

GTZ PARISH NEWS

Grace - Trinity - Zion

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

May 2011

"Reaching out in faith, hope and love."

It Worked!

In the play *The Cotton Patch Gospel*, the risen Jesus appears to his disciples and says with a joyful surprise, "It worked!"

The notion that God can raise the dead to life is different than actually believing that God can do it. For believing means we take the leap of faith...believing forces us to ask ourselves honestly: "What is it in me (*me*) that needs to die, so that the new life God brings can be seen?"

Jesus was able to trust God. To commit his spirit, his life, into God's hands. God knows the way out of every grave. That's the Easter promise. The spirituality of faith, the way of life for people who believe in Easter, is one of following Jesus and walking the way of the cross...being willing to accept the "little death" (as Martin Luther put it) in order to experience God's amazing grace.

Is there something you are gripping tightly? Is there something you are not willing to "give up"? It is by no means easy...we echo the Biblical story: "I believe, help my unbelief!" (Mark 9:24) For we know how difficult it is to trust God to raise the dead.

Resurrection is a surprise—a moment of unexpected joy as mourning is turned into dancing. From now on...our life (our personal life, our community life, the life of this whole world!) is not ours to own...for the life we live is the gracious gift of God. All we can do is say in shocked amazement and joyful thanks to God, "It worked!"

Pastor Judy Deckert

Pastor Mary Beth

Pastor Kurt & Johanna

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Bible Studies: Everyone is invited to attend one or all of these weekly Bible studies...

GTZ Monday Night Bible Study

6:30pm at Mary Fritz's home, 3023 E. Greenleaf Dr., Appleton.

1st Monday of the month Bible Study

7:00pm in the Fireside Room at Trinity thru May.
Contact: Mary Robertson – 739-9490

2nd Monday of the month Bible Study

6:30pm at Joan Peterson's home - Joy Circle from Grace. Contact Lois Hilger at 731-0648.
Lutheran Woman Today magazine Bible Study.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

9:30am-10:30am in Zion's Conference Room
Lectionary Bible Study using "Taking Faith Home"

3rd Wednesday of the month Bible Study

9:30-10:30am, Fireside Room at Trinity thru May.
Contact: Janet Hemmen 735-5516
Lutheran Woman Today magazine Bible Study.

GTZ Friday Morning Bible Study

9:00am at Grace - Lectionary Bible Study

Ride the Bus to Saturday Worship:

GTZ offers an opportunity for you to join us in worship at Zion Lutheran Church every Saturday evening at 6:00pm. A bus is available (free-of-charge to those who ride) that serves all of Appleton, Grand Chute, Kaukauna, Menasha, and is willing to serve other local communities. Call Vivian Schutte, 738-9177, for more info and to register for pick up and drop off. Parish members can trust that any offerings given at this service will be forwarded to the respective church office; **it is helpful if you clearly mark "Grace" or "Trinity" or "Zion" on your offering envelope.**

Summer Worship Schedule

Grace - 9:00 a.m. Sundays
6:30 p.m. Thursdays (begins 6/2)

Trinity - 9:00 a.m. Sundays (begins 5/22)

Zion - 6:00 p.m. Saturdays
8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Sundays
(begins 5/29)

GRACE - G

900 N. Mason St.
Phone: 733-9135
glc.choffice@sbcglobal.net
www.LutheransOnLine.com/Appleton
Office Hrs: Mon-Thurs 8:30am-1:30pm

TRINITY - T

209 S. Allen St.
Phone: 734-9895/Fax 734-1863
office@trinityappleton.com
www.trinityappleton.com
Office Hrs: Mon-Fri 9am-3pm

ZION - Z

912 N. Oneida St.
Phone: 739-3104/Fax: 832-8680
zlc@zionlutheranonline.com
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Office Hrs: Mon-Fri 8-4:30pm

GTZ Parish Pastors

Pastor Judy Deckert
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Parish Advisory Council

President: Tom Jensen - Z
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Tom Scheuerman, Randy Schuelke - T
Diane Kohl, Lauren Mai - Z

Parish Vision Team

Mark Balkman, Meg Finerty - G
David Otts, Nancy Scheuerman - T
Grace Van Eyck, Mary Zanto - Z

Worship, Fellowship & Christian Education

GRACE:
9:00am Worship
10:00am Fellow./Christian Ed.

TRINITY:
8:30 & 10:30am Worship
9:35am Fellowship/Christian Ed
9:45am Adult Education

ZION:
6:00pm Saturday Worship
8:00am & 10:30am Worship
9:15am Fellowship/Christian Ed



Caring Parish Ministry...

From the desk of Judy Zich, RN, Parish Nurse



May is designated as “Older Americans Month” with this year’s theme of: Older Americans: Connecting the Community. This month has been set aside to celebrate seniors since 1963 when only 17 million Americans reached their 65th birthday. In 2007 that number reached 37.9 million, by 2030 one in five Americans will be 65 years or older. Just think of the impact that will be in the U.S.! We will want to pay homage to the many ways in which older adults bring inspiration and continuity to the fabric of our communities. Their shared histories, diverse experiences, and wealth of knowledge have made our culture, economy, and local character what they are today – The Boomers have well defined themselves! The theme also highlights the many ways technology is helping adults live longer, healthier and more engaged lives.

In fact, older Americans are more active in community life than ever before, thanks in part to advances in health care, education, technology, and financial stability over the last several decades that have increased their vitality and standard of living. Many are out and about giving back and making a difference in their community by helping one another as well. Across the country, seniors connect with other seniors by delivering meals, helping with home repair, assisting with shopping, and offering companionship, counseling, and care. Their efforts benefit everyone in the community. So, celebrate Older Americans Month by thanking the ones involved in your life, in your church, in your community programs.

Additional notes from the GTZ Health Team.....

In our congregation we have many older adults to honor and lift up in our thoughts and prayers. I want to use the words “***It takes a Village to raise a child***” to say that the same holds true for the frail elderly wishing to stay in their home or apartment. Often it can be likened to a ***Jigsaw puzzle*** when we try to put the ***pieces of need*** together and in place.

With the Faith in Action / Care Team Partners in our GTZ collaborative we can become that VIL-LAGE to offer assist with health issues, work along with caregivers in order to lighten their load, provide socialization opportunities, worship and spiritual times, exercise, and a sense of family. Church volunteers can do this !.....We can assist others to stay living independently, safely and with dignity by addressing the missing puzzle pieces of needs, such as: transportation help, pick up groceries or prescriptions, yard work help, deliver a meal or two, visit and bring communion; all to stave off loneliness and isolation. Join our team of volunteers—you will be glad you did! Thank you!

GTZ Care Coordinators: Liz Lokensgard, Sharon Meier, Vivian Schutte, Judy Zich, GTZ Pastors, along with representatives of the congregations and members of each church’s Elder Care Team, comprise the **GTZ Health Ministry Team**. Please consider being a part of this ministry; contact Sharon Meier, 739-4291, or any other Care Coordinator.

Companion with those who “Grieve”
Facilitated by Judy Zich, Parish Nurse, 450-7997.

GTZ Lenten Worship Supports ELCA World Hunger

The “loose” offerings of \$283.00 received during the noon GTZ Lenten worship services hosted by Fox Valley Lutheran Homes, Inc. were donated to the ELCA World Hunger Program. Every penny raised provides support for this church’s hunger ministry. Over 90 cents of each dollar directly supports programmatic work; less than a dime is used for hunger program administration and fund-raising. This gift will help the church respond to the root causes of hunger and poverty in over 60 countries around the world. Feed the Hungry. Fight Poverty.

GTZ Matters...

*Saturday May 7th- Set up for GTZ rummage sale at Zion at 9:30.

*Saturday May 14th- GTZ Mission Trip Youth Rummage Sale & Brat Fry at Zion. Supplemental funds by Thrivent. If you have items to donate, please leave them on the stage behind the curtain. Please DO NOT bring old computers or printers. All items need to be at Zion by Friday May 6th.

SUMMER ... is just around the corner!! Mark your calendar for **SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2011** for the **TRINITY ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING** at High Cliff. In **2010, \$3083** was raised for Trinity and **\$4580** for the Emergency Shelter. You can **HELP** by: 1) becoming a hole sponsor (\$100); 2) by donating a completed basket of goodies for the **SILENT AUCTION**; 3) by donating items or larger baskets to be used in the **SILENT AUCTION**; or, 4) by donating **GOLF BALLS** for prizes and baskets. Look for registration for the golf outing in upcoming newsletters!! If interested in helping out, please contact Jean Haese at 722-4423 or jhaese@tds.net.



Everyone is welcome to a very special musical event! At 7:00 PM on Tuesday May 24, 2011, Zion is hosting a Hymn Sing honoring the memory of Organist and Choir Director, Mary Kay Easty. You are welcome to sing with the Choir (rehearsal is on Monday May 23 at 7:00 pm) or sing along with the Congregation! There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the event. We are pleased to inform you that two "sons of Zion" are coming home to lead the Hymn Sing, Daniel and John Schwandt. Both of these young men began their artistry here; practicing, playing and doing minor repairs to Zion's organ. They return to honor a former mentor and friend with their leadership; they return with joy in their hearts to the pipe organ that was the beginning of professional careers. Daniel and John are both graduates of St. Olaf College. Daniel is the Cantor to the Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago (one of our ELCA Seminaries) and also Cantor at Augustana Lutheran Church of Hyde Park, Chicago. John went to graduate school at Indiana University and now is the Associate Professor of Organ & Director of the American Organ Institute at the University of Oklahoma, Norman. While there is no admission charge for the Hymn Sing, a Free Will offering will be accepted with all proceeds going to the Zion Pipe Organ Rebuilding Fund. This will be one of the last times that the current organ at Zion will be heard. A complete rebuild of the current organ is under way and the current organ will begin to be dismantled in Fall of 2011. Completion is slated for Winter of 2012-13. We are currently asking for donations of food and bakery items for the evening's reception. If you wish to donate, we will have sign-up sheets available in the Fellowship hall or you can contact the Church office via e-mail: zlc@zionlutheranonline.com and note Attention: Organ Committee. The Zion Pipe Organ Committee

MAY 2011: WORD FOR THE WEEK

May 1: 2nd Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Ps 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31
The Risen Christ still comes to offer peace.

May 8: 3rd Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 116:1-4, 12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35
The Risen Christ is the host of the holy meal.

May 15: 4th Sunday of Easter - Acts 2:42-47; Ps 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10
Christ gives life, life abundant, life eternal.

May 22: 5th Sunday of Easter - Acts 7:55-60; Ps 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14
Christ prepares a place for eternal joy. Do not Fear.

May 29: 6th Sunday of Easter - Acts 17:22-31; Ps 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21
Christ promises the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Weekly & Monthly Activities:

All Sundays of the Month

- ♦ Christian Education for Adults following the 9:00am worship at Grace. Adult Education (AE) classes are held in the conference rm.
- ♦ **“God in America”** Christian Education for Adults at 9:40am in Trinity’s Upper Auditorium. We’re watching & having conversation about the award-winning PBS documentary.

First Sundays

- ♦ Blood Pressure Screenings at Zion

First & Third Sundays

- ♦ Blood Pressure Screenings at Trinity



All Mondays & Wednesdays

- ♦ Loaves and Fishes, a community meal at Trinity, area churches help provide desserts. We need volunteers for meal prep, setup, serve the meal, cleanup and make desserts. Also, nurses to do blood pressure readings & consultations. Contact: Lisa Christensen 749-1795.

First Monday of the Month

- ♦ Noon Book Club – “How Novel” at Confucius. Contact: Vivian Schuette – 738-9177

Second Monday of the Month

- ♦ Prayer Shawl Group from Zion. Meets at Marilyn Hetzler’s Home, 513 E. Francis at 10:00am. 733-6854

All Tuesdays of the month

- ♦ Quilters – 8:30 to 11:30am at Grace in the lower level activity hall. Quilts are made for LWR. Contact: Susan Pringnitz 733-7591



All Wednesdays

- ♦ Fit for the Kingdom - 10:30am in Zion’s fellowship hall. Chair exercises, Tai Chi and Chair Tai Chi. Led by Fran Kasten.

First and Third Thursdays

- ♦ Quilting at Zion, 8:30am in the fellowship hall. Join us to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief

Fourth Thursdays

- ♦ GTZ Friends at Red Ox 11:30am. “Dutch Treat.” Please join us.

Once a month

- ♦ **OWLS (O**lder **W**iser **L**utheran**S**) age 40+ people who get together for dinner and fellowship. All are welcome - singles or couples from Grace, Trinity, Zion. Call Mary Zanto at 733-3593 or e-mail at mzanto@new.rr.com; Diana Staedt at 734-7979 or e-mail at tdstat@aol.com.

To youth of all ages, parents of youth, and grandparents of youth of the GTZ Parish,

Are you looking for a meaningful, spiritual, and fun way to spend a week or two of your summer? Have you ever been to camp? If you have, I’m sure you understand the importance of camping ministry. Beginning early in my life, I attended Crossways Camps every summer, for family camp, youth camp, Confirmation camp, and finally, spending two summers on staff at Waypost Camp. It’s hard to begin to describe the positive effects these camps have had on my life, but I can truly say that camp has impacted my life for the better. The Holy Spirit, combined with laughter, sunshine, and the occasional silly song is a wonderful way to reach people of all ages. Not only does camp provide a comfortable space to explore God’s word, it is an exciting place to challenge your boundaries, create new friendships, and learn what it means to be loved just the way you are.

Crossways Camps have been growing in exciting ways the past couple of years, and their continued growth and ministry cannot continue without the promise of future campers. I encourage you to check out their programs for this summer— whether you’ve never been to camp or it’s been a while since your last summer program, visit www.crosswayscamps.org. I think you’ll be surprised at the variety of programs available—anywhere from Grandparent-Kid camp, bike trips to camp musical and family camps. Surrounded by beautiful creation, God can work in powerful, meaningful ways! Sincerely, Ellen Hilger

The GTZ Youth Page

Reaching out in faith, hope, and love!

Upcoming Events at a Glance

CARNIVAL @Zion- May 1

RUMMAGE SALE @Zion - May 14 - Mission
Trip Fundraiser

Confirmation Sunday -

May 1 @Grace & Trinity

May 15 @Zion

Middle School Lock-in @Zion - May 20-21

LIFEST - July 6-10

Toronto Mission Trip - July 9-16

VBS - more details soon!

CONFIRMATION

Please pray for our confirmands as they affirm their baptism: **GRACE:** *Aryen Hartwig, Skylar Johnson, TRINITY:* *Hannah Arntsen, Emily Barden, Nikki Bouzek, Chelsea Wilmot, Samantha Wojnowski, ZION:* *Brooke Betters, Jack Densens, Amy Hansmann, Amanda Kuba, Daniel Meyer, Kellie Ostertag, Richard Stinemates. May God bless you as you continue to grow in faith!*

Special thanks to this year's Confirmation small group guides: **6th grade:** Courtney Still, **7th grade:** Deb Robinson, Pastor Kurt **8th grade:** Grace Van Eyck **9th grade:** Kay Kempainen. Thanks to Peer Mentors Morgan Still, Blake Romenesko, Beau Briner, Eric Christensen, Mario Smith, Eva Smith, Sabrina Greene, & Dustin Wilson.

Thanks to parents who made it a priority to share faith in their home through SHARE + READ + TALK + PRAY + BLESS. Because what HAPPENS at church shouldn't STAY at church!

CANDY BAR SALES

The youth group is selling Vande Walle's Candy Bars for \$1.00! This is a major fundraiser for youth activities. We appreciate your support!

MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN

A Lock-In for Middle School youth (6th-8th grade) is scheduled for Friday, May 20th from 8pm until 8am on May 21st. Adult chaperones are needed. Sign-up @Zion on the youth bulletin board outside of the Chapel. You may invite 1 friend.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Application deadline is **May 15** for any Zion youth requesting a Zion Scholarship or any Trinity youth requesting an ELCA College Scholarship or a Leadership Development grant. Talk to Pastor Mary Beth for more information.

LIFEST

We have a limited number of LIFEST tickets available - July 6-10 - \$60. Talk to Pastor Mary Beth for more info.

TORONTO MISSION TRIP

Thank you to everyone who has supported our youth during our fundraisers! Please pray for Greg Behnke, Breanna Bruehl, Brianna Daniels, Paige Delrow, Sabrina Greene, Maeve Grogan, Maggie Huiting, Holly Kalbus, Ashley Kalbus, Todd Kauti, Phillip Keeney, Cassidy Ritchie, Jesse Robinson, Blake Romenesko, Eva Smith, Mario Smith, Morgan Still, Justin Wilkum, Dustin Wilson, and chaperones Deb Robinson, Monica Hager, Randy Schuelke, Brian Still, and Courtney Still as they prepare to serve in the manner and mind of Christ in Toronto in July!

SUMMER CAMP IS NEAR!

Pick up a brochure or go online to learn more about summer camping programs available for ALL ages at the Camps of Crossways: Imago Dei Village, Pine Lake Camp, and Waypost Camp. www.CrosswaysCamps.org or call 882-0023

Lifetime Stewardship...

"Reaching out in Faith, Hope and Love."

Third Monday of each month: 6:30pm - Neighborhood Voice, residents living around Zion who meet monthly to discuss topics related to their neighborhood meet in Zion's fellowship hall.

All Wednesdays: 7pm-9pm & Thursdays: 12pm-1pm & 7pm-8:30pm - Alcoholics Anonymous meets at Trinity

All Thursdays: 9am-12pm - LEAVEN - At Zion Parish House.

Warming Shelter: Many needs and openings remain at the Warming Shelter. One can volunteer for shift work, a meal or any combination. If interested in serving as a GTZ or Zion volunteer please contact Vivian Schutte-920-738-9177.

Interested in Adopting a Child? Receive answers to your adoption questions at our Orientation Meetings, 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30pm. The meetings are *FREE* of charge, but registration is required. Contact Amy Conway at (920) 730-1361 or e-mail Amy.Conway@lsswis.org to register. Visit us online at www.lssadopt.org.

Marriage Encounter Weekend... Looking for a weekend away, for just the two of you? A Marriage Encounter Weekend offers you this experience. It's a time to renew your relationship, away from the everyday distraction of life. It's an opportunity to strengthen your communication and promote greater intimacy in your life together. You don't need a Marriage Encounter Weekend, but you *DESERVE* one. "Discover Each Other Again", more deeply, honestly and warmly. Norbertine Center for Spirituality in DePere, WI May 14-15. For more information and to obtain an informational brochure, contact Sue & Dennis Amtmann, (920) 544-5166 or visit the website at www.gbme.org

Wanted: Used and/or broken ceramic, glass, jewelry and more for a community mosaic in Arbutus Park. Over the past several years, neighbors from the area surrounding Zion Lutheran Church have been working hard to improve their neighborhood. During the summer of 2010, neighbors focused in on Arbutus Park, located in one of Appleton's few remaining ravines, just 6 blocks southwest of Zion. The neighbors' goal has been to revitalize Arbutus – to make it a beautiful "urban oasis" where kids and families can again feel safe and welcome. Towards that end, they held several potluck dinners last summer with live big band entertainment – nearly 150 people attended each of these three neighborhood parties. They also became stewards of the park's natural landscape – removing invasive species like buckthorn and garlic mustard from the ravine sides, and planting native wildflowers and grasses. This year, they are continuing the potlucks and the gardening, with a special emphasis on engaging kids from the neighborhood, who will plant their own butterfly garden in one corner of the park. Along that same vein, they are also creating a 16' by 3' mosaic, a permanent inspiration and reminder of what neighbors can accomplish together. Butterflies, symbol of rebirth and renewal, speak to the revitalization of this beautiful neighborhood park. Children from Columbus and Lincoln Elementary Schools are drawing butterflies, each of which will be incorporated into the mosaic design. All of our mosaic materials are being solicited from community members. Here are some ideas, all of which can be broken or whole: china, ceramic plates, cups, buttons, beads, jewelry, ceramic tiles, colored glass, small pebbles, shells, or stones, , broken marbles, coins, small hardware pieces, keys. GTZ member donations can be delivered to Zion Lutheran Church, where the staff has generously agreed to store them. Please be sure your name is somehow attached with the donation so we can acknowledge your contribution! If you would like to learn more about the project, and perhaps even get involved with the mosaic process later this summer, and/or if you are unable to deliver your materials to Zion, contact Julie Filapek at 284-5404 or julief@sustainfv.org.

Concert by Ali Amr

Thursday May 19 6:30pm at Lawrence University
Warch Campus Center, Esch Studio Flr 2

We are pleased to welcome Ali Amr back for a third time to Appleton as part of Lawrence University's—World Music Series Concerts. This truly will be a wonderful evening of culture, song and music. Please come join us for an evening of both traditional and contemporary Arabic music performed by this young musician on the traditional 72-string Arab lapharp, the Qanun.

A three-time first-prize winner for Best Arabic Music Performer in the Marcel Khalifé Competition (2004, 2005, 2007), Amr has performed countless times at various cultural sites in and around Palestine. In 2008, he had the honor of performing for the president of Palestine and in 2005 for the princess of Jordan. Internationally, he performed in Sweden, Norway, Germany, Holland and Dubai; in 2006, he completed a two-month tour of the United States, performing for the United Nations in New York, before an audience of 40,000 at San Antonio's Alamodome, and at universities, theaters, high schools, churches, and hospitals in 13 states.

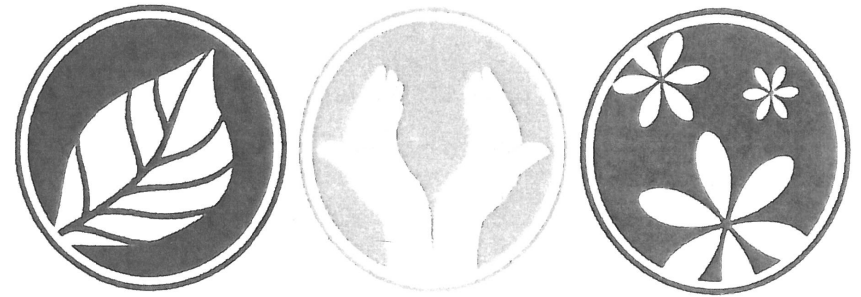
Co-Sponsors of this concert with Lawrence University include the Appleton Conference of ELCA Lutheran Churches, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, First Congregational UCC, Appleton, Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Appleton, ESTHER, Casa ESTHER and hers.

We will collect a freewill donation at the concert so Ali can continue to study at Berklee School of Music, Boston and take his music skills back to share in his homeland.

Admit One
YOUR TICKET TO

Ali Amr Concert—Thursday May 19, 2011

6:30 pm Lawrence University-Warch Campus Center, Appleton



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It's an experience you won't soon forget and will enrich your life. It occurs only once every 3 years so don't wait – start fund-raising now, saving toward an event which can change your life.

For more information, contact:


Terri Ballenger, East Central Synod Triennial Gathering Promoter (TGP)

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Triennial website: www.womenoftheelca.org/triennial

MAY 2011

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>1 Confirmation at G & T <i>Worship:</i> 8:00am Z 8:30am Pipe Organ - T 9:00am G (Confirm.) 10:30am Z 10:30am Praise Wor. & Confirmation - T <i>Fellowship:</i> 9:15am Z 9:35am T 10:00am G</p> <p>9:15am Blood Press.-Z 9:35am Blood Press.-T</p>	<p>2 12:00pm How Novel - Confucius 3:30pm Loaves/Fishes Volunteers 5:30pm L&F Meal - Trinity 6:30pm GTZ Bible Study- Mary Fritz's home 7:00pm Bible Study - T</p>	<p>3 BAKE SALE - G 8:30am Quilters-G 10:00am Staff Mtg - T & Z 5:30pm Worship & Music Mtg-Z 6:00pm Worship & Music Mtg-G</p>	<p>4 See Box Lower Right Corner 6:00pm 8th Grade Confirmand Retreat - Z</p>	<p>5 8:30am Quilters-Z 9:00am LEAVEN - Z 12:00pm AA - T Zesty Lunch - G 6:00pm Quilters - T 6:00pm OWLS - Legacy 6:30pm PAC Mtg - T 7:30pm AA - T</p>	<p>6 9:00am Bible Study - G</p>	<p>7 6:00pm Worship-Z Bus Avail.</p>
<p>8 See Worship & Fellowship Schedule May 1st</p> 	<p>9 3:30pm Loaves/Fishes Volunteers 5:30pm L&F Meal - Trinity</p>	<p>10 8:30am Quilters - G 10:00am Staff Mtg-T & Z 5:30pm Financial Res. Mtg - Z 6:30pm Exec.-Z 7:00pm Exec.-T</p>	<p>11 See Box Lower Right Corner 7:45pm Youth & Ed Mtg - Z</p>	<p>12 9:00am LEAVEN - Z 12:00pm AA - T 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Z 7:30pm AA - T</p>	<p>13 9:00am Bible Study - G 2:00pm Wokenfus/ Brooker Wedding - Z</p>	<p>14 Zion Rummage Sale 6:00pm Worship-Z Bus Avail.</p>
<p>15 Confirmation at Z See Worship & Fellowship Schedule May 1st 9:35am Blood Press.-T 10:30am Confirmation Service - Z Scholarship Applications Due - Z GTZ Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>16 3:30pm Loaves/Fishes Volunteers 5:30pm L&F Meal - Trinity 6:30pm GTZ Bible Study- Mary Fritz's Home 6:30pm Neigh. Voice Mtg - Z</p>	<p>17 8:30am Quilters - G 10:00am Staff Mtg-T & Z 6:30pm Council Meeting - Z 7:00pm Council Meeting - T</p>	<p>18 See Box Lower Right Corner 6:30pm Fall Festival Meeting - Z</p>	<p>19 8:30am Quilters-Z 9:00am LEAVEN - Z 12:00pm AA - T 7:30pm AA - T</p>	<p>20 9:00am Bible Study - G Wedding Rehearsal - Z 8:00pm Middle School Lock-In - Z</p>	<p>21 Zuleger/ Schreiber Wedding-Z 6:00pm Worship-Z Bus Avail.</p>
<p>22 New Summer Worship Schedule: 9:00am Worship Grace & Trinity</p>	<p>23 3:30pm Loaves/Fishes Volunteers 5:30pm L&F Meal - Trinity</p>	<p>24 8:30am Quilters - G 10:00am Staff Mtg-T & Z 7:00pm Hymn Festival - Z</p>	<p>25 See Box Lower Right Corner</p>	<p>26 9:00am LEAVEN - Z 9:00am Newsletter Assembly-Z 11:30am GTZ Friends Lunch - Red Ox 12:00pm AA - T 7:30pm AA - T</p>	<p>27 9:00am Bible Study - G Summer office hours begin - Z</p>	<p>28 6:00pm Worship-Z Bus Avail.</p>
<p>29 New Summer Worship Schedule: 8:00am Worship - Z 9:00am Worship - G & T 10:00am Worship - Z</p>	<p>30 Memorial Day Church Offices Closed</p>	<p>31 8:30am Quilters - G 10:00am Staff Mtg-T & Z</p>	<p>GTZ Wednesday Activities 8:30am Chapel Chimes - Z 9:30am Bible Study - Z 10:30am Fit for Kingdom - Z 3:30pm Loaves/Fishes Volunteers - T</p>		<p>5:30pm Loaves & Fishes Meal - T 6:00pm Handbell Choir - Z 7:00pm Choir - Z 7:30pm AA - T</p>	

A WORD FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dear Members of Trinity,

On April 6th some members of Trinity and some of the Passionate worship leaders met for a discussion on Trinity and worship. I just wanted to share some of the comments to everyone.

Things we like about Trinity and Worship at Trinity.

- Beautiful Building.
- Beautiful organ.
- We have lots of outreach and we share our building.
- Core group of people willing to volunteer and do things.
- 3 great pastors.
- Screen in front of church. Info and worship on the screens.
- Talented worship leaders.
- Groups of people helping out in the church community and the community.
- Children's message.

How do we make Trinity more welcoming?

- Ushers at each door. Smiling and welcome everyone.
- Don't do 2 worship services. Combine them and make a modern service.
- New mom's area.
- Time to make a bold move. GTZ, one building in the end.
- Have the youth choir sing at all churches.
- Create a listening Team and call members.
- Update website.

I was very happy with the discussion and unfortunately did not get to discuss this at our council meeting because of snowstorm Gabe. We will be looking at this info to move forward. If there are other items that need to be addressed let us council members know.

May God be with all of you

Randy Schuelke

IF YOU MISSED THIS IN THE WEEKLY TIDINGS ... funeral service for **John Marx** was held on

April 4th, and these young people will be confirmed on May 1st: **Hannah Arntsen, Emily Barden, Nikki Bouzek, Chelsea Wilmot and Samantha Wojnowski.**

On April 17, 2011 the following young people joined in sharing the meal of Holy Communion: **Levi Cornelius...Macie Rodriguez...Kade Olsen...Conner Nienhaus...Katlin Steward.**

Welcome to the Lord's table. We thank God for you. We pray that you will find joy and strength in this meal, until we feast forever at God's heavenly banquet!

The following young people received their Bibles on Bible Sunday, April 10, 2011: **Joseph Driscoll...Chenoa Keating...Cienna Keating...Alexander Kopischke** "Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light upon my path." --Psalm 119:105

Revised Volunteer Worship Schedule for May 2011

If you cannot serve when scheduled, please find a substitute. Also notify the church office of this change. (734-9895)

8:30 am Pipe Organ Service

Ushers (Captains in bold, underlined type)

Dean Einspahr, John Willing, **Need 2 Volunteers**

Readers

May 1 Sharon Helms
May 8 Mary Poulson
May 15 **Need Volunteer**

Altar Care

Liz Lokensgard & Carolyn Jones
Lorna Dorn
Kay Odegaard

Communion Assistants

May 1 Sharon Helms
May 8 Mary Poulson & Kay Odegaard
May 15 Fred & Ginny Russler

Greeters

West Entrance

May 1 Gary & Nance Bayer
May 8 Terry & Gloria Howe

East Entrance

Ann Einspahr
Judy Van Elzen

May 15 Fred & Ginny Russler Carolyn Jones

Children's Time

May 1 Kay Odegaard
May 8 Liz Lokensgard
May 15 Jann Seidl

Fellowship Hour (After 8:30 service)

May 1 Nancy Scheuerman
May 8 Mitzi Britton
May 15 Kay Schulze

Send acolyte reminder cards Lee Ann Still

Nursery Nursery is not staffed, but the room will be open for parents who wish to use it.

10:30 am Praise Team Service

Ushers (Captains in bold, underlined type)

Gerald LeMoine, Sandy LeMoine, **Need 2 Vol.**

Readers

May 1 Mary Robertson
May 8 Jean Haese
May 15 **Service with FVCCC**

Altar Care

Dorothy Deeg
Judy Natz

Communion Assistants

May 1 Dorothy Deeg
May 8 Jeffrey Dorow & Bruce Kovanen
May 15 **Service with FVCCC**

Greeters

West Entrance

May 1 Ron & Mary Robertson
May 8 Gail & Blake Romenesko

East Entrance

Lisa Dorn
Steven
Krueger

May 15 **Worship with FVCCC**

Children's Time

May 1 Amy Kopischke
May 8 Jennifer Cornelius
May 15 Amie Olson

Pew Racks

April 24 & May 1 Terry Howe
May 8 & 15 Jan Liebscher
May 22 & 29 Kay Schulze

May 22 and 29 One Service Only at 9 a.m.

May 22 Ushers Gerald & Sandy LeMoine, need 2 Volunteers **Reader** Nancy Scheuerman
Altar Care Marita Wagner **Acolyte** Need Volunteer **Communion Assistants** Tom and Nancy Scheuerman **Children's Time** Amy Driscoll **Greeters** Robert & Ginny Dorn and Kay Kemppainen
Fellowship Hour Millie Mohr

May 29 Ushers Dean Einspahr, John Willing, **Need 2 Volunteers** **Reader** Ron Williams
Altar Care Nita Williams **Acolyte** Need Volunteer **Communion Assistants** Ron Williams & Kathy Kuck **Children's Time** Kathy Kuck **Greeters** Tom & Debbie Breen and Marilyn Kersten
Fellowship Hour Joyce Schoepel

**Fox Valley Chinese Christian Church/Trinity Lutheran Church
(FVCCC/TLC)**

Joint Worship and Pot Luck Dinner — May 15, 2011

The Fox Valley Chinese Christian Church and Trinity will celebrate our 6th year of partnership with our annual joint worship service on Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.. The service will be followed by a pot luck dinner in the lower auditorium. The pot luck will include both traditional American and Chinese food. Please sign-up for the pot luck by completing the following information and turning it in to the church office by Wednesday, May 11, 2011. If you have any questions, contact Sandy LeMoine at 729-9641 or sljblm@aol.com.

Family Name _____ **Number Attending** _____

Pot Luck Item You Will Bring (hot dish, salad, dessert) _____

Note: more salads and desserts needed than hot dishes from Trinity

____ **I can help set up for the Pot Luck on Saturday, May 14th at 9 a.m.**

____ **I can help clean-up after the Pot Luck**

You may bring your pot luck item to the kitchen before the Sunday service.

New to the Trinity Library



Check-out these new titles from the Trinity Library.

3:16 The Numbers of Hope by Max Lucado is shelved under 10 LUC. Max Lucado provides the background, Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus, and then analyzes John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." Lucado considers this promise phrase by phrase and uses examples from real-life to explain God's love, justice and salvation.

What Good is God? by Philip Yancey is located under 11YAN. Yancey traveled to ten locations to find the answer to his question, "what good is God?" Gradually he became convinced that faith really does matter and does make a difference.

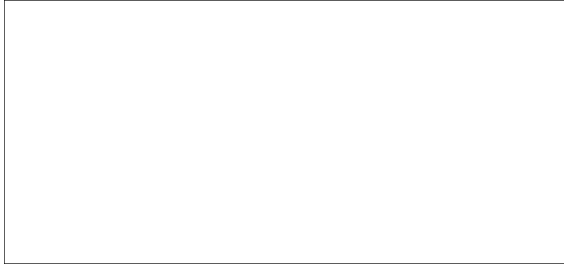
Naomi and her Daughters: a Novel by Walter Wangerin, Jr. is in our library at 1WAN. This title combines historical accuracy based on the books of *Judges* and *Ruth* with imaginative detail. Israel was in chaos. Naomi's husband and two sons have died. Naomi's decision to return home and Ruth's determination to accompany her will change the future of Israel.

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May 2 Carolyn Jones & Kay Odegaard
May 9 Lorna Dorn
May 16 Mary Ann Steinberg Polansky
May 23 Traci Wojnowski
May 30 Memorial Day — no volunteer needed
To sign up, contact Lisa Christensen at 749-1795. Thank you..

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH INCOME AND EXPENSES THROUGH MARCH 31, 2011

Total Income:	\$ 73,513
Total Expenses:	\$ 85,136
Net loss for the current year:	\$(11,623)
Equity Level (available cash):	\$ (54,203)
Remaining mortgage balance:	\$ 90,031

A complete financial statement is available in the church office upon request.

PLEASE NOTE: Trinity's church summer office hours will start the week of Memorial Day—Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and



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Feel free to contact any of these individuals with your thoughts, needs, or concerns for Trinity.

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