

Trinity Lutheran's Newsletter

November 2011

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Message from the Pastor...

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in your weakness." 2 Corinthians 12:8

The apostle Paul did not like his handicap. He called it "a thorn in the flesh." He prayed God to remove it but the Lord let it remain. He told Paul of his grace, his love that flows freely from his heart for Jesus' sake. "That grace, Paul, is sufficient for you. You don't need your thorn removed; you do need my grace, and you have it, and you are good to go forward as my apostle. Paul, my power reaches completion in your life when you have this weakness."

Children love to sing the verse, "We are weak but he is strong, Yes, Jesus loves me!" They eagerly admit their weaknesses. Do you? Start today. Children sing of the strength of Jesus because it will carry them through the day. Do you believe this? Start now. Children heartily sing, "Yes, Jesus loves me!" Are you excited about his love? It is real and personal; it covers your sins and protects your children; it knows your needs and well provides; it saves and reserves a place in heaven.

Don't mind your weaknesses. Think of God's grace and the promise of Jesus to powerfully work for you and through you in your weaknesses. In your health and in your sickness, Jesus will powerfully show his love. In your expertise and in your flops God's grace will achieve all he intends it to. In your success and in your failures the strength of the risen Lord will win.

Accept your weakness and glorify God for it. Learn from it that the world does not depend on you, nor does your own life. Your life and eternity is based on the greater One, the One who lives and rules to all eternity, Jesus Christ. In the end, he will stand with trophies in his hands, with you cradled in his arms.

Pastor Mark Kock

Check out our church web page each week for events and messages. www.telcoscwi.org

November Worship Highlights: Come, let us worship the Lord!

Sunday, November 13

Walking Together Sunday

A celebration of what the grace of God blesses us and our sister Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod congregations to accomplish for Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel. The focus November 11 will be on our ministerial education schools that provide workers for the harvest of souls in the mission fields of Asia.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, 7 pm

Hunting on the weekend?
Come to church this Wednesday!



Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 pm

Thanksgiving Eve Service, with Lord's Supper

Wednesday, Nov. 30, 7 pm

The First of Three Wednesday
Advent Services
Meal begins at 5:30 p.m.



Thursday, Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 6:30 p.m.

Choir Practice, to rehearse music for
Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas

If you are unable to attend Trinity's Wednesday or Sunday services of worship, note the following opportunity:

Thursday worship, 4:30 p.m. at Zion, East Farmington

Sing with the *Cantabilé Singers*

The Cantabilé Singers is a chamber choral ensemble made up of members of WELS and ELS Lutheran churches in the Twin Cities metro area.



The Cantabilé Singers is currently scheduling auditions. Sight-reading ability is a plus. Practices are held two Saturday mornings per month, with one scheduled worship service monthly from September — May, plus one or two special services.

- ♪ Travel and sing at area WELS/ELS churches and events.
- ♪ Diverse musical repertoire
- ♪ Opportunity to serve the Lord and His Kingdom through song
- ♪ Fun and fellowship

For more information, or to schedule an audition:

Visit us online at www.cantabilesingers.com

Or call director Jason Snodie at 715.531.1618

Serving Jesus With Our Gifts And Talents

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Income and expenditure information for August and the fiscal year

September Income	\$12,915
September Expenses	\$13,742

Year To Date Income	\$49,564
Year To Date Expenses	\$39,744

Pray that the Lord's grace cause our hearts to overflow with generous donations of our time and offerings so that His saving Word may continue to be proclaimed.



Jesus Cares Ministries

Where the Care of the Soul is the Soul of Care®

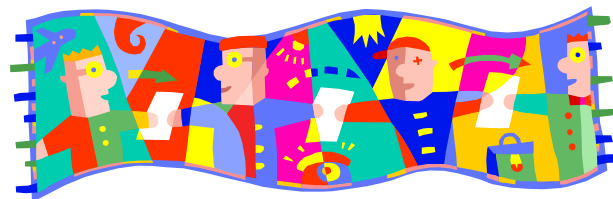
This month we would like to recognize the volunteers for our JCM and invite others to serve in this ministry to people with special needs. Those that serve are: Trudi Getschel, Jody Hubbard, Doris Martinson, Eric Martinson, Lucy Merila, Wendy and Don Steinbruckner, Dick Durand, and Donita and Donna Cottor. They serve in various ways some of which are: promoting events, music, teaching bible lessons, crafts, snack preparation and making name tags. Please take time to thank them.

This organization asks its volunteer staff to be concerned about the faith and lives of the people served by them and nurture their growth in Christ; prepare for service by attending training sessions and meetings; and serve the organization as an example of Christian conduct. If you're interested in taking part in future JCM events please drop a note in Pastor's mailbox or speak to Donna Cottor. No job is ever too large or too small to be pleasing to God - and you just may be surprised how pleasing it is to you!

Please help us by accepting to serve to the glory of God's holy name, the advancement of His kingdom, and the welfare of His people in your community.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10)

Reaching out with the Gospel



Jesus Cares Ministries

Serving the developmental disabled population with the Word of Christ

Next Event: Saturday, November 12, 10 a.m.
"Worship at the Cross"

If you know someone who is developmentally disabled or a family of a person of DD, please invite them to this event.

Bible Instruction for Adults: "The Gospel of Jesus Christ"

Wednesday, 7 p.m., November 2nd & 9th

Each week a new lesson on the good news of God's love for us through Jesus Christ.

Food beforehand, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Christian Education and Growth in God's Grace

For Adults

Sunday, 9:25 – 10:25 a.m.

“Out of Egypt: A Study of Exodus”

Wednesday Evening, 7 p.m.

“The Gospel of Jesus Christ”

For Women

Tuesday, 7 p.m.

“Luke”

For Children PreK – 8th

Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.

Lessons of Bible History; Songs; mission offering

For 7th/8th Graders

Catechism Class, Wednesday, 3:45 p.m.

For High School Youth

“Inner Court,” a Sunday Bible Study and Fellowship, 9:15 a.m., studying I Timothy

Teen Center

Trinity's commitment to the Lord to reach out to people with his gospel leads us to offer additional ministry to teens of our church and neighborhoods. The 7th/8th grade Sunday School classroom now also serves as a teen center where teens can gather for the Word, counseling in Christ, help with homework, and fun with games. Every Wednesday – between Catechism and evening Adult Bible Study, 5:05 p.m. to 7 p.m. – is set aside to serve youth. If you are interested in serving youth, please contact Pastor Mark Kock.



Come Chat with Pastor Kock

Saturday, November 12, from 11 – 1

Come visit with Pastor at church. Share your questions and concerns, talk about things spiritual or football, whatever is on your mind. Enjoy some refreshments

and candy with him. No appointment necessary. Just stop by.

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Pray for our members in the service: Mike Beck, Gregg Traylor. Gregg Traylor is stationed in Stewart, Georgia and recently telephoned Pastor Kock. He is training for medic assistant. His group will head to Afghanistan in



Our fall rally was held at Mount Olive, St. Paul. There was a total attendance of 72 people with an offering amount of \$634. Our total mission box offerings were \$1669. A percentage of our

offerings were designated to the Indonesia Mission who desperately needs money before the end of the year. We also voted that the Endreson Trust Fund will be used for the Indonesia Mission.

Our guest speaker was Pieter and Marlys Reid, who served for many years in Indonesia. “Walk in the Light” is the theme that they spoke about. Confess your darkness and don't hide because it builds guilt on us and we start tricking ourselves. God is the light!

Indonesia is about 90% Moslem. Christians are persecuted. It is legal to be a Christian but it is illegal to initiate a conversation about Jesus. They are either very wealthy or very poor. Rice is their staple food and is planted by hand in water. Life is very simple in Indonesia. The schools are all ran by the government but are very expensive. Every child wishes to graduate from high school but most never will.

The main method of sharing the Gospel is through Friendship Evangelism. In spite of the persecution faced, the Holy Spirit is blessing the proclamation of His Word and is touching hearts.

Now there is a critical need for funding. Despite the obstacles, tremendous outreach is taking place in West Timor, Indonesia. Six years ago Gereja Lutheran Indonesia began outreach in West Timor by sending one evangelist. Today in West Timor, GLI has over 950 souls, 8 national church leaders, and 12 congregations. But our outreach could come to a sudden stop if we are not able to overcome an obstacle. The local government is demanding that we have a legally recognized central church office in that province by the end of 2011 or our work there will come to an end.

Opportunities for Fellowship at Trinity

Advent Dinners from 5:30—6:45 p.m.

Three Wednesdays...

November 30th

December 7th & 14th