

Lost and Found

February 2021

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

SPIRITUAL INSPIRATIONS

Our God Is...Love

"How much do you love me?" Brenda asked her two-year-old son. Jonah held out his hands about a foot apart and said, "I love you this much."

Paul turned to Jonah's twin sister and asked her, "Hannah, how much do you love me?" Hannah extended her hands as far apart as they would go. "I love you this much," she said.

Four-year-old Kevin was watching closely. When Brenda and Paul asked him how much he loved them, they expected him to copy the actions of his younger brother and sister. Instead, he spread his arms out in front of him as wide as possible and then curled them down and behind his back until they met. Kevin said, "This is how much I love you, all the way around."

Brenda and Paul looked at each other in amazement. Kevin understood that the greatest love is all-encompassing!

If your sweetheart asks you how much you love her on Valentine's Day, you probably should not just stretch out your arms. You probably shouldn't even curl them behind your back, unless you have a gift hidden there!

Yet, it is in the outstretched arms of Jesus that we know the love God has for us—all of us.

Perhaps you have seen pictures of Jesus with his arms spread wide on the cross. "This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 John 4:10).

Valentine's Day is a good day to express your love for the special people in your life. It is also a good time as Christians to remember that "We know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them" (1 John 4:16). Join us at church to celebrate more of God's love.

Inspiration from the Psalms:

Psalm 3:3-4

³But you are a shield around me, O LORD, you bestow glory on me and lift up my head. ⁴To the LORD I cry aloud and he answers from his holy hill.

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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

OUTREACH COMMITTEE:

The Outreach Committee is also looking at updating brochures and older church literature to update any handouts that we give to new members and prospects.

The Outreach Committee is also looking at getting a Website Committee put together. They will be looking at updating the website and keeping it up-to-date with the latest information. If you are interested, please sign up in the back of church or you can call the office at 419-326-4685.

UPDATE ON CALLS:

Rev. Todd Engel returned his call to serve as pastor. Mr. & Mrs. Roth returned their calls to serve as 7th and 8th grade teacher & principal and kindergarten teacher, respectively. On Thursday, February 4th at 7 pm, there will be another call meeting to extend a call to a Kindergarten teacher and 7th and 8th grade teacher & principal.

CHURCH COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Church council approved a quote for updating our video equipment with the ability to live stream services.

Church council has set Sunday, February 21, 2021, as the date for a Communion Service. Just like we had a communion service in January, we will have a communion service for those who are unable to attend Sunday morning worship services. Please sign up by calling the school office at 419-326-4685 or emailing tlsoffice@ tlcjenera.org. We will limit the service to 50 people. If we have more than 50 people sign up, we will add another service one hour later. The communion service will start at 1 pm.

Because of lingering CoVID concerns, the only mid-week Lent services that Trinity will have this year are the Ash Wednesday service on February 17th and Holy Week Services the week of March 29th. We are currently looking for other churches throughout our synod that will either livestream or post their midweek Lent services online. When we find that information, we will put it in the bulletin and email that to you.

Council has formed a Projects Committee that will look into any projects with the money that has been given through gifts and donations. The members of the Projects Committee are John & Esther Spaeth, James & Kathy Miles, Jamie & Theresa Siferd, George & Ashley Norway, and Mason & Kelsey Waltz.

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We are looking into getting a committee formed that would look into ways we can better use the money that God has given us in regards to the health insurance that we provide our called workers. If you are interested in helping out with this task, please call Pastor Matt Nowak at 419-302-5271 or email him at pastormattn@gmail.com.

SCHOOL UPDATE:

Keep an eye out for information about school registration coming in February. Member registration will begin sometime in February. Open Enrollment is scheduled to begin on March 1st, 2021.

WEB MASTERS NEEDED! No- we don't mean Spiderman. The church is looking for people that enjoy designing websites. Our current website (www.tlcjenera.org) is outdated and in need of a facelift. Mason Waltz and Justine Mitchell have volunteered to start working on this project and they need assistance. We would like your great ideas so we can beautify our website and make it easy to use for ALL ages. We are looking for the "wow" factor for our website. Anyone interested can email Ron Bower at rcbower@frontier.com or sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Can't wait for some fresh, new ideas. Ready, Set.....GO!!!

LADIES AID will again be meeting February 8 at 7:30pm in the church sanctuary with masks required. We will continue our Bible study on prayer. Please join us!

BUGS, WORMS, AND LITTLE THINGS: Join us for Mornings with Mommy on Monday, February 15 or Tuesday, February 16 at 9:30am. Bring your little ones to play with all sorts of little critters—butterflies, caterpillars, worms, spiders, ladybugs, and flies. Make a rainbow butterfly, go on a "sticky walk", swat flies, and sort bugs. Register online at tlcjenera.org or call 262-391-7994.

DON'T FORGET! Sunday services are recorded each Sunday and uploaded to YouTube. If you are unable to attend live services on Sunday, please be sure to check it out on line. You may find the link on the website (www.tlcjenera.org) or on YouTube (search Trinity Lutheran Church Jenera). We are also on Facebook (search Trinity Lutheran School or Friends in Christ Trinity Lutheran Church Jenera, Oh) One easy way to get the link is to sign up for emails that will have the link and the sermon text attached. Email the office if you would care to sign up. Soon, we will be live streaming our services.

JUST A REMINDER for those who feel uncomfortable with sitting in the sanctuary during services, there are two TV's in the basement are tuned to the service. Feel free to make use of the new technology!

MASKS ARE REQUIRED to be worn in public places, including here at church, according to the governor's guidelines. Anyone with a medical reason for not wearing a mask is asked to sit in the front wing seats. Please keep your mask on during service. If you are sick, please stay home for the health and safety of your brothers and sisters in Christ.



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Join us for Worship Sundays at 8 &10:30am

Sunday School & Bible Class at 9:20am

Mornings with Mommy-1st & 3rd Monday & Tuesday of the month. Register on line at

tlcjenera.org

FEBRUARY 2021



Memory Gem from God's Treasure

(for parents, children—everyone young and old!)

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Matthew 5:7





The Tiger Tribune

Kindergarten with Mrs. Hummer By Allison Stuckey

This month, I asked Mrs. Hummer 3 questions:

First I asked her about what part of January she and her class enjoyed most. Mrs. Hummer replied that "They enjoyed the pizza lunch, making gifts for parents, and seeing the Pastor from MLS come in." Next I asked what she was looking forward to the most in February. She said that she "...is looking forward to the chapter in math on money. Although it might be challenging, the kids will use it in their life." Lastly I asked her if she made a New Year's resolution. She said that she had, and that it was going very well.

1st & 2nd with Mrs. Krueger By Abbey Miles

This month Mrs. Krueger said that her class enjoyed the Christmas party, all the games that they played, and the classroom gift exchange. In February, she is looking forward to doing the hundredth-day-of-school party. This year she did not make a resolution but she is continuing one to start her day with prayer and devotion. She says that it is going very well so far. In her congregation, the ladies are doing devotions which help them to keep reading God's Word and encouraging one another to read the Bible.

3rd & 4th with Mrs. Baumann By Maya Beagle

This January, Mrs. Baumann's class was excited for their bean harvest project in science. Mrs. Baumann is looking forward to the Superbowl in February. She was hoping for the Packers to win against the Buccaneers so they could play in the Superbowl but that didn't happen. Mrs. Baumann reported that she did not make a New Year's resolution for 2021.

5th & 6th with Mr. von Stein By Izzy Kretz

This January Mr. von Stein and his class enjoyed working with electricity in Science,

7th & 8th with Mr. Koepsell

By Mikayla Norway

Mr. Koepsell and the seventh and eighth graders were most excited about finishing the styrofoam castles they were building in art class. Mr. Koepsell said he was looking forward to both the P.E.

and seeing if they could get all the wiring to work. Mr. von Stein is looking forward to seeing the Trinity Tigers play basketball in the month of February. He did not make a New Year's resolution for 2021.

unit on flag football as well as eating the chocolates he intends to get for Mrs. Koepsell on Valentines day. Mr. Koepsell has indeed made a New Year's resolution, which is to lose weight. So far it's been going well, he's lost 5 pounds since the start of January!

Tales from Quarantine

By Trenton Siefker & Owen Achey

How did Trinity make sure you were still able to learn and participate in class during your quarantine?

Trent: During my quarantine I was able to get all of my homework by getting it from the drop off bin outside of the office door including my Chromebook. Since I had brought my Chromebook home I was able to receive my homework via gmail. Not only did I use my Chromebook for homework, but to also do google meetings to get answers to any questions I may have had, have a devotion, and listen to Mr. Koepsell read the book that we have been reading as a class.

Owen: When I was quarantined, I was allowed to bring home my chromebook to have Google Meets with my class to do a devotion and listen to the book we are reading together.

What were your favorite and least favorite parts of quarantine?

Trent: My favorite part of quarantine was being able to stay up later and in turn sleep in, work at my own pace, and not wear a mask all day. My least favorite part of quarantine was not being able to see/talk with my friends all the time or go anywhere.

Owen: Being at home for two weeks made some of the lessons harder than it would have been in person. But I was able to sleep in later and work at my own pace.

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31	MWM 9:30 Faculty 3:30	MWM 9:30	School Chapel 8:20 On-Line Catechism 6:30	Good Sam 11:00 Bible Info Class 6:00 CALL MEETING	5	6
Communion Elders 1:00	Circuit Mtg 9:00 Board of Ed 6:30 Ladies Aid 7:30	9	School Chapel 8:20 On-Line Catechism 6:30	7:00pm 11 Bible Information 6:30	12	13
Childrens Lesson	MWM 9:30 Church Council 7:00 Teacher In-service No School	MWM 9:30 On-Line Catechism 6:30 Bible Information 6:30	School Chapel 8:20 Ash Wednesday Service 7:00	Good Sam Bible Class 11:00 Bible Information 6:30	19	20
Communion Special Communion Service 1:00	Newsletter Articles Due	23	School Chapel 8:20 On-Line Catechism 6:30	Bible Information 6:30	26	27
WELS Connection	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 9:20AM	Dwight Ra Steve Rauso	Counters ader 01.31- 02.13 ch 02.14-02.27 att 02.28-03.13	Monthly Flower Chairperson Mark Burkholder	Lutheran Chapel On the Air Sundays 11:00Am 1230 AM Dial (WCWA)

GREETERS FOR FEBRUARY

	EARLY SERVICE	LATE SERVICE
2.07	James & Deb Reichley	Mark & Jane Boehm
2.14	John & Janet Weihrauch	Jerry Beagle
2.17	Mark & Kathi Curth	(Ash Wednesday)
2.21	Barb Roidt & Ruth Marquart	Charlotte Brown & Janice Rausch
2.28	Joe & Jean Spaeth	Joyce Beach & Loretta Jansen

BIRTHDAYS

13	Wyatt Stahl
13	Mary Lee von Stein
19	Sarah Brand
27	Andrew Boehm
27	Marjorie Rettig
28	Kimaco Stroub-Krahn

NEXT MONTH

8	8 Teacher In-service-NO SCHOOL	
29	Easter Break begins	

ANNIVERSARIES

10 Ed & Jane Amstutz

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