

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## A message from Pastor Kock



***“Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.***

These are closing words to our worship services. They teach us something important to remember. In worship Christ met us with his grace and salvation. He met us and blessed us through the Gospel in Word and Sacrament. But we do not leave Christ in the sanctuary. We live with him. His love, so deep to sacrifice himself for our sins, lives on in us who now sincerely love one another as brothers and sisters. His peace, so great to calm our troubled minds with his forgiveness, lives on in us who now forgive each other and resolve our differences in our Savior. His fellowship with us, by baptism and into eternity, lives on in us who are in fellowship with one another, showing by our love and care that we are united in our Lord. His service, humbling himself into death to redeem us, lives on in us who now serve one another out of reverence for Christ.

***The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.”***

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## Pastor Mark Kock



*Serve the Lord with Gladness*

## Miscellaneous News



*Share this website address:  
www.WhatAboutJesus.com*

*People will get real answers  
about Christ, the Bible and  
faith.*

- If you would like to pray with us weekly, there are copies of the **prayer chain requests** in the church office every Sunday morning. If you would like to make a request for prayers, please call Pastor Kock at 294-2828 or 294-2979.
- **HELP Supply the Foodshelf** – The Open Cupboard is always in need of donations. You may bring the items to church and we will bring them to the food shelf.
- Have you looked in your **church mailboxes** lately?
- You are invited to annual **Fish Fry at Zion Lutheran**, East Farmington on February 17 at noon.
- Do you need help paying for your **heating costs**? Wisconsin's Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) helps you pay for the cost of heating your home. To make an appointment to learn more about this program, please call Polk County Human Services Department at 715/485-8876 or 485-8400.
- Would anyone like to have a copy of the **2007 WELS Yearbook**? We have an extra copy available for purchase. The cost is \$16.93. The book is on the table in the narthex if you are interested.
- **Upcoming Chats** on wels.net (sponsored by Parents Crosslink):
  - February 13th 8-0:00 pm CST "Preparing for College" with Admissions Counselors from Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN; Wisconsin Lutheran College, Milwaukee, WI; and Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN.
  - February 27th 8-9:00 pm CST—"Loving Those with Special Needs"

## Membership changes for 2006:

**Released:** Tracie Swisher and family, Jenny Brandt Zebel, Trevor Everson, Teresa Rogney, Holly Ekstrand, Glen and Susan Gilson and family, Jacob Beck, Roy Basham, Lori Spengler

**Transferred to WELS congregations:** Mike and Lynn Plaster (Alaska), Doug and Karen Gray (Cambridge, MN), Charles Beck (Grace, Milwaukee, WI)

**Accepted by Adult Confirmation:** Nichole Willey

**Transferred from WELS congregations:** Milo and Ramona Hendricks, Daniel and Renee Francis and family, Harold and Jean Brown, Jaide Swanson and family, Bonnie Richter, Steve and Miranda Cooper, Dick and Edith Hadlich, Marvin and Betty Pieper, John and Michelle Arendt

**Accepted by Profession of Faith:** Eric and Natalie Chinander and family

## The WELS Connection

### NEW WELS CIVILIAN CHAPLAIN TO THE MILITARY

Special Ministries has partnered with the North Atlantic Mission Board to create a new civilian chaplain position for enhanced ministry to the military. This call has been accepted by Pastor Paul Ziemer, who will serve military personnel here in the United States and minister to troops stationed in the Middle East and other areas of conflict.

To further serve military personnel, Special Ministries has organized military contact pastor conferences (those serving congregations near military bases) to provide meaningful training for pastors and families of military members. Topics include learning about military culture, how to help soldiers cope with post-traumatic stress disorder, and helping military personnel re-adjust to family, congregational, and community life after returning from service.



### SUPPLEMENT TO *CHRISTIAN WORSHIP* AVAILABLE IN 2008

The Commission on Worship, together with Northwestern Publishing House, is expanding resources offered to congregations. Currently they are working on a supplement to *Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal*.

Designed to make worship more meaningful, flexible, and satisfying, the supplement will include a variety of new worship material, including 80 to 90 songs, new service settings, an expanded lectionary, and more.

This supplement will be first featured at the National Worship Conference, July 28-31, 2008, in St. Peter, Minn.

### WELS MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT AND GETAWAY WEEKENDS

The Commission on Adult Discipleship will again be sponsoring marriage enrichment weekends throughout the United States in 2007. During these weekends, couples will participate in activities that lead them through biblical and practical principles for enjoying God's gift of marriage. Upcoming retreats include:

- Osthoff Resort, Elkhart Lake, Wis., Feb. 2-4
- Riverside Marriott, Riverside, Calif., Feb. 9-11
- Lake Lawn Resort, Delavan, Wis., April 20-22

For more information, visit [www.wels.net/jump/marriageretreat](http://www.wels.net/jump/marriageretreat).

### YOUTH RALLY REGISTRATION APPROACHING

The 2007 WELS International Youth Rally, "LOL: Laugh Out Loud," will be held July 4-7 in Dallas, Tex. More than 3,500 people are expected to attend to grow in their faith and connect with fellow Christians from across the country.

Registration for the rally will be done exclusively online beginning Jan. 2, 2007, with the contact youth leaders pre-registering groups first (Jan. 2-14) and then individual group members registering (Jan. 16-31).

Youth groups are also invited to participate in the 2007 Rally Commercial Contest. Participants will submit an original video commercial (30 seconds maximum) that encourages rally participation and promotes the rally theme. Submissions will be judged on technical quality, visual/auditory impact, creativity, involvement of group members, and effective presentation of rally theme. Four cash prizes will be awarded to congregation youth ministries with the best commercials.

The WELS International Youth Rally exists to provide youth and youth leaders from across the synod a large-scale worship, education, fellowship, recreation, and service opportunity that deepens commitment to Christ and his church. For more information about the rally or to register, visit [www.welsyouthrally.net](http://www.welsyouthrally.net).

## Our Life of Worship at Trinity

### February Highlights:

11th Guest Organist Charles Bonow will assist in presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ that stirs our hearts to praise the Lord with music.

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 21, at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Kock will rotate with two fellow WELS pastors for the Wednesday services of Lent, Pastors Carroll Sengbush, Zion, East Farmington, and Eugene Devries, Redeemer, St. Croix Falls.

Dinner will be served prior to the Wednesday Lenten services 5:00–6:30 p.m.

Please see the sign-up in the narthex if you wish to help with the meals, either bringing food, serving, or cleaning tables.

## Evangelism: Reaching Out with the Gospel

Visit new residents to our communities— **Saturday, February 3, 10:45 a.m.**

The Board of Evangelism is looking for members to receive training in presenting to others the Bible truths of sin and grace. After several lessons of training in Scripture, you will be asked to make visits with people who have no church and very little knowledge of Jesus Christ. This work is the very heart of evangelism and the mission of the Church. Prayerfully consider this manner of service to the Lord. Please speak to Pastor Kock of your interest. The first training class occurs February 3 at 11:00 a.m.



## Serving Jesus with Our Gifts and Talents



### BUDGET UPDATE:

	Last Month	Year 2006
Income:	\$25,504	\$217,442
Expenses:	\$17,750	\$211,777

God in his grace has given to us his Son, once wrapped in swaddling clothes, then stripped and crucified, buried; then risen in glory to be our Savior for all eternity. This treasure that God has placed in our hearts motivates us not only to treasure God's forgiveness and eternal life given to us; it also moves us to say "thank you" to our Savior, with generous, heartfelt gifts of love—as individuals and as a congregation. Each gift we return to God is exactly that—a gift to the Lord. It is not so much to fund a budget, or the Synod, or one of our educational institutions. It is above all a spiritual transaction—our way of expressing love and thanks to God who has given his all to us.

May our gifts to our Savior God always reflect this spiritual transaction of love and thanksgiving.

## We Grow Together In God's Word



**Catechism**

Parents of Catechism Students will meet with Pastor Kock, **Wednesday, February 14 at 7:00 p.m.**

The Sunday School offerings gathered from September through December were forwarded to several orphanages in India, operated by a sister church of the WELS.

The Inner Court (Bible Study for High School Youth) that meets Sundays at 9:15 am is currently studying the work of the Holy Spirit. Their next fellowship event is Saturday, February 10, at Don and Wendy Steinbruckner's home. In January, 12 youth and several adults attended a Winter Retreat at Camp Croix.

### Adult Bible Class

Sunday Adult Bible Class: 9:25 a.m.: *"Parables"*

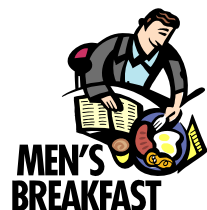
Tuesday Women's Bible Class: 7:00 p.m.: *"History of the Church"*

Wednesday Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.: *"The Work of the Holy Spirit"*

Parents, check out the website: "parentscrosslink.net." This is a WELS site intended to serve families in Christ.



## Opportunities for Fellowship at Trinity



### Men's Breakfast

Come for fellowship in Christ and growing in his grace.

**February 3, 8:30 a.m.—Fellowship Hall at Trinity**

### The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society

On April 15 Trinity Church will host the Spring Rally of LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society). All women of Trinity are asked to mark this date and attend to learn firsthand from missionaries the blessings of God upon his Word in people of other lands.

### Spiritual Enrichment Weekend for Women

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Women (WELS) of Stillwater, MN invites you to join us for a weekend of speakers, music, entertainment and fun.

Mark your calendars now for April 20–22, 2007! Detailed information will follow soon. Questions can be directed to Karen Diethert at 715-549-6519.

## Camp Philip could use your help!

If you are looking for a relaxing, fun-filled vacation ... look no further! Enjoy God's beautiful creation while witnessing the faith of so many children grow through Bible studies, creation encounters, outdoor games, campfires and so much more. We are looking for volunteers to help out for a week or half week this summer. The positions we need help for are: Health care, Kitchen Help, Maintenance Help. Please contact Camp Philip if you are interested: Camp Philip, W9944 Buttercup Ave. Wautoma, WI 54982, 920-787-3202, office@campphilip.com



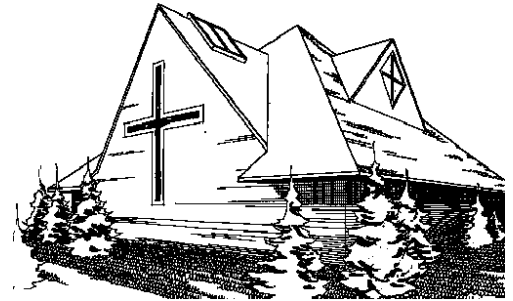


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## 2007 Trinity Church Council Members:

Wayne Riba, President	Curt Richter, Vice-President	Scott Doerr, Treasurer
Robert Jensen, Secretary	Open, Evangelism	Darryl Klawitter, Stewardship
Colin Hendricks, Trustees	Gerry Pieper, Christian Education	Kevin Rogers, Elders

## 2007 Board of Elders:

Jim Brown	Kevin Rogers	Ron Lueck	Will Stob
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## Special Dates!

- **Movie Night** - February 3—6:30 pm at Trinity.
- **Evangelism Training**—February 3—11:00 a.m.
- **High School Event** at Don and Wendy Steinbruckner's home—February 10.
- **Catechism Parents meet with Pastor**—February 14—7:00 pm.
- **Ash Wednesday Worship Service**—February 21, 7:00 pm with Lord's Supper.
- **Chat with Pastor**—February 24—6:00 pm—7:00 pm.
- **Lenten Dinners begin on Ash Wednesday**, 5:00-6:30 pm.



## Come Chat with Pastor Kock

Each month Pastor Kock sets aside a day to give you an opportunity to visit with him at church, ask him questions, talk the spiritual talk of Christ, or whatever is on your mind. No appointment necessary. Just stop in.

**Pastor's Day: February 26, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**