



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.

August 2024

Divine Worship Service Schedule for August

Sunday, August 4, 2024 — Joint service, 5 p.m. at St. Paul's

Sunday, August 11, 2024 — Joint service, 5 p.m. at Trinity

Beginning Sunday, August 18, 2024, Pastor Don McKillop will serve as our vacancy pastor and conduct regular Sunday morning services. Trinity's services will be at 8:30 a.m. and St. Paul's services will be at 10:30 a.m. for the rest of 2024.

Christian Education

Bible Study – Summer break

Joint Confirmation Class — Summer break.

St. Paul's Sunday School — Summer break.

Trinity Release-Time — Summer break.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Trinity Hope Circle – Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 2 p.m.

Trinity Ruth Circle – Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Review the worksheets for Lesson #4 "Where Love Abides".

St. Paul's Dorcas Circle – Tuesday, August 13, 2 p.m.

Serving the Lord's Church in AUGUST

TRINITY

Elder David Bogenhagen

Ushers Ben Bogenhagen
 Ron Steffen

Acolyte Taelyn Clark

Altar Janice Thiry

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Curt Guindon

Ushers Larry Gerlach

Acolyte Tayven Weber

Altar Cathy Albrecht

Serving the Lord's Church in SEPTEMBER

TRINITY

Elder Scott Meier

Ushers Ron Steffen
 Dan Meier

Acolyte Karter Clark

Altar Barb Gilbertz

ST. PAUL'S

Elder Mike Tuschen

Ushers Curt Guindon
 Merlyn Haak

Acolyte Jenna Haak

Altar Cathy Albrecht

Scripture Readings for Sundays in August

Aug 4 Exodus 16:2–15; Ephesians 4:1–16; John 6:22–35

Aug 11 1 Kings 19:1–8; Ephesians 4:17–5:2; John 6:35–51

Aug 18 Proverbs 9:1–10; Ephesians 5:6–21; John 6:51–69

Aug 25 Isaiah 29:11–19; Ephesians 5:22–33; Mark 7:1–13

The **September 2024 newsletter** will be available on or after September 1, 2024. Articles are due Tuesday, August 27, 2024.

Please send newsletter/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!



Why Do We Bow, Kneel, and Act Reverently in Church?

We do so because God Himself is in our midst. God Himself is speaking in His Word, baptizing, and administering His Supper for our salvation. Jesus says, *Where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I among them* (Matt. 18:20). Jesus also promises, *I am with you always, to the end of the age* (Matt. 28:20).

How should we act in church before the Almighty God, the Creator of all things, the King of kings, and the Judge of all? We should act accordingly and show Him the reverence that is due to Him. Just as we should show respect to a judge in court, the president of the United States, and others in

authority over us, so also and even more so should we show respect and reverence to our King. We show such reverence in church because our King is ruling graciously in our midst. We submit to Him and follow Him and our actions bear witness to that. Philippians 2:10–11, *at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

In Christ,
Pastor Jenson

PARISH NEWS

Diaper Distribution Trinity Lutherans for Life would like to thank you for your generous donations for our recent diaper drive! We are excited to announce that the “Diaper Distribution” date is set for Friday, August 2, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. We invite everyone to participate in this event and to celebrate family with us by stopping in at Trinity Lutheran Church, White Lake and picking up diapers for their child(ren) during this time. For more information contact Jane Guericke 605-207-0625 or Nancy Bogenhagen 605-680-1895.

Parsonage Cleaning will take place on Wednesday August 7, 2024, starting at 6:30 p.m. for those who can make it at that time. Others can show up later as their schedules allow. Thanks!

STAY IN TOUCH

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



MAIN STREET LIVING AUGUST 2024

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

Broadcast on KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

**** These programs will air on FOX due to Olympic coverage: KDLT (FOX) channels 46.2 / 21.4**

August 4, 2024 **

10 a.m. "The Sound of Doors Closing" A man's mid-life crisis and the effect it has on his family.

10:30 a.m. Rev. Micah Bauer, pastor at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Brookings, SD presents a message titled "Bread from Heaven." This sermon is based on John 6:22-35.

August 11, 2024 **

10 a.m. "Tina" Two lonely people, a woman and a child, come together through Jesus.

10:30 a.m. Rev. Paul Winckler, Assistant to the President of the South Dakota District LCMS, Sioux Falls, presents a message titled "God's Love Story." This sermon is based on Ephesians 4:17-5:2.

August 18, 2024 **

10 a.m. "Look to the Mountain" A hopeless situation becomes more hopeless when a down-and-out man kidnaps a young girl for ransom money.

10:30 a.m. Rev. Kurt Laskowsky, pastor at First English and Zion Lutheran Churches in Centerville and Hurley, SD presents a message titled "A Lasting Covenant." This sermon is based on Joshua 24.

August 25, 2024

10 a.m. "Home Free" A family learns the real meaning of love, and that it comes free.

10:30 a.m. Rev. Jacob Bobby, pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Yankton, SD presents a message titled "Walk the Walk." This sermon is based on Ephesians 4:17-5:2.



AUGUST 2024

Marlene Markhardt, TR	Aug. 4
Larry & Peggy Hoffman, SP	Aug. 4
Kim Meier, TR	Aug. 5
Trudie Boedecker, TR	Aug. 5
Dick & Marilyn Markhardt, TR	Aug. 6
Ferra Kemp, SP	Aug. 5
Marlene Henthorn, TR	Aug. 8
Dale Gerlach, SP	Aug. 9
Tayven Weber, SP	Aug. 10
Ron Miller, SP	Aug. 10
Jazmyn Soukup, TR	Aug. 13
Travis Everson, TR	Aug. 13
Jacob Doering, TR	Aug. 13
Justin & Stephanie Everson, SP ...	Aug. 13
Kieth Albrecht, SP	Aug. 14
Ronald & Theresa Glissendorf, TR	Aug. 14
Dan & Karen Meier, TR (50)	Aug. 16
Britton Bogenhagen, TR	Aug. 17
Karissa Dalldorf, TR	Aug. 18
Jay Thompson, TR	Aug. 19
Kris Kieffer, TR	Aug. 23
Mark Guericke, TR	Aug. 24
Terry Steffen, TR	Aug. 25
Stephen Doering, TR	Aug. 26
Merlyn & Deb Haak, SP	Aug. 26
Ben & Brianna Bogenhagen, TR ..	Aug. 27
Cain Tobin, SP	Aug. 29
Kathy Guindon, SP	Aug. 31
Hannah Heismeyer, SP	Aug. 31



WORD FROM THE CENTER FRIDAY DIGEST

JULY 19 and JUNE 28, 2024

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MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM: SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE ABOUT TRANSGENDERISM

by Scott Stiegemeier*

Perhaps someone you know or someone in your child's school has come out recently as transgender. School districts, government leaders, doctors, counselors and ubiquitous popular media are teaching us all, including many in the church, false and unhealthy ideas about what it means to be human.

The church must not avoid talking about these uncomfortable topics. Too much is at stake. We need to understand what Scripture teaches on human nature, male and female, created in the image and likeness of God, fallen and redeemed. We need to understand the radical effects of the fall into sin and the even more radical benefits of Christ. Transgender issues have grown dramatically in the public's awareness in the past 10 years, so the church must understand its calling to correct, teach, restore and heal in the name of Jesus Christ.

Holy Scripture describes the creation of human beings as male and female in the context of saying we are made in the image of God. The sexed nature of our bodies is not oppressive. It is marvelous because God reveals the self-giving nature of His love even in our bodies. The whole Bible portrays the bond of marriage between a man and a woman as a representation of the relationship between God and Israel or Christ and the church. When a man and woman give themselves wholly to the other and joyously receive their mate, it is a living picture of who God is. Anything the devil can do to distort that reflection, he will do. The meaning of sex and sexual ethics, thus, are not secondary aspects of the church's message and mission but point concretely to Christ and His bride.

WHAT MUST THE ANGELS THINK?

by Peter Scaer**

You may consider the world to be a spectacle, a theater in which the greatest of dramas is playing itself out. As we battle the devil, the world, and our own sinful flesh, the angels come to our aid and are watching every minute of it. Following in our Lord's holy train, the angels especially love the little children. Gabriel himself announced the Son of God's coming as a baby within Mary's womb. And yet our abortion clinics continue to do their work, children's bodies dismembered and thrown into the trash, angels weeping. Children confused and groomed are led to think that somehow they are in the wrong body, and a game of dress-up soon leads to puberty blockers, hormone treatment, and mutilating surgery, leaving the angels to weep. Such a treasure it is to be created in God's image, but what of it? To think that God's Son has become one of us, in the flesh, sanctifying and redeeming a bodily life at which the angels wonder.

And so, we may ask, are the angels asleep? Far from it. The Mighty Ones continue to watch over us, continue to ward off the worst of the demons, and yet know that evil must run its course. But not forever. With their Lord Jesus, the angels will soon fill the sky, the host arrayed in white, strong and true, to deliver God's children. The right side of history talk has been exposed as nonsense, a way to demoralize those who know or should know better. Much better to be on the side of the angels, God's angels, who love us as He does.

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witness.lcms.org/2024/male-and-female-he-created-them-speaking-the-truth-in-love-about-transgenderism/

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AUGUST 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 5-7 p.m. TR LFL Diaper Distribution	3
4  Eleventh Sun. Pentecost 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at St. Paul's 6 p.m. SP Voters Meeting	5	6 2 p.m.  TR Hope Circle	7 6:30 p.m.  TR Ruth Circle 6:30 p.m. Clean Parsonage	8	9	10
11  Twelfth Sun. Pentecost 5 p.m. Joint Divine Service at Trinity	12	13 2 p.m.  SP Dorcas Circle	14	15	16	17
18  Thirteenth Sun. Pentecost 8:30 a.m. TR Communion 10:30 a.m. SP Communion	19	20	21	22	23	24
25  Fourteenth Sun. Pentecost 8:30 a.m. TR Divine Service 10:30 a.m. SP Divine Service	26	27	28	29	30	31