

News & Notes
 Trinity Lutheran Church
 Springfield, Missouri
 Feb. 21-28, 2010

WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY FAMILY!

We extend a sincere and warm welcome to all of our visitors and guests this morning! Please feel free to ask our ushers, Elders, greeters, and Pastors for any assistance you might need. And please do visit us again.



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
“Build My Church”

Five days ago we began our 2010 Lenten journey. The season of Lent is a journey, a pilgrimage with Jesus through a spiritual wilderness to a promised land. This is a baptismal journey, to be sure, beginning and ending in the gracious promises of our God. Lent is a season of repentance and growth through the Word of God. Lent also reminds us that we are engaged in a life and death struggle, a very real war, between Christ and our mortal enemies—Satan, sin, and death. The outcome of this war has already been decided: on the cross Jesus finished His mission to redeem the human race from the bondage of sin; out of the tomb Jesus rose to proclaim that same victory over death; down to hell Jesus descended to celebrate loudly the crushing of Satan’s head; and up into heaven Jesus ascended to take His throne, while expelling the devil and his demons from heaven forever. But we are the troops in our space and time who continue the occupation force of heaven, following our General and Champion to the final Armistice Day!

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Today’s Speaker – Dennis Furhman from Thrivent’s Regional Office in Overland Park, KS will speak briefly at 9:30 a.m. about Thrivent Awareness (what Thrivent has to offer).

All members and all visitors and guests are invited to join us at 9:45 am for Sunday School, Youth, and Adult (ABS) classes. Three adult classes are offered this morning see schedule inside. . .

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Notes from your February Board of Elders, Board of Parish Education, and Church Council meetings this past week are available in the narthex (hard copy) or online at our home page, www.trinitylutheranspfld.org

JUNIOR HIGH FAMILIES AND STUDENTS!!

THE CHASTITY BANQUET IS SUNDAY, February 28TH, 5PM AT REDEEMER. REGISTER WITH MRS. JONI SOMMERER THIS WEEK TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR AN ENJOYABLE AND VERY MEANINGFUL EVENING! Attire is casual.

Our Trinity Family Stewardship – February 14, 2010

Attendance: 8:15 a.m. 135
11:00 a.m. 157

Tithes and Offerings:

Undesignated (General) Offerings \$ 9,393.55

Designated Gifts

Debt Reduction	\$ 160.00	Sunday ABS	\$ 16.00
Construction Fund	\$ 110.00	Mission Trip	\$ 265.50
World Relief	\$ 20.00	Men's Ministry	\$ 340.00
Bethesda	\$ 30.00	Don Niewald Mem.	\$ 500.00
Youth Gathering	\$ 215.00	Midweek Dinners	\$ 238.00
		Total	\$ 1,894.50
		Total Gifts	\$ 9,393.55

ABS (Adult Bible Classes) Today!

Spring Semester Adult Bible Studies (Sunday morning ABS) will began last Sunday. The following classes are offered from February through May:

The Gospel of Luke -- our feature Bible study taught by Dr. Robert Quebbeman (Gym)

Homebuilders -- a 5-week small group learning fellowship for parents, especially of younger and elementary age children, taught by Pastor Marler (Mark Schultz Ministry Center. . .meet in the Parent Lounge for coffee and a special gift before class)

Sitcom Bible Study – (This class will not meet Feb. 21 or 28) on episodes of the Dick Van Dyke situation comedy of the 1960's, Zeke Young will lead this creative Bible study on surprisingly contemporary topics (MSMC—Woker)

Christian Spirituality -- Five Views of Sanctification led by Pastor Tessaro (Church)

PARADOXES OF THE CROSS

Our 2010 Lenten journey continues this Wednesday, February 24th, with worship at Noon and 7:00 pm. This week's emphasis on the theme is "The Paradox of the Cross: Ugly or Beautiful?" Your Pastors and elders were so encouraged by the excellent attendance at both of last week's Ash Wednesday services; thank you for your faithfulness, Trinity!

FIRST CLASS IN FEBRUARY!

Who can you invite to join our adult confirmation class? Do you have family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors who do not have a church home and may not know the grace and love of God in Jesus? The best witness you can give is to invite them to First Class. . .and come with them to review your own doctrine. Starting today, the first Sunday in Lent! Members pick up a brochure and invite someone to come this evening, 5-7 pm. Better yet, bring them and attend FIRST CLASS as part of your Lenten worship and discipline this year! Food and beverages provided in this first session.

FIFTY DAYS OF JOY!

During our 2010 Centennial Year, Trinity will celebrate "Fifty Days of Joy" during the Easter season! So often after Easter Sunday, the joy of the resurrection that is intended to be intentionally and intensely celebrated during the fifty days between Easter and Pentecost is lost to the daily routines of our busy lives. We would like to publish an "in-house" devotional booklet for the Trinity family to use during these fifty days, written by our Pastors and lay members. Five members have already volunteered. If you would like to be considered to write one or two of these daily devotions, please talk to one of our Pastors or Steve Koehler.

VBS Survey

Please refer to your February Trumpet to vote for this year's VBS dates. It falls around the 4th of July and we want to accommodate as many people as possible.

We would like to thank our Trinity family for surrounding our son Jacob and ourselves in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ while he underwent surgery. Jacob is well, and along with his mother and father wish to express our deep and abiding gratitude for our prayer warriors at Trinity. Dick and Jan McGuire

A very big THANK YOU to Katherine Marlar and members of the choir for taking the time to come to Springfield Rehab and sharing your gift of music with not only with my mother, Clara Davis, but the rest of the residents there as well. It meant so much to Clara for you to come and sing, especially the song that she had requested in the past. Also, a SPECIAL THANK YOU to the Bob Quebbemen who played the Clarinet -- absolutely beautiful! Mom truly enjoyed that as well.

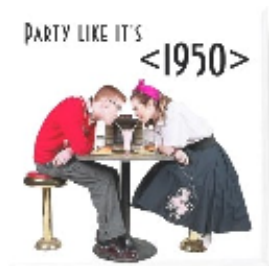
Thank you, as well, to all who have sent cards to Clara, have gone to see her at the hospital and/or the rehab facility, cleaned her driveway and sidewalk after the heavy snow a week ago, and, most importantly, kept her in prayer. She certainly loves and cherishes her church family.

CRAFTWORK is needed to sell at the LWML District Convention coming to Springfield in June. All proceeds go towards missions. Last convention, over \$6000 was raised that went directly to fund a mission project. Those of you who knit, sew, do artwork, make metal, glass, wood, etc. items, please consider donating them. Any questions – please contact Kathy Polacoff at 732-9709 or kathy2820@sbcglobal.net

TLC – 100

The March Centennial display is Confirmation. If you have any confirmation memorabilia please contact Steve Koehler or one of the committee members to give them your items. Items should be ready to view by Sunday, March 7.

1950's Dinner!



Remember The Penguins classic "Earth Angel"! What about Otis Redding's "My Girl" or "The Wanderer" and "A Teenager in love" by Dion! Cherry cokes were cool and a Sundae was spectacular!

Come and enjoy a 50's themed dinner on Saturday, March 13 at 5pm. Wear your 50's fads. Sing with the 50's music in the background. Enjoy a 50's dessert and drink. Got a classic 50's or 60's car to park in the lot?!

Come and enjoy a 50's themed spaghetti dinner! Please register your attendance with the church office. Free will donation fundraiser for the mission

trip to Guatemala orphanage.

A New Men's Bible Study Topic hosted by Lutheran Hour Ministry speaker Rev. Ken Klaus. We will be guided through the general themes, symbols, meanings and promise of the book of Revelation. Join us on March 4 and 18 at Perkins restaurant at 6:30am as we analyze the "scary stuff" in Revelation!





The **Junior High Retreat** is just around the corner at Camp Windemere in the Lake of the Ozarks. The date of the weekend retreat is **March 19-21**. Registration deadline is fast approaching. Review your registration materials and let the office know if you plan on attending or have any questions!

This Week's Calendar



Today	<p>First Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Coffee, Donuts, and Fellowship in the gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Youth, and Adult Classes 5:00 p.m. Men's Sunday Night Basketball 5:00-7:00 p.m. SNF-LYF Sr. High 5:00-7:00 p.m. First Class begins 6:00 p.m. ABS has been Cancelled</p>
Monday	<p>9:15 a.m. Faith Foundations Noon-1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting, Office Closed 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – gym</p>
Tuesday	<p>9:30 a.m. Adult Puppeteer Practice 6:30 p.m. TLC-100 Committee Meeting</p>
Wednesday	<p>10:00 a.m. ABS - 1 Corinthians, Media Room 11:00 a.m. Soup and Sandwich Meal Noon Lent Service *Servers at Midweek Dinner are Volunteers 4:45 p.m. Wednesday Evening Dinner/Fellowship 6:00 p.m. Trinity Choir – Church Basement 6:00-6:25 p.m. Kids of the Kingdom/Chimes 6:00-6:50 p.m. 7th-8th grade Catechism Class 6:30-6:50 p.m. 3rd-6th grade Catechism Classes 6:15-6:50 p.m. Ladies ABS/Revelation ABS 7:00 p.m. Lent Service 7:45-8:30 p.m. TRUTH Puppeteer Practice</p>
Thursday	
Friday	<p>10:30 a.m. LWML Prayer Service at Redeemer</p>
Saturday	<p>10:00 a.m. Circuit Forum at Trinity Lutheran Church 6:00-8:00 p.m. Daddy/Daughter Dance sponsored by the LSC</p>
Next Sunday	<p>Second Sunday in Lent 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Coffee, Donuts, and Fellowship in the gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Youth, and Adult Classes 12:30 p.m. First Class 5:00 p.m. Men's Sunday Night Basketball 5:00-7:00 p.m. SNF 5:00 p.m. Chastity Banquet at Redeemer</p>