

# Welcome to the Trinity Lutheran Church & School Newsletter

*The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod*

## † Staff & Faculty †

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### We are located at:

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Menasha, WI 54952  
Church Office (920) 722-2662  
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website:  
[www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com)

### Come Worship with Us:

Saturdays at 5:00 pm  
Sundays at 9:00 am  
Education Hour-  
Sundays at 10:30 am

## Easter Worship Services

**Maundy Thursday** (April 21<sup>st</sup>) worship at 10:30am & 6:30pm

**Good Friday** (April 22<sup>nd</sup>) worship from noon-3pm & 6:30pm (Service of Shadows)



**Easter Vigil** (April 23<sup>rd</sup>) No worship service

**Easter Sunday** (April 24<sup>th</sup>) 6:30am Sunrise service with communion

Easter breakfast served from 7:30am-9am

9:00am & 10:30am worship service

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Hop On Over .....to Trinity Lutheran School in Menasha  
for an Easter Egg Hunt & School Open House



**Sat April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**10 am—Noon**

For children ages 3-10\*

*\*Children must be accompanied by an adult*



Come for Fun & Refreshments, Meet the Teachers, Visit the Classrooms!

Now enrolling for 2011/12 school year

**K4 thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Call 725-1715 for more info or [cabedroske@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:cabedroske@trinitymenasha.com)



## **Empowered By His Word - April 2011**

### **DIVINE SERVICE**

Part 14 of a Series

In our on-going look at the liturgical heritage with which we have been so graciously gifted, we turn now to the *Pax Domini*.

#### **PAX DOMINI**

A greeting of peace is exchanged between minister and people. In the ancient church this peace was a silent embrace exchanged by the ministers at the altar, which was then passed on silently to members of the congregation. It is also known as the "Kiss of Peace."

#### **AGNUS DEI**

John the Baptist proclaimed Christ to be the Lamb of God. The Lamb sacrificed in the Old Testament was usually eaten by the priests and the people, and expressed table fellowship with God. In the words of Exodus 29:33 - "They shall eat those things by which atonement was made . . ."

#### **THE DISTRIBUTION**

Some churches have an altar call, where those who want to show their repentance from sin and their faith in Christ, are asked to come to the altar. Most Christians throughout the centuries have expressed repentance through confession and their faith in Jesus by coming forward to the altar for Holy Communion. By coming forward you declare yourself to be a part of this Christian congregation; that you believe what they believe; that you accept the teaching from this pulpit as the Word of God correctly understood; that you look to this pastor for guidance and discipline in the spiritual life. It is, therefore, inappropriate for those who hold membership in a church with a differing confession to commune at our altar.

Receiving communion is not just an empty ritual, nor a subjective sentimental experience; it is the mystical union of the believer with Christ. This union is made possible by Christ's atoning sacrifice which removes the barrier of sin between God and humanity.

St. Paul teaches clearly in 1 Cor. 11:27-32 that unbelievers receive the Lord's Body and Blood to their condemnation. Therefore, it is considerate and proper to refuse communion to those who have not been instructed and examined in the Christian faith (the unconfirmed); and to those who have not given some evidence of repentance, particularly of open or notorious sin.

Next time we'll continue with the *Post-Communion Canticle*.

God continue to grant you His grace and favor through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Humbly in Him,

**Rev. Steven S. Billings**

Pastor

## WORSHIP ELEMENTS

April 2011

### **Weekend, April 2 & 3, 2011**

Lent 4

Order of Service: Divine Service 4

Opening Hymn: LSB 905

Sermon Hymn: LSB 584

Sermon Text: Isaiah 42:14-21

Sermon Theme: The Cure for Deafness

Distribution Hymns: LSB 744, 438, 627

Closing Hymn: LSB 920

Readings: Isaiah 42:14-21; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

### **Wednesday, April 6, 2011**

Lent 4 Mid-Week

Order of Service: Matins/Vespers

Opening Hymn: LSB 431

Sermon Hymn: LSB 444

Sermon Text: John 19:12

Sermon Theme: Pontius Pilate, the Thinker

Distribution Hymns: LSB 453, 456, 628

Closing Hymn: LSB 873/889

Readings: Passion History, Part 4

### **Weekend, April 9 & 10, 2011**

Lent 5

Order of Service: Blended

Opening Song: Sanctuary

Song of the Day: The Wonderful Cross

Sermon Text: John 11:17-27, 38-53

Sermon Theme: If Only You Had Been Here

Distribution Songs: The Coloring Song; Jesus Paid It All; Across the Lands

Closing Song: Shout to the Lord

Readings: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Romans 8:1-11; John 11:17-27, 38-53

### **Wednesday, April 13, 2011**

Lent 5 Mid-Week

Order of Service: Matins/Vespers

Opening Hymn: LSB 427

Sermon Hymn: LSB 424

Sermon Text: Matthew 27:20-23

Sermon Theme: One of the Mob, the Follower

Distribution Hymns: LSB 421, 434, 632

Closing Hymn: LSB 875/890

Readings: Passion History, Part 5

### **Weekend, April 16 & 17, 2011**

Palm Sunday

Order of Service: Divine Service 1

Opening Hymn: LSB 442

Sermon Hymn: LSB 966

Sermon Text: Philippians 2:5-11

**Weekend, April 16 & 17, 2011 (cont'd)**

Sermon Theme: Every Knee, Every Tongue

Distribution Hymns: LSB 449, 685, 633

Closing Hymn: LSB 441

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-19

**Thursday, April 21, 2011**

Maunder Thursday

Order of Service: Divine Service 3

Opening Hymn: LSB 696

Sermon Hymn: LSB 575

Sermon Text: Luke 22:19-24; John 13:2-5, 14

Sermon Theme: The Apostles, the Servant Leaders

Distribution Hymns: LSB 634; 636; 637

Closing Hymn: LSB 643

Readings: Exodus 24:3-11; Hebrews 9:11-22; Matthew 26:17-30

**Friday, April 22, 2011**

Order of Service: Special

*See Calendar for Service Times*

**Saturday, April 23, 2011**

Prayer Vigil

*See Calendar for Times*

**Sunday, April 24, 2011**

Easter Sunday

Order of Service: Divine Service 4 (6:30 AM)  
Matins (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Opening Hymn: LSB 457

Sermon Hymn: LSB 466

Sermon Text: Matthew 28:1-10; Luke 24:1-11

Sermon Theme: The Women, the Witnesses

Distribution Hymns: LSB 467, 469, 463, 474 (*Communion 6:30 AM only*)

Closing Hymn: LSB 461

Readings: Acts 10:34-43; Colossians 3:1-4; Matthew 28:1-10

# YOUTH MINISTRY APRIL 2011

## BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE



The next Blended service led by **PROPHETSTOWN** will be April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. Practices are Monday's March 28<sup>th</sup> & April 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30 pm. For more information contact Mike Stapleton at 722-2662 or [mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com).

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2011

Strap on your sandals and get ready to see what life was like when Jesus was a kid. Come explore bible stories, take bible challenges, make crafts, eat yummy snacks, play fun games, sing awesome songs, and more! Dates for VBS are August 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:30am. This program is designed for children 4 yrs old thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If you would like to help with this ministry program, contact Mike Stapleton at 722-2662 or email [mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com)



## Youth Easter Lily Sale



The Sr. High Youth are selling lilies to help decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Funds raised will help youth and adults attend local, state national events this summer. Order forms can be found in the Weekly Bulletin or on the Youth table in the Narthex. Cost is \$12 per Lily. All orders need to be place by Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>.

## YOUTH CROSS WALK

Trinity's Jr. & Sr. Youth Good Friday Cross Walk will be held on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 10:30am at Riverside Park in Neenah. Please dress for the weather. We will arrive back at church around noon, we will then gather for lunch in the Small Fellowship Hall.



## YOUTH GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Our Youth will present, *The Office of Tenebrae (Service of Shadows)* at the Good Friday evening service. We will need many volunteers. Rehearsals are Tues, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30pm & again Fri, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4pm-we will set-up & have a brief run-through before the 6:30pm service. If you would like to help please contact Mike Stapleton, at 722-2662 or email [mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:mstapleton@trinitymenasha.com).



## ANNUAL EASTER BRAKFAST

The Easter Breakfast hosted by our Youth program this year will take place Easter Sunday from 7:30-9:00am. Check out the sign-up sheet in the Narthex for any items you wish to donate. Please deliver donated items to the LFH no later than 9am Sat, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. We appreciate your help & thank you for your support of our Youth Ministry.



Trinity Lutheran School-Menasha presents  
*Inspirations — Art is EVERYWHERE!*

April 15-17, 2011

An Art Festival celebrating the creative talents of Trinity School students, their families and friends of the school & congregation.

All types of uplifting, original artwork are being accepted with special emphasis on artwork created with Recyclable materials for our *Trash to Treasure* display. Please fill out the submission form below and return to the school office by Mon. April 4<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to viewing art on display, there will be several hands-on creation stations to be inspired by so you can create your own Art to take home and enjoy! Fun for everyone!

Contact Juliet Colby with questions, 729-0927 or e-mail: julietcolby@aol.com

Artist reception: **Fri. April 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8:00pm**

Refreshments & activities

Exhibit hours: **Sat. April 16<sup>th</sup> 9am to 7pm**

(Closed during worship time, 5pm-6ish)

**Sun. April 17<sup>th</sup> 8am to 1pm**

(Closed during worship time, 9am-10ish)

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**Artist Submission Form\***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Art medium: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Art piece: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist statement/ explanation of artwork:

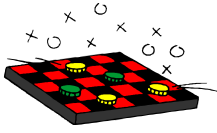
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*\*Artwork created in school will not need this form filled out, this is intended for artwork created outside of school by students and their family, friends & congregational or community artists who want to participate.*

# It's Basket Time...

For Trinity Lutheran School's Silent Auction!!

Listed below are just a few of the theme baskets that will be up for auction.



Preschool: "Family Fun Night"

Kindergarten: "The Little Artist"

Grades 1 & 2: "Save the Earth"

Grades 3 & 4: "For the Sports Fan"

Grades 5 - 8: "Fashion"

Staff: "As Seen on TV"



Bidding open Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

All proceeds to benefit the Computer Project for the Day School.



## 2011 DAY SCHOOL SPRING MUSICAL

"The Secret of My Success-Building futures on THE ROCK"

Performances:

Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day) at 10:30am

Please come and see what wonderful acting, dancing and singing talents our students have as they perform this year's Christian Musical.

## SAVE THE DATE.....

The Board of Outreach and Social Ministry will again host **Family Fun Night** here at Trinity which is scheduled for **THURSDAY, JULY 21**. Watch for details and volunteer opportunities. Family Fun Night will be held in the parking lot and gymnasium. Food, games, music, and prizes! Mark your calendars NOW-Everyone is welcome!!!! All fun and activities are free but there is a charge for food and beverages.



See you and your family there!

**Red is for the blood He gave.**

**Green is for the grass He made.**

**Yellow is for His sun so bright.**

**Orange is for the edge of night.**

**Black is for the sins we made.**

**White is for the grace He gave.**

**Purple is for His hours of sorrow.**

**Pink is for a new tomorrow.**

**A bag of jellybeans colorful & sweet is a prayer, a promise & a special treat!**

## BIBLE CLASS SURVEY

As we are nearing the midway point of our study of Luke, I thought it an opportune time to take a bit of a break from the study of this Gospel. And I would like your help in determining what to study next. Please take a look at the possibilities listed below and indicate your choice(s) by checking the space next to each one.

\_\_\_ Psalms

\_\_\_ Stem Cell Research

\_\_\_ Parables of Jesus

\_\_\_ Heroes of the Faith

\_\_\_ Miracles of Jesus

\_\_\_ Coping with Stress

\_\_\_ Living with Grief

\_\_\_ Power for Daily Living

Once you have completed this form, please drop it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

Thank you!

*Rev. Steven S. Billings*  
Pastor

Soup & Sandwich meals every 4th Saturday of the month before the evening worship service.  
Serving 4-4:45pm.

**Open to community  
AND congregation.**

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for those that would like to help.

## † Trinity Congregation Statistics †

**New Members-** None

**Baptisms-** None

**Transfer Out/Release-**  
Robert Swanson-released by request

**Weddings-** None

**Funerals-**  
Corrine Linsdau-March 2<sup>nd</sup>

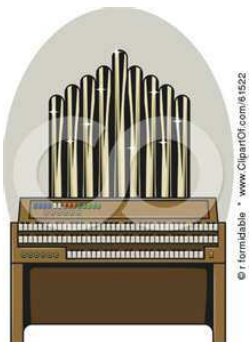


- Thank you for the prayers, flowers, visits & shopping. I appreciate all of the kind things done for me. God bless you all. –Lois Baldauf
- Thank you to everyone that participates in the “Stevie B’s” pizza nights for the Day School. To date we have raised \$97.00. Way to go!
- Thank you to everyone for making & buying the soup & bread to support the on-going organ work. Our total income earned was \$566.50.
- National Lutheran Schools Week was lots of fun here at Trinity. Thank you to everyone that helped out-our teachers, our parents & especially Pastor Billings for his cool concert!
- A special thank you to Marty Schramper for his long hours & dedication to the much needed upgrade of our Computer Lab. The children & school are so thankful for his hard work on the first phase of our Computer Project. God Bless!
- Thanks to David Acker, Bob Flater, George Raleigh & Norb Pomerence for their time they have put in sanding, resurfacing & painting the boys & girls bathroom stalls in the school & lower level of the building. You are a blessing!

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- \$15.00 given by Ruth Bartelme in memory of Corrine Linsdau.
  - \$10.00 given by Lilah Borchardt in memory of Corrine Linsdau.
  - \$20.00 given by Lee & Elaine Weinig to the Building Fund in memory of Corrine Linsdau.
  - \$45.00 given by family & friends to Trinity's Sunday School in loving memory of Corrine Linsdau.
  - \$10.00 given by Bob & Karon Flater to Trinity's VBS in memory of Corrine Linsdau.
  - \$35.00 given by family & friends to Trinity's VBS in loving memory of Corrine Linsdau.
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### **Pipe organ update**

Work on our pipe organ will begin this summer. The first segment of the project will begin with the console area with cleaning and re-leathering where needed. Wahl Organ Builders have been in several times for tuning and minor problems. If you have any questions regarding the organ, please contact Elaine Weinig or Nancy Lephart.



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# Serving our LORD in April 2011

**Elder of the Month: 5:00pm Al Manteufel  
9:00am Ron Kraus**

**Altar Guild: Judy Becker, Nancy Williams,  
Judy Stolzman, Paula Reichert**



Date/Time	Greeters	Ushers	Acolytes	Lectors	Communion
April 2 5pm April 3 9am	Judy Watkins Cheryl Wendler	Voigt Diesch/Maynard	Jayci Mansfield	Barb Stapleton Brain Wendler	Manteufel/Buksyk Kraus/Pomerenke
April 6 10:30am 6:30pm		Voigt Diesch/Maynard	Alex Schramper	Dave Jording Ken Kamprath	
April 9 5pm April 10 9am	Herb & Betty Paul Janice Bathke	Harrmann Reinke/Weinig	Brice Sokel	Karen Zachek Larry Olsen	Manteufel/Camann Kraus/Kislewski
April 13 10:30am 6:30pm		Harrmann Reinke/Weinig	Walker White	Dave Jording Ken Kamprath	
April 16 5pm April 17 9am	Sharon Raleigh Ellie & Jerry Maynard	Kopitske Wray/Sexmith	Alexandra Woodburn	Roger Voigt Elaine Trimberger	Manteufel/Henkel Kraus/Flater
April 21 10:30am 6:30pm		Kopitske Wray/Sexmith	To be advised		
April 22 12-3pm 6:30pm		None To be advised	Trinity's Youth		
April 23	<b>No</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Easter</b>	<b>Vigil</b>	
April 24 6:30am 9am 10:30am		Buksyk Pomerenke To be advised	Special Processional Teams		To be advised No communion No communion
April 30 5pm	Liz Chick	Voigt		Duane Matz	Manteufel/Kopitske



## Applying Biblical Teachings

“All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all” (Acts 4:32-33).

In these two verses, Luke gave great praise to the Christian congregation at Jerusalem. These verses exemplify God at work in His church through His believers. He is the great Provider, giving both the tools and knowledge to do the work at hand.

Money was an important God-given tool used for the good of the believers. “There were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need” (Acts 4:34-35).

Through the preaching of the apostles, the knowledge that Jesus was the Christ, the Lord and Savior, was revealed. The Holy Spirit filled the hearts of the believers with Christ’s love. His love flowed from their hearts, and they performed great acts of kindness toward their fellow believers, the members of their congregation.

Great grace was upon them, for they had been brought to faith in the risen Lord and Savior. Through the working of the Holy Spirit, they had approval with God and were aware of His mercy. As they gave evidence of their faith by showing love, respect and charity, they received the approval of their fellow men.

God has provided Trinity Lutheran Church of Menasha with both the tools and the knowledge to do His work. By the power of the Holy Spirit working through the Gospel, Christ’s love flows from our hearts. In this love, we use the tools and knowledge He has given to do His work.

# April Birthdays



<u>4/01</u>	Blythe HUSEMAN	<u>4/13</u>	Judi DRUM
<u>4/02</u>	Michael DIESCH		Roger KEMPF
	Linda ECKRICH		Herbert A. PAUL
	Jayci MANSFIELD	<u>4/14</u>	Irene SCHWERBEL
	Eric OHLROGGE	<u>4/15</u>	Bethany WENDLER
	Margrit SPHATT	<u>4/16</u>	David J. JOERNDT
<u>4/03</u>	Sandra BENGES	<u>4/17</u>	Anna DANIELS
	Logan WENDLER	<u>4/18</u>	Lisa SCHMIDT
<u>4/04</u>	Michael GODWIN	<u>4/20</u>	Norbert POMERENKE
	Brian REICHERT	<u>4/21</u>	Beth NELSON
	Ann SOKEL	<u>4/22</u>	Nathaniel BOSS
<u>4/05</u>	Staci MILOSAVLJEVIC	<u>4/23</u>	Thomas CAMANN
	Phyllis MORAN	<u>4/24</u>	Collin BARTEL
<u>4/06</u>	Diane PEOTTER		Brad BORGEN
	George RALEIGH	<u>4/26</u>	Kimberly HENRICKSON
<u>4/08</u>	James HIBBARD	<u>4/27</u>	Kyle WITTMANN
	Skyler KNISELY	<u>4/28</u>	John ZINGLER
<u>4/09</u>	Nancy DEITZ		Kenneth KAMPRATH
<u>4/10</u>	Marc GUILLEY	<u>4/29</u>	Marion ASHENBRENNER
<u>4/11</u>	Rose KOSLOSKI	<u>4/30</u>	Beverly K. BALDAUF
			Michael J. BARTEL
			Karen ZACHEK



**“Walking Beyond Jerusalem”.....Won’t you come with us?**



We are walking to Jerusalem & beyond for Easter. Record your mileage on the chart on the bulletin board in the hall from your walking, riding bike, jogging, etc.

**Every mile counts!**

## TRINITY’S FOOD PANTRY

**April Pantry dates are:** Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9-9:30am in the large fellowship hall. If you or someone you know is in need of our pantry, please contact the Guiley’s or the Olson’s for help.

**Pantry Needs for April are:** boxed cereal, laundry soap, boxed potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Please drop off your donations in the marked barrel or drop your monetary donation marked “Food Pantry” into the offering plate.

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated, your donations are keeping this much-needed ministry going. THANK YOU!  
 –Marc & Sandy Guiley and Lynn & Bonnie Olson

**Food for the Poor.....**Rev. Gerald Kovac will be with us July 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> as a representative for Food for the Poor. He will preach in both services & present during Bible Class. He will need transportation from the Appleton airport & lodging for the night. If you would like to offer your help or have questions, please contact Pastor.

## **Volunteers Needed**






***During the summer to paint window sills in the front of the church-heights are involved. Call Lee Schaefer if you can help 731-3498.***



# APRIL 2011

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL-MENASHA, WI

300 Broad Street, Menasha, WI 54952

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 April Fool's Day! 6am Men's Bible End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> qtr DINNER THEATRE PERFORMANCE	2 5pm Worship DINNER THEATRE PERFORMANCE
3-4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  9am Worship  10:30am Ed Hour	4 Pastor's Day Off  3:30pm Girl Scouts  6:30pm Scouts 6:30pm Blended Rehearsal	5 6:30pm Board Meetings	6 6am Women's Bible Study 8:45am Chapel 10:30am Worship 4:30pm Conf Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:15pm Dinner 6:30pm Worship 7:30pm Choir	7 6am Men's Bible  Parent/Teacher Conferences 5pm Cub Scouts	8 6am Men's Bible  11:30am Dismissal	9 9am Food Pantry  5pm Worship- Blended BP checks
10-5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  9am Worship- Blended 10:30am Ed Hour 4pm Bowling	11 Pastor's Day Off <b>Night at Stevie B's</b> 5pm PTLS Mtg  6:30pm Scouts	12 6:30pm BOD Meetings	13 6am Women's Bible Study 8:45am Chapel 10:30am Worship 4:30pm Conf 5:15pm Dinner 6:30pm Worship 7:30pm Choir	14 6am Men's Bible  Market Day P/U  3:30pm Staff Mtg  <b>Stations of the Cross-school</b>	15 6am Men's Bible  <b>ART FAIR</b> 	16 <b>Open House/Easter Egg Hunt</b>  ART FAIR  5pm Worship
17-Palm Sunday  9am Worship  10:30am Ed Hour	18 Pastor's Day Off  1:30pm Opera for the Young 	19 9am Sewing Day  Ladies Aid  6:30pm Good Friday practice	20 6am Women's Bible Study 8:45am Chapel 4:30pm Conf 7:30pm Choir	21 Maundy Thursday  10:30am Worship 6:30pm Worship 	22 Good Friday No School-Offices Closed 10:30am Cross Walk Noon-3pm service  6:30pm Office of Tenabrae	23 9am Food Pantry 9am Breakfast Set-Up  Decorate Church  <b>Easter Vigil-No Worship</b>
24-Resurrection of Our Lord <b>6:30am Worship w/Communion</b>  7:30am Breakfast  9am Worship 10:30am Worship	25 Easter Monday  No School-Offices Closed 	26	27 6am Women's Bible Study 8:45am Chapel 10:30am Adult Bible Study 4:30pm Conf 7pm Choir	28 6am Men's Bible	29 6am Men's Bible	30 5pm Worship

Trinity Financial Report – February, 2011  
 General Fund Checking & Savings

Weekly Income:

Date	Gen. Fund Offerings	Matching Funds	Restricted	School Transfers	BOTR	Other Income	Total Income
01/31/11	14,106.88		841.71	3,878.61	4,520.25		23,347.45
02/07/11	15,764.89		217.00	7.99	1,535.00	765.00	18,289.88
02/14/11	11,200.31	802.00	788.00	196.00	5,935.00		18,921.31
02/21/11	11,265.72		242.50	33.98	2,125.00		13,667.20
Total	52,337.80	802.00	2,089.21	4,116.58	14,115.25	765.00	74,225.84

Weekly Expenses:

Date	Regular Bills	Thrivant Match	Restricted	Memorial Fund	BOTR	Other Accts/ Misc Expense	Total Expenses
01/31/11	18,579.24		1,364.45		11,520.94		31,464.63
02/07/11	2,331.00						2,331.00
02/14/11	25,931.75	802.00	225.00				26,958.75
02/21/11	16,447.49		221.00				16,668.49
Total	63,289.48	802.00	1,810.45		11,520.94		77,422.87

Beginning Balance – General Fund \$ 27,526.25  
 Income for Feb. 2011 \$ 74,225.84  
 Expenses for Feb. 2011 \$ 77,422.87  
 Ending Balance – General Fund \$ 24,329.22

Offering/Matching Funds YTD \$ 562,266.12  
 Expenses YTD \$ 568,851.67

BOTR Income YTD \$ 48,401.25  
 BOTR Expenses YTD \$ 80,646.58  
 Mortgage Balance \$ 1,718,413.64

LCEF Steward Acct – Endowment Holding \$ 1,452.59  
 Restricted Funds Savings Account \$ 316.04  
 Endowment Funds Account \$ 12,963.57  
 Memorial Fund Account \$ 4,544.41  
 Designated Restricted Funds Balance \$ 56,312.66  
 RBC Account \$ 14,974.40

CD's

<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
4/04/11	\$10,000.00	

# From the Desk of Your Parish Nurse-Mary Howden

## Staying Close, Despite the Distance-Tips for Managing Long Distance Care giving

It wasn't that long ago that most families lived in the same community generation after generation. As loved ones grew older and needed help with the activities of daily life, younger family members could share the responsibilities. But today, families are often spread out all over the country and beyond. Children move for their careers? Parents pack up to their dream retirement spot? Great-grandparents may be the only ones left in the family's hometown. Everyone stays in touch, but they do it by phone, e-mail, and occasional visits. So, when a parent or grandparent needs care and support, or when a care crisis occurs, families may come face to face with the challenge of long distance care giving. If this describes your situation, here are some practical suggestions for understanding your family member's needs and working with friends, relatives, and professional service providers to make sure those needs are met.

### ASSESSING YOUR SITUATION

The first step is to be well informed concerning the issues and the resources available to deal with them. Talk to those who are on the scene (your loved one, as well as family and friends who live nearby, the person's healthcare providers and any others involved). Ask lots of questions. Listen to what people are telling you. Make notes you can refer back to. Make a note of the names, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of anyone who can help keep you informed. And be sure to let them know how to contact you, if something happens that you should be aware of.

### MAKING A PLAN

Once you have a feel for what the issues are, it's time to begin figuring out what your role can and should be. Here are some points to keep in mind as you do this planning:

- Make sure all the right people are involved during the planning process—other family members, professionals, and especially the person you are concerned about.
- A top goal is to support the person's maximum level of independence. His or her self-esteem, dignity, and health status are all best served by remaining an active, informed decision maker for as long as possible.
- Remember, care giving responsibilities often call for teamwork. If other family members are on the scene and are doing more than you are able to do, find ways to acknowledge the greater role they are playing. Ask their help in finding practical ways in which you can share the responsibilities.

### RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP

As you prepare to get more involved in care, even though from long distance, it's nice to know there is an entire network of eldercare support services out there to help. Here are three key resources you can tap:

- If your loved one is already receiving care (for example, home health care, assisted living, or a nursing home), coordinate with the care professionals. Schedule a visit to discuss your loved one's needs and plan of care.
- If community-based eldercare services are needed, contact the person's Area Agency on Aging.
- A private care manager can help family assess care giving needs and coordinate eldercare services. Involvement can be on a one-time basis (for example, locating home care services, rehabilitative care or assisted living). Or the care manager can remain involved on an ongoing basis, as advocate and care coordinator. To find a private care manager in your area, ask your Area Agency on Aging for a referral.

### KEEP IN TOUCH

Work out a communication strategy that's best for everyone. Call your loved one on a regular basis, or provide calling cards or a prepaid cell phone. And what about e-mail? Seniors are one of the fastest growing groups when it comes to computer use. Find out whether your relative has e-mail access or would be open to learning.

*It's distressing to be far away when problems arise! But working with the available network of family, friends and service providers provides greater peace of mind for everyone.*



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# April School News

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*Caroline Bedroske*

## Stations of the Cross

The 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will be bringing the Stations of the Cross to life April 14<sup>th</sup>. Join us as we journey through the final day of Christ's life.

## Open House

Join us for the annual Egg Hunt and Open House. Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am-12pm. Join the egg hunt, see the classrooms, and stay for the art fair!

## Stevie B's night

Join the school on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> for a great family night. Tell them you are with Trinity and the school will receive \$.50 for everyone you bring in!



## Singing

The children are singing on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at the 5 pm service. We look forward to seeing you all there!

## Free Tuition

Does one month free tuition sound great to you? Recommend Trinity Lutheran School to someone! For every person you recommend, who enrolls their children in Trinity, you will be entered into a tuition drawing! The school is giving away three, one-month free tuitions! Recommend Trinity to a friend today!

## Easter Break

In order to observe the Easter season there will be no school on Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup> and Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends

The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter will end on April 1<sup>st</sup> (no foolin'!) Parent/Teacher conferences will be April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in the evening.

## Opera for the Young

Join us on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm in the gym for a special performance of *The Pirates of Penzance*. A special group will come in and perform for us.

## Writing Skills

Good writing skills are important given the requirement of communicating in today's world. Clear thinking and precise expression will increase your child's success in most academic areas in school as well as provide good preparation for life. Here are some tips for helping your child become a better writer.

- Provide a supply of writing materials – a selection of paper, pencils, envelopes, stamps.
- Be sure your child sees you writing letters, lists, memos, a personal diary or journal.
- Write secret messages to your child and place them on their desk, bed or in a lunch bag. Encourage your child to write back to you.
- Write together – a letter, a poem, a greeting card, or a funny story.

