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A Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association Church and a Good Shepherd Community Congregation

Sunday Services: 8:00am & 10:30am

Monday Worship Services 6:00pm (Memorial Day through Labor Day)

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Sunday School for All Ages: 9:15am (Sept—May)

Sunday Radio Broadcast at 8:00am on WVAL 800 on the AM dial and streaming live on the internet at www.800wval.com Trinity's Website: www.trinitysr.org



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On the 31st day of this month of October, the 499th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation will be observed. The event that took place on that day nearly half a millennium ago was Martin Luther's nailing of his notorious

"95 Theses" on the front door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. A rather innocent effort on his part to engage the church in debate over the issue of indulgences - with the hope of uniting Christians in the Gospel - ended up causing division that remains to this day within the church.

As you're reading these words, I'll be traveling to and visiting some of the sites in Germany where the Reformation took place: the Wartburg Castle where Luther spent a year in exile, translating the Bible into the German language; Erfurt, where he entered the monastery after a close call with death; and Wittenberg, where he spent most of his 'career' as professor of theology. Much like a Holy Land tour, these are places important to my faith that I've heard and read about for years. Experiencing them in person will be one of the highlights of this trip to Germany. No doubt, much will be presented next year both in Germany and around the world to commemorate Luther's influence.

I recently read through Luther's 95 Theses and was reminded how simple words can have such a powerful affect. Luther arranged the theses in the form of a legal (rational) argument for purposes of debate. Each thesis is one sentence, supporting and building on the truth of the previous theses; for example, "if Thesis 20 is true, then it logically follows that Thesis 21 is also true." The content of the document has to do with true repentance and forgiveness, and the abuse and harm to these Gospel truths that was done through the buying and selling of indulgences. What might be surprising is how little Scriptural support is used by Luther to defend his theses, and how his theological maturity had not yet fully developed at this time (1517). For example, he still felt there was a place for the teaching

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of indulgences, purgatory and papal authority, if these doctrines were understood correctly. Later on, of course, he repudiated them completely.

I hope to share some of my experiences and insights on Luther and the Reformation in Bible classes when I return. It'll be a great way to prepare for a 500th anniversary celebration! In the meantime, don't miss out on our own Festival of the Reformation on Sunday, October 30th. The Rite of Confirmation for 13 of our youth will also take place between services that day.

Pastor Paul Cloeter



Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge Choir Here October 2nd

Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge choir will sing at the 10:30 a.m. service and have a time of sharing and testimonies during Bible class on Sunday, Oct. 2nd. The testimonies and heartfelt singing of the Brainerd Choir is a moving experience every year they come. After the worship service we will have a potluck lunch and you are invited 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.

Minnesota is currently experiencing a drug epidemic unlike anything we have ever faced before. It's not just in large cities, it's in rural areas and even in our schools. No community or demographic is immune. Minnesota has the cheapest, purest, and most addictive heroin in the country. As a result, the number of overdoses have tripled in the past five years.

"I can tell you [that] addiction is a factor in the majority of the cases I see come across my desk every day. Today, in Minnesota, we are up against a growing problem; addictions to alcohol, prescription pills, meth, and maybe the most frightening of all, heroin. That's why I am thankful for partners like Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge. In my opinion, their full range of programs including intensive treatment, long-term residential recovery, and their prevention presentations, make Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge part of the solution we so badly need"

-John Choi, Ramsey County Attorney

For more than 25 years, Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge has been restoring hope to teens and adults struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. They are one of the largest, most effective, and most affordable programs in the nation with campuses in Minneapolis, Brainerd, Duluth and Rochester.

Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge offers both a long-term faith based recovery program and shorter-term treatment programs allowing them to effectively serve individuals with a broad spectrum of addiction issues; from those seeking treatment for the first time, to those who have been struggling with addiction for many years.

We will also receive a door offering, to support MN Adult & Teen Challenge, at both services and checks should be made payable to: <u>Trinity Lutheran Church</u>, and note in the memo, "MNTC".

Craig Cooper, DCO





<u>Prince of Peace Lutheran School</u> <u>News and Events</u>

There is so much for us to praise and thank the Lord for as He has been faithful in blessing our school!

The Lord has blessed us with a growing enrollment! We begin this year with 115 students in Kindergarten through Grade 8, an increase of 20 from last year! He has also blessed our Preschool programs with 66 children enrolled at our three sites: Trinity, Holy Cross, and Prince of Peace main campus

God has blessed us with six new students from our Anyuak ministry at Trinity! He has also raised up a team of 10 volunteers in order to provide tutoring and mentoring to our new students!

Our heavenly Father has blessed us with an outstanding and dedicate faculty! Our MCA results from last year attest to the high quality of instruction our students receive from them. 85% of our students met or exceeded state standards in reading and 73% of our students met or exceeded state standards in math. This places us at or near the top of all area schools.

We thank and praise our gracious God for all of His blessings!

Our annual school WALK-T-THON will take place on Saturday, October 8th at Lake George in St. Cloud. Your support of this event is greatly appreciated – please call our school office (251-1477) if you wish to make a pledge or sponsor one of our students as they walk that morning. And, we invite you to come out and join us at 9:00 a.m. for an enjoyable time of Christian fellowship and exercise!

Our "Reformation Carnival" will be on Friday, October 29th at school with fun and games and food for all ages from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Please feel free to contact Pastor Dave (251-1477 or 252-3670) at admin@princeofpeacels.org or at pds@trinitysr.org for information about our school.



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Worship and Music Notes

The story behind the great Reformation hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" . . .

We think of Martin Luther as a great reformer, Bible translator, political leader, preacher and theologian. But he was also a musician, having been born in an area of Germany known for its music. There in his little village, young Martin grew up listening to his mother sing. He joined a boys' choir that sang at weddings and funerals. He became proficient with the flute (recorder) and his emotions often erupted in song.

When the Protestant Reformation began, Luther determined to restore worship to the German Church. He worked with skilled musicians to create new music for Christians. He helped revive congregational singing and wrote many hymns.

Luther's most famous hymn is "A Mighty Fortress is Our God." Based on Psalm 46 --God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble--, it reflects Luther's awareness of our intense struggle with Satan. In difficulty and danger, Luther would often resort to this song. (adapted from the book, Then Sings My Soul by Robert J. Morgan)

A mighty fortress is our God, a trusty Shield and Weapon; He helps us free from every need, that hath us now o'ertaken.

Looking forward to singing this great hymn with you on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 30th!

Autumn blessings to all,

Ruth Immerfall Contemporary Worship Leader ruthimmerfall@gmail.com/320.291.9293





Thank you Daniel for 25 years of serving God here at Trinity!

*Please gather for a brief time of fellowship to honor Daniel Reineke at 9:15am on Sunday, October 9th.

NEWS FROM LUTHERAN ISLAND CAMP

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Thrivent Choice is another great way for you to support Lutheran

Island Camp. We hope to generate \$30,000 this year but have fallen a little behind. If you are a Thrivent member and have Thrivent Choice dollars, please consider directing them to

Lutheran Island Camp. We need to raise at least \$2000 a month to hit our goal!



Bounty from the garden is shown in this photo. With frost this last week, Loren Kruse and a couple of other folks cleaned up the



garden and brought us lots of produce. We used the produce here at camp and have given some to folks who really enjoyed it. :)

The LWML is ordering RADA knives and peelers!

So many people have asked about these great products, that the ladies have decided to place a ONE- time order.

Watch for the Catalogues And order forms on Sundays and in the Fellowship Hall from Sept 25th through October 30th.





God's Grub

Oct. 5—Hot Dogs Oct. 12—Pizza **Oct. 19—No God's Grub** Oct. 26—Spaghetti

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

ILWMIL Sunnday will be observed on October 2nd. Our regular monthly meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 13th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The Zone Fall Joyshop will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25th at St. John's Popple Creek, from wam to moom. The ingrathering will be toothbrushes and toothpaste for the Foley Food Shelf. Reguistration begins at 9:30ann with coffee and rolls. There will be a free will offering in lieu of a

Salt and Pepper

registration fee.

Salt and Pepper will again be hosting the AARP driving refresh-



er course on October 25th at 1PM. This course will qualify you for the insurance discount for your vehicle. If it is time to renew your certification, please sign up at the kiosk. We look forward to doing a couple of local outings yet this fall so watch for info on those.



Endowment Gift

For almost two years now, articles have

appeared in our newsletters under the heading "More Than Enough: *Planned* Giving Stories for Christian Stewards." The purpose of these stories is to encourage and assist Christian folks to be good stewards of God's gifts throughout their lifetime, including how those gifts can continue to be a blessing beyond their lifetime. Planned giving options such as charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder unitrusts and lead trusts. life insurance, as well as outright bequests of property or stock through a will, are all ways of transferring the blessings God has entrusted to us to benefit future generations. In addition to the creation of a future legacy, these gifts also benefit the giver by offering unique tax savings in the present.

This past summer, a committee has been busy revising Trinity's endowment fund Bylaws that will be presented for approval at our October 16th voters' meeting. Gifts to Trinity's endowment fund will provide an ongoing source of income for ministries that would otherwise not be funded by our operational budget. Typically, gifts to an endowment come from an individual or family estate. For that reason, our endowment committee will continue to provide our members with information, counsel and encouragement in this important area of estate planning. Members of this committee are Dennis Bacon, Joanne Evenson, Carol Truenow, Mark Helgeson, Dennis Miller, Lori Zipp, Joanne Keck and Pastor Paul.

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<u>High School Your Group</u> (HSYG)

is in full swing!! We have some exciting bible study and activities planned for the month of October! High School students, grade 9-12 are encouraged to attend, bring a friend. HSYG meets in the youth room from 6p to 8p on Wednesday nights, October schedule is noted below.

October 5th: Bonfire/special musical guests

Eat from 5p-6p. Bible study and s'mores 6-8 October 12th: Movie night October 19th: NO MEETING, MEA weekend

October 26th: Kids Against Hunger (KAH) with Holy Cross, Redeemer, and LSF. Eat at Trinity first, then over to KAH on Mayhew Lake Road (south of Church). We host this for the other groups. Kitchen help will be needed, if you're interested in volunteering, please let us know.

Lutheran Student Fellowship

Our Bible studies have begun! We meet on Monday @ 4pm for Bible Study and Supper. The SCSU LSF is located at: 201 4h St. S, St. Cloud. They students love the Word shared in its truth and purity as well as the many delicious meals prepared for them!

We have had a wonderful response by new students who have joined us this year! So exciting to see the new students become involved in LSF and want to do things. They have many activities planned from visiting the Amazin' farmyard to the Evening for Life event to hockey games and the like. They also have some events planned for Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, etc. (Pray I will have the strength to do each one! They are an active bunch!-my face is one big smile)

I ask for your <u>continued Prayer support and</u> <u>encouragement</u> for us at the Campus ministry, they continue to be felt in many ways.

Barb Hertling, DCE 201 4th St. South St.Cloud, MN 56301 320-259-1577



From the Parish Nurse:

Suicide in Minnesota is up 6%. How can we help?

- 1.) Suicide Loss Support Group First Tuesday of the Month 7:00-8:30 pm 305 7th Avenue N, St. Cloud (Pastoral Center) For more information contact Roxann at 320-248-1563
- 2.) Suicide Survivors Support Group Second Monday of the month, 6:30 – 8 pm, Peace Lutheran Church, Cold Spring, led by Janelle Schenstad-Hodgins and Ellen Ellickson. For more information contact Ellen Ellickson at 320-685 -7656.
- 3.) Healing Hearts Suicide Loss Support Group Church of St. Mary's, 211 South 5th Avenue E., Melrose, MN Deacon Earnie, 320-256-4207 3rd Tuesday of every month, 8 – 9:30 p.m.

Suicide Prevention Resources

Christopher Benz Foundation: Connecting Communities for Suicide Prevention: The Christopher Benz Foundation aims to connect communities in the prevention of suicide.

QPR is a suicide prevention training program that stands for **Question**, **Persuade and Refer**. You will learn three simple steps that can help save a life of a family, friend or community member from suicide. People considering suicide often feel isolated and alone and may feel that no one can help them or understand their pain. Recognizing the warning sign of suicide and learning the skills to help save a life is something that everyone can learn. Just as people trained in CPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of suicide crisis and how to guestion, persuade and refer someone to help.

TXT4Life is a suicide prevention resource available in many counties in Minnesota. The TXT4Life program uses texting as a way for those in crisis or contemplating suicide to anonymously reach out and ask for free and confidential help. When individuals text the word "LIFE" to 61222, they are connected with a trained counselor who can help them by listening, providing tools and resources, and helping them get to a safe place, both emotionally and physically.

For detailed information, please contact:

Annette.Jesh@centracare.com



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October 2016							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	T	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ctober							1 9:00am Altar Guild 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal(W)
2 MN ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE 8:00am Worship (HC) Z3 9:15am Bible Classes & S. S. 10:30am Worship Z4 12:00pm Anyuak Worship (M,Y) 12:00pm Potluck	3 7:30pm Narcotics Anon. (Lcl)	4 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	5 7:00am Men's Bible Study 8:30am Finance Team Mtg 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm HS Youth Night 6:00pm Confirmation Classes		6 9:00am Sewing and Crafts (F) 6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal	7 9:30am Parish Workers	8 9:00am Altar Guild 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal(W)
9 8:00am Worship Z5 9:15am Daniel Reineke Recognition, Bible Classes& S.S. 10:30am Worship (HC) Z1 12:00pm Anyuak Worship 4:00pm Creative Crafts (Lcf)	10 6:00pm Bev's CC (CM) 7:30pm Narcotics Anon. (Lcl)	11 10:30am Bible Class 6:00pm Best Practices Mtg. 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)			 13 1:00pm LWML (F) 5:30pm Lay Ministry Mtg. (Lcl) 6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal 7:00pm Leadership Team Mtg (Lcl) 	14 9:30am Parish Workers 3:30pm Wedding Rehearsal	15 9:00am Altar Guild 2:00pm Schliecher/ Nieland Wedding 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal(W)
16 8:00am Worship (HC) Z2 9:15am Voter's Meeting 9:15am S. S. 10:30am Worship Z3 12:00pm Anyuak Worship	17 7:30pm Narcotics Anon. (Lcl)	18 10:30am Bible Class 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	197:00am Men's Bible StudyNO GOD'S GRUB OR CONFIRMATION CLASSES6:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal		20 9:00am Sewing and Crafts (F) 6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	21 9:30am Parish Workers	22 9:00am Altar Guild 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal(W)
23 8:00am Worship Z4 9:15am Bible Classes & S. S. 10:30am Worship (HC) Z5 12:00pm Anyuak Worship 4:00pm Creative Crafts (Lcf)	24 9:30am Parish Workers (NL) 6:00pm Bev's CC 7:30pm Narcotics Anon. (Lcl)	25 10:30am Bible Class 1:00pm AARP Driver's Update Class 7:00pm Friends in Harmony (W)	26 7:00am Men's Bible Study 5:00pm God's Grub 6:00pm HS Youth Night (Y) 6:15pm Confirmation Classes 6:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal		27 6:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal 7:30pm Bible Study @ Benton County Jail	28 9:30am Parish Workers	29 9:00am Altar Guild 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal(W)
30 REFORMATION & CONFIRMATION SUNDAY 8:00am Worship Z1 9:15am Rite of Confirmation 9:15am Bible Classes & S. S. 10:30am Worship Z2 (HC) 12:00pm Anyuak Worship (M,Y)	31 7:30pm Narcotics Anon. (Lcl)	Notes:	1		1	1	1
Room Reservation Key	W=Worship Space	Scl=Small Class Room		M=Music Room	Lcf=Large Conf Room	CM=Care N	-
O=Overflow Room	F=Fellowship Hall	Lcl=Large Class Room		Y=Youth Room	Scf=Small Conf Room	K=Kitchen	
CDC=Child Development Cntr							

October Birthdays

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NAME	Date
Ajullo Agada	8-Oct
Wyatt Alstrup	19-Oct
Oman Balo	30-Oct
Abbygail Beck	28-Oct
Bentley Behrendt	31-Oct
Robert Behrendt	13-Oct
Paul Boettcher	15-Oct
Carol Bomstad	3-Oct
Cyrus Borgerding	23-Oct
Joshua Borgerding	4-Oct
Tara Butkowski	6-Oct
Tessa Buttweiler	16-Oct
Jaelyn Cooley	20-Oct
Stormy Cooley	6-Oct
George Copeland	15-Oct
Kim DuChene	3-Oct
Jo Duea	1-Oct
Terry Duea	27-Oct
Katie Dusing	7-Oct
Sharon Elg	1-Oct
Kay Fleck	16-Oct
Teresa Fragodt	22-Oct
Angela Frey	16-Oct
Ellard Grabuski	13-Oct
Lindsy Hackett	6-Oct
Nicole Haehnel	28-Oct
Kelly Haffner	2-Oct
Anthony Hall	6-Oct
John Heintze	21-Oct
Emily Heyne	12-Oct
Chuck Hoese	14-Oct
Arden Holzheimer	10-Oct
Jennifer Johnson	19-Oct
Diane Kaeter	26-Oct
Bev Karls	1-Oct
Mark Kelley	1-Oct
Emily Kleman	15-Oct
Kerry Kuklok	27-Oct
Makenna Kulow	31-Oct
Barb Larson	24-Oct
Annamae Lauermann	18-Oct
Lori Lentz	15-Oct

Matthew Lentz	2-Oct
Jean Leyk	6-Oct
Caden Line-Voge	9-Oct
Cidavia Marchand	10-Oct
Michael Maselter	12-Oct
Mike Maselter	4-Oct
Amanda Meemken	23-Oct
Joel Mendel	12-Oct
Marlene Mousky	10-Oct
Carla Murdock	5-Oct
Sandra Murphy	25-Oct
Candace Nieters	13-Oct
Alami Ogud	2-Oct
Carl Oltz	26-Oct
Ryan Oltz	31-Oct
Jacob Oman	20-Oct
Marjwok Omot	9-Oct
Okoth Ongwach	2-Oct
Jayme Paul	1-Oct
Amy Petersen	12-Oct
Chad Ramler	6-Oct
Robby Randall	11-Oct
David Reberg	7-Oct
Joan Reberg	3-Oct
Alison Reginek	5-Oct
Kali Reginek	2-Oct
Dace Renn	3-Oct
Robert Robarge	31-Oct
Troy Roering	22-Oct
Sandra Rosha	7-Oct
Denise Schultz	5-Oct
Doreen Schultz	8-Oct
Kristen Sigurdson	10-Oct
Wayne Smolnik	30-Oct
Julie Solseth	29-Oct
Jean Staneart	19-Oct
Madison Tadych	25-Oct
Thea Terpstra	21-Oct
Sarah Torell	15-Oct
Dee Tvrdik	21-Oct
Cynthia Umland	19-Oct
Sandy Vanvickle	15-Oct
Carson Voss	17-Oct

Randy Walen	28-Oct
Brenda Wilcox	5-Oct
Debra Wimmer	11-Oct
Earl Wolf	15-Oct
Lacey Woodard	10-Oct

