



JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER



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St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Trinity Lutheran Church are members of the South Dakota District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Joint Divine Worship Service Schedule for May

Sunday, June 04, 2023 — 5 p.m. at St. Paul's.
Guest pastor, Rev. Dale Sattgast
Sunday, June 11, 2023 — 5 p.m. at Trinity
Guest pastor, Rev. Daniel Grimmer
Sunday, June 18, 2023 — 5 p.m. at St. Paul's
Sunday, June 25, 2023 — 5 p.m. at Trinity

Christian Education

No Bible Class, Confirmation Class, Sunday School, nor Release-Time during the summer months.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Trinity Hope Circle – June 6, 2023, 2 p.m.
Trinity Ruth Circle – June 7, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
St. Paul's Dorcas Circle – June 12, 2023, 2 p.m.
LWML Convention, Milwaukee, WI — June 22–25, 2025

Serving the Lord's Church in JUNE

TRINITY

Elder Scott Meier
Ushers Ron Steffen
Dan Meier
Acolyte Brant Bogenhagen
Altar Barb Gilbertz

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Mike Tuschen
Ushers Lennis Titze
Howard Weischedel
Acolyte Blake Everson
Altar Sharon Boyd

Serving the Lord's Church in JULY

TRINITY

Elder Dan Guericke
Ushers Dan Meier
Dean Suelflow
Acolyte Mataya Kahler
Altar Jane Guericke

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Justin Everson
Ushers Kieth Albrecht
Josh Kemp
Acolyte Jett Kemp
Altar Deb Haak

Scripture Readings

June 4 Genesis 1:1–2:4a; Acts 2:14a, 22–36; Matthew 28:16–20
June 11 Hosea 5:16–6:6; Romans 4:13–25; Matthew 9:9–13
June 18 Exodus 19:2–8; Romans 5:6–15; Matthew 9:35–10:8
June 25 Jeremiah 20:7–13; Romans 6:12–23; Matthew 10:5a, 21–33
July 2 Jeremiah 28:5–9; Romans 7:1–13; Matthew 10:34–42

The **July 2023 newsletter** will be available on/after July 2, 2023.
Articles are due Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

Please send newsletter and bulletin items to Nancy Bogenhagen at trinitywlsd@gmail.com. **Weekly bulletin deadline is Thursday noon.**
Please email me if you prefer your newsletter emailed to you. Thank you!


READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

On Your Mark! Get Set! Open Your Bibles!

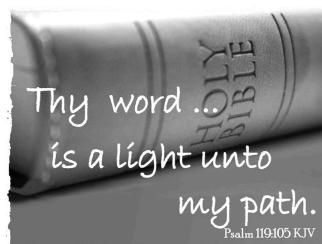
Many Christians have considered challenging themselves to read through the Bible in one year. Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is offering you that very opportunity! The Gospel Outreach Committee has created a monthly reading plan to guide you.



2023 JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				01 1 Samuel 16 Psalm 61 Romans 7	02 1 Samuel 17:1–54 Psalm 62 Romans 8	03 1 Samuel 17:55–18:30 Psalm 63 Romans 9:1–29
04 1 Samuel 19 Psalm 64 Romans 9:30–10:21	05 1 Samuel 20 Psalm 65 Romans 11:1–24	06 1 Samuel 21–22 Psalm 66 Romans 11:25–36	07 1 Samuel 23–24 Psalm 67 Romans 12	08 1 Samuel 25 Psalm 68 Romans 13	09 1 Samuel 26 Psalm 69 Romans 14	10 1 Samuel 27–28 Psalm 70 Romans 15:1–13
11 1 Samuel 29–31 Psalm 71 Romans 15:14–33	12 2 Samuel 1 Psalm 72 Romans 16	13 2 Samuel 2:1–3:1 Daniel 1 Mark 1:1–20	14 2 Samuel 3:2–39 Daniel 2:1–23 Mark 1:21–45	15 2 Samuel 4–5 Daniel 2:24–49 Mark 2	16 2 Samuel 6 Daniel 3 Mark 3:1–19	17 2 Samuel 7–8 Daniel 4 Mark 3:20–35
18 2 Samuel 9–10 Daniel 5 Mark 4:1–20	19 2 Samuel 11–12 Daniel 6 Mark 4:21–41	20 2 Samuel 13 Daniel 7 Mark 5:1–20	21 2 Samuel 14 Daniel 8 Mark 5:21–43	22 2 Samuel 15 Daniel 9 Mark 6:1–29	23 2 Samuel 16 Daniel 10 Mark 6:30–56	24 2 Samuel 17 Daniel 11:1–19 Mark 7:1–13
25 2 Samuel 18 Daniel 11:20–45 Mark 7:14–37	26 2 Samuel 19 Daniel 12 Mark 8:1–21	27 2 Samuel 20–21 Hosea 1:1–2:1 Mark 8:22–9:1	28 2 Samuel 22 Hosea 2:2–23 Mark 9:2–50	29 2 Samuel 23 Hosea 3 Mark 10:1–31	30 2 Samuel 24 Hosea 4:1–11 Mark 10:32–52	

*For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.
He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;
I shall not be greatly shaken (Psalm 62:1–2).*



FROM OUR PASTOR

2023 LCMS Synod Convention



Greetings, dear Saints of the Lord. The LCMS Synod Convention is taking place July 29–August 3, 2023. The workbook for the convention can be found here: <https://www.lcms.org/convention/national>, scroll down to Publications and select Convention Workbook.

In this link you will find many overtures that have been submitted by congregations, circuits, and districts that deal with all sorts of matters. I encourage you to take a look at this workbook and let me know if you have any questions. I think many of these overtures would make for good Bible Study material. There are many good overtures which confirm our stance against abortion, transgenderism, same-sex marriage, and the like.

I will also briefly point out a couple of overtures that are more on the controversial side of things within our Synod. In this workbook there are three overtures submitted to reconsider woman suffrage in the church. The congregations of Synod are divided on this issue which is why I am pointing it out. The historic practice of the LCMS was male-only suffrage (the official position for 122 years based on Eph 5:22 and 1 Timothy 2:12) and is still practiced by many LCMS congregations, including congregations in our own circuit. If you would like to know the history of the LCMS on this matter, then let me know and I am happy to go over it.

Another controversial overture I would like to point out is Overture 5-32, “To Cease and Desist Publication of Luther’s Large Catechism with Annotations and Contemporary Applications.” This year our Synod released a new Luther’s Large Catechism with Annotations and Contemporary Applications. The controversy is not over the Large Catechism (which is very good), but over some of the authors who contributed essays to this. The overture states that some of the authors “have not unconditionally subscribed to the Lutheran Symbols; and WHEREAS, Some of those teachers have made public confessions that blatantly contradict our Confession and who, by remaining in fellowship with their heterodox churches, maintain only a conditional subscription to our Lutheran Symbols ...”

The purpose of this new addition is to teach the baptized and be a resource for the whole Synod. One of the authors is ELCA Theologian Dr. Steven Paulson who is not united with our Synod in doctrine. He espouses many things that are contrary to Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, so none of his essays should be endorsed or published by our Synod for the purpose of educating our congregations. The LCMS is not in fellowship with the ELCA because the ELCA has departed from God’s Word on many matters. Our Synod has plenty of sound pastors and theologians who could have contributed an essay rather than going to a different denomination that is at odds with Holy Scripture. The Synod was unwise to include an essay from Dr. Paulson and should cease and desist the publication of this new Large Catechism.

Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us true steadfastness to Your Word which delivers from sin and death and preserves to life everlasting.

In Christ,
Pastor Jenson



MAIN STREET LIVING May 2023

All programs are interpreted and closed-captioned for the hearing impaired. For more information visit:
www.mainstreetliving.com

June 4, 2023

Station change: Will air 10 a.m. on FOX due to the French Open

“How Come A Nice Girl Like You” A nurse struggles with what to do after reconnecting with an old boyfriend.

10:30 a.m. — Reverend Christopher Amen, pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Pipestone, MN, presents a message titled “Authority Given.” This sermon is based on Matthew 28.

June 11, 2023

Station change: Will air 10 a.m. on FOX due to French Open

“A Will to Live” A man leaves a large portion of his money to the church and hospital, then has his will contested by relatives.

10:30 a.m. — Reverend Kurt Laskowsky, pastor at First English Lutheran Church in Centerville, SD and Zion Lutheran Church in Hurley, SD presents a message titled “Called by the Gospel.” This sermon is based on Matthew 9:9–13.

June 18, 2023

10 a.m. **“Man in the Middle”** Two men are left with a “secret” when one tells he has terminal cancer.

10:30 a.m. — Reverend Richard Milbrandt, pastor at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ocheyedon, IA, presents a message titled “Wanted: Workers Are Needed in God’s Harvest Field.” This sermon is based on Matthew 9:35–10:8.

June 25, 2023

10 a.m. **“Return Trip”** The modern-day story of a prodigal daughter.

10:30 a.m. — Reverend Jordon Andreasen, pastor at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, SD presents a message for the 4th Sunday of Pentecost.

23rd Annual Diaper Drive

Trinity Lutherans for Life of White Lake will continue their **23rd Annual Diaper** through **Father’s Day, 2023**. For your convenience, we have collection totes at both St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Plankinton, and Trinity Lutheran Church, White Lake.



Members of Trinity Lutherans for Life are excited that the donations will go directly to help those in our community. Our 5th Annual Diaper Distribution will be Friday, August 4, 2023, from 5 to 7 p.m. Members of the community may come to Trinity Lutheran Church during these set times and pick up what size(s) they need for their child(ren).

Trinity Lutherans for Life is striving to share the message that life should be supported at all stages, from conception to natural death. Each phase of life comes with its own challenges and expenses for parents and caregivers. The community diaper drive and distribution help show our love and support for the smallest community members and to help alleviate the expense on those that care for them.

Please consider donating diapers and/or wipes and then encourage community members to pick up a donation for their family in August.

STAY IN TOUCH

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Links for the bulletin, printed service, and for the YouTube recording are updated weekly under the Services tab!

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- Update a prayer request.
- Request a digital copy of the newsletter.

Social Media

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Recordings of Divine Services
Available on the **YouTube** channel,
Trinity White Lake.



WORD FROM THE CENTER – May 22, 2023

Welcome to “Word from The Center” MONDAY, a devotional word from the Center of our faith, Jesus Christ, with reflections from His Word. I’m Gregory Seltz. Today’s verses are John 17:7–11 and 20–21, where Jesus says,

⁷ “Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am

no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one ... ²⁰ I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.”

JESUS PRAYS FOR YOU? THAT’S INCREDIBLE!

So far 2023 has been a crazy, crazy year! We’ve had good friends pass away. Others have struggled with illness or a radical change in life’s circumstances. And then there is the craziness in our culture where marriage is being devalued and redefined, family is being replaced by government programs (to most everyone’s detriment, I might add), and violence and theft are now considered a normal part of life. (After all, isn’t that what “insurance” is for?)

In the midst of it all, I’ve really appreciated the calm, steady, **moral voice** of some of our leaders, the **caring voices** of my wife and daughter, and the **concern** of friends and family. ***It makes a difference when people who have knowledge, expertise, and a real heart-felt concern connect with and care for you just when you need it.***

Can you remember times in your life when someone called at just the right moment to lend an ear, and it made all the difference?

Can you remember a time in your life when you were overwhelmed, and a special friend or family member was there by your side as a helpmate for the duration? I’m sure that we can all look back and see those times when help and concern were there when we needed it. In fact, looking back, such things were probably there all along, whether we realized it or not.

That’s just a glimpse of the help and concern that we have from Jesus today. How do I know? Just look at today’s reading again. Jesus Christ is praying on the night before His crucifixion. Amazingly, before facing the cross on Good Friday, what’s He doing? He’s praying for His disciples, and He’s praying for you and me! **You are more than on His mind.** In this prayer, He’s committing His followers into the Father’s care as He heads to the cross. **He’s going there to overcome our sin so that we might indeed be reconciled to God and to each other.** Then, as well as now, He leaves His followers with
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His Word. It is the power of God for salvation, the power of God to create and sustain faith, and the power of God to bring together what has been divided.

Today, my friend, I want you to think of a special person in your life. Now, please think of them as engaged in fervent prayer FOR YOU. What an incredible thing to envision them lifting up your concerns to God, right? What a joy to see them asking God for the strength to be a good friend and partner to you, willing to be in anguish with you so that you never feel alone. Can you picture those hands? If you can, shift your focus from that comforting thought to the actual hands of Jesus in prayer for you! When he prayed the words above, His hands would soon be scarred by nails because of HIS willingness to let sinners nail Him to a cross. In fact, His hands may have already become gnarled and calloused from all the times He had prayed for people, as well as from all the ways that He lived His life in service to others.

Trust me today on this: **Jesus IS praying for you; He's interceding for you before the very throne of God** (Romans 8:34)! ***That's a powerful message of faith and joy FOR YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW.*** Receive it, revel in it, and put it to work with your hands folded in prayer as well.

PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, what a joy it is to receive the help and concern we need in times of trouble. What an awesome thing it is to learn again and again that You are that for us and more. Give us courage to face the issues in our life with confidence knowing that You are praying for us, and that Your Word will comfort and sustain us no matter what. We pray with confidence in Your Name. AMEN.

FATHERS



“Fathers can do no better work and do nothing more valuable either for God, for Christendom, for all the world, for themselves, and for their children than to bring up their children well ... For bringing up their children properly is their shortest road to heaven.”

“Now you tell me, when a father goes ahead and washes diapers or performs some other menial task for his child ... God, with all his angels and creatures, is smiling — not because that father is washing diapers, but because he is doing so in **Christian faith.**”

~ Martin Luther

O righteous Father, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and earth is named, give Your grace to the fathers and sons of Your Church. Inspire them by Your own example and the example of Your beloved Son to be perfectly united in faith, hope and love. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT		
 <p>Celebrate the <i>Lord of the Nations</i> Psalm 33:12-13</p>				<p>Pastor on call June 4–16, 2023 Rev. Brian Lemcke, Zion Delmont 605-572-8263</p>		1	2	3
4  The Holy Trinity 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Joint Divine Service	5	6 2 p.m.  TR Hope Circle	7 2 p.m.  TR Hope Circle	8	9	10		
11  Second Sunday after Pentecost 5 p.m. at Trinity Joint Divine Service	12  2 p.m. SP Dorcas Circle	13	14	15	16	17		
18  Third Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Joint Divine Service	19	20	21	22	23	24		
25  Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 5 p.m. at Trinity Joint Divine Service <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;">LWML Convention</div>	26	27	28	29	30	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">LWML Convention, Milwaukee – June 22–25, 2023</div>		