April 8-9, 2023 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME TO TRINITY! We are very happy that you are here to worship with us today. Trinity Lutheran Church and Nursery School believes that we are called to be "ALWAYS GROWING IN CHRIST" and we want to do everything possible to help you grow. We pray that the Gospel you hear today will take root in your life and do just that, grow.

The Lord's Table: We believe that the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, is the real body and blood of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. If you believe likewise, please join us at the altar when it is time to celebrate this holy meal. Even if you do not believe as we do, we still welcome all adults and children to come forward at Holy Communion to receive a blessing from Pastor. Just decline the wafer at Holy Communion and Pastor will give you a blessing. Please note, the center ring of the tray of individual cups is non-alcoholic wine.

FROM PASTOR Many worshippers like to take a few minutes to pray before worship, but sometimes Trinity can be a very loud place. Please keep your visiting to a minimum in the sanctuary or the chapel and save it for fellowship time after worship. In an effort to remind us of this, the ushers will be closing the doors of the sanctuary/chapel 5 minutes prior to worship and reminding people in the narthex to keep their voices low so that those who wish to pray are uninterrupted. On the inside front cover of the hymnal are some excellent prayers if you would like a starter.

Budget Offerings

Rec'd last week: \$5911.00 **March** E-Offering: \$4329.20 Avg weekly deficit: \$500.00 We need \$5 more per week, per household, to meet our budget goals for 2023.

Attendance Saturday 16, communed 15; Sunday 107 communed 92

ALTAR FLOWERS – In thankfulness and praise from Brust Funeral Home

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The Second Sunday of Easter. The sermon is titled "Standing in Thomas' Shoes," with the hymn of the day "O Sons and Daughters of the King" (LSB 470). The scripture lessons for worship are:

First Reading Acts 5:29–42 Preaching Jesus as the Christ Epistle 1 Peter 1:3–9 Born Again to the Living Hope Gospel (sermon text) John 20:19-31 Jesus Appears to the Disciples

HYMN OF THE DAY is "As Rebels, Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered" (LSB 612) by Stephen Starke (b. 1955), one of the most well-known hymn writers in the LCMS today. "As Rebels, Lord" tells the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-24), which is the subject of today's sermon. The tune WELCOME was composed by Jeffrey Blersch (b. 1967), who teaches at Concordia University Nebraska.

EASTER FLOWERS – Please remember to take your pre-paid plants from the altar today after the 10:30 worship service. There is a complete list of what was ordered in the usher's closet for your reference. Thank you!

DORCAS GUILD will meet on Tuesday, April 11, at 7pm in the Trinity Center. There will be a speaker from The Out Reach House to discuss what services they provide as well as how our support helps enable them to carry these services out. All ladies are invited to attend!

WE ARE SEEKING A NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE BOARD OF HUMAN CARE. If you enjoy helping others please consider joining our board. We meet once a month to share our thoughts on keeping in touch with the Homebound, acknowledging birthdays, reaching out to those in need, and so much more. If interested, please contact

Donna Heuser @ heuser.donna@gmail.com or 630-913-6631.

LWML WILL BE COLLECTING ITEMS FOR THE PACKAGES 4 PATRIOTS MAILING. Please place your donations in the box in the narthex by Sunday, April 23. We want to thank the congregation for your continued support and prayers. Items needed are:

Single or Double Pack Toothbrushes, Full Size Body Wash and Shampoo, Full size deodorant, Gillette Razors and Cartridge Refills, Men shaving gel (tube only please no aerosols) Feminine Hygiene Supplies, Sun Block Lotion, eye drops for dry eyes, Nail clippers, AA & AAA batteries, GUM, chapstick, Laundry detergent in capsules form,

Small size Motrin, Advil, Aspirin & Tylenol, Gold Bond Medicated body and foot powder, Athletes foot powder/cream, Protein Bars, Nuts, Sunflower Seeds, Trail Mix, Beef Jerky ***Slim Jims are PORK Sausage and can't be included in care packages, individual Powdered drinks mixes (Gatorade, lemonade, Kool-Aid, Crystal Light, Tang, Snapple) energy drinks, powdered drink mixes, Instant coffee. Letters and drawings thanking our soldiers for what they do. ***Please do NOT donate Aerosol Shaving Cream (prohibited) will explode, OR hotel toiletries BECAUSE THEY DO NOT HOLD UP IN SHIPPING. BAR SOAP IS UNWELCOME BECAUSE OF ODOR CAN RUIN A Care Package.

THE PROJECTS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR HIGH KIDS We're working on getting a new crew of youth to attend the next session of The Projects in May. You can help us out by liking our Facebook page: The Projects at Trinity and then sharing it on your own page. We have a new marketing person who has given the page a brand new and exciting look. Help us spread the word!

LUTHERAN SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES is looking for a part-time resource room teacher at Zion Concord Lutheran School in Bensenville IL. Applicants must hold a current Illinois Teaching License and have a special education certification/endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at rschumacher@luthsped.org.

HOMEBOUND

Lutheran Home: Elizabeth Stearns Beacon Hill: LaVera Levin

Aperion, W. Chicago: Deborah Bychowski Brighton Gardens, Whtn: Bill Rothenburger

AT HOME: Pastor & Carol Drews, Ron & Betty Edwards, Georgianna Ryl, Edith Schneider, Marcy Seils,

Keith & Carol Speers Strength and patience for all the caregivers.

IN NEED OF HEALING: Greg Bukowski, Lee Ann & Steve Castillo (cousins of Carol Edwards), Linda Gibboney (daughter of LaVera Levin), Cheryl Ilcken, Mike McIntyre (cousin of Danya), Sue Kohs (cousin of Bert & bonnie Dale), Lisa Miller (daughter of Judy Sheridan), Rick Miller (son-in-law of Judy Sheridan), Tracy Schumpp (niece of Donna Williams), Victoria Vansickle (daughter of Greg & Sue Bukowski).

We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.

FOR THE CHURCH:

Seminarian: Jackson Scofield Bishops: Matthew Harrison and Jamison Hardy

Missionaries to the Dominican Republic-Rev. Dr. Jonathon and Deaconess Cheryl Naumann

Jay and Julie Dass, Lutheran Confessional Church of Pakistan

Morren Chelsi Lempas (Youth sponsored child from Indonesia) Asian Indian Ministry

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: Commander in Chief - President Joseph Biden

Adam Biladeau, Matt Boudro, Peter Halpin (son of Dan & Rhonda Halpin), Will Hinckley (grandson of Ed Gustovich), Cameron Littleson (Traci Dale Maher's brother-in-law), Matt & Mary Macella (grandchildren of Arlene Johnson), David & Alexander Nordman (grandsons of Ron Nordman), Josh Preisel (grandson of Alice Bezik), Ella Sperry (granddaughter of Cliff & Olinda Sperry), Paul Stahlke, Quentin Stubbs.

BIRTHDAYS 9-Blake Collins, Daniel Johnson, Annalisa Kunde, 10- Paul Esposito, Jr.

12- Paul Petrowsky, Isabelle Wass, Sophia Wass 13-Andrew Apuzzo, Anthony Apuzzo, Grace Finke, Katelin Magnuson, Jack Speers, Connor Speers 14- Connie Graham, Monica Stika, Sarah Leija 15- Kim Campagna, Bryan Dale, Lowell Pals, Joe Stubbs

ANNIVERSARIES: 9-Joe & Michelle Korman, 10-Dave & Debbie Barry 14-Dave & Judy Bruschuk

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF April 9th:

Sunday: Worship 8:00 AM (FaceBook Live) & 10:30 AM

Monday: 1:00-Al Anon 7:00 Womens/Mens Bible Study 7:00 Dorcas

Tuesday: NO Bible Study 8:00 AA

Wednesday: 10:00 Bible Study 6:00-Big House 6:30-Growing in Prayer

Thursday: 7:00-Rest Your Soul / Council 8:00 Choir

Friday:

Saturday: Worship 4:30 PM

THOSE WHO SERVE April 9th Easter:

Keyboard / Organ: 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Ensembles: 8am & 10:30am Jubilate Choir, Bells of Praise Instrumentalist: 8am & 10:30am Sara Biladeau, trumpet

Lay Assistants:8:00Darren Taylor10:30 Henry Meier & John DornAcolytes:8:00Hank Pavlovsky10:30 Caleb Ilcken / Garret May

Ushers: 4:30 NO SERVICE 8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock

10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob Rundgren, & Chris Gore

Greeters: 8:00 Marilyn Bloechle 10:30 Marilyn Bloechle

Altar Guild Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE April 16th:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm - Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Vocalist: 8:00 Jim Bruschuk 10:30 Christy Crandell

8:00 John Dorn & Donna Stubbs **10:30** Rich Kumnick & Kate Ilcken

Acolytes: 8:00 Aliyah Brockie 10:30 Caroline Marchewka/LoreLai May

Ushers: 4:30 Rich Kumnick

8:00 Bert Dale, Derek Bruschuk, Josh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rogers

10:30- Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong, Keith Wojtas

Greeters: 8:00 Bonnie Dale 10:30 Donna Heuser

Altar Guild Cindy Weber, Marilyn Felz, Donna Heuser

THOSE WHO SERVE April 23rd:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm - Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Vocalist:

8:00 Jim Bruschuk

10:30 Greg Billing

Lay Assistants:

8:00 Darren Taylor

10:30 John Dorn & Gloria Marc

10:30 David Sullivan

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4:30 Craig Musa Ushers:

8:00 Scott Golz, Dante Apuzzo, Dino Apuzzo, Neal Rodenbostel

10:30- Gary Buehre, Rich Kumnick, Barbara Wolski

Greeters: 8:00 Donna Stubbs **10:30** Carol Edwards

Altar Guild Denise Airdo, Marilyn Bloechle

THOSE WHO SERVE April 30th:

Keyboard / Organ: 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Vocalist:
Lay Assistants:
Acolytes:
Ushers:

8:00 Jim Bruschuk
10:30 Jonathan Stahlke
10:30 Greg Billing & Carlo Airdo
10:30 Caleb Ilcken / Garret May
8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock

10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob Rundgren, & Chris Gore

Greeters: 8:00 Olinda Sperry **10:30** Nancy Rex Altar Guild Olinda Sperry, Donna Williams, Judy Buehre