

# ***Trinity Lutheran Church***

“Sharing the Caring Christ with all People”

2163 Mayhew Lake Rd. NE  
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379



*The Day of Pentecost*

May 15, 2016

8:00 a.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!

Officiating Today	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Paul Cloeter
Preaching Today	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Dr. Fungchatou Lo
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Screen Team	8:00am		Andy Freihammer
		10:30am	Jeff Zimmer
Lector	8:00am		Rich Austin
		10:30am	Delano Schultz
Visuals	8:00am &	10:30am	Daniel Reineke
Acolyte	8:00am		Talon Sigurdson, Haley Evenson
		10:30am	Jami Novak, Isaiah Novak
Altar Guild			Sue Bragelman, Gail Reginiek, Connie Bump
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone - 4	Sandy Austin
	10:30am	Zone - 5	Marie Mendel
Greeters	8:00am	Zone - 4	Nancy Cloeter
	10:30am	Zone - 5	Diane Haffner, Marie Mendel, Amy Schaefer
Ushers	8:00am	Zone - 4	John Hittel, Marvin Neubert, Karen Petron-Broda, Wayne & Sue Kulzer, Janet Renn, Chris Kutzorik
	10:30am	Zone - 5	Bob Behrendt, Luke Wendt, Jim & Kathy Stueve, Trevor Jevne, Andy Behrendt

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**AS WE GATHER** The Scriptures share many accounts of God coming down to earth. From the moment of creation when “the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters” (*Genesis 1:2*), God has come down to this favored planet many times and in many ways. On Pentecost, God the Holy Spirit came down to earth in a most dramatic way, fulfilling the promise of His descent that Jesus had made to His disciples. That blessed Spirit continues to come among God’s people, calling, gathering, enlightening, and sanctifying them. As we gather, we witness to that Spirit at work among and through us.

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:** “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord” LSB 497

## **INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES**

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

**C: from everlasting to everlasting!**

P: Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;

**C: let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!**

P: Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy,

**C: and I will praise You with the lyre, O God, my God.**

P: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

**C: from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.**

## **CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: With true hearts, let us confess together that we, through sinful thoughts, careless words, and loveless deeds, have transgressed God’s righteous Law and deserve His punishment now and eternally.

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we acknowledge our sinful nature and repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. For the**

**sake of Jesus, grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may be fit places for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and may serve You in time and in eternity.**

P: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.

**C: Amen.**

### **INTROIT**

P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

**C: and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.**

Women: O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom have You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.

Men: These all look to You,  
to give them their food in due season.

Women: When You give it to them, they gather it up;  
when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.

Men: When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,  
and You renew the face of the ground.

**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: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

**C: and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.**

### **SALUTATION and COLLECT**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray ... O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; 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 11:1-9

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.” But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.” So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel —because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**ADULT CHOIR:** “Alleluia Verse for Pentecost” .....Henry V. Gerike

**EPISTLE:** Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” Then Peter stood

up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’



L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**HOLY GOSPEL:** John 14:23-31

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. “All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me. “Come now; let us leave.**

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **NICENE CREED**

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON HYMN:** "In Christ There is No East or West" LSB 653

**SERMON:** "Reflecting the Revelation 7 Church on Earth as it is in Heaven."  
(Rev. 7:9-10)

**OFFERING** *(Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew. The children are invited to bring their offerings to the front at this time.)*

**MUSICAL OFFERING:** "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire".....Bob Burroughs

*Stand*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**



### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### WORDS OF OUR LORD

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

#### 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.**



## **THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

*Sit*

**About Holy Communion**—The Lord’s Supper is celebrated here in the belief and glad confidence that our Lord gives us as He says, not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If this is your belief, we welcome you to join us at the Lord’s table.

Because we are called to examine ourselves before receiving the Lord’s Supper (I Corinthians 11:28-29), we encourage you to consider the questions on p. 329-330 in the front of the hymnal. If you are communing with us for the first time, or if you would like a fuller understanding of what we as Lutherans believe about the Lord’s Supper, please pick up a copy of **“What is the Lord’s Supper?”** at the Information table in the entryway.

Please reserve the white grape juice cups in the center of the communion trays for those who for health reasons are unable to drink wine. Our pastors are happy to speak to you further if you have any questions.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN:** “Come Down, O Love Divine” LSB 501

*Stand*

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

P: Let us pray... Creator of time and space, we humbly thank You for feeding us here with this sacred meal of Jesus’ body and blood. United together this Lord’s Day, we have entered the timeless mystery of the Eucharist. Partaking of this bread and wine today, we remember that meal instituted by Jesus on the night when He was betrayed and likewise anticipate the marriage supper of the Lamb in Your unending kingdom. Though it is yet a little while off, today we dine in hope of the coming of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## **BENEDICTION**

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** “Holy Spirit, Light Divine” LSB 496

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**Today We Welcome** Rev. Dr. Fungchatou Lo. He has agreed to come and preach at both services and he will lead the Bible study. His sermon will be based on Rev. 7:9-10, “**Reflecting the Revelation 7 Church on Earth as it is in Heaven.**” Dr. Lo has served as a missionary in Indonesia and Cambodia and he has also been a professor of sociology with expertise in urban studies. He is currently the Executive Director of Lutheran Intercity Network Coalition (LINC) Twin Cities, a non-profit dedicated to reaching the “Nations” (all ethnic groups). He will be encouraging us to continue to seek the opportunities here to minister to immigrants and refugees here in Central MN. God is bringing people to us so we can share Christ with them and come alongside them as they settle in to our community. We can also work with them to get their loved ones here through family reunification. Our Anyuak Congregation will share some songs with us at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. After the service we will have a potluck. **You are asked to bring a dish to share according to the first letter of your last name: A-J Salad, K-Z Hot dish, Dessert will be provided.** The Anyuak will bring their ethnic foods so be sure and try something different like Injera bread dipped in Lamb & Okra stew with a dollop of Asida. **At the potluck a freewill offering will be received for our future trip to South Sudan/Ethiopia.** *Checks can be made payable to Trinity Lutheran, with ‘Anyuak Mission Trip’ in the memo line.* This will be an information gathering trip, for a few leaders from Trinity and from the Anyuak congregation, to determine how we can assist the local churches in Africa without creating a dependency.



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**The Red Geraniums in the Chancel** are given in honor of Pentecost and in loving memory of Mildred McGonagle, who’s birthday was May 17<sup>th</sup>.



**Barnyard Round-up!** Mark Your Calendar!! Vacation Bible School is June 12 – 16, from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. See more information at the table display in the Narthex!



*“God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.”*

# Trinity Lutheran Church

## Announcements for May 15, 2016

### ***The Day of Pentecost***

TODAY Worship Z4 (HC) 8:00am  
 Bible Class & SS 9:15am  
 Youth Study 9:15am  
 Worship Z5 10:30am  
 Potluck Lunch 12:00pm  
 Piano Recital 4:00pm  
 4-H Mtg. 4:00pm

MONDAY Narcotics Anonymous 7:30pm

TUESDAY Bible Class 10:30am  
 Friends in Harmony 7:00pm  
 Celebration Ringers 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY Men's Bible Study @ GS 7:00am  
 MS Dodgeball at POP 6:30pm

THURSDAY Sewing and Crafts 9:00am  
 S&P Pizza Outing 9:30am  
 POP Spring Program 6:30pm  
 Brownie Troop Mtg. 6:30pm

FRIDAY Parish Workers 9:00am

SATURDAY Altar Guild 9:00am  
 Childcare Aware Training 7:30am  
 Anyuak B-day party 1:00pm  
 Traditional Music Rehearsal 6:45pm

### ***IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK***

#### ***Trinity Sunday***

8:00am Worship Z1  
 9:15am Bible Class  
 9:15am Youth Study  
 10:30am Worship Z2  
 12:00pm GS & POP Funfest  
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship  
 4:00pm Creative Crafts

#### ***Scripture Lessons:***

*Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Acts 2:14a, 22-36  
 John 8:48-59*

#### **Church Office Hours:**

M-F 8:30am-2:30pm  
 Open during the noon hour.  
*Church Office Phone 252-3670*

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE	OFFERINGS	
5/8/16	8:00am	129	General Fund Offerings	\$6,969.14
5/8/16	10:30am	187	Building Debt Offerings	\$618.00
	Total	316	Total	\$7,587.14
<b>MISSIONS</b>				
Missions this Week		\$242.00		
Received to-date		\$8,670.00		
Annual Funds Promised		\$27,500.00		


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**Sharing the Caring Christ with All People** John 14:23-31: Jesus told His disciples in advance that after His resurrection and ascension He would send the Holy Spirit to teach them and help them remember all that He had said to them. We have that same Spirit who changed timid disciples into bold witnesses. By the Spirit's power, we are sanctified and empowered. **Through the Spirit's power, we are also called to share the story of Jesus.**

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**Today's Radio Broadcast** by the members of Trinity. We have sponsorship openings in July and August. 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](http://www.800wval.com).



 **Sunday Morning Fellowship** Our servers for May are Pat and Fred Kjorlein. Members who have last names beginning with the letter "K" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time during the month. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

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**The Middle School Youth will play dodgeball** at Prince of Peace on Wednesday, May 18, from 6:30 – 8:00pm. Pizza and soda provided! Meet at church at 6:00pm if you need a ride. Join us for the fun! Speak with Terry Kurash, 251-4071 if you would like to participate.

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**Summer Worship Schedule** A change will take place in our midweek worship schedule this summer. Beginning June 1st and ending August 31st, worship will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. instead of Monday evening, as in previous years. If you know that you'll be out of town for the weekend during the summer months, why not make Wednesday your "church day"?

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**Good Shepherd and Prince of Peace  
Funday fest - Inter-Generational Event**

Sunday, May 22nd at Good Shepherd Community Campus,  
11am to 3pm. 1115 4th Ave. N. Sauk Rapids, MN

Buy your tickets at the door!



**Playhouse Child Care Center** is hiring FT/PT Assistant Teachers and Aides. Apply online at [www.playhousechildcare.com](http://www.playhousechildcare.com)

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**The Sewing Guild Spring Rug Sale** They will have a new collection of rugs available for sale today. Check them out!

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**Prince of Peace Lutheran School** is currently receiving the enrollment of new students for the 2016/2017 school year for Preschool through Grade 8. We offer small class sizes and a strong education within the setting of our Christian faith. Financial assistance is available to families who qualify. Contact Pastor Dave to arrange for a tour or to obtain more information ([admin@princeofpeaceels.org](mailto:admin@princeofpeaceels.org) or [pds@trinitysr.org](mailto:pds@trinitysr.org) or 251-1477).

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**Help!** The Youth Room is in need of replacement furniture. Please talk to Terry Kurash, 251-4071 if you have gently used pieces you would like to donate. Thank you!



**Trinity Estate Planning and Endowment:** An effort is being made at this time to form a committee here at Trinity that will be charged with two goals: 1) assist members in understanding ministry opportunities and tax benefits that result from implementing a legal estate plan; and 2) overseeing Trinity's Endowment Fund, including the encouragement of its use both in terms of receiving and distributing its assets. Knowledge of and interest in the area of financials would be helpful but not required. Questions or offers to volunteer may be directed to Pastor Paul.

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**Graduates** We will be recognizing our High School Graduates next Sunday at the 10:30am service. **2016 graduates are:**

Joe Bastian	Skyler Figallo	Cidavia Marchand
Brooke Butkowski	Tyler Haffner	Cody Montag
Brenna Cash	Korey Keske	Caleb Notch
Taenaesha Cooley	Kaylah Larson	Katie Oltz

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**LSF CLEAN UP** Friday May 20, 2016 LSF is looking for some help with clean-up around the house. We have a list from outdoor trimming, to cement work, to inside/outside window cleaning, also removal of a dead-not working radiator. YES, lots to do. We plan to start at 8 am until 4 pm. You are free to come and go any time during these hours. Many hands make for little work. Please RSVP so we will know how many are able to come. Barb's cell number is 320-333-2706. We want to have enough morning treats and pizza for everyone. THANK YOU!

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**A Volunteer** is needed to occasionally pick up supplies for the church kitchen. If you would be available to do this, please call the church office. 320-252-3670.

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**Join Salt & Pepper** for an outing to Heggie's Pizza in Milaca this Thursday. We meet at church at 9:30am to carpool. Sign up on the kiosk in the narthex.

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**“Faith Comes by Hearing Sunday” is May 22<sup>nd</sup>** Next weekend we remember, give thanks and support those who serve us in the Armed Forces. This year, you again have the opportunity to support our troops by giving a gift of \$25.00 that will provide a Military Biblestick to one of our troops that requests one from their chaplain. The Military BibleStick is a portable, digital audio player, which comes pre-loaded with the Audio Drama New Testament and selected Psalms. This Audio Bible, which is about the size of a pack of chewing gum, easily fits into a uniform pocket. A chaplain's Assistant in Iraq said, ***“I wanted to let you know the MP3 Bible Sticks arrived this week. I set them out for services yesterday and today and most of them are gone already. They are a very hot item; so easy and convenient and a medium that is attractive to the young Marines and more seasoned alike. Thank-you.”*** Each serviceman or woman that receives a BibleStick can request for no charge, a BibleStick for their spouse back home and a “KIDZ” Bible on MP3 for their dependent children. What a tremendous opportunity to give a gift that will create and strengthen the faith of those who sacrifice so much for us. I am encouraging each family at Trinity to consider providing a Military Biblestick for one of our troops. **On “Faith Comes by Hearing Sunday”, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** we will receive a **“door offering”** after both services to support this important outreach ministry. Checks can be payable to: Trinity Lutheran Church with **“Biblestick”** in the memo.)

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## **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.

