Trinity Lutheran Church

October 2017

Sunday Services

8:00am Contemporary Worship

9:30am Christian Education

10:45am Traditional Worship

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From Pastor Bode - How Do You Get to Heaven?

Dear friends in Christ,

If you and I lived in the 16th century we might have been able to buy our way into the pearly gates. Even more startling, we could buy passage for someone else who had already died. At least that was the impression that many of the common folk had when they purchased indulgences from representatives of the official church.

The church's attitude was that even though sin is forgiven, it must still be paid for in the form of penance either through good works in this world or in purgatory in the next. An indulgence allowed you to avoid penance by substituting monetary payment. Or you could spring a loved one from purgatory in the same way.

This was a perversion of the Word of God, but it was a perversion that was easily understood ... and a very effective way of raising funds for the expanding budgets of the Church while attempting to deal with people's sincere guilt over their sins.

It was abuses such as this that caused a young priest by the name of Martin Luther, a professor in the University of Wittenberg, to nail his 95 theses on the Wittenberg church door 500 years ago on October 31, 1517.

Luther had already become disillusioned with the church. He was devastated by the corruption he found at Rome on an earlier visit. Feeling himself to be sinful and rebellious, he made his way to the cathedral and began climbing the Scala Sancta, the "sacred stairs." As he climbed the stairs he kissed each step as was the custom. Suddenly a verse of Scripture began haunting him, "The just shall live by faith—the just shall live by faith." In a moment it occurred to him that salvation came not through kissing steps, but through faith in Christ, Christ's death on the cross was sufficient to cover all his sins. Penance, purgatory and indulgences were nothing more than perverted "addons" to the simple truth of salvation that a man is justified by grace through faith apart from the works of the Law.

Martin Luther was simply rediscovering what Paul had discovered and proclaimed 1500 years earlier:

"But God has a way to make people right with Him without the law, and He has now shown us that way which the law and the prophets told us about. God makes people right with Himself through their faith in Jesus Christ.

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Welcome New Member Dawn VanCise



Dawn was born in Brighton, MA in 1970 and moved with her family to Port St. Lucie in 1980. After High School graduation and a 6 year journey back to New England, she moved back to Florida to start her family 24 years ago. She never wants to live anywhere else but here.

Dawn has 3 grown children with families of their own and is a proud new grandma to her 5 month old grandson and a 1 month old granddaughter

Prior to retirement, Dawn was an office manager, building permit specialist, child support case manager and church communications coordinator. She sold fax machines for a short while in 1986 when they were a brand new idea.

A true naturist at heart, Dawn loves trail walks in the wood's, listening to live music, dancing and appreciating nature from moon lit nights to ocean breezes and she commented that God is everywhere.

Dawn stated, "I am so fortunate to have found a church family such as ours. Thanks for welcoming me with such loving arms! WOW, God."

Pastor Bode's article continued from cover page.

This is true for all who believe in Christ, because all people are the same: Everyone has sinned and fallen short of God's glorious standard, and all need to be made right with God by His grace, which is a free gift. They need to be made free from sin through Jesus Christ. God sent Him to die in our place to take away our sins. We receive forgiveness through faith in the blood of Jesus' death." (Romans 3:21-25a—NCV)

Jesus Christ has atoned for all the sins of all people. There is nothing else we need to do, but accept His sacrifice as the payment for our sins. Christ has paid it all.

So, to put it very simply: How do you get to heaven? Jesus Himself answers clearly: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6—NIV)

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

Justified by faith, Pastor Bode

HURRICANE RELIEF

The LCMS is standing with those affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Please pray for all involved.

To give online, visit lcms.org. Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 am and 4:10 pm Central time at 888-930-4438. By mail, make checks payable to "LCMS." On the memo line, write "Disaster Response/Relief," and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO, 63166-6861. Gifts also can be designated specifically for specific affected areas by stipulating in the memo line.

From the Prayer Team

"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord." (Ephesians 2:19-20)

This month, I would like to encourage you to join me in praying for our church here at Trinity. God has work for us to do, and we always need to seek His guidance and His will for us by taking time to pray, before we are tempted to just "do." Our church is a complex organism of many moving parts, living infused by the very breath of the Holy Spirit, giving us many needs to cover in prayer.



We can start by praying for the physical structure of our church- the buildings, the property and all of its needs for maintenance and upkeep. Our church buildings, and the people who help maintain them, are integral to our worship each week. Thank God for them, and ask for God's protection and provision.

Next, we can pray for our leaders. May God raise up godly leaders in every area. Psalm 106:32 -33 reminds us of a time when the Israelites were in Egypt, and were frustrated with their situation in the wilderness, causing them to lash out. The verses read as follows, "They angered him (Moses) at the waters of Meribah, and it went

ill with Moses on their account, for they made his spirit bitter, and he spoke rashly with his lips." Eugene Peterson comments on these verses in a very insightful way:

"We forget sometimes, Lord, how dangerously our discontent can affect another's trust. We want to be especially considerate of those who are leaders and companions in the way of faith, supporting them with appreciation and intercession, not toppling them with criticism and grumbling." (Eugene Peterson)

We can pray for our members - that they faithfully follow and support the leadership of our church, so that they are a blessing to the leaders, and not a burden. "Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you." (Hebrews 13:17). Pray that Trinity members individually seek God's call to an area of service in the church, so that all will labor together for the advancement of God's Kingdom.



Just some of the peanut butter delivered to the Mustard Seed.
Thank you, Trinity!



Thank you to all the folks that prepped Trinity's facilities for Hurricane Irma.

A huge thanks to Jim Gordy and Joe Malfait for organizing the event.

Laus Deo—No damage to God's Home!



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State of Florida Department of Children and Families

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Dennis Miles Regional Managing Director

August 16, 2017

Kids of Trinity Lutheran Church & Open Arms 2011 S 13th St Fort Pierce, FL 34950

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church Kids & Open Arms:

On the Behalf of Children and Families I would like to say thank you for the donation of care boxes for the children coming into care.

The time and energy that the children have put into the care boxes will mean so much to the children going through such a difficult time in their lives. The boxes have been dispersed to our four local county locations, so that each area of children can be reached by your love and care.

"It is our hope to promote the well-being, nurturance, safety and stability of Florida's most vulnerable children and families."

Sincerely,

Amy Gregory

C19 CPI Program Administrator Department of Children and Families

Prayer Team— Continued from page 3

And lastly, we can pray for Trinity in the months and years ahead, that decisions that are made, are made boldly at the prompting of the Holy Spirit. May we never act in fear or hesitation that causes us to miss what God is placing before us as His mission for our church. Let us not cling more firmly to the past, than we cling to Jesus and His plans for our present and future. Pray that our eyes and ears are fixed firmly on God, that we hear Him clearly, and that we act in one accord with love, as He leads and guides. Let us always keep the words of Paul in mind from 2 Corinthians 5:6-7."

So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight."

Thanks for praying! Join us on Wednesdays at 10:30 am - 11:15 am for a time of prayer together as we pray for our church, the world, and our individual needs. If you have any questions, contact Mary Bode - b103067.1377@gmail.com.



Need some encouragement during the week?

Get a daily dose of hope and God's
truth from your Pastor. You can Friend
Request Pastor Bode on Facebook or
follow him on Twitter.
Or receive his daily devotion.

Light for Your Day,

by emailing him at

<u>craig.bode@gmail.com</u> **or** PastorBode@TrinityChurch4U.com.

Looking for Mom Friends?

MOPS is what you need! Join us here at Trinity again on Tuesday, October 10 and 24, 10 am-12 pm. MOPS is for all Moms with children from pregnancy through Kindergarten. It's a place for friendship authentic community, support and growth—because Better Moms Make a Better World! MOPS Kids Childcare is provided.



Ft Pierce MOPS

For more information or to volunteer to help with this ministry of Trinity contact Christie Garst (christiananlee@ymail.com—224-383-4639).

<u>Our Thursday Bible Study</u> is beginning a study of the epistle of James, a powerful and practical presentation of the Christian life.

Consider joining us for a time of reflection on God's Word that is sure to strengthen your faith and draw you closer to your Savior and His strength and purpose for your life. We meet in the Fellowship Hall every Thursday from 10:30-11:30 am. Coffee and cookies provided.

"When Your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear Your name, LORD God Almighty." (Jeremiah 15:16—NIV)

TrintyChurch4u.com WEBSITE needs YOU!

We are looking for someone to do simple updates to the website. It comes with an instructor and easy to do anytime from the comfort of your home!

See Pastor for details.

Mustard Seed—Please contribute to the wishing well in the church entrance area to donate food or paper products for Mustard Seed Ministries. If you find that you have a BOGO and are only going to use 1 item, please bring the other to the wishing well. This is just a small way that you can help those in need.



Bring the Grandkids! Trinity hosts a playgroup (Mondays, 9:30 am) and Joyful Noise Music and Movement class (Fridays, 9:30 am). Free to all, 6 months to 4 years. No sign up needed, just drop in.

Lutherans for Life (LFL) seeks to equip Lutherans to be advocates for life. Educational resources and training are available all year long. The Word of Hope outreach offers the love, hope, and healing power of Jesus Christ to post-abortion men and women. LFL relies on financial support from dedicated friends. To assist LFL contact John Hawkins (512-468-977—jhawkins@lutheransforlife.org). More information is also available at www.lutheransforlife.org.

Care Net provides a safe and confidential place for young parents to explore options and receive assistance in a number of ways from baby supplies to parenting classes. It is a local mission field like no other. Here are some of the ways they serve our community:

- Pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STD tests
- Education on fetal development and abortion risks
- Parenting Class and Boutique of baby supplies
- Abstinence Presentations to churches
- Five day abstinence education for schools
- Education on sexually transmitted diseases
- Abstinence Discipleship Classes
- Parent Workshops on Helping Teens choose Abstinence
- Post Abortion Recovery Classes for men and women
- Referrals for housing, medical and spiritual
- Purity Ball and Abstinence Rally
- Adoption support and referrals
- Spiritual counsel and salvation in Jesus Christ offered For more information or to volunteer to help with this mission call (772-871-2211) or go to www.CareNetTC.com.

Hope's Closet provides gently-used clothing for children, age birth to 17, who are disadvantaged due to family poverty or homelessness, every Wednesday, 10 am to 5 pm.



Volunteers help clients shop and sort though the clothing donations. If you would like to volunteer in their store, contact Hope's Closet (877-472-2311 (X2)—Hopescloset@gracewayvillage.org). Hope's Closet is located at 1780 Hartman Road in Fort Pierce.

Today's Light 2-year Bible Reading Plan

"The unfolding of Your words gives light."

(Psalm 119:130—NIV)

Our Today's Light Bible Reading Plan guides you through the whole Bible in 2 years, breaking the Bible into segments that take about 10-15 minutes a day to read. God's Holy Spirit will teach, comfort, confront, and sustain you through His Word on a journey that is sure to make a difference in your day ... a difference in your life!

"Be in and encourage each other with God's Word!"

Week 39 (September 25-October 1)

Monday—2 Chronicles 34-35

Tuesday—2 Chronicles 36

Wednesday—Ezra 1-2

Thursday—Ezra 3-4

Friday—Ezra 5-6

Saturday—Ezra 7-8

Week 40 (October 2-8)

Monday—Ezra 9-10

Tuesday—Nehemiah 1

Wednesday—Nehemiah 2-3

Thursday—Nehemiah 4-6

Friday—Nehemiah 7-8

Saturday—Nehemiah 9-10

Week 41 (October 9-15)

Monday—Nehemiah 11-13

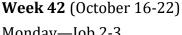
Tuesday—Esther 1-2

Wednesday—Esther 3-4

Thursday—Esther 5-7

Friday—Esther 8-10

Saturday—Job 1



Monday—Job 2-3

Tuesday—Job 4-5

Wednesday—Job 6-7

Thursday—Job 8-10

Friday—Job 11-12

Saturday—Job 13-14

Week 43 (October 23-29)

Monday—Job 15-17

Tuesday—Job 18-19

Wednesday—Job 20-21

Thursday—Job 22-24

Friday—Job 25-28

Saturday—Job 29-31

Week 44 (October 30-November 5)

Monday—Job 32-34

Tuesday—Job 35-37

Wednesday—Job 38-41

Thursday—Job 42

Friday—Psalm 1-6

Saturday—Psalm 7-11



TRINITY CELEBRATIONS

October Birthdays and Anniversaries of our Members

Birthdays

Glenna Sigmon

1 Roxanne Hornyak	25 Mark Walters	MEMORIALS In Memory of Mickey Sigmon
2 Chuck Rhodes	26 Frances Larsson	Pamela & Gary Gillette
3 Maria Anderson	Paul Tausch	Linda Williams
5 Bobby Manis	29 Sharon Britcher	Robert & Anna Gilanyi
7 Gene Harvey		Mary Brown
10 Linda Casper	Anniversaries	Thomas & Pamela McDaniel
11 Robert Powell		Mary Walters & Neal McCoy
15 Erin Brooks	10 Debbie and Ed Reed 14 Jim and Lois Gordy 22 Jay and Martha Taylor	Karol Cosgrove
Jaxson Daniel		Dorothy Walker
16 Jim Patterson		Linda Hays
18 Louise Wile		Karen Pearson
19 Diane Handwerk		
20 Savannah Plumstead		

REMEMBER OUR MEMBERS

Who are homebound or in a nursing care facility

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Readers:		Leslie Graham	772-461-7272		
Greeters:	8:00 10:45	Can you help us? Shirley Louria	772-979-3991		
Coffee Hour:	8:00 10:45	Carole Thew Shirley Louria	772-828-0117 772-979-3991		

The deadline for Trinity Tidings submissions is the 10th of each month. Pls. email Pam N4095P@gmail.com

The deadline for Sunday Bulletin information is Tuesday of the prior week. Pls. email OfficeManager@Trinitychurch4U.com . Thank you.

calendar

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY!

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8:00 AM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
9:30 AM – CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR
10:45 AM – TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
(A fully staffed nursery available all morning)

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