



Triangles

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THE LION HAS ROARED— WHO WILL NOT FEAR? THE LORD GOD HAS SPOKEN — WHO CAN BUT PROPHECY? (AMOS 3:8)

The Lion's Roar

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor; betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest possible way.

“Bending the 8th”

If the Church sins against any one commandment more than another, it would be the first because anytime we break any commandment; we break the first commandment because we have failed to keep God above everything else in our lives. But a close second is the eighth, although we rarely flagrantly break it. We just bend it until it screams in agony!

The text above is the eighth commandment and Martin Luther's explication thereof. Very simply, this commandment means that we do not look for the bad in others but the good. We do not promote or publicize the bad but the good. When we hear anything or see anything, we work hard to put the best spin on whatever we see or hear.

We all fail miserably at this and Christians tend to be worse than unbelievers. While unbelievers tend to believe that there is good in everyone (except perhaps for a few nihilists out there), Christians know that we are poor miserable sinners. Nevertheless, WE ARE NOT THE SIN POLICE. It is not our job to run about and root out everyone's wrong doing and tell all our friends about it. And we cannot hide behind the notion that we are crusading for justice because the truth is we are just GOSSIPING.

If you truly believe that someone has wronged you, go privately to that person and tell him (Matt. 18). Don't go tell your friends or your family, only speak of the matter to the person who you believe has wronged you. If for some reason you feel that you need help doing that, ask me or Bishop Pittelko and we will be happy to coach you or even go with you. The goal is to resolve the sin PRIVATELY. Anytime we speak badly about another person, betray another person, slander another person or hurt his reputation **EVEN IF THERE IS SOME TRUTH TO WHAT WE SAY**, we break the 8th Commandment. It is our duty as Christians to help one another to correct our errors and find forgiveness. We are not executioners. We are the hands and the feet of Jesus working for the Savior and bringing His love and forgiveness to one another.

Satan loves gossip. He uses it to tear down people and to tear down the Church. James warns us:

“So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell.”

So the next time you are tempted to speak badly about someone, or even insinuate something bad by your silence and knowing look, remember that Satan is about to happily use you as his tool to hurt another human being. We are called by God to defend and speak well of each other. The Lord knows that we have enough trouble on this earth without stirring up doubt, suspicion and ill will. So check your tongues and go speak to your brother or sister privately. You might be surprised that YOU WERE WRONG and the offense you perceived was all in your own head. Or you might give a sister or a brother the opportunity to repent and seek forgiveness and there is no better thing than that.

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In His Service, *Pastor Rogers*

WHERE ARE YOU

Board for Evangelism newsletter: June 2011

Against God's clear command, our first parents had just brought sin into the world. They had disobeyed Him, and now they were trying to hide themselves from the inevitable: giving account of their actions to God.

Facing up to the consequences of our misdeeds is never easy. Sometimes we might tell the truth and confess what we have done. But sometimes we may lie, or try to run away. Sometimes we're successful - at least it seems that way because we don't get caught in our lie. But there is One from whom we can never hide. And one day - Judgment Day - we all will have to give an account to God for what we have done.

The beautiful thing about this question from God is this: God wasn't having trouble finding Adam and Eve. He was giving them a chance to admit their wrong to Him and confess their sin. In fact, God gave them a second chance to admit their guilt just a little later in the story. But both times Adam and Eve avoided a simple, sincere confession. Both times they tried to divert God's attention away from finding out the truth about what they had done. Instead, they actually blamed God for their disobedience!

Thankfully, God's love for Adam and Eve and His forgiveness for what they had done were not based on the honesty or the sincerity of their confession. God already had in mind a plan that would rescue them, and all who would follow them in disobedience, from the consequences of their lies and their excuses and their disobedience. God told Satan, "I will put enmity between you and the women, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel," Genesis 3:15. God would send His own dear Son to be their Sin-bearer - the Sacrifice that would provide full salvation for them and all who would trust in Him as their Savior, through the blessing of the Holy Spirit.

In His Word, God lovingly calls to you and me. There He confronts us with our sins, and assures us that "the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin," 1 John 1:7. God's love cannot be earned, and it doesn't depend on us in any way. It is there for us through the finished work of Jesus our Savior, to be received by Spirit-worked faith in Him.

May God's Word of truth be our dearest TREASURE! And may we be moved by His love for us to worship this God of amazing, faithful love EACH and EVERY Sunday. Please bring a friend and by all means share the Good News of His love in Jesus with others!

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"Celebrating God with Music & Art"

The Acoustic Circle:

The Trinity Music Center's Acoustic Circle benefit concert series for Feed My Starving Children was a big success!!! TMC would like to thank all the bands who donated their time and performance toward the cause; Scott Wesley, Perfect Strangers band, Long Gone Lonesome Boys, Jammin' Joe, Gilmory, and Some Years Later... Thank you.

Lessons & Ensembles:

Summer time is the perfect chance to meet new musicians and have a good time playing music. TMC's small ensembles are designed to do just that. This summer, TMC is offering 3 types of small ensembles; current radio hits, classical & Spanish guitar, and contemporary praise/worship ensembles. These are affordable 3 week sessions only cost \$45/session. TMC's small ensembles are for band instruments, orchestra instruments, choir, and guitars. Registration is available on the TMC website (www.tmcnow.com).

TMC Benefit Concert Series:

This summer TMC has created a new benefit concert series for the Lombard/Villa Park Walk-In Ministry. These Friday night concerts will feature local bands and will be held at the Villa Park Gazebo or at Trinity Lutheran Church's Founders Hall (depending on weather). The most up-to-date information can always be found on our website www.tmcnow.com. See you there!

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: 1- Dino Apuzzo 2- Joyce LaVicka 3- Kimberly Dunk 4- Hayley Doyle, Erik Grant 6- Kim Bell 7-Bob Cox 8- Doris Swailes, Hannah Watkins 9- Beth Dyer, Jaclyn Rodenbostel 10- Samantha Jaras, Charlotte Leto 11- Ethan Giambelluca, Mark Zeman 13- Elijah Brockie 14- Jackson Gehrt, Charisse McCallister, Thomas Phillips 15- Rudy Croon 17- Dan Carbon 18- Irene Dodge, Amanda Giambelluca, Ashley Heaney, Sarah Heaney, Don Leabru 20-JoseAngel Lopez, Tori Torrence 21 -Steven Belknap, John Price 22- Becky Apuzzo, Sandi Wolski 23- Christopher Apuzzo 24- Michelle Korman, Jesus Gabriel Lopez, Jessica Mora, Danya Rogers, Donna Williams 25- Alex Dickmann 26- Erica Mora, Mark Seeger, Nick Ticaric, Jaime Wallen 27- Josh Bruschuk, Dean Elliott, Nathan Gehrt, Lois Golz, Ryan Kelly, Joy Pals, Chris Thompson 28- Oliva Rundgren 29- John Batjes, Marilyn Felz, Mark Finch, Thomas Ohman, David Ritt, Cindy Torrence 30- Alice Bezik

ANNIVERSARIES: 1- William & Kim Bell 5- Derrick & Sara Bruschuk, Charles & Joann Ophardt 7- Robert & Danya Rogers 8- Scott & Karin Carlson, Bert & Bonnie Dale, Michael & Cindy Torrence 9-Thomas & Patricia Von Hagel, Steve & Anita Wass 10- Mark & Shari Zeman 16- Laura & Brian Guillemette 18- Alisa & Anthony Snyder 20- Sharon & Fred Montag 21- Gary & Judy Buehre 22- Steve & Carol Towne 23- Richard & Pat Jacklin, Lowell & Joy Pals 24- Larry & Amanda Giambelluca, David & Carol Ritt, Paul & Charlotte Studtmann 25- Erik & Heather Grant 26- Tom & Pat Saunders 29- Ken & Barb Wolski 30- Michael & Jamie Wass

Music...

Lutheran Service Book (LSB)

Part VI: Worship Services

A listing of the worship services in Lutheran Service Book is in the table of contents (p. v). The services are divided into three categories:

Divine Service

The five settings of the communion liturgy chosen for LSB reflect the desire of the LCMS to unite its congregations with one hymnal. Prior to LSB, congregations of the church body were split primarily between The Lutheran Hymnal (1941) and Lutheran Worship (1982). In LSB, the first two settings of the communion liturgy originated in Lutheran Book of Worship (1978), upon which Lutheran Worship is based. The third setting in LSB is taken from The Lutheran Hymnal. The fourth setting is a revised version of the communion service in Hymnal Supplement 1998, which served as a forerunner to LSB. Lastly, the fifth setting is based on Martin Luther's *Deutsche Messe* (1526), in which vernacular hymns replace the chanted portions of the communion liturgy.

Daily Office

Prayer services for different times of day originated in Jewish religious life. This practice is mentioned in Psalm 119:164: "Seven times a day I praise you for your righteous laws" and in Acts 3:1: "One day Peter and John were going to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon." For Christians, daily prayer grew in importance with the rise of monasticism, and specific prayer times ("canonical hours") emphasized the singing of psalms. In many monasteries, the eight daily offices took place every three hours, but in modern church life most of these prayer times are obsolete. In LSB, three daily offices are included: Matins (from the Latin word for "morning"), Vespers (Latin "evening"), and Compline (Latin *completorium*, meaning the "completion of the work day"). LSB also gives Morning and Evening Prayer as alternative liturgies to Matins and Vespers.

Other Services and Resources

In this section of LSB, several types of worship services fall into two general categories. First of all, liturgies for baptism, confirmation, marriage, and death (funeral) are services for individuals rather than the entire congregation. Secondly, various resources for prayer services include responsive prayer, the litany, daily prayer for individuals and families, a table of psalms for daily prayer, and a section of "prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings." Other non-prayer resources are corporate and individual confession, a daily listing (lectionary) of Bible readings, the Athanasian Creed, and Luther's Small Catechism. LSB is certainly an excellent source of material for daily devotions as well as corporate worship.

Memorials

In Loving Memory of Erwin Finke

given by: Joan Berna
 Katherine Berna
 James Brackmann
 Larry Brackmann
 Verna Brackmann
 Kathleen Brainer
 Gary & Judy Buehre
 Marjorie Chuppan
 Bob & Diane Devermann
 Bob & Terri Dinkle
 William Dinkle
 Jean & Dean Elliott
 Frank & Marilyn Felz
 Margaret Gehrs
 Lois Golz
 Steven & Jerrilyn Hawley
 George & Lorraine Johnson
 Karen Knuse
 Walt & Deb Kouri
 Debbie Monahan
 Sharon Moseitch
 Nancy Neubert
 Jenny & James Nicholson
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Oswald
 Thomas & Helvie Rausch
 Richard & Nancy Ryan
 Mr. & Mrs. Warren Sheridan
 Garry & Diane Smith
 Marilyn Steben
 Liz & Joe Woodlock

In Loving Memory of Adela Dorathea Lattz (Myrna Van Swol's mother)

given by: Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Pals

In Loving Memory of Gary Johnson

given by: Bob & Diane Devermann
 Karen Matthews

In Loving Memory of Naomi (Lois Golz Sister)

given by: Mr. & Mrs. James Smelter

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO...

All who have given to the Piano Fund, in memory of Peggy Bainer. These gifts were used to move and repair the baby grand piano in the sanctuary.

Judy Wardo, for steaming the wrinkles from the cloth cover for the baby grand piano.

Dawn Head, who loaned two sets of hand chimes for the Confirmation Ringers to play this spring. It is good news that the number of confirmation students is so large that both the church's and Dawn's hand chimes were needed.

The Deadline is ...

The 20th of June for the July Tri-angles Newsletter. Please send any information or articles to Jenn Ellsworth at 134 E. Jackson in Villa Park, 60181, drop in the Church mail box marked Newsletter or e-mail me at jennart64@comcast.net.

May 21, 2011

Dear Pastor and Congregation:

Put on your aprons and get out your favorite recipes. As part of our 100th Anniversary Celebration of the English District, we are compiling a cookbook. We are asking each of our 159 churches to submit recipes that fall into the following categories:

- Recipes of our immigrant ancestors
- Recipes for a congregational luncheon or supper (50 servings or more)
- Your favorites
- Ethnic member recipes

Please do not forget to include the name/title of the dish, and the name of the person and/or congregation submitting the recipe. You may include a sentence or two with your recipe why it holds special meaning, what country it represents, God's hand in making this recipe a special one, etc. Please do not include any recipes from magazines or other cookbooks that may be copyrighted. We would like to hear from all you Pastors that are fabulous cooks!!

You should submit these recipes BEFORE August 1, 2011 to:

Shelby Kampert, 111 West Rand Road, Villa Park, IL 60181 OR by email to: sjkampert@att.net

These cookbooks will be for sale in time for Christmas. More information will follow. Thank you on behalf of The 100th Anniversary Committee of the English District.

Shelby Kampert, 100th Anniversary Committee

"Then God said, 'I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground – everything that has the breath of life in it – I give every green plant for food.' And it was so." Gen. 1:29-30

April 2011 Financial Comparison

Income	2011	2010	Diff.
Basket	3,160	1,885	+1,875
Unified Envelope	89,813	86,725	+3,088
Special Envelopes	10,864	12,528	-1,664
Debt Retirement	14,757	13,644	+1,113
Budget Income	118,594	114,782	+3,812
Non-Budget Income	1,803	1,922	-119
Income			
Expenses	120,397	116,704	+3,693
Budgeted Expenses	129,749	129,116	+633
Non-budgeted Expenses	409	442	-33
Total Expenses	130,158	129,558	+600
General Operating Fund	2,057	-12,855	+14,912

Our income is up \$3,693 from last year. We need to remember that the first nine months of last year our income was done from 2009. Our expenses are up \$600 from last year.

General Operating Fund is in the black \$2,057, which is better than last month and \$14,912 better than last year. We have spent \$574 over week more than we took in.

Should you have any questions on this financial comparison, please contact me, Warren Sheridan, Treasurer.

Adopt-a-Student Financial Report – 2011

Income	1,700
Pending Payment	-458
Sent to St. Louis	-1,242
Fund Balance	\$0.00

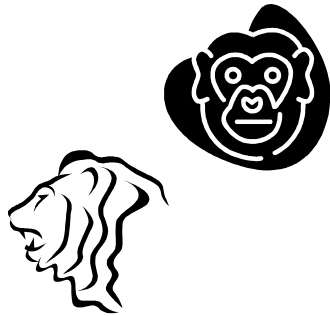
New Computer/Phone System Fund (\$29,000 approved by 11/07 Voter's Meeting) (\$2,500 approved by 11/08 Voter's Meeting)

Expenses-Computer	
Dell Marketing L. P.	8,705.32
CDW	9,689.67
Chris Saunders - Software	239.30
M.R. Keith & Associates	6,392.57
Testa Audio Video	405.00
Expenses-Phone	
Phone	4,964.00
Total Expenses	30,395.86
Income	
Donation by Members	1,000.00
Net Amount Spent	29,395.86
Beginning Balance	\$31,500.00
Total Expenses	29,395.86
Fund Balance (2/28/09)	\$2,104.14

“Register Now for Vacation Bible School”

Go Wild For God VBS

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July 11th—15th
9-11 AM
For 3 Year Olds
Through Entering
Grade 4



Children's Names

Age/Grade Entering

Allergies _____

Parents Names _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact _____

Church Affiliation _____

June 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 4-9:00 TCM Music 6:15-College, ESL 7:00- Big House	2 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00- LWML 6:30 – Boxing, TOPS	3	4 4:30 – Worship
5 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Christian Ed SS Teacher App & SS Party	6 1:00 – Al-Anon 6:00 – Boxing 6:15 - ESL	7 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00 – Boxing Dorcas Installation 8:00 – AA	8 4-9:00 TCM Music 6:15-College, ESL 7:00- Big House	9 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00- LWML 6:30 – Boxing, TOPS 7:00 – Council	10	11 4:30 – Worship
12 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Christian Ed Pentecost	13 1:00 – Al-Anon 6:00 – Boxing 6:15 - ESL	14 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00 – Boxing 8:00 – AA	15 4-9:00 TCM Music 6:15-College, ESL 7:00- Big House	16 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00- LWML 6:30 – Boxing, TOPS	17	18 4:30 – Worship
19 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Christian Ed	20 1:00 – Al-Anon 6:00 – Boxing 6:15 - ESL 7:00 – Thrivent-TC	21 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00 – Boxing 7:30 – Congregational Meeting 8:00 – AA	22 4-9:00 TCM Music 6:15-College, ESL 7:00- Big House	23 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00- LWML 6:30 – Boxing, TOPS	24 TMC Concert	25 4:30 – Worship
26 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Christian Ed Church Picnic	27 1:00 – Al-Anon 6:00 – Boxing 6:15 - ESL	28 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00 – Boxing 8:00 – AA	29 4-9:00 TCM Music 6:15-College, ESL 7:00- Big House	30 4:00 – 9:00 TMC Music Lessons 6:00- LWML 6:30 – Boxing, TOPS		