

# WHEN TO CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

REV. WILLIAM MAINS  
CHURCH OFFICE: 762-6626

- When there is a birth in the family.
- When there is a death in the family.
- When someone close to you is ill or in the hospital, or in need of spiritual help.
- When someone in the family is going off to college or joining the armed forces.
- When there are marital problems and before you call the lawyer.
- When someone in the congregation has done something to anger you.
- When you have a suggestion for the congregation.
- When you have a question about the Bible, Christianity or Lutheranism.
- When something in your life is troubling you.
- When alcohol or drug dependency is a problem for you or someone close.
- When you move to a different area.
- When you just plain want someone to talk with.
- When you want to be specifically remembered in prayer.

The pastor of a congregation does more than lead worship and preach on Sunday morning. A pastor is concerned with the lives of people and, unfortunately, the pastor is often times the last to know about major events in people's lives because people forget to tell them. Whenever you need the pastor's help or care...don't hesitate to call, stop by or leave a note.

Pastor Bill is not in the office on Fridays. The office is open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday

## **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF**

William Mains, Pastor	262-681-3368
Becca Mains, Youth Director	
Thomas Reifenberg, Organist	303-3515
Tammy Woodbury, Saturday Keyboard	483-2815
Jana Larson, Choir Director	
Sharon Piastowski, Secretary/Education Coordinator	764-4066
John Jones, Custodian	

## **RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED**

Craig Thoreson

Grace Proft

Ray Klute

Donald Fritz

Cindy Felicki

Barbara Bickler

Blake Ulezelski

## **FUNERAL**

A funeral service was held on March 5 for long-time member Karen Peterson who died on February 28 at the age of 68.

## **IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Mike Zingsheim

Marion Hansen

Pam Cooper

Wanda Sjoblom

Fern Christianson

Barb Meyer

Bill Tillman

Tom Immel

Evelyn Lokken

Roger Malcolm

Dagne Domino

Margo Kullmann

Gina Lorentzen

Pastor Jim Niederloh

Ramona Stefanski

Don Barbian, Jr.

# TRINITY EVENTS IN MARCH

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM, Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Contemporary Service the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 10:30

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 8:00

Education Hour 9:15

April 3	9:15 Youth Ministry Team 10:30 Malcolm Baptism Kringle Orders Due
April 4, 11, 18	6:30-8:00 Catechism Class
April 5 & 19	9:00 Quilting
April 6	5:30 Simple Supper 6:00 Property Team 7:00 Mid-Week Lenten Service
April 7 & 14	10:30-11:30 Adult Bible Study
April 7	Dorcas Circle at Kathryn's 6:30 Caring Ministry Team 7:00 Worship/Music Ministry Team
April 10	Carthage College Chapel Choir Visits 1-3:00 All Youth Easter Basket Event EASTER FLOWER ORDERS DUE
April 11	7:00 Finance Ministry Team
April 12	7:00 Sarah Circle at Jean Belter's
April 13	5:30 Simple Supper 7:00 Mid-Week Lenten Service
April 14	7:00 Council Meeting
April 16	1:00-3:00 Palm Sunday Breakfast Preparation 1:00-3:00 Saturday Stitchers
April 17	PALM SUNDAY 9:00-10:15 Breakfast Served 9:15 Blood Pressure Checks 7:30-Noon Kringle Order Pick-Up
April 18	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
April 21	7:00 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
April 22	1 & 7:00 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES
April 24	6:30 Sunrise Easter Service 8:00 & 10:30 Easter Services No Education Hour

## **LENT AND EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULES**

Lent continues until late this month. We will meet for worship Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM through April 13.

The *Holden Evening Prayer* will be the order of worship for all our mid-week services.

The theme for this year's Lenten mid-week worship is *THUS IT IS WRITTEN*. We will be following the narratives of the Gospel writers Mark, Luke and John as they describe Jesus' experiences in the Garden of Gethsemane and on Calvary.

Holy Week Services begin with Saturday and Sunday, April 16 & 17. This will be our observance of Palm/Passion Weekend. Services will begin with the palm processional, starting outside the church building if the weather is cooperative and outside the sanctuary if it not. Those with mobility issues are welcome to come into the sanctuary to wait for the rest of us.

Maundy Thursday, April 21, we will remember our Lord's Last Supper. This service begins at 7:00 PM and includes Holy Communion.

We have two Good Friday worship services on April 22, 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM. These identical services are reflective in nature, designed to help us grow in our understanding of Christ's sacrifice.

Saturday's 5:00 PM worship is our annual Easter Vigil. This service of candlelight also starts outside the darkened sanctuary which gets brighter as more people bring candles into the worship space. This service celebrates both the 'Christ is risen' and the 'not yet' of Holy Saturday.

The Easter Sunrise service will probably be a little after sunrise because of how late in the Spring Easter is this year. The service will begin in a silent and darkened church with a shrouded cross. The joyous proclamation of Christ's resurrection will ring out after the cross is revealed empty. The church doors will open at 6:00 AM and service begins at 6:30 AM.

There are two Easter Festival services, 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM. These services are filled with joyous music, the good news proclaimed and the celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Friends in Christ,

“Life is hard.”

That’s the first line in one of my favorite books by a Christian author, M. Scott Peck’s *The Road Less Traveled*.

In the events of the last couple of months, we’ve seen the truth of that statement. Political upheaval, internationally and locally, have left many lives in turmoil. Natural disasters like the earthquake and tsunami are complicated by the nuclear disaster that followed in Japan, leaving thousands dead and millions at risk. Accidents and disease take lives suddenly or change lives for the worse. Even when things are going well in this life, there’s always the sense of our mortality looming over us. These are the realities we live with in this life.

The good news is that our God is not against us, even though at times it may look that way. We continue to follow Jesus’ path to the cross this April, and then through the cross and the grave to his resurrection. It is in his death and resurrection that we fully understand God’s deep and abiding love for us. We no longer need fear God’s punishment; instead can celebrate the gift of eternal life with our Lord and Savior.

You are invited to join with other people of faith here at Trinity to lift up our prayers together for those in turmoil, for those at risk, and for those who suffer. We pray together that God’s presence in Jesus the Christ will be a sustaining presence, a welcoming presence, a hope-filled presence. We pray that God’s Holy Spirit will encourage us, comfort us and guide us. We pray for God’s peace in the midst of all that is going on around us and within us as we look forward to the celebration of our Lord’s resurrection.

Yours in Christ’s Service,  
Pastor Bill

## **GUEST HOUSE BREAKFAST**

We will serve breakfast to the men living at The Guest House homeless shelter on **Saturday April 23rd**. We are looking for volunteers to donate food, cook early in the morning in the church kitchen and volunteers to serve the meal at the shelter. We will be serving scrambled eggs, hash-browns, sweet breads, fresh fruit and juice. Please look for volunteer sign-up sheets in the Narthex. If you have any questions feel free to contact Eileen Kelley at (262)939-6316.

## **CARTHAGE CHAPEL CHOIR COMING TO TLC!**

Sunday, April 10 will be an exciting day of worship and music for Trinity! The Carthage Chapel Choir will be at both morning services to provide special music.

This 60+ voice choir, under the direction of Dimitri Shapovalov, is one of several vocal ensembles sponsored by Carthage. Their primary purpose is to support the worship life of the college community, especially during their mid-week worship events. They present choral works during Carthage concerts such as the annual 'Christmas At Carthage' concerts. They also visit area congregations as an outreach ministry of Carthage college.

This is not Trinity's first experience with choirs from Carthage College, although it's been many years. Our oldest son, Bill, was in the Concert Choir while at Carthage from 1991-1995. He remembers coming to Trinity every year before the choir's tour season, using their time at Trinity as preparation for visiting other churches on their tour. They would often sing at the services in return for being allowed to use Trinity's facilities.

A word of thanks to the members of our Congregational Life Ministry Team. They're putting together a light breakfast for the choir members for between services.

Please pass the word around about this special worship event. Family, friends and neighbors are always welcome!

## **ADULT BIBLE STUDIES**

We currently have two Bible studies for adults going on:

- Thursday morning Bible Study - meets at 10:30 AM in Rooms 112-113 for an hour of fellowship and study. This class has focused on the upcoming Gospel lesson for the following Sunday. We average about 12-14 adults at each class. April's scheduled lessons include:

Thurs., 04/07 - John 11:1-45

Thurs., 04/14 - Matthew 27:11-54

Thurs., 04/21 - OFF - Holy Week

Thurs., 04/28 - OFF - Pastor unavailable

Thurs., 05/05 - Luke 24:13-35

Thurs., 05/12 - John 10:1-10

Thurs., 05/19 - John 14:1-14

Thurs., 05/26 - John 14:15-21

- Sunday Adult Forum - meets between worship services on Sunday morning, starting at 9:15 in Rooms 109-110. This Bible study has been very different, in that we have been looking at a wide variety of scripture passages, many of them suggested by the students themselves. The theme has been to look at biblical sayings or events that are difficult to understand. We've looked at the meaning of earthquakes and why there is suffering. We've wrestled with the difference between visions and reality.

Each week focuses on a different portion of the Bible, so there is no need to be in class every week to understand what's going on. We don't even schedule the lessons more than a week in advance. If you'd like the class to cover a specific Bible passage, please email it to Pastor Bill at [pastortlcm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastortlcm@sbcglobal.net).

**ORDERS FOR EASTER FLOWERS ARE DUE BY APRIL 10**

## **PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

The Youth Group will again be serving breakfast on Palm Sunday, April 17, from 9:00-10:15. Tickets will be available beginning the weekend of April 2/3.

### **MENU**

Serbian Egg Bake (Ham, Sausage, Cheese)

Hash Brown Potatoes

Fruit

Baked Goods

Beverages

Look for a sign-up sheet to donate baked goods (muffins, breakfast breads, scones, etc.)

### **TICKET PRICES**

12 Years and Older                      \$7.00

4-11 Years Old                              \$4.00

Under 4                                        Free

## **KRINGLE SALE**

Orders are being taken now through April 3 by the Youth Group for the following items:

**Racine Kringles**

**Cookie Dough**

**Cheesecakes**

PROCEEDS OF THESE FUNDRAISERS WILL HELP TO PAY FOR THE JUNE MISSION TRIP TO NEW YORK

# NEW MEMBER CLASS SCHEDULED FOR MAY

Everyone and anyone interested in formally joining Trinity Lutheran Church as a member of the congregation is invited to attend the New Member Class. This includes people who are coming to the congregation as transfers from other Lutheran congregations or as people totally new to the Christian faith.

Classes are scheduled for Wednesday evenings, May 11 - June 4. This series of 1-hour classes will meet at 7:00 PM at church in Rooms 112-113. It will be an opportunity to review the basic teachings of the Christian Church, become aware of Trinity's history as a congregation, and learn how our congregation works together to carry out the mission and ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It's also a good place to get to know a few people who attend Trinity in a small group setting rather than trying to get to know a couple of hundred on a Sunday morning during worship.

Please call the church office (762-6626) by Monday, May 9, if you have any questions and to reserve a place in the class.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>Operating Budget Summation</u>		
	<u>Month of February 2011</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$22,116.92</b>	<b>54,940.72</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>24,329.52</b>	<b>49,955.33</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>(2,212.60)</b>	<b>4,985.39</b>

**Your continued financial support of our ministries and operations is appreciated.**

### *Project Uplift - Reserve Fund Account*

<b>29,986.35</b>	<b>Month's beginning balance</b>
<b>727.50</b>	<b>Contributions for month</b>
<b>30,713.84</b>	<b>Ending balance</b>



## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

### Politics, Religion and Love

Politics and Religion, two things you are not supposed to talk about at a party because those topics can generate a lot of emotion. I am writing this column in early March and it is a highly emotional political climate; the Democratic Wisconsin State Senators refuse to go to Madison for a vote on Governor Walker's budget bill, the U.S. House of Representatives want President Obama to cut more money from his proposed budget and across the Middle East people are rising up against their long-term heads of state. I have different emotions toward these events. As an unabashed liberal I applaud and support the State Democratic Senator's walkout, and I know other people feel strongly the opposite. I'm apprehensive about the Middle East, I wonder about the new leadership of those countries, how they will feel toward the United States and how will that effect me?

Sometimes when I come to church I think I'm leaving all that political baggage behind but I'm really not. For one thing, churches and congregations have often been involved in politics, sometimes directly by endorsements and other times indirectly by supporting positions on values and principles. Those actions can create different emotions and feelings.

The reality is, while we are involved in various church activities and worshiping on Sunday, we spend most of our time in the secular world. Jesus was quite the political figure in his time, upsetting the Pharisees, the Sadducees and other groups with his teachings, so much so that you can argue his politics got him killed. With the current high volume of negativity around state and national politics, I hope and pray nothing escalates to physical attacks.

Politics, Religion and Love, they do tie together in this story. I taught 9<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School for a few years and at some point in the school year we would usually have a lesson about Love. I would call on one of the kids and ask "Sally, Jesus commands us to love our neighbors, that means you have to love your classmate Johnnie, what do you think about that?" In 9<sup>th</sup> grade the boys would sit in one group and the girls in the other and I would ask a girl the question because they were usually pretty comfortable answering "yuck" while they made a face. That was a

good start to a conversation about what loving our neighbors really meant; caring about their well-being, helping them when possible and respecting them while maybe not agreeing with them on everything. I always liked that lesson and conversation with the kids, while it was fun to watch them squirm a little with the concept of loving, in a Christian way, their classmates, it was also a reminder to me about what Jesus called the greatest commandment.

Pastor Bill often asks, or challenges us, how do we take our faith into the world beyond our Church? I asked the kids, how do we follow Jesus' commandment to love each other? Good questions, how would you answer those?

Peace Be With You  
Steve

## **RESPIRE CARE**

*Respite Care:* The provision of short-term, temporary relief to those who are caring for a family member who might otherwise require permanent placement in a facility outside the home.

In the US today there are approximately 50 million people who are caring at home for family members including elderly parents, spouses and children with disabilities and/or chronic illnesses. Without this home-care, most of these cared for loved ones would require permanent placement in institutions or health care facilities. Many caregivers may feel guilt over not being able to withstand the physical, as well as emotional pressures of full-time care of a loved one, many times combined with working outside of the home. Chronic health issues and emotional stress are associated with continuous care giving.

There is good news. There are support groups for caregivers, social workers in government agencies, who are able to help you find a program for your loved that will suit your needs. First and foremost, open your heart to God and pour out your troubles to him and he will lead the way.

Sarah Griph, LPN, [srgriph@wi.rr.com](mailto:srgriph@wi.rr.com)

News from your friends on the  
**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE MINISTRY TEAM**

**Upcoming Events**

Saturday, May 14, 6:30 p.m. - Diner's Club at Bangkok House

**Diner's Club**

The Trinity Diner's Club isn't really a club. But it is for Diners. In other words, people who like to eat! We invite you to join us as we get together with other people from church and visit a nearby restaurant about four times per year. Our next outing is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, at 6:30 PM. We'll be going to the Bangkok House restaurant, which is in the Whitnall Square Shopping Center on Layton Ave. Please look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex so that we can let the restaurant know how many people to expect. So mark your calendar & join the fun!

**Fair Trade Products**

In February our fair trade sale totaled over \$600. This means that in the past four years, we have purchased over \$7,000 of fair trade products. Once again we thank everyone who ordered. Buying fair trade coffee & tea really makes a difference in the lives of farmers & their families, often meaning the difference to them in whether their children can attend school or not.

**Ash Wednesday Simple Supper**

On Ash Wednesday evening, we had about 70 people attend the chili supper. We hope everyone enjoyed the dinner and will come again next year & bring their friends! In addition, we raised \$104 from the free will donations which will be given to ELCA World Hunger. Thanks to everyone who attended!

## **CARE FOR CREATION NEWS**

During the month of April, the Care For Creation Team will be giving short temple talks during most services. Topics will include energy efficient lighting and appliances, the consumption of standby energy, organic foods and food coops, and global warming.

The City of South Milwaukee is sponsoring an Earth Day clean-up on April 30<sup>th</sup> (and they're providing a lunch for volunteers). Please consider participating in this community event. Earth Day is officially April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Think about what you can do to help celebrate and conserve nature's gifts which God has provided for us.

### **Uncloning the “energy vampire” devices in your home:**

Did you know there are possibly up to 40 electronic devices in your home that use energy even when they are turned off? This is called “standby power” and it accounts for 10% of all residential electricity use. Standby power is used by devices that have internal clocks, LED status lights, remote controls, battery chargers or adapters. These functions draw power even when the device is turned off. For example, in the “off” mode, a microwave oven draws an average of 3 watts of standby power, an inkjet printer an average of 2 watts, and a laptop computer in sleep mode, an average of 15 watts.

The range of these products, however, can be quite high depending on the make and model. While the average for “off” mode rear projection TV's is 6 watts, some products were measured at 48 watts of standby!

You can save money on your energy bill, and conserve energy by taking some steps to reduce standby power usage. First, you can unplug devices that are rarely used. Another idea is to use power strips to group devices that are used together, and then control all of them with one on/off switch on the power strip. For instance, this could be done with a computer, printer, and a scanner, or a TV, DVD player and game console. There are even some “smart” power strips that allow you to keep certain devices always on (such as cable boxes, DVR's, and satellite receivers), while switching other devices into the “unplugged” mode.

When you are ready to buy new electronic devices, look for ones with the Energy Star rating, as they generally are constructed with lower standby. This is the best way to gauge this for now, because most products do not list their standby power usage.

## **Trinity Lutheran Military Ministry**

It is that time of year again, when our thoughts are of spring, attending Lenten services and preparing for the Easter Holiday. May we always remember to include our servicemen in our prayers and to send a simple card of thanks or a treat; as not all of our soldiers are able to be home for the holiday.

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\*\*If you have a loved one you would like to have included on the list, or if there are any changes to address, etc., please let me know ASAP at [srgriph@wi.rr.com](mailto:srgriph@wi.rr.com) or 1-414-744-5697.

Thank you & God Bless,  
Sarah Griph, Trinity Lutheran Church-Military Ministry.

## **SATURDAY STITCHERS**

The Saturday Stitchers will meet from 1:00-3:00 on April 16. All are welcome. Bring your favorite project and spend a couple of hours in fellowship.



## YOUTH NEWS



Rejoice! Christ is Risen!

We celebrate Easter in April and I love that we also get to do a servant project for Milwaukee county youth by making Easter baskets for kids in foster care. What a great way to celebrate Jesus! The youth will be making the Easter baskets on April 10<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 at church. All of the youth are invited to come. In May, the youth groups will be having some fun by enjoying an all youth game day on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We also celebrate Join Hands Day in May. We are currently making plans to plant some flowers around city hall in downtown South Milwaukee. Watch the bulletins and Facebook for upcoming messages about this great community event.

The youth going to NYC will be doing some fundraisers during the next couple of months. We will be hosting a car wash on May 1<sup>st</sup> from 1-4 at the Speedway in Oak Creek on the corner of Puetz and Howell. They will be selling Kringle again. Last, the youth groups will be participating in the Volunteer Fundraiser Program. The idea behind this is that a youth will do volunteer work throughout the community and within the church and they will be paid for it from a volunteer fund. Some examples of volunteer time would be to shovel the sidewalks at church, help other ministry teams with their projects, do a cleaning project at church, and help congregation members with a project at their home such as cleaning out the garage or babysitting. Examples of volunteer time outside of church would be sorting food at Human Concerns or spending time at Shephard Avenue House. This is only a small idea of what volunteer work can be done. Each hour that a youth spends doing a volunteer project will credit their account by \$10. There will be a volunteer time sheet that the youth and the individual that they volunteer for will sign. We are asking that congregation members help us with this new program by donating to the volunteer fund and/or by providing volunteer opportunities for the youth.

Peace,  
Becca

Upcoming Events:  
April

- 10<sup>th</sup>- All Youth Event, 1-3, Easter Baskets for Foster Youth
- 16<sup>th</sup>- Palm Sunday Breakfast Prep, 1-3
- 17<sup>th</sup>- Palm Sunday Breakfast, 9-10:15

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS**

## **Scholarship Applications**

Please note that Scholarship Applications are now available and must be returned by May 1<sup>st</sup> to receive consideration. they can be found on a table in the Church Narthex and in the Church Office. The Scholarship Awards decision and notification is expected to be made by Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. As of this writing, the Scholarship account had a balance of \$854.00. Scholarship criteria are found on another page in this Tidings.

## **Sunday School Sings**

We hope you enjoyed the 3 Year Old through 5th grade singing at the beginning of the 10:30 Service on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> under the direction of Choir Director Jana Larson. We hope to have one more presentation before Sunday School concludes at the end of May.

## **Simple Supper**

As the Lenten Season continues, please put Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup> on your calendar as the Education Ministry Team will be hosting the Simple Supper prior to the Lenten Service. The menu that night will include sandwiches (meat and meatless), soups (meat and meatless), and a simple dessert. We would appreciate your indication of attendance on a sign-up sheet in the Narthex prior to this event.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School will be held this year from Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM for all those from age 3 through the 5th grade. We invite you to put those dates on your calendar and invite your friends and neighbors to attend. The theme for this year's VBS is "Hometown Nazareth: Where Jesus Was a Kid". We also encourage your support by volunteering as a teacher, helper, or center leader and/or walking in either or both the Oak Creek Fourth of July and South Milwaukee Heritage Day parades.

## **Easter Break**

This year there will be no Sunday School on April 24<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> as we observe an Easter Break. Sunday School resumes on May 8th and continues through Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Ray Bergwin and Sharon Piastowski

## TRINITY SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

In order to continually promote the Scholarship Program we wish to promote the guidance for awarding Church Scholarships:

Applicants are active in the life of the congregation through worship, receiving the sacraments, continuing education (Sunday School, Bible Study, Campus Ministry programs), youth events, and volunteer work.

Applicants are accepted or enrolled as a full time student to attend classes on a campus of a Lutheran seminary, Lutheran college, or other accredited colleges and universities.

Applicants are seeking a degree at one of the following levels:

Associate Degree

Bachelor Degree

Master Degree

Ph D

Applicants may receive one scholarship from Trinity Lutheran church for each degree he/she is pursuing. If an applicant is not successful in receiving a scholarship in a given year, he/she may apply the following year.

The Scholarship criteria will be published in the Tidings each year until this year's awards are made. **Scholarship applications are available March 13, 2011 with a deadline for submission on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The decision on Scholarship Awards will be made May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

We appreciate the generosity of all those who have given to the Scholarship Program and ask for your continued support. Donations to the Scholarship program should be made using the blue designated fund envelopes or a plain envelope. Please indicate Scholarship fund on either envelope.

Be sure to check out Trinity's website at [www.tlcs.org](http://www.tlcs.org).

## GIVE A GOAT

Did you know?

- Animals provide families living in poverty with food, funds and fertilizer—all for a better future?

- that goats change lives?

- that in extreme climates where other animals cannot survive, goats provide families with fresh milk to drink and fertilizer for the land?

- that as goats multiply, families share offspring with a neighbor in need -- helping lift entire communities out of hunger and poverty?



Did you know?

- that it only costs \$60 to give a 3<sup>rd</sup> world family a goat?

- that it only takes \$5 a month to “Give A Goat” in a year?

Would you believe that “GIVE A GOAT” is our new World Hunger program? We’re using an old water jar to collect the donations. Look for the new logo on an old water jar, and make plans to “GIVE A GOAT” this year.

God’s work. Our hands.

Dorcas Circle will meet Thursday, April 7, at 1:30 at the home of Kathryn Swanson.

Sarah Circle will meet Tuesday, April 12, at 7:00 at the home of Jean Belter.

## **SOUTH MILWAUKEE/OAK CREEK INTERFAITH...**

Is looking for **volunteers to drive** and to help older adults in our community. Even if you can spare as little as 1 hour per month, we could use your help. A great opportunity for retired people to help in our community. Please call: **762-1998**.

## **HUMAN CONCERNS**

The first weekend of each month is designated as Human Concerns Day. Please bring some non-perishable food items to place in the bin. The emphasis for April is baking supplies, boxed dinners, and toiletries.

## **HOSPITAL STAYS**

Federal law greatly restricts the disclosure of patient information by hospitals. As a result, the pastor and church office may not know that a church member has been admitted to the hospital. If you are hospitalized and would like to notify the pastor, it is important that you (or a family member) inform the church office as soon as possible. Call us at 762-6626. Remember, hospitals can no longer provide this information for us.

## **PICK-'N SAVE "WE CARE" PROGRAM**

Trinity is still part of Pick' n Save's "We Care" program. If you have Trinity's account number 838900 listed on your Advantage Plus Savers Club card, we will automatically be credited with purchases from any Pick' n Save store included. Proceeds are used to help fund our Youth Group.

## **STEWARDSHIP: SM RECYCLING/YOUTH FUND**

South Milwaukee Recycling, 1200 Minnesota Ave. (762-1700) will take your aluminum cans and other metal and send a check to our Youth Fund. All you need do is tell the worker that you would like your "earnings" to be donated to the Trinity Lutheran Youth Fund and they will do the rest.

## **TENT RENTAL**

Trinity Lutheran owns a 20' x 30' tent that is available for rental for \$75.00. Be sure to keep this in mind for your next family gathering! Check with the office to reserve a date.

## New Reviews from your Trinity Library:

### Home To Holly Springs & In the Company of Others

Jan Karon, publisher: Viking Adult, hardcovers, 368 and 416 pages

These first two books of the new Father Tim series continue the lives of Episcopal priest Father Tim Kavanagh & his wife Cynthia. We met Father Tim & Cynthia in the earlier book series *The Mitford Years*. In *Home to Holly Springs*, Father Tim travels to his boyhood town and revisits many memories from this childhood. He also meets new and interesting people & finds out there were secrets kept from him all those years ago.

The book *In the Company of Others* takes us along with Father Tim & Cynthia as they take their long awaited trip to Ireland. Plans for much sight-seeing go by the wayside as Cynthia is laid up by a bad ankle. But the people & stories they encounter make the trip all the more worthwhile.

Author Jan Karon was raised on a farm near Lenoir, North Carolina. She spent many years working in an advertising agency, eventually becoming the creative vice president and winning many awards. At the age of 50, she left her career in advertising to pursue her dream of writing. Jan first began writing about Father Tim with weekly installments in her local newspaper.

### Abe & the Amazing Promise

by VeggieTales, Big Idea Studio, DVD, 52 minutes

While on set filming, Bob the Tomato decides to respond to a fan's letter about "waiting", meanwhile everyone's patience is tested by spitting camels, a confused nurse, an easily distracted film crew, and a host of other laughable filming disasters! Join the comical chaos and calamity in *Abe and the Amazing Promise* that reminds kids that God always keeps his promises . . . even if we have to wait a while!

The idea for VeggieTales came in the early 90's when Phil Vischer was testing out animation software as a medium for children's videos. Due to the limitations of the software available to him, he chose to avoid the technical production hurdle of creating characters with arms, legs, or hair. His first animation model on the software was an anthropomorphic candy bar. At first he thought this was good idea, until his wife pointed out: "You know, parents are going to be mad if you make their children fall in love with candy bars." Taking this advice, Vischer instead chose to use their polar opposites: vegetables.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS**  
**IN APRIL**

April 1	Simon Cole
April 9	Katie Keller
April 10	Isaac Bruins
April 10	Noe Nunez
April 18	Alex Warwick
April 20	Eddie Haeger
April 25	Vanessa Grossman
April 25	Vivian Grossman
April 25	Kyle Thoreson
April 28	Natalie Keller



**ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE**

April 03	Nate & Liz Keller, Sean & Theresa Sieg
April 10	Ray & Alice Grant, Mark & Karen Sostarich
April 17	Ray & Betsy Berg, Galen & Betty Opdahl
April 24	EASTER FLOWERS
May 1	David & Judy Page, Betsy Baranek

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## COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

April 2	5:00 PM	Ray Berg
April 3	8:00 AM	Sue Czysh, Margie Fischer Stacey Thoreson, Linn Walloch
	10:30 AM	Ed & Barb Magnuson Seward & Darleen Owen
April 9	5:00 PM	Terry Draeger
April 10	8:00 AM	Ron & Margaret McMullen Patrick & Rebecca Conway
	10:30 AM	Barb Schultz, Paula Tarnowski *
April 16	5:00 PM	Julie Kubasa
April 17	8:00 AM	Lori Mijokovic, Jay Kullmann Jeff Jagler, Jenna Jagler
	10:30 AM	David Hahn, * Jerome & Sue Zylka
April 21 (Maundy Thursday)	7:00 PM	Cheryl Parkinson, Diane Banach David Page, *
April 23	5:00 PM	Cheryl Parkinson
April 24	6:30 AM	
	8:00 AM	Patty Rosek-Johnson Kasey Warwick Gary & Ann Zander
	10:30 AM	Betsy, Emily, and Maddie Baranek,*
April 30	5:00 PM	Stephanie Truckenmiller
May 1	8:00 AM	Becca Mains, Karen Crump Margie Fischer, Stacey Thoreson
	10:30 AM	Mike Radtke, Cristina Crogan Dan and Elisabeth Carrion



April                    Jean Belter, Alice Grant, Diane Banach  
May                     Ron and Shirley Smith

### **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS**

April 17                Nancy Druckrey  
May 15                 Danielle Romich

### **COMMUNION GLASS WASHERS**

April 1-15             Jim and Gail English  
April 16-24            Gordon Schultz, Paula Tarnowski



### **Coffee Makers**

April 3                 Jerome Zylka  
April 10                Paula Tarnowski  
April 17                Kathryn Swanson  
April 24                Sharon Piastowski  
May 1                    \*

# USHERS

## April 2 & 3

- 5:00 Greg Buck, Diane Banach  
8:00 Stan Druckrey, Matt & Kari Bruins, Chris Haeger  
10:30 Jim & Sandi Rogosienski, Debra Moss, Bob Tice

## April 9 & 10

- 5:00 Daniel and Pamela Romich  
8:00 Bruce & Joyce Warwick, Tom & Gayle Barbian  
10:30 George Krenzer, Betsy, Emily, & Maddie Baranek

## April 16 & 17

- 5:00 Kevin Dathe, Tim Truckenmiller  
8:00 Jeff Jagler, Tim Talaska, Joe Jagler, Jenna Jagler  
10:30 Fred & Sharon Schraith, Bob & Dorothy Engelbart

## April 23 – Maundy Thursday

- 7:00 Ray Bergwin, \*

## April 23 & 24

- 5:00 Bob and Linda Iversen  
6:30  
8:00 John Wawrzyniak, Dick Schaefer  
Al Czysh, Debra Grahovac  
10:30 Steve & James Jagler, Patrick & Rebecca Conway

## **NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

April 2	5:00 PM	Colette Feldman
April 3	8:00 AM	Jenna Jagler
	10:30 AM	Elisabeth Carrion
April 9	5:00 PM	Janine Kaczmarowski
April 10	8:00 AM	Holli Cieczka
	10:30 AM	Sarah Brooks
April 16	5:00 PM	Danielle Romich
April 17	8:00 AM	Lelia Haeger
	10:30 AM	Erin Ulezelski
April 23	5:00 AM	Danny Soddy
April 24	8:00 AM	Ann Janz
	10:30 AM	Ramona Peteron
April 30	5:00 PM	Colette Feldman
May 1	8:00 AM	Jenna Jagler
	10:30 AM	Dianne Guckenberger

## **SCHEDULED READERS**

April 2	5:00 PM	Tammy Woodbury
April 3	8:00 AM	Kathryn Swanson
	10:30 AM	Theresa Sieg
April 9	5:00 PM	Terry Draeger
April 10	8:00 AM	Les Touve
	10:30 AM	Emily Baranek
April 16	5:00 PM	Bob Iversen
April 17	8:00 AM	Jill Wilcheck
	10:30 AM	Steve Jagler
April 23	5:00 PM	Karen Claffey
April 24	8:00 AM	Margie Fischer
	10:30 AM	Donna Leu
April 30	5:00 PM	Walt Reichelt
May 1	8:00 AM	Patty Rosek-Johnson
	10:30 AM	Debra Moss

## **GREETERS**

April 2	5:00 PM	Carolyn Marks, Donna Dupuis
April 3	8:00 AM	Ann Good, Debra Grahovac
	10:30 AM	Matt & Darcy McDaniel
April 9	5:00 PM	Ray & Alice Grant
April 10	8:00 AM	*
	10:30 AM	Don & Debbie Ploch
April 16	5:00 PM	Bob & Linda Iversen
April 17	8:00 AM	Marlene Schneider, Carolyn Onsager
	10:30 AM	Fred Schraith, Mike Danes
April 23	5:00 PM	Joe & Mary Ann Kindrai
April 24	8:00 AM	Chris and Joe Jagler
	10:30 AM	Gordon and Nicholas Schultz

## **ACOLYTES**

April 2	5:00 PM	Hannah Fischer
April 3	8:00 AM	Alexis Cuda, Emily Ploch
	10:30 AM	*
April 6	7:00 PM	Eric Wendt
April 9	5:00 PM	Micheal Garlie
April 10	8:00 AM	Nolan Rebernick*
	10:30 AM	*
April 13	7:00 PM	Paul Graeven
April 16	5:00 PM	Victoria Fischer
April 17	8:00 AM	Nolan Rebernick, *
	10:30 AM	Micheal Garlie, *
April 21	7:00 PM	*
April 23	5:00 PM	*
April 24	6:30 AM	*
	8:00 AM	Brandon Peterson, *
	10:30 AM	*
April 30	5:00 PM	Eric Wendt