



Lost and Found

March
2022

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

Ever Wonder? Answers to Important Questions

How can I be happy when I hurt so badly?

“How did you ever get such peace?” Jenny asked Carol. “It’s been eight months since my baby died, and it still tears me up.”

“Oh, I still ache when I remember my son. I miss him every day. Some days I can’t stop wondering what he would be like. But as far as peace goes, I felt peace already the night Alex died. It’s always been there, no matter how much I hurt.”

“I can see it, Carol. I keep hoping to have what you have.” Jenny glanced at a framed picture of Alex on Carol’s desk. “Sometimes I feel so angry and bitter that God took my baby.”

“I’ve gotten angry, too. It’s just not right that children die. But I don’t blame God. He made it possible for me to have peace after Alex died. God didn’t bring death into this world.”

“How can you say such a thing?” Jenny looked surprised. “God took your son from you. He’s dead.”

“That’s where you’re wrong,” Carol responded, putting her hand on Jenny’s shoulder. “Alex is not dead. He’s as alive as we are at this very moment. Jesus said, ‘Whoever believes in me will live even though he dies.’ Death entered this world when the first human beings sinned against God, but death cannot rob me of my son—he’s safe with Jesus.”

“How can you be so sure? I wish I could be as certain as you.”

Carol smiled. “You can be certain. Before I explain, let me ask you a question. Why did Jesus die on the cross?”

Jenny gave a puzzled look. “I don’t know. I guess some people really hated him.”

“Yes, some people hated him, but that doesn’t explain what happened. Jesus had to die. It was part of a plan. You and I and everyone else have sinned and deserved to die. But God came up with the plan to have his Son die in our place. The plan was fulfilled, and Jesus came back from the dead. Knowing what God has done gives me peace. Jenny, do you ever blame yourself for what happened? I did, sometimes. But now, I focus on God’s forgiveness and his love. And when I think of Alex, I remind myself that he’s living with God now. And by faith in Jesus, I am looking forward to seeing my son one day!”

“Thanks, Carol. Forgiveness, love, alive with God—you’ve helped me see everything in a new way.”

Inspiration from the Psalms:

Psalms 30:11

*You turned
my mourning
into dancing.
You removed
my sackcloth
and clothed
me with joy.*



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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

JUST A REMINDER: The senior choir will practice from 5:45-6:45 PM starting on March 2 and continue this schedule through Lent. We will meet downstairs in the church basement. Come and join us to learn songs to sing for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter!

DON'T FORGET about the Corn-hole Tournament the Outreach Committee is hosting in the school gym on Sunday, March 13th beginning at 2:30pm. Grab a partner and join us for some friendly competition. Sign up on the sheet on the table at the back of church.

THE NEXT Women's Ministry event will be held on Thursday, March 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Let's Create! Also, mark your calendars for the third and final part of the Bible study "Abortion and the Church" scheduled for Monday, March 28 at 7:00 p.m.

THE 2022 SEASON OF LENT begins with Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. The overall theme for this year is "The Crucial Hours." We will ponder key words and moments from Jesus' suffering, death, and victory. As we journey through our Savior's suffering we will see how complete his saving work for us is. We will know the breadth and depth of his love for us. We will be confirmed in the knowledge that he wants us to be his holy children

IN CONJUNCTION with the Ash Wednesday service, the 5th & 6th grade classes will be hosting a meal at 5:30 in the church basement. Tacos are on the menu! The kids are raising money for their class trip, so help them out and grab a couple of tacos at the same time.

LENTEN MEALS: If any groups (or individuals) are interested in hosting a meal on Wednesdays before each Lent service, please contact Lauren Siefker at 419.615.5991 or email her at siefker.curtlaurenandfamily@gmail.com.

CHURCH COUNCIL has approved an Easter Breakfast this year. We are forming a committee now. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the school office at 419.326.4685 or email tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org.

REGISTRATION is now open for Pre-school through 8th grade. Parents— please have your forms completed and turned in by April 12. Know someone who might be interested in our school? Encourage them to check us out at our **Trinity Lutheran School Open House** on March 8th from 5 to 7 pm.

EASTER FOR KIDS: Trinity is hosting Easter for Kids on Saturday, April 9 from 9:30 AM- 12:00 PM. The program is open to children age 3 - 5th grade. This event will give your children an opportunity to celebrate and learn about the true meaning of Easter. Children will learn that Jesus is alive and that all believers will live with him forever in heaven. The program features Bible-based activity stations where kids learn about the Savior's resurrection, praise him in song, make crafts, play games, and enjoy snacks together. Please register online at tlcjenera.org or pick up a registration form in the back of church. Questions—contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help at Easter for Kids on Saturday, April 9 from 9:30 AM -12:00 PM. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to help. You can specify what you would like to help with—crafts, music, games, registration, snacks, or group leaders.

A BUS FUND has been established to replace Bus #6, which is aging poorly. Please consider donating. To do so, please specify "Bus Fund" on your envelope. We thank you for keeping our school children safe!



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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? continued

OUTDOOR EASTER EGG HUNT: Families are invited to stay after our Easter for Kids program (on Saturday, April 9) for an egg hunt on the school grounds. The egg hunt will begin at 12:10 PM. Snacks and drinks will be provided for families in the parking lot following the egg hunt. The egg hunt is for toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary age children. If your children are not attending Easter for Kids but would still like to participate in the egg hunt, please register for the egg hunt at tlcjenera.org or pick up a registration form in the back of church. Questions—contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

SURVEY: The Outreach Committee is planning Outreach events at Trinity both to help our members get to know one another and to invite others in our community to get to know our church family. Our goal is to create opportunities for fellowship, friendships, and fun. Could you please help us by filling out a **short anonymous** survey? We want to know what you are interested in and when you might be able to attend. You can pick up a paper survey in the back of church or you can fill out the survey online at tlcjenera.org. Click on “Outreach Committee” on the homepage. Please complete the survey by Sunday, March 6. Questions—contact Jenny Boehm (262) 391-7994.

Call Response:

Dear members of Trinity Lutheran Church and School,

My name is Noreen Wilson and I am currently serving as the K-2 teacher, director of choirs, and music instructor at St. John’s Lutheran School in Pardeeville, WI. On Sunday, February 13, 2022, your congregation called me to teach grades 3-4 and be the school music director at your Lutheran elementary school. I have received your call and look forward to speaking with the staff and leaders of your congregation about the needs and ministry goals of Trinity. It is a humble honor to be considered for this position.

One of my favorite passages is from 1 John 3:1-- “See what great love the Father has **lavished** on us that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!” This passage has been special to me since my first year of teaching. I can still see our pastor pouring water from a pitcher into a glass and letting it overflow into a basin, showing all of us how God’s love is so great for us that it cannot be contained. It is a love that overflows! The greatest privilege and pleasure in teaching in WELS schools has always been sharing that lavish love of God with the children in my classroom. It is this love that led Christ to join us here on earth, live a perfect life, die on a cross, and rise again to pay for our sins and imperfections.

As I consider the needs of your congregation and the needs of St. John’s, as well as the gifts and abilities that God has given me to use, please keep me in your prayers. I also ask for your patience as I prayerfully consider where I can best serve my Savior. Please also keep the congregations of Trinity and St. John’s in your prayers as they both continue to minister to God’s precious lambs.

In Christ’s service,

Ms. Noreen Wilson

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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*

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Memory Gem from God's Treasure

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

We are going up to Jerusalem. The Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and experts in the law, and they will condemn him to death. ¹⁹ They will hand him over to the Gentiles to mock, flog, and crucify him. On the third day he will be raised."

Matthew 20:18, 19

MISSION STATEMENT: *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Ash Wednesday School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 5:45 Ash Wednesday Worship 7:00	3 Good Samaritan Bible Class 11:00	4 Basketball HVL Tournament Early Dismissal	5 Basketball Tournament AT Huron Valley 8:00am
6 Communion Catechism 1:00	7 Mornings with Mommy 9:30 Faculty Mtg 3:30 Board of Ed 6:00	8 Mornings with Mommy 9:30	9 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 5:45 Lenten Service 7:00	10	11 Basketball AT Huron Valley	12 Basketball AT Huron Valley
13 Children's Lesson Catechism 1:00 Corn-hole Tourn 2:30	14 Preschool Playtime 10:00 school gym Teacher In-service No School	15	16 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 5:45 Lenten Service 7:00	17 Good Samaritan Bible Class 11:00 Women's Ministry Craft night 6:30	18	19
20 Communion Catechism 1:00	21 Newsletter Articles Due Mornings with Mommy 9:30 Church Council 7:00	22 Mornings with Mommy 9:30	23 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 5:45 Lenten Service 7:00	24	25	26
27 WELS Connection Catechism 1:00 Outreach 2:00	28	29	30 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 5:45 Lenten Service 7:00	31		
		Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 A.M. Sunday School & Bible Class 9:20 A.M.	Money Counters Clark Inniger 02.27-03.12 Ron Bower 03.13-03.26 Brad Inniger 03.27-04.09		Monthly Flower Chairperson Cheryl Kretz	Lutheran Chapel On the Air Sundays 11:00 A.M. 1230 on the AM Dial (WCWA)

GREETERS FOR MARCH

	EARLY SERVICE	LATE SERVICE
6	Barb Roidt & Ruth Marquart	Joyce Beach & Loretta Jansen
13	Joe & Jean Spaeth	Gary & Rebecca Mitchell
20	Dwight & Norma Rader	Richard & Ruth Johnson
27	Tom & Becky Smith	Richard & Cheryl Kretz

NEXT MONTH

11 to 15	Easter Break- NO SCHOOL
18 to 22	Prairie Fire Week
24	Jenera Track Meet
29	Ohio Track Meet- NO SCHOOL

BIRTHDAYS

6	Marjorie Heldman
7	Michael Woodward
8	Melissa Ritter
9	Dwight Rader
12	Alice Norway
22	Edward Amstutz
24	Norma Rader
24	Noah Kindig

ANNIVERSARIES

20	Doug & Marilyn Stahl
24	Tom & Becky Smith

EMAIL ADDRESSES

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EASTER for Kids

Join us at Trinity for a special one day Easter VBS! This program will give children a special opportunity to hear the good news of Easter and what Jesus' resurrection means for them through Bible-based activity stations, songs, crafts, games, and snacks.

When: Saturday, April 9
9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Where: Trinity Lutheran School
105 Allen St. Jenera

Who: Children age 3 to 5th grade

Register Online: www.tlcjenera.org
or **Call:** 262-391-7994

Plan to stay for our **Outdoor Egg Hunt** after
Easter for Kids starting at 12:10 PM.

For toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary age children

