

We welcome you in the name of our Savior whose glory still shines in the dark world. May the gifts of salvation, which he alone can give be yours in abundance through faith in him. If you are a guest with us, please sign our guest register in the hall. We invite you to worship with us again.

## **Our Worship**

**Order of Service:** “Service Of The Word” can also be found on page 38 in Christian Worship if you would like to follow the music there.

**HYMN** – 226 (vs.1-4)

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.**

**C: Amen**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.**

## **OH, TASTE AND SEE (Sung)**

**C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M: Let us pray.**

**M:** Almighty God, look with favor on your humble servants and stretch out the right hand of your power to defend us against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**C: Amen (Sung)**

*BE SEATED*

## **THE WORD**

**Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 20:1-17(NIV)** *The Lord speaks the Ten Commandments to his people Israel, setting out his expectations for those who are in a covenant relationship with him.*

<sup>1</sup> And God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup> "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>3</sup> "You shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup> "You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing love to a thousand {generations} of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup> "You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. <sup>8</sup> "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. <sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>10</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your

God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates.<sup>11</sup> For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.<sup>12</sup> "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you."<sup>13</sup> "You shall not murder."<sup>14</sup> "You shall not commit adultery."<sup>15</sup> "You shall not steal."<sup>16</sup> "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor."<sup>17</sup> "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

## **PSALM 19** – Page 70

**Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 (NIV)** *The message of Christ crucified is a “stumbling block” and “foolishness” to unbelievers. “But to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ [is] the power of God and the wisdom of God.*

<sup>22</sup>Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom,<sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,<sup>24</sup> but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.<sup>25</sup> For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

## VERSE OF THE DAY:

**M:** Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. (John 3:14,15)

## STAND

**Gospel: John 2:13-22 (NIV)** *Jesus cleanses the temple at the beginning of his public ministry. When challenged to demonstrate his authority, Jesus made a veiled prediction of his death and resurrection.*

<sup>13</sup>When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. <sup>15</sup>So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." <sup>20</sup>The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But the temple he had spoken of was his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

**C: (Sung) Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*BE SEATED*

**\*\*\*Choir sings "On Christ I Stand." (Sunday)**

**HYMN – 401**

**Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25**

**“GOD’S WAY IS WISER”**

**I. HONOR OVER CONVENIENCE**

**II. BENEFIT OVER REASON**

*STAND*

**APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*BE SEATED*

## **OFFERING**

**\*\*\*Jen Coutts will play “*The Beautiful Garden of Prayer*” on violin during the offertory, with Tammie Nagel accompanying her (Sunday).**

*STAND*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

**C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**

**M:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

**C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.**

**M:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

**C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.**

**M:** Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

**C:** **Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

***Silent prayer.***

**M:** We bring these private requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and our minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

**C:** **We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

(Saturday)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Or

(Sunday)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN** – *“God Will Take Care Of You”* (orange insert)

*STAND*

**M:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

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

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.

**C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN:** 588 (vs. 1-4)

\*WELS Connection will be viewed after the service.

## **Announcements:**

### **Organist**

Our organist this weekend is Tammie Nagel. We thank her for playing and helping to beautify our worship services.

### **Congregational Meeting For Redecorating Church**

There will be a meeting for all members of Trinity to choose color schemes and other details of the redecorating this Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11 A.M. in church. This is a meeting for all adult members (men & women) to cast an advisory vote for their choice of color schemes, artwork, and detailing in the church. There will be painted samples on the walls showing the different colors and details. This will also be a chance to see the progress and get a first-hand account of the decorator's tentative schedule. ***Please be careful of the pews, as many are not fastened down.***

### **Thank You!**

We thank the Church Council for putting together the Lenten meal this past Wednesday. There was a good turn out! Next Wednesday Pastor Schossow from Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church will be preaching. Before the service there will be a meal at 6 P.M., sponsored by the Sunday School. They will be serving spaghetti. Hope to see everyone next Wednesday!

## **MLHS Adult Education Classes**

There are registration sheets in the hall for MLHS Adult Education Classes for Spring 2006. Classes offered: Stamp a Stack (of cards), Beginning Basket-weaving, Intermediate Basket-weaving, and MLHS Fitness Frenzy.

## **Easter Lilies**

There is a sign-up sheet in the hall for purchasing Easter Lilies to decorate the church for Easter. The Easter Lily plant is \$8.75 and will be ordered from Hartman's Town & Country Greenhouse, Inc. Please put your name, and if you want it in memory of someone, and the number of plants. Mark paid when you have paid. Please write checks out to Trinity Ladies Aid. Deadline for ordering is April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please put money in envelope in the container. Any questions contact Louette Propson-Enders @ 775-4389.

## **Lutheran Women's Mission Society**

The "Lutheran Women's Mission Society" Shoreline Circuit is having its annual spring "all day" Rally at St. Peter's in Collins, WI on April 25<sup>th</sup>. In the morning Pastor Haag and his wife will tell about their work in the Arizona Apache Mission. In the afternoon Pastor Haag's son-in-law and daughter will describe their activities at the Cameroon Mission. In the rally each church has a Mission Box Collection they turn in. There will be a door collection in our church on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> that will go to the Mission Box Collection. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## **WCUB Radio Broadcast**

There is a sign-up sheet for anyone wanting to sponsor the WCUB Radio Broadcast for a month. May and then July through December are open. (If you would like a month to be listed as an anonymous donor you can move the anonymous to a different month). The cost for one month is \$76.00.

## **Prayer Requests**

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

- \* Lillian Borgwardt who was recently hospitalized.
- \* Reuben Gass & his wife Jane who is hospitalized and very ill.
- \* Harold Lawrence who was recently hospitalized.
- \* Mabel Liermann who was recently hospitalized.
- \* Tara Mellstrom who will remain hospitalized until the triplets are born.
- \* Jane Schultz who was recently hospitalized and very ill.

## **Kindergarten Round-up**

Kindergarten Round-Up: To help your family prepare for this important step, we encourage you and your child to visit St. John's kindergarten classroom for Kindergarten Round-Up on Tuesday, March 28, beginning at 6:15 PM. The kids will have an opportunity to meet their kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Becky Yagodinski, and participate in some kindergarten activities. Please call the St. John's office for questions, 758-2633.

## Calendar of Events

<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 P.M.	Worship @ Family Center
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 A.M.	Bible Study – Church Basement
	8:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	9:00 A.M.	WCUB Radio Broadcast
	9:30 A.M.	Worship @ Family Center
	3:15 P.M.	Trinity Teens Bowling @ Meadow Lanes West
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	6:30 P.M.	Fellowship Committee
	7:00 P.M.	Worship Committee
	8:00 P.M.	Choir
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	6:00 P.M.	Lenten Meal: Spaghetti Served by: Sunday School
	7:00 P.M.	Worship @ Family Center - Pastor Schossow from Immanuel will be preaching.
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	5:00 P.M.	Catechism
	6:30 P.M.	Pioneers
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 A.M.	Worship @ Family Center with Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 A.M.	Bible Study – Church Basement
	8:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	9:30 A.M.	Worship @ Family Center with Holy Communion
	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale Concert/Hymn Festival @ Bethany, Manitowoc</b>



## **Greeters:**

This Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>: Jim & Jody Krim Family

Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>: Kermit & Mabel Liermann

## **Ushers:**

This Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>: Al Bonfigt, Chris Mangin

This Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>: John Smith, Brian Glaeser,  
Larry Hochkammer

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>: Len Arnold, Derrick Krey

Next Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>: Warren Lutze (Server), Steve Pleuss

Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>: James Glaeser (Server),  
David Schultz (Server), James Ott



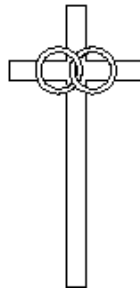
## **Altar Guild:**

**March: Group 3:** Janet Matthias, Eunice Barnes,  
Janice Wehausen, Diane Smith



## *Happy Birthday to...*

3/20 Peter Liermann  
3/21 Darlene Kiesow  
3/22 Michael Kiesow  
3/23 Pastor Pope  
3/25 Jordan Sieracki  
3/27 Alaina Luckow



## *Happy Anniversary To...*

3/25 Chris & Betty Mangin – 6 Years!  
3/25 Connie & Jim Mangin – 34 Years!  
3/30 Mona & Karl Hansen – 12 Years!

\*If you have a March birthday/anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records!  
Thanks!