



TRINITY TIDINGS



*“You cause the grass to grow for the livestock and plants for man to cultivate,
that he may bring forth food from the earth.”
Psalm 104:14 (ESV)*

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FROM THE PASTOR

The Rite of Ordination for God's Servants

"¹¹ And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" (Eph. 4:11-12 NKJV).

It was a wonderful and beautiful day – one filled with joy (and a little bit of anxiety for our daughter Melissa and her husband Peter Adelsen) as Peter was ordained and installed as the Associate Pastor at First Evangelical Lutheran Church and school in Glencoe, MN (a parish of 2050 people that was being served by one pastor). God's people were loving, enthusiastic, and their current pastor was *extremely* excited to finally have a fellow servant to help tend the flock!



Caption reads:

"Welcome to your flock
Pastor Adelsen!"

I cannot imagine how challenging it would have been to serve a parish that large as the sole pastor, even for a short period of time. Just imagine all of the funerals, Baptisms, and weddings that transpire in a year. He was receiving some assistance with the shut-in visits from a retired pastor in the parish, but all of the other responsibilities were the senior pastor's alone. This doesn't take into account the time he would have spent being faithful to the following admonitions the Lord inspired St. Paul to give to Timothy:



"I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. ⁵ But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry" (2 Tim. 4:1-5).

Thanks be to God, the Lord's under shepherds do not serve alone, even when they are the sole pastor. The Lord has promised to be with His servants as they faithfully and steadfastly labor in Word and Sacraments through which His Spirit works to continue to call, gather, and enlighten His people.

I thought you might enjoy reading the following portions from the Rite of Installation:

P. Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have established Your Church to be a temple and dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. We give thanks that You continue to provide shepherds to feed and serve Your flock over which the Holy Spirit has made them overseers. We humbly implore You ever to strengthen the labors of Your ministers, that through their ministry of Word and Sacrament Your people may increase in Your knowledge and service and grow up into Him who is the head, even Jesus Christ, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be glory now and forever.

C. Amen.

[Addressing the newly ordained and installed]

P. Go, therefore, and be a shepherd of the Good Shepherd's flock. Preach the Word of God, administer the holy sacraments, offer prayer for all the faithful, instruct, watch over, and guide the flock over which the Holy Spirit has placed you. Do it not for earthly gain but with great joy, for you have been called not to lordship but to serve His flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.



C. Amen.

Stacy and I want to thank all of you who have supported Melissa and Peter throughout his years at Concordia Seminary St. Louis with cards and notes, material and monetary gifts, but most importantly your thoughts and prayers. As they transition to parish life, I know that they will continue to need your thoughts and prayers. Also, please keep Pastor Welch in your prayers as well as he and Peter begin working together as servants tending Christ's flock in Glencoe. Thank you again and God's richest blessings!

In Christ's Everlasting Peace,
Pastor

“Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit”

Hymn #681

Lutheran Service Book

Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit
On Your servant now, we pray;
Let him prove a faithful shepherd
That no lamb be led astray.
Your pure teaching to proclaim,
To extol Your holy name,
And to feed Your lambs, dear Savior,
Make his aim and sole endeavor.

You, O Lord, Yourself have called him
For Your precious lambs to care;
But to prosper in his calling,
He the Spirit's gifts must share.
Give him wisdom from above,
Fill his heart with holy love;
In his weakness, Lord, be near him,
In his prayers, Good Shepherd, hear him.

Help, Lord Jesus, help him nourish
All our children with Your Word
That in fervent love they serve You
Till in heav'n their song is heard.
Boundless blessings, Lord, bestow
On his faithful toil below
Till by grace to him is given
His reward, the crown of heaven.

“God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets’ Sons”

Hymn #682

Lutheran Service Book

1st Published in: 1551

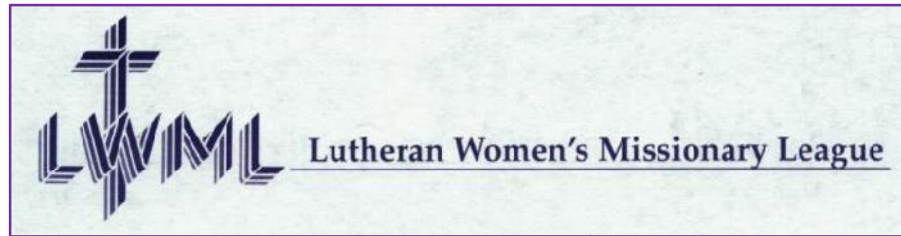
God of the prophets, bless the prophets’ sons;
Elijah’s mantle on Elisha cast.
Each age its solemn task may claim but once;
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.

Anoint them prophets, men who are intent
To be Your witnesses in word and deed,
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent
Their eyes awake to every human need.

Anoint them priests; strong intercessors, they,
For pardon and for love and hope and peace.
That, through their pleading, guilty sinner may
Find Jesus’ mercy and from sin release.

Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord.
Anoint them with the Spirit of Your Son.
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a blood-stained sword;
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.

Make them apostles, heralds of your cross;
Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.
Inspired by you, may they count all but loss
And stand at last with joy before your face.



As you know we have a "Cookie Ministry" on Sunday mornings. I want to thank all those who sign up to bring the cookies and those who unselfishly put a donation in the basket. The money goes into the LWML general fund, and from these funds we have helped Pastor Peter Adelsen many times, helped with quilting supplies, and paid the deposit for lunch for all the ladies at The Great Inheritance Mansion last year. That brought the cost down for all of you. I am very proud of the fellowship that is around the cookies and the causes we have been able to help.

The LWML Fall Rally will be September 30th at Burns, Tn. There is a card from the host ladies on our bulletin board. Give a look see.

With joy and a smile, Clyde and Carolyn do the Mites every other Sunday. If you do not have a prayer box, they will give you one. It is a good way to thank God for your blessings, big and small. Just put your loose change in it each day or if you find a penny on the street, put it in your Mite box. It can help so much when all the pennies are put together. The grants that the LWML give have to be applied for each year so they are all worthwhile causes. So little for so much!

Rosalie

In Loving Memory of...

My brother, Ted Stenberg, passed away this January. He was the last of my immediate family and was only a year older than me. Our father was killed when we were very young so Ted was my hero.

Ted read the Bible often, but it was hard for him to understand without being in a class. I thought because of this that new padded chairs and a conference table would be a fitting memorial to him. So Loren and I set up this memorial to Ted in the front class room where Pastor Shaw leads Bible studies.

Some friends in Iowa and Texas helped with this project by giving us money for some of the chairs. Thanks to them and to Pastor Shaw and James Hygrel for researching and ordering some quality chairs and a table.

It is our pleasure to give this gift to Trinity and to honor a brother who was very special to me. Since I attend all the Bible studies, I will think of Ted when I sit in the comfortable chairs. Please, go in and sit a spell!

Rosalie and Loren Replogle



Members, if you have made changes to your phone service
(dropped a landline and only have a cell),
or changed your phone number, e-mail or mailing address
, please send that information to the church office
so we are able to contact you as needed. Thank you!



Winston Churchill reportedly said that “we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.” According to Churchill then, our lives are defined less by what we have gotten, and more by what we give away.

Our Lord’s life is defined in this way. He gave completely of Himself for us. He became man for us. He taught the truth of God’s Word. He healed those with many and various diseases. He died the death that we deserve because of sin. He gave of Himself in order to save us from sin, death, and hell. And so, it is that by giving completely of Himself, He got for Himself us, making us citizens of His eternal kingdom by grace.

As it was for Jesus, so it is also for us. We get more from giving than we do from simply getting. For giving softens our hearts and frees us from the grip which the worries of this world and making a living has on us. For when we are singularly focused on making a living, we are singularly focused on what we get. That mindset begins to bleed into all areas of our lives—our relationships with friends and family, with neighbors and coworkers, and with the Lord. It shifts our focus from asking the question—How can I be a friend, family member, neighbor, and servant to others—to asking the question—what have they done for me lately. We become more selfish instead of selfless.

But when we give, we do not have less, we have more because when we give we join in the bond of friendship and family, the bond of service to those around us out of love for them. And love is the fulfillment of the Law. It is the nature of God Himself, for God is Love. Thus we are reflecting the divine nature. As Jesus said “It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35).



News from Trinity/HOPE

This is one of a series of articles which we make available each month to keep congregations informed about our activities. Trinity/HOPE, a not-for profit charitable organization, raises funds and administers feeding programs that provide a noon meal for the hungry children who attend our schools in Haiti where the Good News of Jesus is daily shared. It is blessed to have numerous supporters in this church.

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“Matthew 25 Project”

The words Jesus shares in Matthew 25:35 are the bedrock of Trinity/HOPE. “For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat”, and later in verse 40 when Jesus says, “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Those words inspire us to keep pushing hard to feed over 22,500 meals to children, teachers and cooks every school day in Haiti.

We can’t do it alone, and I’m convinced Trinity/HOPE has the best donors in the world. Thank you!!! Of the 115 schools we serve, well over half of them are sponsored by specific churches, families, or groups. However, this can be expensive and often out of reach for an individual to do on their own. For that reason, all of us at Trinity/HOPE are excited to launch the “Matthew 25 Project”. This is a shared sponsorship program that allows anyone donating a minimum of \$20 per month to enjoy some of our most popular benefits from sponsoring a school. You and the other members of the “Matthew 25 Project” will be sponsoring Carmarc School. This school has approximately 400 children and is in Les Cayes, Haiti, a poor area along the southwest coast of the county. Three times each year you will receive a special electronic correspondence packet from Carmarc School. This will be custom made for the “Matthew 25 Project” and will include photos of the kids, drawings they created, and special messages from the principal or kids. More importantly, your \$20 will help us feed 80 meals every month...that’s 960 meals during the school year. For less than it often costs you and a friend to go out to dinner one time a month, you could make a life-sustaining difference in the lives of 80 children.

Would you, or someone you know, like to join the “Matthew 25 Project”? If so, please go to our recently updated website (www.trinityhope.org) and



click on the Donate button. If you'd like more information, or to learn about other sponsorship opportunities, please contact Keith Logan at 615-394-4950 or by email at admin@trinityhope.org. Thank you for your support and God's blessings on your summer!



TRINITY/HOPE ANNUAL HAITIAN NIGHT CELEBRATION

You are invited to attend

Trinity/HOPE's Annual Haitian Night Celebration

August 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

at

Our Savior Lutheran Church
510 Franklin Pike
Nashville, TN

This celebration honors God, who makes the daily feeding of the children in our schools possible, and gives us the faith to believe He will provide this physical and spiritual lifeline for children and others this upcoming school year.

We will also honor our volunteers and supporters who provide the physical and financial means to feed God's children in Haiti.

Please come and enjoy traditional Haitian foods
and
Celebrate with us for what the Lord is doing in Haiti

A traditional Haitian Meal will be provided.

*Proceeds from tonight's **freewill offering for dinner** and all donations received will be used to cover the costs of our feeding programs in Haiti.*

LUTHERAN LITURGY:

Encountering Christ's Love

Rev. Andrew J. Abraham is offering a FREE Saturday morning workshop on the ways of Lutheran worship and the many-layered richness of the Divine Service on September 16th, from 9 to Noon, at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (1461 Sparta Hwy, Crossville, TN). All are welcome!! Please let us know if you plan to attend: 931-484-3461



We will discuss at length topics such as...

- Liturgical history and structure in the Christian Faith
- The Divine Service and varieties therein (as found in the Luther Service Book)
- The One Year and Three Year Lectionaries
- Liturgical times & seasons, colors, vestments, regalia
- A myriad of terms, postures, gestures, customs, traditions, practices and faux pas commonly heard or seen in Lutheran settings

*"We cheerfully maintain the old traditions made in
the Church for the sake of usefulness and peace."
(Apology 15:38-40)*

Reformation Choral Concert

Friday, October 13, 2017, 7 p.m.

at

The University of Memphis Rose Theater

470 University

Memphis, TN

- *Featuring a Choir of over 75 voices & instrumentalists,*
- *Including Members of the University of Memphis Collegiate Choir,*
 - *Memphis Chorale Arts*

and

- *The Memphis Symphony Orchestra.*
- *Performances of both Lutheran Hymns & Bach Classics*
- *A stirring Musical Tribute marking the 500th Anniversary*

of

- *the Protestant Reformation led by Martin Luther*

Jeremy Warner: Conductor

Admission is free



LET'S KEEP THE REWARDS COMING!!!

**If you are participating in the
Kroger Community Rewards,
it's time to re-enroll for 2017-2018**

**You are required to re-enroll your Kroger Plus card on an
annual basis through the Kroger.com website.**

**The enrollment period is from August 1 - August 31.
The new year begins on September 1.
However, re-enrollment can still be done after this time.**

**Trinity has earned a total of \$351.74 from Sept. 2016 to present,
from the 13 families that are participating.**

Thank you!



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH IS
A PART OF THE KROGER
COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM!!!

Kroger is committed to helping communities grow and prosper. Year after year, local schools, churches and other nonprofit organizations earn millions of dollars through Kroger Community Rewards. The Community Rewards makes giving donations easy. All you have to do is sign up, shop at Kroger and swipe your Plus Card!

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS ENROLLMENT PROCESS:

Enrollment for all group members must be processed through Kroger's secure website at **www.kroger.com/communityrewards**

Each individual must enroll his or her own Kroger plus Card.

If their information is not current they will need to update it at www.kroger.com or call 1-800-KROGERS, OPTION #3

How do group members enroll if they do not have internet access?

- Asking a Family member that has a computer to help them.
- Using public library computers.
- Seeking assistance from one of your members who has a computer.
- Trinity Members can ask their friends and family members to enroll.



HENRIETTA CHURCH MOUSE'S PAGE

Henrietta Church Mouse Here!

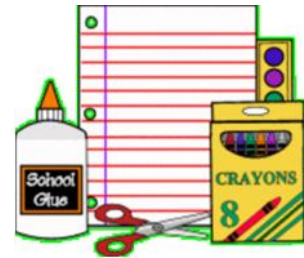
...and so are the dog days of summer. Boy is it ever hot out there! Good thing it's nice and cool in my mailbox house. If I get too hot I can always take a dip in my pool (the kitchen sink make a great pool for a mouse)!

I'm really excited that the new school year is about to start! The smell of crayons, the squeals of children, the sticky jam and peanut butter sandwiches! I love learning about Jesus and even my ABC's.

Sunday School will start their new session soon as well. I have so much fun learning, playing games and making crafts. I can't wait! Make sure to look for me (so you don't accidentally sit on me...I'm pretty small).

I'm off to buy a new backpack and crayons!

Until Next Month,
Henrietta Church Mouse in Residence





Food Collection

We keep food to give to those who ask for help in feeding their families.

We need to re-stock our food cabinet.

Items needed are:

- Canned pasta (spaghetti & meatballs, meat ravioli)
 - Peanut butter & grape jelly
 - Fruit Juices/boxes
 - Crackers
 - Canned tuna and chicken
 - Canned fruits and vegetables
 - Bisquick & other baking mixes
 - Spaghetti Sauces (with meat)
 - Spaghetti noodles
- The same food items that you feed your families, your children or your grandchildren.

The donation box is next to the back door in the Narthex.

Thank you for sharing and caring!

*“Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble.
Then your light will shine out from the darkness,
and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.”
Isaiah 58:10*

*We Thank God for
These Celebrations in August*



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Aimee Bush
- 1 Doug Howard
- 6 Rebecca Holder
- 8 Larry Welch
- 9 Paige Smith
- 11 Mikayla Vietor
- 11 MacKenzie Vietor
- 16 Rob Benjamin
- 17 Michelle Halliburton
- 17 Karin Lehmann
- 18 Carolyn Schroeder
- 18 Melissa Ferguson
- 22 Pastor Ken Shaw
- 22 Jennifer Hygrell
- 24 Richard Pfingsten
- 30 Boyden Gardner

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Linda & Joel Pfeiffer (1972)
- 15 Jer & Becky Geiger (1992)
- 17 Jeanne & Max Irelan (1957)
- 22 Jack & Nancy Carter (1996)
- 22 Charles & Tammi Chandler (1981)



SERVANT SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 2017

PASTOR

Kenneth B. Shaw

ELDER

Tom Riesterer

OFFERING COUNTERS

Loren Replogle & Tim Hartley

ALTAR STEWARD

Marilyn Hartley

GREETERS

Becky Geiger & Linda McCormick

USHERS

Clyde Schroeder & Jer Geiger - Center Aisle

Jimmy Gragg & Nick Alvarado - Side Aisles

ACOLYTES

August 6 - Kristina Levan

August 13 - Elena Alvarado

August 20 - Isadora Hygrell

August 27 - Brandon Levan

VOLUNTEER CLEANING SCHEDULE

July 30 – August 5 – Marilyn Hartley

August 6 – 12 – Marilyn Hartley

August 13 – 19 – Marilyn Hartley

August 20 – 26 – Marilyn Hartley

August 27 – September 2 –

VOLUNTEER MOWING SCHEDULE

July 26 – August 2

August 3 – 9

August 10 – 15

August 16 – 22

August 23 – 29



“I was glad when they said unto me; Let us go into the house of the LORD”

PSALM 122:1 (KJV).