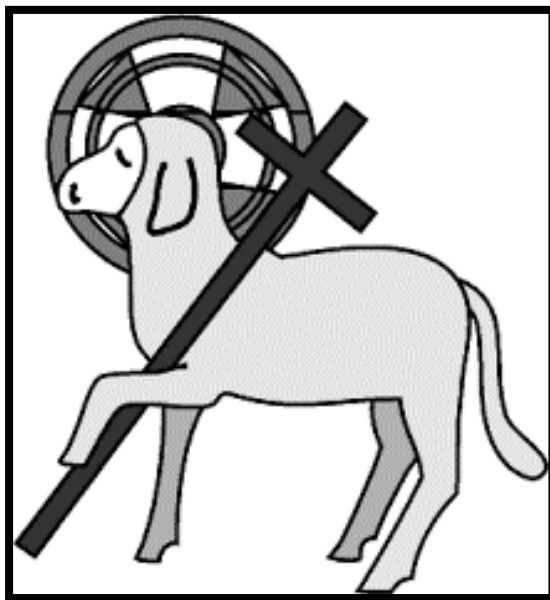


Trinity Lutheran Church

“Sharing the Caring Christ with All People”

2163 Mayhew Lake Rd. NE
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379



The First Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2015

8:00a.m.

*Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association
and the Good Shepherd Community.*

WELCOME!

We pray that your time in worship will encourage
and strengthen you!

We share the greatest hope through the one who loves you most
– Jesus Christ!

Preacher	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Paul Cloeter
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Sam & Amanda Kilpela
Sound & Graphics	8:00am		Mona Wigen & Neal Hanson
		10:30am	Paul Benson
Lector	8:00am		Rich Austin
		10:30am:	Kelly Bauman
Acolyte	8:00am		Sidney Wallgren, Amanda Petersen
		10:30am:	Tara Butkowski, Mady Boettcher
Altar Guild			Judy Lazer, Christine Miller
Information Desk	8:00am:	Zone - 2	Craig Cooper
	10:30am:	Zone - 3	Sue Kulzer
Greeters	8:00am	Zone - 2	Diane Gooch
	10:30am:	Zone - 3	Shirley Skuza, Lori Zipp
Ushers	8:00am	Zone - 2	Dave & Bev Grose, John Sprengeler, Ken Knafla, Jim & Carol Truenow
	10:30am:	Zone - 3	Wayne Smolnik, Loren Tvrdik, Fred Joesting, John Heintze, Chuck Hoese, Jon Roesch

The First Sunday in Lent

Divine Service Setting 1 (LSB pg 151)

February 22, 2015

8:00 a.m.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: “A Mighty Fortress” LSB 657

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

P: When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble

C: I will rescue him and honor him.

P: With long life I will satisfy him

C: and show him my salvation.

P: Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—

C: the Most High, who is my refuge—

P: no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

C: no plague come near your tent.

P: For he will command his angels concerning you

C: to guard you in all your ways.

P: On their hands they will bear you up,

C: lest you strike your foot against a stone.

P: You will tread on the lion and the adder;

C: the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble

C: I will rescue him and honor him.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help save comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF THE PENITENT “Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved”



1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer-cy up - on us.
2 O Son of God, Redeemer of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer-cy up - on us.



Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, By ev - 'ry
Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save From sting of
O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid The fee - ble



e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; Up - on Your cross - for -
death and grasp of grave; Your scars be - fore the
child Your grace has made. Now make us grow and



sak - en Son Our death is laid, and peace is won.
Fa - ther move His heart to mer - cy at such love.
help us pray; Bring joy and com - fort; come to stay.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray... God the Father, You bless Your people with every good gift and You brought us forth to be Your children by the word of truth, so that, resisting temptation and confessing our sins when we fall, we should be a kind of firstfruits of Your creatures; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 22:1-18

Sometime later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about." Early the next morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham answered, "**God himself will provide the lamb** for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together. When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son." Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided." The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your

descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN: "The Lamb" LSB 547

EPISTLE: James 1:12-18

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him. When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death. Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, **that we might be a kind of first fruits** of all he created.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL *Hebrews 12:2; Ephesians 6:11*

P: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,

C: who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,

P: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

C: Put on the whole armor of God,

P: that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

C: Amen.




LENTEN VERSE



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound - ing in
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert, and he was in the desert forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him. After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!"

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

HYMN OF THE DAY: “O Christ You Walked the Road” LSB 424

SERMON: “Where is the Lamb?” (Genesis 22:1-8)

OFFERING *(Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew.)*

OFFERTORY



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

BENEDICTION

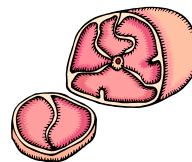
The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you;
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



✠ A - men.

CLOSING HYMN: “O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days” LSB 418

Would You Be Able to Help a Family in Need to Have a Ham for Easter - If you have/acquire receipts from Coborns with ham credits (stamps) on them that you will not be using, or if you have Ham Cards that you will not use, please give them to us. We can put several small cards or credits together to help us provide hams for local families in need. Please drop your receipts or Ham Cards off at the Information Desk in the Narthex. Remember that we need the whole receipt not just the Ham Stamp portion. Thank you for helping us with this project. -Craig Cooper



Pancake Breakfast on March 8th Between the worship services, from 9:00 to 10:30am. Prince of Peace Lutheran School is sponsoring a pancake breakfast to thank each of you for your support of their work among our members and most especially, our children. Plan now to have your breakfast at church, on this morning after we lose an hour of sleep!!

*TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 22, 2015*


<p style="text-align: center;">This Week at Trinity</p> <p>TODAY Worship 8:00am Z2 Bible Class & SS 9:15am Youth Bible Study 9:15am Family 101 9:15am (CDC) Worship Service 10:30am Z3 (HC) Anyuak Worship 12:00noon Creative Crafts 4:00pm YABS 5:00pm</p> <p>MONDAY Parish Workers (NL) 9:30am Bev's CC 6:00pm Men's Supper @ Cowboy Jack's 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. 6:45pm</p> <p>TUESDAY Bible Class 10:30am Sandwichers CC 6:30pm Friends in Harmony 7:00pm</p> <p>WEDNESDAY Men's Bible Study @ GS 7:00am Soup Supper 4:15pm Lenten Worship Z4 6:00pm HS Youth Night 6:45pm Confirmation Classes 6:45pm Financial Peace Univ. 6:45pm Ladies Leaning CC 6:45pm</p> <p>THURSDAY Benton Co. Jail Bible Study 7:30pm</p>	<p>FRIDAY Parish Workers 9:00am Youth Retreat @ LIC</p> <p>SATURDAY Altar Guild 9:00am Traditional Music Rehearsal 6:45pm</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Second Sunday in Lent</i> 8:00am Worship Z5 (HC) 9:15am Youth Bible Study 9:15am Bible Class & SS Family 101 9:15am (CDC) 10:30am Worship Z1 12:00pm Anyuak Worship</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Scripture Lessons:</i> <i>Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Romans 5:1-11</i> <i>Mark 8:27-38</i></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Church Office Hours: M-F 8:30am-2:30pm Open during the noon hour. <i>Church Office Phone 252-3670</i></p>
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WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE	OFFERING	
2/15/15	8:00am	132	General Fund Offerings	\$8,932.02
2/15/15	10:30am	148	Building Debt Offerings	\$800.00
2/18/15	6:00pm	248	Total	\$9,732.02
Total		528		
Missions				
Missions this Week		\$261.00	Weekly <i>Budget Needs</i>	\$11,371.00
Received to-date		\$2,737.77		
Annual Funds Promised		\$27,500.00		

Today we will collect a door offering to cover the cost of the groceries for Church of the Week.




Baptized into God's family of grace in our 10:30am service today is Julius Neils Copeland, infant son of Ross & Jill Copeland. Sponsors are Ben and Chelsea Copeland. We pray God's blessing upon Julius and his family as they grow in faith.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by the Justin Hackett family in loving memory of Fritz Hiltel. We thank them for making today's broadcast possible. **We have sponsorship openings in March and April.** If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. Forms are available in the church office. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins, as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at www.800wval.com. 

 **ChristCare Small Group Ministry** ChristCare Group Members **care for one another.** I John 4:7 says, "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God." Some of the kinds of needs that ChristCare Groups typically meet are encouragement when: having a bad day, sad over a loss, frustrated with parenting, angry about a relationship or work issue, anxious about a change in your life. It is a great help to share life's ups and downs with brothers and sisters in Christ. If you'd like to learn more about ChristCare Small Group Ministry contact one of our ChristCare Equippers: Connie Mooney, 563-508-1295, mooney.connie77@gmail.com or Craig Cooper, 237-5507, dco@trinitysr.org

Church of the Week Homeless Ministry This annual community outreach provides overnight shelter and meals for the homeless. In addition to providing overnight shelter in our Fellowship Hall for 25-35 people each night, we will be preparing and serving a community meal for 100 people at Place of Hope every night at 5:00pm. Many volunteers are needed; to drive the bus, prepare & serve meals and snacks. Also, hosts/hostesses are needed to serve 5 hour shifts for overnight security (*Married couples, 2 men or 2 women*). This is a labor of love as our "Social Ministry" fund will be used to purchase all the food. It costs about \$2 per plate for the ingredients for a meal. Would you consider helping to feed the hungry during our week? Would you consider feeding: 10 people = \$20, 20 people = \$40, 50 people = \$100, 100 people = \$200. If you would like to donate checks can be made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and in the memo please note: "*Social Ministry*". **We will have a 'door offering' TODAY!! to purchase food for the community meals.** This is a once a year opportunity for us to show God's love to others in need just as God has shown His love to us in Christ. *See the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.*

Sunday Morning Fellowship Our servers for March are Fred and Pat Kjorlien. Members who have last names beginning with the letters "E, F, & G" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time during the month. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board. 



Lenten Soup Suppers 2015 Delicious soup and sandwiches! Continuing this Wednesday, and served from 4:15 to 5:30pm. Call Gail Reginek (253-9462) or Sue Bragelman (252-9618) to volunteer for preparation or serving, clean-up or if you would like to bring a dessert, sign up on the kitchen door. All help is appreciated!

MSYG NEWS February 27- Mar 1, Middle School Youth Group Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp. All information, including required paperwork, is on our NEW Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall. Due date for camp reservations/deposit February 20th. Youth ready for pickup at 8pm. Lutheran Island Camp is requesting your shoes! MSYG is collecting your shoes. LIC then submits them for refurbishing, with benefits going to mission programs. All shoes (even those that are very worn) are accepted. Please place in the box in the Narthex. We will bring them with us to our Confirmation Retreat on January 27th.



Save the Date! Annual Prince of Peace Fundraiser to be held on Sunday, April 19 in the POP Gymnasium, from noon to 2:30pm. Food Entertainment, Live/Silent Auctions, and Bake Sale. Plan now to attend!

Prince of Peace is accepting students for preschool and kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year. Please call POP @ 251-1477 with any questions.

Supporting Prince of Peace through Scrip Thank you for helping get the word out about Scrip. We are excited to announce that \$551.11 has been raised so far this year! If you have yet to join this amazing program, please take a moment to register and begin purchasing physical gift cards or e-cards to stores you frequent. Orders are placed every Monday at 3 pm during weeks there is school. Questions about the Scrip program can be directed to Jon Lentz. You can also contact Candice Bicondoa, POP coordinator, at fourthgrade@princeofpeaceels.org or [320-251-1477](tel:320-251-1477).

One More Child: As a supporting congregation for Prince of Peace Lutheran School we have the opportunity to partner with them on a project. The POP board has asked all association congregation to be a partner in this matter. One More Child will focus on member congregations assisting with tuition so that "One More Child" has the opportunity to attend Prince of Peace Lutheran School. At Trinity we will establish a fund similar to our other memorial line accounts/funds that people can designate monies for. If you have any question about this you can contact Jon Lentz or Prince of Peace Board representatives Kathy Stueve or Dale Kuklok.

LWML Convention The LWML National Convention is in Des Moines, IA June 25-28, 2015. Visit the LWML website to learn more. www.lwmlmnn.org. Young women are encouraged to attend and represent their home congregations.

Your Field is Huge! Who can you invite to church? Who can you share Jesus with? *Your field is huge.* The number of churchless Americans has jumped by one-third in the past 20 years. In the early 1990s, about 2 in 10 U.S. adults were churchless. Ten years later, it was 3 in 10. Today, nearly half of the U.S. population is churchless. Think of family members, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles. Think of neighbors - next door neighbors, elderly persons, and new families in the neighborhood. Think of persons you know through sports or hobbies - people with who you bowl, golf, or play tennis. Think of people at work - supervisors, employees, secretaries, clients and colleagues you see once in a while. Think of friends with who you dine out - single friends, parents of your child's friends, old friends from school. Think of casual associates - your dentist, your doctor, your child's teacher, persons who belong to clubs and professional groups you attend, sales representatives who call on you frequently, and persons who graduated from the same school as you. Think especially of persons who are undergoing personal life stresses of some kind. The harvest is plentiful, share your faith and invite others to church.

Marriage 101 items missing from our church library If you have borrowed these items or otherwise know their whereabouts, please return them to the church office: DVD's from Marriage 101, Books 'After You Say 'I Do', and 'The 5 Sex Needs of Men & Women'.

WE WELCOME FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! If there is a time during the Worship Service that you feel your child (or you) needs a "time out," please feel free to leave the service.

If you leave the service you can go to the **lobby** or use the **large conference room** across from the church office. The conference room has speakers and one-way glass so you can still participate in Worship. During the Sunday school hour, (9:15am - 10:15am) and during the 10:30am worship service the **nursery** is staffed for children 0-3 years old. The nursery is in the preschool on the north end of the building. It is the first classroom on the left as you enter the preschool parent lounge area. There are also speakers in the nursery so you can listen to the service. Please call Sue Morey (252-5610) with any questions regarding the nursery.

Activity bags for young children to use are in the plastic tub outside the church office.