

Trinity SONRISE News



Trinity Lutheran Church

on the Sunrise Side of Michigan

2019

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR AZZAM

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

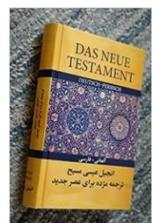


October is the month we celebrate Reformation Day. Two years ago, many of us gathered to celebrate in Lansing, Michigan at the Breslin Center with over 12,000 Lutherans from Michigan, marking the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing of the 95 theses. The purpose of these were to strike up a conversation with the Roman Church, about the many irregularities in recent church practice including, but not limited to, the use of "Indulgences." Indulgences were, if you recall, a creative way the church allowed the contrite to make satisfaction for sin. Rather than simply giving to the poor, a person could by a certificate of indulgence intended by the church for any number of "worthwhile" causes. These particular indulgences issued in a Jubilee year, indicated that the purchaser's past, present, and future (venial) sins were indulged by God thereby making Confession and Penance unnecessary. Martin Luther's Theses against this practice quickly gained the attention of the people in Wittenberg and soon around the whole Holy Roman Empire.

That conversation would not occur for two years. And when it did occur in June-July of 1519 a debate took place at the Pleissenburg Castle in Leipzig, Saxony, where one of Rome's finest German Theologians, Johannes Eck, debated Andreas Karlstadt, the dean of the theology department at the University of Wittenberg, over the topics of grace and free will with Martin Luther present.

The debating skills of Andreas Karlstadt were tedious. With every point and counterpoint Karlstadt had to look up his references from any number of books he had spread out on his table. It was not long until the quick tongued Eck invited Martin Luther to step in and speak for himself regarding these topics. Here Martin Luther argued his case on the basis of Scripture alone (Sola Scriptura) ... the opinions of councils, and papal decrees had been contradictory on these topics and were therefore unacceptable to site. The debate ended in a stalemate, Luther citing Scripture alone, Eck citing councils, decrees and the tradition of the Church. When a decision on the topic of indulgences finally came out, there was no mention of this debate and the Roman Church upheld the practice.

Question: Did Pastor and Kathy visit the Pliessenberg Castle in Leipzig when visiting Germany. The answer is no...we did not go to Leipzig. We did, however, visit the University of Wittenberg, St. Mary's Church, where Martin Luther preached, and the Castle Church where Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses. We visited Eisenach, Luther's birth town, Ehrfert, where Luther attended the Monastery, and Eisleben, where Luther was hidden in the Wartburg Castle. When our pictures are organized, we will show them to you a la George Perrot.



On Sunday, Sept. 22nd, \$263.50 was raised to purchase German-Persian New Testaments. So far 15 copies at \$223.09 have been ordered and will be shipped to Missionaries Carl and Karen Cecil in Dresden. The remainder will be combined with any additional monies received to purchase more. Thank you and God Bless.

In His Service,

Pastor Azzam



- 10/2 Paul Walentovic
- 10/5 Janice Schauwecker
- 10/5 Michael Welther
- 10/7 Luke Loyer
- 10/7 Ed Pisarski
- 10/7 Cindy Rourke
- 10/8 Pierce Bilbey
- 10/10 Irene Duckwitz
- 10/11 Arlene Coles
- 10/11 Linda Hock
- 10/13 Lou Kuhlmann
- 10/17 Esther Vliet
- 10/19 Mary Jo Richter
- 10/20 Mitchell Schimmer
- 10/27 Crystal Schimmer
- 10/29 J.D. Hock
- 10/30 George Wright



- 10/5 Larry & Ardith Akers
- 10/5 Randy & Gayle Rayl
- 10/8 Sylvester & Karen Peca
- 10/15 Daniel & Amanda Brown
- 10/25 Paul & Irene Walentovic

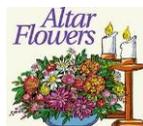


A collection box for Josco County Coats for Kids is in the Fellowship Hall waiting to be filled with new or gently used clean winter coats and snowsuits, and new warm hats, scarfs, mittens, and gloves. All sizes are needed from child size 4-5 through adult extra-large (kids who are cold and in need come in all sizes)! If you don't use it, donate it!

Josco County Coats for Kids is also collecting monetary donations to buy new shoes and socks for those in need. Envelopes for this purpose are available on the ushers' stand.



It pleased the Lord to call to her eternal rest the soul of Lois Phillips on Saturday, August 31, 2019. Please keep her family in your prayers.



Altar flowers on October 6th are given by the Lutheran Women Missionary League in honor of LWML Sunday.



PRAYERS

Remember to talk to God in prayer! God wants to hear our needs, our problems, our thanks, and our praise. God is always there, ready to listen to our prayers and give us answers.



Give thanks for the many ways we are able to serve God.

For the sick and ailing.

For the unchurched and unbelieving that the Holy spirit would work faith in them.

For our youth and children – that their faith remains strong and continue to grow and strengthen; that they might be good witnesses for Jesus and let Jesus' light shine through them.

For our senior citizens – that their health might remain strong; that they be good examples of faith in Jesus for the following generations; that their faith remains strong and growing until they meet Jesus in heaven.

For our Service Men and Women.

For those unemployed and underemployed – that they may find jobs and do well in the job they find.

For planning of activities for 2020 and beyond.

That God will bind us together here at Trinity into a strong family to share His love in Word and deed.



Homebound:

Alice Dettmer – Medilodge
Richard & Phyllis Fitzgerald
John Stutzman

Continued Recovery:

Eric Dennis
Chris Exnowski
Wayne Fortney
Dick Jones
Lou Kuhlmann
Richard Pitt
Robert Schauwecker
Dave Thomas, Jr.

In the Military:

Jason Cooper
Courtney & Karina Pierce (Army)
Marc Stiller (Dave Sherman)
Nathan Boettge (Marines – Fortney)

PASTOR - WITH APPRECIATION FOR YOUR MINISTRY

What we pray for you:

GUIDANCE for the paths your feet will daily follow . . .

WISDOM for the counsel you are asked to give . . .

COMPASSION for those you are called upon to help.

What we wish for you:

STRENGTH to stand for what is true and right, even when there is opposition . . .

COURAGE to press on, even when things seem routine . . .

PRESERVERANCE to follow the desires god has placed in your heart, even when you doubt.

What we give to you:

SUPPORT for your leadership . . .

APPRECIATION for your calling and gift:

THANKS for the person you are in Christ.



TO OUR PASTOR'S WIFE

When we give thanks for our pastor,
We must give thanks for two.
For when your husband came to us,
God also sent us you.

*We say thanks for all you do
And lift you up in prayer*

Your presence blesses all of us
Who know you from day to day
As our pastor's wife, you are
Serving God in a fine and worthy way!



**We appreciate
you!**

STEWARDSHIP

It can be said: “Stewardship without mission is unnecessary and mission without stewardship is impossible.” Stewardship and mission are inseparable. The funding of the Great commission comes from believers. The money which God entrusts to us has many purposes, and the funding of mission work is of first importance. We are to use our money in such a way that people come to know and trust in the only true God.

Following are 20 reasons why we as God’s people give.

1. Giving expresses our gratitude and thanksgiving for who God is and what He has done for us. *(Genesis 14:17-20; Psalm 50:14; 56:12-13; 2 Corinthians 9:11)*
2. Giving helps break the attachment we have to our money. *(Matthew 6:21; Luke 19:1-11; 2 Corinthians 9:8-11)*
3. Giving gives evidence that we trust God to provide. *(1 Kings 17:8-16; Luke 21:1-4)*
4. Giving teaches us to revere God. *(Deuteronomy 14:23)*
5. Giving acknowledges God’s ownership. *(1 Chronicles 29:12-14; Psalms 24:1)*
6. Giving is returning to God what He has already given us. *(1 Corinthians 4:7)*
7. Giving demonstrates our faith and obedience *(James 2:14-17)*
8. Giving helps those in need. *(Galatians 6:10; Romans 12:13)*
9. Giving gives us the opportunity to experience the joy in sharing God’s blessings. *(Acts 20:35)*
10. Giving expresses our love for God Who commanded us to love and care for our neighbors. *(Matthew 20:28; 22:39)*
11. Giving helps provide fairness. *(2 Corinthians 8:13-15)*
12. Giving is an act of worship. *(Proverbs 3:9)*
13. Giving reminds us Who God is. *(Leviticus 27:30)*
14. Giving faithfully, cheerfully, and generously provides a Christian witness and encouragement to others. *(Matthew 5:16; Acts 4:32-37)*
15. *(Matthew 5:16; Acts 4:32-37)*
16. Giving strengthens the Church and enables us to participate in extending God’s kingdom. *(1 Chronicles 29:32; 2 Corinthians 9:6)*
17. Giving gives glory to God as He supplies us with more to give. *(2 Corinthians 9:8, 11)*
18. Giving helps us control our self-interests. *(2 Corinthians 8:1-5)*
19. Giving imitates God. *(John 3:16; Ephesians 5:1-2)*
20. Giving stores up treasures in Heaven. *(Luke 12:32-33; 1 Timothy 6:18-19)*

~ Bill Davis



CONCORDIA
UNIVERSITY
Ann Arbor, Michigan

October Mission of the Month Concordia University – Ann Arbor

Concordia University Ann Arbor is a private Lutheran university in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Its 187-acre campus sits on the banks of the Huron River, about 10 minutes outside downtown Ann Arbor. Concordia University is affiliated with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Its mission: Concordia University is a Lutheran higher education community committed to helping students develop in mind, body and spirit for service to Christ in the Church and the World. You can use a mission envelope that can be found in your envelope packet or pick one up from the ushers stand at the back of the sanctuary to support the “Mission of the Month”. If you already support a mission, please continue to do so by designating that particular mission by name on a Mission envelope.

TRINITY LUTHER CHURCH WOMEM



Trinity Lutheran Church Holiday Bazaar

November 16, 2019

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Music performed by Mary Henry



TLCW is renting out tables for their annual bazaar. Fee is \$20 for an 8-foot table. **NO** baked goods, jellies, canned pickles, or candy can be sold at rented tables. If you are interested in renting a table, contact Henrietta Fortney at (989) 739-5613 and leave a message, she will get back to you.



Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY
October 6, 2019

Please join your pro-life friends and neighbors for this peaceful demonstration of your belief in the sanctity of life. Come to Furtaw Field (Paul Bunyan) in Oscoda or near the Dairy Queen in E. Tawas from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 6th. Pro-life

signs will be available to hold, declaring abortion a grave evil and promoting all human life. The signs are back-printed with prayers, scripture, and songs for you to read. LIFE CHAIN is not chiefly a demonstration intended for the viewing public only, but for the pro-life participants, who call Christ their Lord.

If you are a registered Michigan voter and have not signed the **Petition to End Dismemberment Abortion**, I encourage you to do so today. Petition forms are in the Fellowship Hall. Be sure to sign the form for the county in which you are registered to vote. Michigan Values Life needs 400,000 signatures to initiate legislation to end dismemberment abortion.

~ Miriam Kuhlmann

BEWARE OF SCAMMERS TARGETING WORSHIPERS



There is a new spin on gift card scams. This time scammers are pretending to be a pastor, rabbi, priest, imam, or bishop. They're asking worshipers for gift card contributions for a worthy cause. Appeals are often made by email, but there has also been people getting texts and phone calls. The bogus emails often include the name of the local pastor and a legitimate looking email address. But a closer look should raise some red flags. For example, the email address isn't the one normally used by the church, and the service provider is different too. The message may begin with a simple "Hi," but does not include a recipient's name. There also may be spelling errors, including the pastor's name. The imposter asks you to buy a popular gift card, frequently iTunes, Google Play, or Amazon, and then asks for the gift card number and PIN on the back of the card. Those numbers let the scammer immediately get the money you loaded onto the card. Once that is done, the scammer and your money are gone – usually without a trace. If you or someone you know paid a scammer with a gift card, report it as soon as possible. Call the card company and tell them the gift card was used in a scam. Then, tell the FTC about it at ftc.gov/complaints. Your reports may help law enforcement agencies launch investigations that could stop imposters and other fraudsters in their tracks!



**THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR
LUTHERANS
CHOICE DOLLARS**

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has a charitable grant program and benefit of membership called Thrivent Choice. Our congregation is one of 20,000 charities who are signed up in this program. If you have "Thrivent Choice Dollars" to direct to one of these charities, please consider Trinity Lutheran Church. We would certainly appreciate your support. Please contact Pastor Azzam if you have any questions about this program.

**2019 ALL PASTORS' CONFERENCE
TO SUPPORT THE BOYNE AREA FREE CLINIC
WITH INGATHERING OF ITEMS**

We will be collecting items commonly used in a clinic setting to support the Boyne Area Free Clinic. Items needed include:

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| ➤ Lysol Wipes | ➤ Kleenex |
| ➤ Paper Towels | ➤ Band Aids |
| ➤ ACE Wraps | ➤ Cotton Balls |
| ➤ Cleaning Supplies | ➤ Hand Sanitizer |
| ➤ Hand Soap | |

Monetary donations are also welcome. There is a box in the fellowship hall for this collection. Your gifts will be taken to the All Pastors' Conference which will be held at Boyne Mountain October 6-8, 2019.



ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS!

To those of you that "fly" south for the winter and would like your monthly Sunrise Newsletter mailed to you, please submit your address to the church office on the form below. Even those that have submitted their address in the past, please do so again to make sure we have the correct address. If you would like to "go green" and have your Sunrise e-mailed to you, please submit your e-mail address. The Sunrise Newsletter can also be read online at www.trinityoscoda.org. Thank You!

Name _____

Date Departing: _____

Address _____

Date Returning: _____

Phone _____

E-Mail Address: _____



There are a number of ways you can volunteer in **YOUR** church without making a huge commitment. A few of these include being an usher or greeter, teaching Sunday School for a week, be a lay reader, or set up the altar.

In addition, there are two positions on the Board that are currently vacant: Education and Social Ministry. Speak to the Pastor if you are interested, and he will direct you to the appropriate person.

| Elders | | |
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| Oct. 6 | | Ron Weidenfeller |
| Oct. 13 | Communion | Mitch Davis |
| Oct. 20 | | Charlie Rainey |
| Oct. 27 | Communion | Roger Tack |

| Ushers | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | 8 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
| Oct. 6 | Bradd Chisholm Joan Chisholm | Ann Dawley Lee Dawley |
| Oct. 13 | Lou Kuhlmann Miriam Kuhlmann | Bruce Welther Mike Welther |
| Oct. 20 | Ruth Golm | Kathy Azzam Henriette Fortney |
| Oct. 27 | Bradd Chisholm Joan Chisholm | Fred Rogel Greg Pancost |



GREETERS WANTED

If you would be willing to serve as a greeter at either the 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. service, or at the single service during the winter months, please let the Church Office know. Please indicate your service preference or dates. We will try to get a greeter schedule together for future months.

Know the Elders

The Board of Elders concerns itself with the wellbeing and spiritual life of our congregation and pastor. Pastor Azzam and your Elders are happy and eager to hear from you!

They may be reached at:

- Pastor Azzam - 739-4820
- Mitch Davis, Jr. - 989-820-1469
- Charlie Rainey - 724-6704
- Roger Tack - 989-293-8050
- Ron Weidenfeller - 724-7701
- Rodger Wenzel - 724-6800

**Candy Donation
for Evangelism Outreach**

Trinity Lutheran Church will be participating in the Halloween Trick or Treat Program at the AmericInn on Thursday, October 31, 2019. We will be handing out candy to children along with a tract celebrating the Reformation and inviting families to worship with us.

Donations of candy would be appreciated. There is a bin in the fellowship hall for your candy donation (individually wrapped candy please).

If you have any questions, call Ron Weidenfeller at (989) 724-7701.



**For November Newsletter is
October 20th!**

JUST FOR FUN

BIBLE WORD SEARCH!
BASIC WORDS OF THE BIBLE

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| JESUS CHRIST | PRAY | MIRACLE |
| SALVATION | TITHE | NAZARETH |
| JEW | MINISTRY | BETHLEHEM |
| GENTILE | BIBLE | JERUSALEM |
| HOLY SPIRIT | HOLY | BAPTIZE |
| GOD THE FATHER | SACRIFICE | TEMPTATION |
| PERSECUTE | FAITH | SIN |

CREATED BY MELINDA SKAGGS



HUMOR

1. What was Jesus' first miracle?
2. What does the word gospel mean?
3. What was John the Baptist's father's name?

You know you're a Lutheran if, when watching Star Wars, when they say "may the Force be with you," you automatically reply "and also with you".

You might be a Lutheran if you expect the pastor to visit you in the hospital even if you never informed the church that you were admitted.

Answers to Quiz:
1. Changing water into wine
2. Good news
3. Zacharias

Trinity Lutheran Church Calendar

October

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 8 am--Men's Bible Class 9:30 am--Ladies Bible Class | 2 7 pm - Adult Bible Class | 3 10 am--Bible Class | 4 Office Closed | 5 |
| 6 LWML Sunday <i>Mile Box Sunday</i> 8 & 10:30 am--Worship | 7 | 10:30am-2pm--Crafts & Quilts 6 p.m. - Elders Meeting | 9 7 pm - Adult Bible Class | 10 10 am--Bible Class 7 pm - Church Council Meeting | 11 Office Closed | 12 |
| 9:15 am--Adult Bible Class 9:15 am--Sunday School | | 8 am--Men's Bible Class 9:00 am--Ladies Bible Class | Pastor at Boyne Mountain | | | |
| All Pastors' Conference begins | Pastor @ Boyne Mountain | 10-Noon--*P.N. Office Hours 10:30am-2pm--Crafts & Quilts | 16 Pastor at Boyne Mountain | 17 10 am--Bible Class | 18 Office Closed | 19 |
| 13 NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED 8 & 10:30 am--Worship & Communion | 14 | 8 am--Men's Bible Class 9:00 am--Ladies Bible Class | 7 pm - Adult Bible Class | | | |
| 9:15 am--Adult Bible Class 9:15 am--Sunday School | | 10:30am-2pm--Crafts & Quilts 11:00 am TLCW Meeting | 23 7 pm - Adult Bible Class | 24 10 am--Bible Class | 25 Office Closed | 26 |
| 20 8 & 10:30 am--Worship | 21 | 8 am--Men's Bible Class 9:00 am--Ladies Bible Class | 30 7 pm - Adult Bible Class | | | |
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| NEWSLETTER DEADLINE | | | | | | |
| 27 8 & 10:30 am--Worship & Communion | 28 TLCW Hard Candy Making | 29 8 am--Men's Bible Class 9:00 am--Ladies Bible Class 10:30am-2pm--Crafts & Quilts | Pastor at Winkel Conference | | | |
| 9:15 am--Adult Bible Class 9:15 am--Sunday School | | | | | | |
| <p>Secretary's Hours: Mondays & Thurs. 9 am - 2 pm Pastor's Hours: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thur. 8:30 am - 12:30 pm Church Ph#: 739-9292 Pastor's Home Ph#: 739-4820 (anytime, day or night) *P.N.(Parish Nurse) Ph#: 724-6800</p> | | | | | | |

