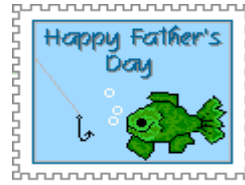




TELCO



JUNE 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I decided that I had better take a break from building an ark (just kidding) and write my article for the June TELCO. As I do so, I must admit that my problem isn't drying the dampness in my basement or the ponds of water in my back yard, but what to write about. This is because June has a lot going on. Summer begins and along with it our Summer Programs, especially our Family Nights. Three youth will confess their faith in God, and especially in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and their Lord and Savior in the Rite of Confirmation on Sunday, June 5. The date of the celebration of the Ascension of our Lord is Thursday, June 2. Holy Trinity Sunday, which is June 19, is our day to focus our thoughts on what it means for us that God has revealed Himself as the Triune God; one God but three persons in the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



Yes, there is a lot going on in June. However, the more I think about it, the more I believe that the focal point of June is the celebration of Pentecost which will be held Sunday, June 12.

This is because Pentecost has major implications for the Universal Church, our congregation, and our very lives. Please take some time and read about the very first Pentecost which is in the Book of Acts, Chapter 2, Verses 1-41.

There is no doubt that Pentecost is a day of miracles. The very first miracle can be found in verse 4. Luke writes, "All of them (the disciples) were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues

(languages) as the Spirit enabled them". What a miracle! The disciples were "ordinary men." They were not public speakers. They did not possess an education. They were fishermen, tax collectors, etc. Yet, each one of them proclaimed God's Word. They proclaimed that all were sinners and under God's wrath and punishment of eternal death. More importantly they proclaimed that Jesus Christ was the promised Savior from sin and eternal death. They spoke about the fact that by His death and resurrection He won the forgiveness of sins and life with God both now and forever for all who believe in Him. And they proclaimed this wondrous event in many different languages. How was this possible? The Holy Spirit enabled them. *(message cont. on pg. 2)*



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Special points of interest:

- 2nd & 4th Monday Dorcas Guild 9:30am
- 2nd Monday Elders Mtg 7pm
- 1st Tuesday Ladies Aid 7 pm
- 2nd Tuesday Prop. Mtg 6pm
- 3rd Tuesday Men's Club 6pm
- Thursdays—Women's Bible Study 1pm
- Saturday Bible St. 9:30am
- Saturday Worship 7:30pm
- Adult Bible Study & SS Sunday 9:00am
- Sunday Worship 10:30am

And believe it or not, the same is true today. There is no doubt that we have certain apprehensions and fears when it comes to witnessing the good news of salvation won by Jesus Christ. How will the individual receive the message? Will the individual laugh and ridicule me? Will the individual cut me off from his/her circle of friends? What will I say? What if I say the wrong thing? I know I could go on. Friends, we need the Holy Spirit. He will enable us for He is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. (Truth be told, only by the Holy Spirit's power and guidance is this possible.) Thus, we need to pray for the Holy Spirit to be with us. We need to trust that He will indeed enable us to be witnesses. He will give us the courage and words to say.

But now, I must say that this is not the only miracle revealed in the Pentecost event. Unfortunately, we have a tendency to focus on the first one and totally ignore the second one. Yet, this second miracle is just as important as the first. What is this second miracle? St. Luke writes in verse 41 *"Those who accepted his (Peter's) message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day."* Now how is it that these people came to faith? The Holy Bible is very clear on this part. The Bible teaches that faith is the work of The Holy Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit working through the Word of God and Sacraments who creates, renews, strengthens, and preserves faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior from sin and death. And this truth has enormous implications for us regarding witnessing. So often the Gospel is proclaimed in the Church. We may find ourselves sharing the Gospel in a variety of different ways. Yet, many times we don't see results. We end up wondering "What am I doing wrong?" We become frustrated and sometimes disillusioned. We may feel, "What's the use?" and "throw up our hands in defeat." Friends, we are not salespeople. We don't convince anyone. Faith is the work of the Holy Spirit. All our Lord commands us to do is to witness the good news of salvation won by Jesus Christ. The rest is up to the Holy Spirit. When you think about this fact, a great burden is lifted from our shoulders.

And the Holy Spirit will work. He will enter peoples' hearts. He will create, renew and sustain faith in peoples' hearts. We may never see it. It could be that a person will come to faith a year, 10 years, or even 20 years later. Who knows! However, we have God's promise that His word will not return empty. As God says in Isaiah 55:10-11: *"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is My Word that goes out of My mouth: it will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."* Oh, yes, the Holy Spirit will work. He will enter peoples' hearts. He will create, renew, and sustain faith in peoples' hearts. God has promised so. He is faithful to His promises. Thus, let us never become discouraged in our witnessing.

Friends, the Day of Pentecost was a day of miracles worked by God the Holy Spirit. These miracles continue today. May we remember that the Holy Spirit encourages and empowers us to witness the good news of salvation won by Jesus Christ. May we remember that it is the Holy Spirit, and not we, who creates, renews, and sustains faith. We may be reluctant to or disillusioned with witnessing but we have the Holy Spirit. Thanks be to God the Holy Spirit.

Your Servant In Christ,

Pastor

OUR NEXT QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS MEETING WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH during coffee hour following our worship service. Updates will be given concerning our congregation and ministries such as Daycare and outreach. There will be time for any questions. The meeting should not be long. We pray that you will attend.



FAMILY NIGHT



TUESDAY, JUNE 28

6 PM



**FREE FUN FOR ALL
GRILLED HOT DOGS, CHIPS, DRINKS,
& COTTON CANDY.**



**FEATURING
THE ANDOVER PUPPETEERS**

June Birthdays

- 3 Carolanne Schmitt
- 4 Kristin Fahs
- 5 Alexis Merrick, Mary Monroe
- 10 Dave Pinney
- 11 Courtney Klein
- 15 Janice Vossler
- 16 Gladys Sweet
- 18 Carina Kling, Lauren Lynch
- 19 Tim Hand, Brooke Nicholas
- 22 Jane White
- 24 David Helmer, Sr., Brandon Strawser
- 26 June Helmer
- 28 Andrea Vossler
- 29 Haleigh Golish
- 30 Olivia Hanks



UPCOMING GRADUATES!

Please notify the church office ASAP to tell us who is graduating this year so we can recognize your achievement! Thanks!

& Anniversaries

- 13 Scott & Kelly Vossler
- 16 Claire & Merie Coyle
- 18 Barry & Linda Gridley
- 20 Mark & Chris Wiedemann
- 27 Al & Ginny Vossler
- 28 Scott & Jennifer Patrick
- 29 Pete & Cathy Farwell





TRINITY CHRISTIAN DAYCARE

The Daycare – Pork, Program, and Plans

As the month of June is upon us, the daycare is busily making plans for various happenings.

~ PORK ~



Our one and only annual fundraiser is **Friday afternoon, June 10, 3:30-6:00 pm**. Our pulled pork dinner makes for a supper that is inexpensive, tasty, and easily picked up in the church parking without getting out of your car. Tickets, advance sale only, are \$6 – available at the daycare office. You may phone the daycare at 593-3820 to reserve your tickets. The menu is a pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, cole slaw, pickle, and brownie. The proceeds will go to equipment. As our numbers have increased, more furniture and play equipment are desperately needed.

~ PROGRAM ~

On **Thursday, June 9 at 4pm**, we are looking forward to our annual spring Children-Parent Program. It's short and simple with a few songs, recognition of those going to real school (kindergarten), and will concluded with punch and cookies. Parent attendance is anticipated to be 90%-plus. It's always great to have congregational members present.

~ PLANS ~

Public school ends around June 22, and that means an increased number of school-agers. Last year's **summer program** was great; this year it will be even better. With our budget and a large number of children, a Scio elementary teacher has been hired to direct our summer fun. She will be assisted by regular staffer Rose Munkes and also two-three college gals. Our church member Kayla Vossler is back for her second summer. She is joined by another returning college gal Laura Chaffee. There are a few remaining openings for those ages kindergarten through sixth grade. A special rate is offered for summer that includes two meals and snack plus all materials and supplies. Anyone interested should call the daycare office at 593-3820.



The Middle School Jump Club is sending us two crews of students to do community service tasks. On Thursday, June 2, we expect art teacher Nancy Aborjaily's artists to paint more decorative symbols on the walls of the downstairs area. They have painted in that area for two years now, and have certainly brightened a rather dull-looking stairway. Another crew under the direction of Kitty Ball and Laura Joy are going to use their muscles for outdoor work - raking, weeding, etc. All these 11-13 year old kids work really well with cookies as a tasty bribe.

MEN'S CLUB

The May meeting of Men's Club was held at the fellowship Hall with 17 members present. We all enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and a delicious stuffed pork chop meal. Thanks Fred and Dave.

The Men's club would like to thank everyone who bought chicken barbecue dinners on Mother's Day making our fund raiser a great success. We apologize to anyone who was unable to get dinners as we underestimated how many to prepare.

This month the club donated \$200 to the Church Nursery and will buy the corsages and a cake for this year's Confirmands.

During our business meeting we welcomed two new members, Bob McCracken and Mike Lamberson.

Next months meeting is our Annual Chicken Barbecue, which will be held at the Church Pavilion at 6 pm on the 21st of June. Everyone has enjoyed this meal in the past, so plan on making reservations. The Ladies Aid and wives of late members will be our guests. See you there.

Paul Vossler, Secretary

Dorcas



In May we were blessed to have a full crew of workers and the ladies tied a pretty twin-size quilt Betty had made. Thank you Betty and ladies!

Janet brought pictures of some of the lovely quilts on display at a quilt show she attended in Florida. Really works of art.

Janet took seven beautiful, large quilts to Cuba to be given to the recent fire victims. These lovely, colorful quilts should bring warmth and beauty to all.

Our thanks to Karalee for taking two boxes of quilt blocks for her quilters. We have so many more than we can use. June meetings—Mondays June 13th & 27th at 9:30am.



A Thought— *There are not stars in the sky,
But rather openings,
Where our loved ones shine down
To let us know they are happy.*

LADIES AID

Our annual election day banquet was truly amazing. The officers were sworn in by pastor before the meal. The officers remain the same except our vice president is now Dorothy Herke. We had twenty four in attendance, sixteen of which were regular members. We welcomed Joanna Schmidt, Carol Ann Schmidt, Dee Roeske, Sina Hallett McCracken, Carole Aldrich, Deb & Diane Vossler and pastor. Our special guests were Albert & Virginia Vossler who provided a nice half hour of international violin pieces. Their guest was Nora Zinner. The tables were beautifully decorated with fresh flowers & candles compliments of Shelly who also put on a truly fantastic meal. Great food, great fellowship and a beautiful spring evening made this years banquet very special. We thank all the extra ladies for attending, Al & Virginia and a special thanks to Shelly Dunne.

Respectfully,
Sally Dannheim, Secy.

**TELCO TREASURERS REPORT
APRIL 2011**

**2011
BUDGET APRIL 2011 YEAR TO DATE**

INCOME			
OFFERINGS		13,777.87	47,751.74
OTHER INCOME		195.00	1,170.00
TOTAL INCOME		13,972.87	48,921.74
EXPENSES			
PAYROLL			
EXPENSE	144,632	16,537.04	50,948.39
BOARD OF			
ELDERS	3,480	287.39	1,994.65
YOUTH	500	0.00	0.00
EDUCATION	2,050	248.29	530.24
CONVENTIONS	750	792.50	792.50
TREASURER			
EXPENSE	1,000	2.00	59.17
OFFICE			
EXPENSE	2,400	0.00	396.02
STEWARDSHIP	3,975	300.00	1,200.00
EVANGELISM	4,170	256.40	571.36
PROPERTIES	28,086	1,733.49	7,827.44
GALLMAN-			
HAWLEY	53,000	2,270.00	15,037.52
TOTAL EXPENSE			
BUDGET	244,043	4,003.49	22,864.96

Respectfully
submitted,
Linda Gridley,
Treasurer

Nursing Home Ministry: A total of 93 individuals received Holy Communion at the three Nursing Homes. Please feel free to join us at any time for church services, communion or our hymn sings. It's nice to know that others are interested in what we do. We appreciate anyone who can help. Our schedule is on the calendar. If you have questions please contact Ruth Meacham or Pete Carlin.

Here is the breakdown for the month of May:

Manor: 36 residents 6 non-residents
Total of 42

Highland: 22 residents 12 non-residents
Total of 34

Manor Hills: 14 residents 3 non-residents
Total of 17



EVANGELISM NEWS

We are gearing up for our summer evening family programs. The first will be on Tuesday, June 28th and feature the Andover Puppeteers. We will again have our grilled hot dogs, chips, drink and cotton candy. Free fun for all. Please plan on joining us and stay tuned for other programs in July and August.

Does anyone know someone in the southern part of the country that would have a connection to a Lutheran church that has been ravaged by flooding or storms? We would like to help out some fellow Lutherans but would really like a personal connection. Please let Kay, Pastor or Betty know if you do.

The Allegany County Fair will soon be in full swing and we will again be renting a booth. It is a great way to get the Word out to the public, especially to those who have no church affiliation. Won't you volunteer to help out by spending a few hours at the booth? All you need is a smile and a kind "hello" to those that stop by. We have sermons on CDs for adults and kids, candy and small trinkets to hand out. Very few even say more than 'hi'. We don't expect you to 'talk it up'-your smile is all the witness needed for this. Take a friend and check out the fair at no charge! Please let Betty know if you are interested.

God bless,
Kay McCulloch



A from the DCO.

COMPASSION CLEMENT MISSION

As of January of this year, \$2461.00 has been received in support of Compassion Clement Mission in Hyderabad, India. Churches, individuals, and organizations continue to make donations. Sheba writes that construction is still continuing although because of very hot weather, it has slowed down. They still need to construct a fence around the property and purchase a generator. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN DAYCARE

Parent Program. Please come!! On Thursday, June 9th at 4:00 pm our Daycare will be hosting its annual 'Parent Program'. Please come and get to know some of our daycare families, and enjoy a program put on by the children. "They are so precious in His sight"



Pulled Pork Dinner:

Trinity Christian Daycare is holding a pulled-pork take-out dinner on Friday, June 10th. from 3:30 to 6. The cost is \$6.00. Please contact the Daycare office for tickets. 593-3280.

Trinity Christian Daycare Board Meeting: THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND, AT 6:00 PM.

TRINITY SUMMER PROGRAMS (FAMILY NIGHTS)

SAVE THE DATES: Tuesday, June 28th Puppet Show and Cook-Out

Wednesday, July 27st

Wednesday, August 31st

COUNSELING I am available for counseling for members of our congregation or members of our community. The cost is based on a sliding scale.

Counseling Fees

This service is an outreach ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church. The cost is determined based on an individual's financial resources. Below are the suggested fees:

Income: \$00.00 to \$10,000 = \$20.00 an hour
\$10,000 to \$15,000 = \$25.00 an hour
\$15,000 to \$20,000 = \$30.00 an hour
\$20,000 to \$25,000 = \$35.00 an hour
\$25,000 to \$30,000 = \$40. An hour
\$30,000 or more = \$50.00 an hour

These are suggested rates and are flexible.

All the money received from this ministry is returned to the church to further its mission to all of God's children. It is our prayer that an individual does not feel that they have to pay, but rather that they would want to pay. Payment would be appreciated at the end of each session.

“CARRY EACH OTHER’S BURDENS, AND IN THIS WAY YOU WILL FULFILL THE LAW OF CHRIST”. GALATIANS 6: 2

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A BIT OF HUMOR

The Picnic

A Jewish Rabbi and a Catholic Priest met at the town's annual 4th of July picnic. Old friends, they began their usual banter.

"This baked ham is really delicious," the priest teased the rabbi. "You really ought to try it. I know it's against your religion, but I can't understand why such a wonderful food should be forbidden! You don't know what you're missing. You just haven't lived until you've tried Mrs. Hall's prized Virginia Baked Ham. Tell me, Rabbi, when are you going to break down and try it?" The rabbi looked at the priest with a big grin, and said, "At your wedding."



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Word List

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NATIONS MATTHEW GALILEE DOUBTED SPIRIT HEAVEN FATHER
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HAVE CAME BEEN YOU SON SAW NOW HIM HAS HAD END BUT
ALL AGE TO OF GO

(Matthew 28:16-20 NRSV) Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. (17) When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. (18) And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. (19) Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (20) and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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Director Of Music: Carole A. Aldrich



INSPIRATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE



GOD HEARS EVEN WHEN IT'S JUST A WHISPER OF THE HEART.

MAY GOD BRING YOU A BLESSING TODAY.

THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH.

*I WILL INSTRUCT THEE AND TEACH THEE IN THE WAY WHICH THOU
SHALT GO: I WILL GUIDE THEE WITH MY EYE.*

REMEMBER YOU ARE IN HIS CARE TODAY AND EVERY DAY.

GOD PLACES FRIENDS IN OUR PATH TO BRING LIGHT TO OUR LIVES.

*THE SHINING LANDMARKS THAT GUIDES SEAFARERS TO SAFE HARBOR
PAIRS WITH BIBLICAL WISDOM.*
