowers can be ordered through any Rangerette or by using the order forms available in the Church lounge. Please place the order form, along with payment, in the box in the Church Lounge. Flowers are supplied by Don Caan's. Orders and payments are due Wednesday, April 19th. Pick up is Friday, May 12th from 3-6 pm in the gym.



**Hanging Baskets are \$20.00 each and available in:**

**Fuchsia:** red & white or purple & white

**Ivy Geraniums:** Red, white, purple or pink

**New Guinea Impatiens:** red, orange, purple or pink

**4 ½" Geraniums for planting**  
**\$3.00 ea/\$33.00 dozen**

**Colors available:** red, violet, pink and light pink splash



## Music Notes



On Monday, March 6, students from Trinity joined students from the other Lutheran Schools of the area in a Music Festival at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Trinity had 34 entries in this year's festival. Nineteen entries received a superior (I) rating and 15 received a good (II) rating. Both of Trinity's choirs, the Joy Choir and the Trinity Singers, received superior ratings as well. In addition, nine students from Trinity were selected to be part of a special recital featuring the top musicians from the festival. Thank you to Katie Schafer, Georgie Hoem, and Margaret Goldmann who accompanied students for the festival.

On Sunday, April 2, we are again privileged to host the Sheboygan Pops Band in a 2 p.m. concert here at Trinity. We hope you will be able to join us for an afternoon of wonderful music.

This month will feature many concerts at Concordia University, Mequon. The Symphonic Wind Ensemble will perform on Sunday, April 9 at 3:30 p.m. A 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert featuring all musical ensembles of Concordia will perform on Saturday, April 22 at 1:30 p.m. The Alleluia Ringers will perform on Sunday, April 30 at 3:30 p.m. All concerts are held in Concordia's chapel. Students 18 and under are always admitted free; adult admission is \$7.

Last Month's Quiz Question: This hymn has always been associated with the Appalachian area. Like

most spirituals, it has been passed down through the generations and exists in several different versions. The melody, based on a six-tone scale, sounds minor to modern ears and has a haunting effect. Hint: You will find this American folk hymn in the Hymnal Supplement. What hymn is this? The answer is "What Wondrous Love is This", HS 860.

### The choir schedule for this month:

|          |            |                 |
|----------|------------|-----------------|
| April 5  | 10:00 a.m. | Kinderchor      |
|          | 6:00 p.m.  | Handbells       |
| April 9  | 8:00 a.m.  | Mixed Choir     |
|          | 10:45 a.m. | Cherub Choir    |
| April 13 | 10:00 a.m. | Trinity Singers |
|          | 6:00 p.m.  | Mixed Choir     |
| April 14 | 1:00 p.m.  | Faculty & Staff |
|          | 7:00 p.m.  | Mixed Choir     |
| April 16 | 6:30 a.m.  | Handbells       |
|          | 8:30 a.m.  | Mixed Choir     |
|          | 10:30 a.m. | Mixed Choir     |
| April 23 | 8:00 a.m.  | Joy Choir       |
|          | 10:45 a.m. | Handbells       |
| April 30 | 10:45 a.m. | Kinderchor      |

The complete choir schedule is available online at [www.trinitysheboygan.org](http://www.trinitysheboygan.org).

## Trinity History



*Much of the story of Trinity is contained in the minutes of the Voters' meetings of our congregation. The contents of these minutes are very interesting and offer an opportunity to learn of the colorful past of our beloved Trinity Church.*



**January 9, 1949** – A used typewriter to be purchased for school office for \$55.00. Erie Oil Company to be thanked for free parking on Sunday mornings. (Lot was at southeast corner of N. 9th St. and Niagara Ave.) A Sunday bulletin will be started thanks to Trinity LLL. Janitor to dispose of piano in Boy Scouts' room. (Room was in southeast end of lower level of church.)

**May 11, 1949** – Matter of individual communion cups was tabled. Stage curtain in hall to be fireproofed.

**November 9, 1949** – Bells in church tower to be reconditioned (electrified) with a donation by the three Jung brothers: Otto, Henry and Alfred. Final arrangements and date for pre-Christmas Candlelight Service was left with the Music Committee. Moved, seconded and carried that we adopt the new name being used by Synod: namely, The Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. (first reading)

**January 8, 1950** – Public address system for church was explained and approval given to have a loud speaking system installed.

VBS 2006 

**“Ablaze! Igniting  
the World with Christ’s Love”**

**June 12-15, 2006  
9 am — 12 noon  
Lutheran High School**

VBS is not just for kids!!!! Everyone is invited to participate with this year’s mission themed program! Please consider sharing your time, talents and gifts with our children. Many activities happen behind the scenes in the months leading up to VBS if the June dates conflict with your schedule.

- ✦ Help on Sunday mornings with early registration in April and May
- ✦ Complete craft preparation at home on your own schedule
- ✦ Donate supplies and snacks
- ✦ Promote VBS to parents and friends with children ages 3 through Grade 6
- ✦ Recruit Adult Leaders (Craft/Group/Nursery), and Grade 7 through Adult Helpers (Group/Nursery/First Aid/Kitchen & Snack)
- ✦ Assist with site set-up and take-down, grounds supervision, or traffic control

Volunteer hours in June are extremely *FLEXIBLE*. Single day participation will be gratefully accepted if you cannot attend for the entire week. A special appeal has been put out for **CRAFT LEADERS**. Through daily projects, you can impress on children that understanding culture, learning language, adapting in times of difficulty and prayer are essential for successful missionary work.

The volunteer sign up box is located in the church library. Please indicate **ALL** areas that interest you, even if you are unsure what you can provide. Contact Mary Ann Miller with questions at 803-9349.


Servant Events 

**CLOQUET, MN SERVANT EVENT:** The April youth meeting for the 2006 Cloquet Servant Event trip will be after school 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21, in the Fellowship Hall. All youth need to be in attendance as we will build the group’s relationships and prepare spiritually for the event.

**RED LAKE, ONT. SERVANT EVENT:** The High School Youth attending the 2006 Red Lake trip in July will meet Sunday evening, April 9, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will study the third mission response, “Give”.

Soup Luncheons **LENTEN SOUP LUNCHEONS**

The final soup luncheon for the Lenten Season will be after the morning Lenten service on April 5. Please join us for soup and fellowship.

A special “thank you” goes out to all who brought soup and/or desserts for the Lenten soup luncheons. Everyone enjoyed this time of fellowship.


Giving Plus 2006 

**Thank you to all who have recently given to  
Thrivent’s GivingPlus Program!**

3,500 in matching funds was received  
for February 2006!

Carla Becker  
Jeanette Foster  
Ken Howard  
Marge Kniivila  
Emma Thieme

Lois Bolgert  
Robert Foster  
Caroline Jens  
Christine Melcher  
Richard Thieme

If you are a Thrivent member and would like more information on how to be involved in this important program that financially supports our school, please contact the church office. It is an easy way to support the ministry of Trinity Lutheran School!



## Senior Breakfast

### Senior Breakfast

The Trinity Seniors will meet Monday, April 17, at 8:30 AM, at Fountain Park Family Restaurant. The program this month will be presented by Kim Swisher, Tourism Manager for the City of Sheboygan. She started her work very recently, and will share observations of Sheboygan, and some of the interesting aspects of her job. We thank Margaret Goldman for her interesting presentation last month, discussing the history of Sheboygan Memorial Hospital.



## HISPANIC OUTREACH

The Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach committee is sponsoring bilingual worship services at Immanuel Lutheran Church Sunday afternoons at 3:30 pm. We will have guest bilingual preachers from the area leading services including Pastor Pedro Lopez from Racine, Missionary Dan McMiller and Prof. Alberto Garcia. It is helpful to have English-speaking worshippers attend along with our Hispanic neighbors in order to foster the unity we seek as Christians. Please join us.



## Saturday Senior Service

### SPRING SATURDAY SENIORS' SERVICE



This first Saturday morning service for 2006 will be held at 10 a.m. on April 8, 2006. This is an opportunity for Trinity members who would like to attend a service where the sacrament is brought to them in the pews. Wheel chairs are available at church for anyone who needs one. There will be a fellowship time after the service in the lounge. Anyone needing a ride, please contact Roger Buck at church, 458-8246.

## Library

### Celebrate National Library Week April 2-8

What better time to check out the church library. Besides a large volume of books in a variety of categories there is a growing collection of CD's and videos for children and adults. For teens there is the magazine "Higher Things: Dare to be Lutheran" located by the youth bulletin board.

For those who enjoy books by Janette Oke, look for the Seasons of the Heart series new to the library.

Looking for answers?  
I'll give you a due. It's

**B**old and clear

Right in front of you.

**A**nswers come easy to those who

Read. So go to the source,

You'll find what you need! (author unknown)



## Holy Week Services

### Palm Sunday, April 9

8 a.m./10:45 a.m.

"The Glory of God"

John 12:20-43

### Maundy Thurs. April 13

10 a.m./6 p.m.

"A Feast of Deliverance"

Exodus 12:26-27

### Good Friday, April 14 1:00 p.m.

"The Devil Defeated"

John 19:30

### Good Friday, April 14 7:00 p.m.

**Tenebrae Service**

"The Devil Defeated"

John 19:30

### Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.

"Where's the Body of Jesus?"

John 20:1-18

### Easter Festival Service

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

"A Show of Hands"

Luke 24:36-49

**There is no Monday service  
on April 17, 2006**

## EASTER BREAKFAST

Plan now to attend the Easter Breakfast in Trinity's gym on Easter Sunday, April 16, 2006. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 – 10:30 a.m. The menu includes breakfast casserole, assorted muffins, orange juice, coffee and milk. A "free will" offering will be taken which will support the high school youth VBS and servant event trip to Red Lake, Ontario, this summer.

**Official Acts**



**2005-2006 Trinity Faculty & Staff**

Rev. Timothy J. Mech, Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Kevin R. Loughran, Associate Pastor  
 Rick Schneider, Principal  
 Roger Buck, Director of Human Care & Outreach  
 Brian Heinlein, Director of Music, Music Teacher  
 Rev. Thomas Fleischmann, Visitation Pastor  
 Ken Howard, Teacher Grade Eight  
 Melissa Nennig, Teacher Grade Seven  
 Terry Stenklyft, Teacher Grade Six/A.D.  
 Greg Becker, Teacher Grade Five/Tech. Coord.  
 Katie Schafer, Teacher Grade Four  
 Karen Howard, Teacher Grade Three  
 Carla Becker, Teacher Grade Two  
 Ruth Hering, Teacher Grade One  
 Jeanette Foster, Teacher Kindergarten  
 Sarah Jagler, 3K/4K Teacher  
 Kathy Kirst, Resource Teacher  
 Christel Miske, German Teacher  
 Tammy Schaefer, Spanish Teacher  
 Lisa Menzer, Part-time Teacher  
 Marilyn LeClair, Education Assistant  
 Chris Melcher, Church Office Manager  
 Judy Schmidt, Part-time Church Secretary  
 Colleen Rindt, School Secretary  
 Tim Lutze, Head Custodian  
 Billy Free, Part-time School Custodian  
 Lori Konkol, Part-time Church Custodian  
 Mary Niesing, Before & After School Care

**TRANSFER IN:**

Tyler Thomas Pilgrim Lutheran Church, West Bend, WI

**TRANSFER OUT:**

Mike & Karita Larson Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sheboygan.  
 Kaitlyn, Joshua

**PEACEFUL RELEASE:**

Craig, & Lauren De Karske  
 Zoe  
 Kelly & Janelle Koren  
 Kayla, Michael Mohr  
 Henry & Rose Poth  
 Karen Fry  
 David, Heather & Rebecca Joe

**BAPTISMS:**

Colten Richard Jerdee, son of Eric & Jennifer Jerdee  
 Athena & Anders Poth, daughter and son of John & Karla Poth

**FUNERAL:**

Gertrude Matzdorf died on March 18 and a funeral was held March 21

**2005-2006 Trinity Church Council**

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**MISSION STATEMENT:**

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to glorify God and share Jesus' love through Word and Sacrament to strengthen believers and to reach unbelievers.

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[www.trinitysheboygan.org](http://www.trinitysheboygan.org)

YTD (February 28, 2006) RECEIPTS: \$730,419  
 YTD (February 28, 2006) EXPENDITURES: \$790,660  
 DEFICIT (February 28, 2006): \$60,241

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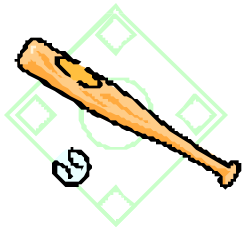
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## THRIVENT BUILDS DAY

Miller Park, Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:05 pm,  
Brewers vs. Mets

Loge section tickets discounted to \$16 each, A portion of each ticket cost will help provide housing for those in need. Tickets orders with payments must be received by April 5<sup>th</sup>. Contact Ron Mueller for tickets and more information (452-9434).

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