

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

Rose Bowe
Barb Meyer

Peggy Johnson
Jill Wilcheck



BAPTISM

Mary Ruth Fritz, daughter of Matthew and Amy Jo Fritz, on December 12.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service was held on December 6 for Jonathon Warwick who died at the age of 18. We offer our sincere sympathy to Jonathon's family and friends.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Mike Zingsheim

Evelyn Lokken

Marion Hansen

Roger Malcolm

Pam Cooper

Dagne Domino

Wanda Sjoblom

Margo Kullmann

Fern Christianson

Gina Lorentzen

Barb Meyer

Pastor Jim Niederloh

Bill Tillman

Ramona Stefanski

Tom Immel

Don Barbian, Jr.

TRINITY EVENTS IN JANUARY

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Contemporary Service the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10:30

4th Sunday at 8:00

Education Hour 9:15

January 2	Sunday School Resumes after Break
January 3	6:30 Catechism Leader Huddle 7:00 Education Ministry Team at Ray's NO SENIOR CHOIR
January 4 & 11	Quilting
January 5	6:00 Property Ministry Team NO CARILLON RINGERS
January 6, 13, 20	10:30-11:30 Adult Bible Study
January 6	6:30 Caring Ministry team 7:00 Worship/Music Ministry Team
January 9	9:15 Youth Ministry Team 1:00 Elementary Movie Day
January 10	6:30-8:00 Catechism Class 7:00 Finance Team
January 11	6:30 Congregational Life Ministry Team 7:00 Sarah Circle at Mary Ellen Sorensen's
January 13	7:00 Council Meeting
January 14	ANNUAL REPORT ARTICLES DUE
January 15	1:00-3:00 Saturday Stitchers
January 16	Blood Pressure Checks between Services
January 17	6:30-8:00 Catechism Service/Fellowship NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
January 22	Guest House Breakfast
January 23	1:00 MS and HS Movie Day
January 24	6:30-8:00 Catechism Class
January 27	Food Preparation
January 28	MEATBALL SUPPER & BAKE SALE
January 29	6:30 Diner's Club at Paisano's
January 30	ANNUAL MEETING
January 31	6:30 Catechism Leader Huddle

ANNUAL MEATBALL SUPPER
AND BAKE SALE



FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2010

4:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

TRADITIONAL MENU

Scandinavian Meatballs and Gravy

Parsley-Buttered Potatoes

Corn in Butter Sauce

Green Beans

Lefse and Rolls

Cranberry Relish

Coleslaw

Coffee or Milk

Choice of Dessert

TICKET PRICES

****Early Sales****

****At the Door****

Age 11 and over \$9.00

Age 11 and over \$9.50

6 - 10 years \$4.00

6 - 10 years \$4.50

5 and under **FREE**

Serving begins at 4:00 PM and take-out orders are available.

Our Fellowship Hall is Handicapped Accessible.

BAKE SALE- Lots of homemade goodies at reasonable prices!

This year we will be featuring some **super free** desserts as well.

Dear Friends in Christ,

I like some very simple things: a clean sheet of paper to write notes on, a new computer word processor page to write a sermon on, a fresh blanket of snow to whiten up all we see outside. It's not that I don't like the old things. It's just that I already know what the old note is about or how the sermon ends or what the old layer of snow looks like.

A new piece of paper, a new computer page, a new layer of snow all seem to speak of possibilities and creativity. A new note saying "I love you" is always welcome. A new computer page gives me a chance to put a new idea into words. A new layer of snow means another great time of sledding with the kids.

The turning of the year is one of those times I like for much the same reason. It's not that I don't like the year we've just finished. It's just that I already know the story (or at least most of the story) of 2010 already. I know that 2010's financial story has been a struggle for Trinity and many congregations and ministries. I know TLC saw months of red on the financial reports. I know we saw a miracle in November, erasing \$8,000 of red ink in one month. At the time of this writing, (mid-December) I don't yet know the very end of the story of financial 2010. Will December finish strong, allowing us to cover our expenses and provide ministry at the level we've been praying for? We'll know the end of the story by mid-January.

Much like with a new sheet of paper, we don't know the story of financial 2011 yet. What does the future have in store for us? Will our financial struggles to support ministry continue? Will the "miracle" of November 2010 result in a stronger 2011?

An awful lot of the 2011 story actually depends on how we finish the 2010 story. One of the parts of the 2010 story that isn't finished yet is the return of the 2011 Financial Statements of Intent. As of mid-December, we're still shy statements from about 40+ households. The 145 households who have already turned theirs in have surprised us with the strength of their intent! The remaining statements will tell our financial leaders whether we can plan one more year of mission and ministry at the same level as 2010, or whether we need to make some difficult choices in our programs, benevolence and staff support.

If you haven't turned in your Statements of Intent for 2011 yet, please do so as soon as possible. The new worksheet for the 2011 Budget Plan

is in process and needs to be finalized at the January Council meeting so it can be presented at the Congregational Meeting the end of January.

There is one story, though, that continues without end. It's the story of God's deep and abiding love for us in Jesus, the Christ. I am constantly amazed at how deeply this profound story of love and acceptance affects people. From hospital bedsides to choir presentations, from feeding the hungry at The Guest House to teaching the youngest among us of what Jesus has done, there is a thirst for the hope and promise of God's story in Jesus. We have been truly blessed to be a part of that story as the Body of Christ called Trinity Lutheran Church in 2010, and that blessing will most certainly be a part of our story for 2011.

One more note: thank you all for your part in the story of 2010. Thanks to you, we have been able to be a part of the "old, old story of Jesus and his love."

Yours in Christ's Service,
Pastor Bill

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, January 30, immediately following the 10:30 worship service has been set aside as the date for our 2011 Annual Congregational Meeting. At this meeting, we will hear reports by the eighty Ministry Teams, elect candidates to our Church Council and other committees, and decide on our ministry plan for 2011.

Printed copies of the 2010 Congregational Annual Report should be available in the narthex on Sunday, January 23.



ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Thursday morning Bible Studies will have a little time off over the Christmas and New Year's holidays, but will begin meeting again on January 6 at 10:30 am. The schedule for the Thursday Bible Study is:

Thurs., 01/06 - Matthew 3:13-17

Thurs., 01/13 - John 1:29-42

Thurs., 01/20 - Matthew 4:12-23

Thurs., 01/27 – NO CLASS – FOOD PREP

Thurs., 02/03 - Matthew 5:13-20

Sunday morning Adult Forums have done well looking at some of the more difficult passages of the Bible. Each week has been a “stand-alone” class when we look at a passage of scripture, meaning none of that week's lesson depend on what has been covered in the weeks before. So far, we have covered passages about wealth, forgiveness, poverty, discipleship, the Beatitudes and blessing, the difficulties we have with the Old Testament, and more.

“Drop-ins” are welcome! The Forum meets regularly in Rooms 109-110



ELCA Good Gifts:
make a difference

DORCAS CIRCLE

Dorcas Circle recently purchased a goat for \$50.00 through the “God's Global Barnyard” project sponsored by the ELCA. IN extreme climates where other animals cannot survive, goats provide families with fresh milk to drink and fertilizer for the land.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC CHANGE

Trinity's Blood Pressure Clinic is moving to a new day! We've been doing them on the 2nd Sunday of the month for several years. To help with scheduling issues, we're moving the Blood Pressure Clinics to the **3rd Sunday of the month.** They will continue to be held in the church library between services.

Our "medical members" have made it possible for Trinity to offer this health service. We would like to say thanks to all those who have helped make our Blood Pressure Clinics possible over the past several years: Toby, Liz, Colleen, Betsy, Jeff, Barb, Nancy, Kris and Margie.

Because of health, schedule changes and more, we now only have 3 people available to take blood pressures. If you know someone who is qualified, please let the office know and we'll ask them if they're interested or available.

CARING MINISTRY TEAM

Thank you to all the "Santa's" who donated toys for the children in need in our area. The response from our parish was great and the children had a brighter day because you cared.

We will be serving breakfast at the **GUEST HOUSE** on Saturday, January 22nd. We still have donations of pancake mix from the previous meal, so we will again serve pancakes this time around. We will still need food donations, cooks and servers. Please look for sign-up sheets in the narthex beginning in January.

SATURDAY STITCHERS

The Saturday Stitchers will meet from 1:00-3:00 on January 15. All are welcome. Bring your favorite project and spend a couple of hours in fellowship.



Congregational Life Ministry Team

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 2, 11:30 p.m. – Un-Trim the Trees

Saturday, January 29, 6:30 p.m. - Diner's Club at Paisano's

Sunday, February 27 - Fair trade orders due

Wednesday, March 9 - Ash Wednesday Simple Supper

Un-Trim the Trees

Thanks to everyone who helped trim the trees in church for Christmas on the first weekend in Advent. We ask that everyone at the 10:30 service on January 2nd help remove the decorations and get them boxed up to be stored for next year.

Fair Trade Coffee and Tea

Our next fair trade sale will begin in January, with orders due Sunday, February 27th. Watch for an order form in the February issue of the “Tidings” as well as in the narthex starting in January.

Diner's Club

The Diner's Club event in October at Mulligan's on 27th St. was fun for all. Join us next time at Paisano's in South Milwaukee on Saturday, January 29th at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

SIMPLY GIVING

Support suffers during cold and flu season

Weekly attendance at church services fluctuates because of poor weather, poor health, travel and any number of other circumstances. Unfortunately, our weekly offerings fluctuate right along with attendance even though many of our operating expenses remain constant throughout the year. To help remedy this situation, Trinity offers a way for you to create an automated, electronic giving schedule so that you can stay on track with pledges and regular offerings. Getting started is easy. *Simply Giving* Authorization Forms and additional information are available in the church and from the church office.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ode to Joy or....??

It is early January,

Thanksgiving is a wisp of a memory,

All the wonderful turkey leftovers are gone,

Christmas lingers,

Pine needles fall off the dry tree every time I walk by,

The dog is chewing on stray bits of wrapping paper,

I wonder where she found them and I wonder where those will end up,

Winter Settles In,

But wait, the white snow reminds me of something,

The next holiday?

No, that is not white and it is months away,

What is it I am trying to recall?

Another tug at my mind starts with a smell,

Yes, I feel a memory creeping back,

I remember a wonderful smell that grabs my attention as I come in the

Church doors,

What? Why the Church and why a smell?

Wasn't it the white winter snow that started me thinking?

I realize my senses are trying to help me remember,

They tease me with that visual clue and an olfactory trigger,

I ask "remember what?"

I need more help, another lead, another hint,

A different sense responds and my mouth starts to water,

White and what? smells at church? my mouth now watering?

Finally it clicks – The Meatball Supper at Church!

Meatballs in white sauce!

Meatballs that smell so wonderful I get lost!

Meatballs so marvelous my taste buds cry "good joss"! (Chinese for luck and it rhymes)

I remember the meatball supper is in late January and my senses are now impatient,

Meatballs! meatballs! my taste buds trumpet,

They don't want to wait and they don't want to dally,

Calm down everyone, I think to myself,
Yes it is time for the meatball supper, a wonderful, tasty, annual
tradition,
Soon enough, we'll all enjoy the smells and tastes and company,
And after it is all done, and in a few months time,
I'll remember the *Ode to Meatballs* and my senses will again, start to
chime.....

I want to thank the many, many people who work so hard to
make the Meatball Supper a success. I especially want to recognize the
members of the Trinity Lutheran Church Women's group. For many
years the TLCW coordinated the event bringing everything together to
create a special dinner for everyone. People may not realize that the
money raised by the TLCW, through the Meatball Supper, has been
donated to purchase many things at Church. These are items of
significant cost like the kitchen dishwasher, kitchen floor and the big
church snow blower to name a few. These donations have had a
wonderful positive impact on our quality of life at Church. Thank you
and Bless You, Bernie Klute, Carolyn Onsagern, Kathryn Swanson,
Phyllis Henriksen, Ann Good, Eunice Draeger, Gina Dathe, Nancy
Druckrey and Dianne Guckenberger for coordinating the Meatball
Supper, your participation in the TLCW and for your service. Thanks
also to Ron Henriksen, John Good, Stan Druckrey, Ray Klute and Bruce
Warwick for your help with the Supper.

I would also like to thank another group of Meatball Supper
coordinators. This year Deb Moss, Lori Mijokovic, Sue Zylka and Sandi
Rogosinski took on the responsibility of coordinating the Supper and
continuing one of our congregation's traditions. Because of you I can
sing Ode to Meatballs again this year. Thank you!

Peace Be With You

Steve

Dorcas Circle will not meet in January. They will meet Thursday,
February 3, at 1:30 at the home of Eunice Draeger.
Sarah Circle will meet Tuesday, January 11, at 7:00 at the home of
Mary Ellen Sorensen.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

We had a very good November financially, thanks to members responding to our year long deficit situation. We actually had positive year-to-date income going into December. We are hoping that December continues this trend and we can end 2010 on a nice positive note. Please keep Trinity in your thoughts as you plan your spending for the holidays.

Our 2011 Stewardship Campaign is almost over, and we need some help. We still have about half of our members who have not turned in their commitment of giving. In order for Trinity to continue with the same programs next year, we will need additional pledged funds, or personnel salaries, benevolences, and Ministry Team funding will need to be cut. If you have not turned in your pledge statement, please consider doing so. There is still time.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING BUDGET SUMMATION		
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2010		YEAR-TO-DATE
INCOME	\$32,382.42	\$273,480.70
EXPENSES	\$24,346.08	\$273,307.54
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$8,036.34	\$ 173.16

Project Uplift Reserve Fund Account

\$27,488.34	Month's beginning balance
\$ 632.00	Contributions for month
\$28,120.34	Ending balance

Thank you to everyone who continues to generously support our properties ministry.



FIRST COMMUNION - PLANNING AHEAD

Each year, TLC holds a First Communion class for all those who are preparing to receiving Holy Communion for the first time. This year's class will be on **Saturday, February 26, from 9 am to noon**. As in years past, a parent or other closely related adult must attend with the child.

Young people are prepared for receiving Holy Communion through a historical look at the roots of Communion and it's connection with the Passover, through a biblical look at our Lord's Last Supper, and a practical exposure to the materials and methods we use in celebrating Holy Communion.

This class is usually for 5th graders, but some parents believe their children are ready to receive Communion at a younger age. If you would like to have your younger child take part in these classes, please make an appointment to discuss this with the Pastor.

Remember that a parent of other closely related adult must attend the class with the child. Please contact the office (762-6626) to register for the class. There will be a \$5 fee to cover the cost of materials for each student.

BRAND NEW

I am the new year. I am an unspoiled page in your book of time. I am your next chance at the art of living. I am your opportunity to practice what you have learned about life during the last 12 months. All you sought and didn't find is hidden in me, waiting for you to search it but with more determination. All the good you tried for and didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have fewer conflicting desires. All you dreamed but didn't dare to do, all you hoped but did not will, all the faith you claimed but did not have — these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose. I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance to him who said, "See, I am making all things new" (Revelation 21:5, NRSV)

—Author unknown

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NURSERY DUTY

While we certainly encourage even the littlest children in our congregation to be part of the worship experience, there are times when a nursery is REALLY helpful for parents of young children.

We've also discovered that parents of young children new to our communities who are looking for a church home use the nursery offered as one of their decision points. They look at whether a nursery is offered or not, how it's decorated, staffed and equipped.

We have no problem meeting the criteria for decorations, toys and equipment, but we aren't doing so well in the staffing area. In fact, we aren't able to offer a nursery in January and February because we don't have enough volunteers to staff it.

If you would like to help change this so Trinity can offer a nursery at all worship services for parents who REALLY need it or for visiting parents of young children looking for a church home here in the area, please contact the church office.

The next schedules will be going out in February for March, April, and May and we'd love to have a nursery schedule attached to the list.

PROJECT UPLIFT UPDATE

Thanks to the Courtyard Committee, we have two new projects that will be supported with Project Uplift funds.

1. Altar "Alterations" - We are looking at changing the altar area to make it easier for members to attend communion at the rail.
2. Roof s- We are obtaining quotes to replace both roofs of the church; main roof over church and flat roof over education wing.

We will provide more information after we get details on project scopes. Please continue to support Project Uplift with your financial gifts.



YOUTH NEWS

Happy New Year!

Can you believe that we are in the year 2011 already? Last year went by so fast. The youth groups are already rolling into the new year by going to see movies in January. The elementary youth will be going to see a movie on January 9th. We will plan on seeing one around 1 PM in the afternoon. Then on Sunday, January 23rd, the MS and HS youth will be going to see a movie. We will do the same thing and try to see one that starts around 1 PM.

February will bring the youth to Rollero Skate Center again. The elementary youth will be going on February 6th from 1-3 and the MS & HS youth will be going on February 20th from 1-3.

We also celebrate Souper Bowl Weekend in February. This event will take place on February 5-6th. You are asked to bring two cans of soup to worship as your entrance fee or \$5. All of the proceeds from this event will go to Human Concerns in South Milwaukee.

Make sure to mark your calendars and come join us in some fun!

Peace,
Becca

Upcoming events:

January:

9th- Elementary Movie Day, 1 PM

23rd- MS & HS Movie Day, 1 PM

February:

5th/6th- Souper Bowl Weekend

6th- Elementary Roller Skating, 1-3

20th- MS & HS Roller Skating, 1-3

March:

4-6th- Quake/Zone

13th- Elementary Bowling, 1-3, Classic Lanes

20th- MS & HS Bowling, 1-3, Classic Lanes

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS



Hat, Sock, and Mitten Tree

We and Human Concerns offer many thanks to all of you who donated items of winter warmth to our Hat, Sock, and Mitten Tree for those in need. Your gifts so engulfed our tree in the Narthex that we made our first delivery early before Human Concerns last day of the year on December 17th. However, if you have more items, please bring them as we will make another delivery to them shortly after they open on January 3rd. Again we thank you for your generous support.

Christmas Program Riser Setup/Takedown

This year as customary we setup of the risers for the Sunday School Christmas Program after the 10:30 service on December 12th. They will be used not only for the Christmas Program but also for the Soul Purpose concert that evening at 6:30. The takedown is scheduled to occur right after the conclusion of the program on December 19th. Thank you to all who assist with this task.

Sunday School Christmas Program

Thank you to all who planned, participated, and attended our annual Sunday School Christmas Program, "He Is Coming", which is to be presented at 4:00 PM on Sunday, December 19th. It is another wonderful event in our Christmas tradition. This year offerings received from the Christmas Program and the children's Advent Boxes will be given to Human Concerns and another local charity.

Sunday School Break

With Christmas falling on a Saturday this year, there will be no Education Hour or Sunday School classes on Sunday, December 26th. We ask all of our Sunday School children to attend our Christmas Eve and Christmas Services with their families. Please note the change in Christmas Eve services (4:00, 6:00, and 11:00 PM); the Christmas Day (10:00 AM) service remains the same. Sunday School classes resume Sunday, January 2nd and continue through May 22nd at the 9:15 hour.

Ray Bergwin and Sharon Piastowski

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

The TLC annual meatball supper is under new management.

The previous team leaders, Bernie Klute and Carolyn Onsager, have decided to step down after many, many years of dedicated service. We thank them from the bottom of our hearts for all the time, energy and effort they have given to make the meatball supper such a success for so many years. They truly wanted the Meatball Supper tradition to continue and so asked Pastor Bill to seek new leadership. A plea was made and Debbie Moss, Sue Zylka and I (Lori Mijokovic) have decided to take up the challenge! We have all worked at and enjoyed the supper for many years and did not want to see it end.

We held our first meeting and it resulted in more questions than answers...*Should everything remain the same? Should some things be changed? Will the same people want to continue in previous roles or will they retire too? Do people want to take on some leadership roles? Are there some people who were not involved before, but want to be now?...*

We ultimately decided that whenever you take on a major task, like serving food to 600+ people, there is a lot to do!! We, like all new leaders, have some ideas of things we would like to do differently, but understand that “why fix what ain’t broke?” is only common sense. We are looking forward to working hard at continuing the tradition and all of its great food and service as well as maybe adding a few things to spice it up! Do you have an idea of something you would like to see done?

We know that many of you sign up to help through the Time and Talents(Thank You) but there are some of you who have been doing this for so long, you just assume we will know that you will be helping and what your role is. We don’t. Please take a minute to email me or call me and let me know what your special role is. We will do our best to accommodate everyone and put people in the place that suits their talents most! We are so looking forward to working with all the wonderful volunteers of TLC and having another successful Meatball Supper.

Lori Mijokovic

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THE 2011 MEATBALL SUPPER IS FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

TRINITY SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

As we look to another year of providing Church Scholarships to worthy individuals, we again promote the guidance for awarding them:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. Applicants are seeking a degree at one of the following levels:
 - Associate Degree
 - Bachelor Degree
 - Master Degree
 - Ph D
4. 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.

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.

NEW REVIEWS FROM YOUR TRINITY LIBRARY

The New Christians: Dispatches from the Emergent Frontier

Tony Jones, Josey-Bass publisher, paperback, 288 pages

What is the "emergent church movement" all about and why does it matter to the future of Christianity? Following on the questions raised by Brian McLaren and others about faith in a postmodern age, Tony Jones has written an engaging exploration of the emergent church movement that points the way toward a new kind of Christianity.

Through story and "dispatches" about the many adventurous communities and practices of emergent Christians around the world, Tony Jones offers an in-depth view of this new "third way" of faith between religious conservatism and religious liberalism. Jones examines its origins; its values; its theology; its views of truth, scripture, and interpretation; and the movement's hopeful and life-giving sense of community. With the depth of theological expertise and broad perspective he has gained as a pastor, writer, theologian, and leader of the movement, Jones initiates readers into the emergent conversation and offers a new way forward for all Christians. Written with a journalist's flair and a participant's studied reflection, this fascinating book draws upon years of research to provide compelling examples and first-hand stories of who is doing what, where, and why it matters.

Tony Jones is a theologian-in-residence at Solomon's Porch in Minneapolis and a doctoral fellow in

practical theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. Tony is a sought-after speaker and consultant in the areas of emerging church, postmodernism, and Christian spirituality. Tony has three children and lives in Edina, Minnesota.

Stretch and Pray: A Daily Discipline for Physical and Spiritual Wellness

by Murray D. Finck, Augsburg Fortress publisher, DVD, 13 songs

While on a pilgrimage trek through Thailand, Finck discovered the benefits of daily stretching and quiet prayer. On the physical level, after only one week, the chronic back pain that had plagued him for twenty years disappeared. On a spiritual level, the poses deepened his prayer experiences.

A companion to Murray D. Finck's popular Stretch and Pray book, this helpful DVD features Pastor Finck guiding you through forty gentle stretches, movements, and postures to improve physical and spiritual well-being. Included are an interview with Murray Finck about why he decided to do the video and an interview with wellness expert and educator, Tammy Devine. Original music by John Ylvisaker is used throughout to calm the mind and inspire a deep spiritual journey.

Murray D. Finck has served as Bishop of the Pacifica Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America since 1998. He previously served as Assistant to the Bishop for Ministry and Pastoral Care and as pastor for three churches.

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 January is dinner mixes, canned fruit and vegetables, 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY

January 01	Will Haeger
January 01	Nick Schultz
January 17	Molly Mains
January 28	Branson Gaidosh



Be sure to check out Trinity's website at www.tlcs.org.

ALTAR GUILD

January	Bernie Klute, Carolyn Onsager Diane Banach
February	Bob and Linda Iversen

TAKING BLOOD PRESSURE

January	Liz Keller
February	*

MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE
NEEDED



COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

January 1	5:00 PM	Gina Dathe
January 2	8:00 AM	Karen Crump, Sue Zylka Patrick & Rebecca Conway
	10:30 AM	Jim & Sandi Rogosienski Christina Crogan, Mike Radtke
January 15	5:00 PM	Ray Berg
January 16	8:00 AM	Jay Kullmann, Lori Mijokovic Gary & Ann Zander
	10:30 AM	Emily Baranek, Mike Radtke Cindy Felicki, David Hahn

ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE

THE NEW FLORAL CHART IS POSTED
NEXT TO THE OFFICE DOOR

Coffee Makers

January 2	Les Touve
January 9	Ron & Phyllis Henriksen
January 16	Sandi Rogosienski
January 23	Jerome Zylka
January 30	Debi Paget



USHERS

January 1/2

- 5:00 Tim & Stephanie Truckenmiller
8:00 Matt & Kari Bruins, Chris Haeger
10:30 Steve and James Jagler, Patrick & Rebecca Conway

January 8/9

- 5:00 Diane Banach, Kevin Dathe
8:00 Bruce & Joyce Warwick, Tom & Gayle Barbian
10:30 Ken Peterson, Mike Radkte, Ben & Darleen Owen

January 15/16

- 5:00 Bob & Linda Iversen
8:00 Jeff, Joey, and Jenna Jagler, Tim Talaska
10:30 Mike Danes, Bob and Alan Kilby, Christina Crogan

January 22/23

- 5:00 Mark Draeger, Greg Buck
8:00 John Wawrzyniak, Dick Schaefer, Al Czysh, Jay Kullmann
10:30 David Hahn, Nick Ulezelski, Cindy Felicki, Jerome Zylka

January 29/30

- 5:00 Donna Dupuis, Jay Kullmann
8:00 Ed Mueller, Les Touve, Gary Mueller, Ron McMullen
10:30 Dan Carrion, Paul Graeven, Jenny Leu

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
FOR ALL SERVICES

SCHEDULED READERS

January 1	5:00 PM	Tim Truckenmiller
January 2	8:00 AM	Rick Cole
	10:30 AM	Maddie Baranek
January 8	5:00 PM	Diane Banach
January 9	8:00 AM	Margie Fischer
	10:30 AM	Sondra Graeven
January 15	5:00 PM	*
January 16	8:00 AM	Les Touve
	10:30 AM	Sharon Schraith
January 22	5:00 PM	Mark Draeger
January 23	8:00 AM	Jay Kullmann
	10:30 AM	Ben Owen
January 29	5:00 PM	Kevin Dathe
January 30	8:00 AM	Sharon Piastowski
	10:30 AM	Patty Rosek-Johnson

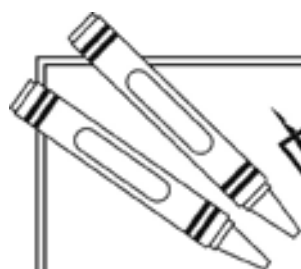


GREETERS

January 1	5:00 PM	Bill & Jan Tillman
January 2	8:00 AM	Matt & Kari Bruins
	10:30 AM	Shirley Jagler, Jenna Jagler
January 8	5:00 PM	Elbert & Shirley Hubbard
January 9	8:00 AM	Bruce & Joyce Warwick
	10:30 AM	Sarah Brooks, Paul Graeven
January 15	5:00 PM	Nancy Bublitz, Cheryl Parkinson
January 16	8:00 AM	Jeff Jagler, Joey Jagler
	10:30 AM	Gordy & Barb Schultz
January 22	5:00 PM	Mark & Terry Draeger
January 23	8:00 AM	Carolyn Marks, Karen Crump
	10:30 AM	Nick & Erin Ulezelski
January 29	5:00 PM	Kevin & Gina Dathe
January 30	8:00 AM	Doug & Margie Fischer
	10:30 AM	Patty Johnson, Christina Crogan

ACOLYTES

January 1	5:00 PM	Victoria Fischer
January 2	8:00 AM	*
	10:30 AM	Sam Nunez, *
January 8	5:00 PM	Hannah Fischer
January 9	8:00 AM	Alexis Cuda, Emily Ploch
	10:30 AM	Robbie English, Jack Grossman
January 15	5:00 PM	Josh Janusiak
January 16	8:00 AM	Rease Thoreson, Brandon Peterson
	10:30 AM	Sam Nunez, *
January 22	5:00 PM	Josh Janusiak
January 23	8:00 AM	Rease Thoreson, Brandon Peterson
	10:30 AM	*
January 29	5:00 PM	Josh Janusiak
January 30	8:00 AM	Jack Grossman, Robbie English\
	10:30 AM	Sam Nunez, *



PUZZLE

From darkness to light

In the Bible, God speaks often about light and darkness. He gives us much instruction about which path we should choose.

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| 1. Good | Righteousness |
| 2. Death | Children |
| 3. Go | Life |
| 4. Evil | Come |
| 5. Adults | Bad |

Match the opposites and then write the word in the right-hand column in the correct blanks to finish each verse.

"When your eyes are good, your whole body also is full of light. But when they are _____, your body also is full of darkness." Luke 11:34, NIV
(1)

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of _____." John 8:12, NIV
(2)

"I have _____ into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness." John 12:46, NIV
(3)

"For what do _____ and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?"
2 Corinthians 6:14, NIV
(4)

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as _____ of light." Ephesians 5:8, NIV
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