



Lost and Found

November
2021

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

SPIRITUAL INSPIRATIONS

Dress yourself with...Gentleness

What do washing machines, dish soap, a grizzly bear named "Ben," and *you* have in common? You, the bear, and those other items can all be *gentle*.

St. Paul encouraged the members of one of his churches, "Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near" (Philippians 4:5).

Too often we associate gentleness with being a wimp. That is not true. Washing machines can rip clothes to shreds.

Soaps can irritate the skin. Bears can maul people. And just turn on the news to see what destruction human beings can do.

Nevertheless, we can be gentle. We can learn to be unselfish and considerate in all we do.

Think what the world would be like if everyone showed unselfish consideration for others! There would be no road rage. Children wouldn't fight over a particular toy. Customers and cashiers wouldn't stall checkout lines by bickering over sale prices. Divorce might even come to a halt.

Of course, we will never be able to be perfectly gentle in this life. But, Jesus was. With a word, Jesus could calm a raging sea or cause a tree to wither. Yet he never failed to heal the sick, preach good news to the poor, and offer forgiveness to the worst of sinners.

Jesus even offers forgiveness for the times we have failed to be gentle, those times when we insisted on getting our way and didn't care whom we hurt to get it. When we think of Jesus' willingness to forgive us, it makes us want to be more like him – gentle and caring.

There was a Christian man whose very presence was a visual definition of words like *strong*, *tough*, and *thoroughly masculine*. Yet for twenty-five years he spent nearly every Sunday afternoon leading a worship service for a hundred mentally retarded women at the state mental hospital.

That man let his gentleness be evident to all. Do you desire that same gentle spirit in your life? See and hear how as you worship and study God's Word with us!

*Inspiration
from the
Psalms:*

Psalm 146:5

Blessed is
he whose
help is the
God of Ja-
cob, whose
hope is in
the LORD
his God.



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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace from God our Father and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I wanted to write to today to give you a couple of updates. Last Sunday, I was not able to be at Bible Study or 2nd service, because of a migraine as a result of being sick. Thank you to everyone who helped with the audio and video for 2nd service, so that you could hear God's Word. I am doing fine and feeling good. However, I took today to get some rest. I look forward to seeing you throughout the week and especially on the weekend for Trunk or Treat and Reformation Worship Service.

The other piece of information that needs to be shared: on Sunday, October 24 I received a call from the Holy Spirit through Trinity Lutheran Church in Winner, SD to serve as their pastor. Winner is in south central South Dakota and has 3,000 people in town. Trinity has about 200 members and has been without a pastor for 2 years. As I deliberate the calls I have to both Winner and Jenera, please pray for both churches and my family. Please feel free to give any and all feedback during this time. Email works the best, but if you would like you can also call. I have not yet received the call packet, but I hope to find out more about Winner this week.

While it is never a good time for a pastor to deliberate a call, I am confident that the Lord of the Church will use this time of deliberation as a blessing to both congregations. I look forward to see what wonderful blessings that God will give to us today and tomorrow.

Serving Christ and his people,

Pastor Matt Nowak

DIVINE CALL:

On October 10, voters elected to call Mr. Jeffrey Falck for TLS Principal and administrator, and also Mrs. Karena Falck as 1st and 2nd grade teacher.

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Dear Members of Trinity Lutheran,

This past Sunday, October 10, your congregation, led by the Holy Spirit, extended us Calls to serve in your midst. We formally acknowledge receiving these Calls: Karena's Call to teach grades 1 & 2 – and Jeff's Call to serve as administrator and in a staff ministry role, assisting your pastor in worship services and the educational components of the church such as Sunday School and Bible studies.

Over the next few weeks, we will wrestle in prayer, have meaningful conversations as a family, and seek the counsel and encouragement from both ministries, considering the needs of God's kingdom and how our individual gifts would best be used. We appreciate your prayers and we welcome your thoughts as we consider the work ahead. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Your congregational leaders have been given our contact information and preferred way of establishing further conversations.

We are humbled to have this opportunity and know that God's will bless all of us through the process!

Blessings in Jesus,

Jeffrey & Karena Falck

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WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? continued

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS

~A group of 9 women went to the Hope House in Findlay on Oct 14th. They also had dinner and devotion afterwards. They were given a tour of the facility and heard how their group could assist with Hope House needs. Hope House is able to house 9 women and their children who are in need of a place to live. They help them find jobs, child care, transportation, and just general life skills. They are provided a dorm like room; they have access to a community kitchen, living room, rec room, study room and outdoor space. The Trinity Women's Ministry is making plans to do some sprucing up in the kitchen/dining area for the women and they hope to partner with Hope House in the future to possibly serve some meals, hold a Bible Study with the women, etc. If you are interested in helping with any of these endeavors, contact Beth Rausch (419-348-2248). There is another Women's Ministry outing planned for Nov 7. They will be hosting a 3 stop Progressive Dinner. Look for details in the bulletin.

~Women are invited to the Women's Ministry's Progressive Meal and Bible study on Sunday, November 7 starting at 4:30. It will begin with salad at Nicki von Stein's house. Then we will carpool to Beth Rausch's house in Arlington for the main course and finally to Jane Boehm's house for dessert. Each stop will include one part of a three part Bible study on "Things I never thought to be thankful for." Invite a friend to join us, too! Sign up on the sheet in the back of church or contact one of the hostesses if you plan to attend. Please RSVP by November 3. Questions? Contact Jane Boehm at 419-206-5011.

~The bible study topic at the Sept. gathering of our Women's Ministry was "making an impact". So many things we do can make an impact on the lives of others. Even the smallest gestures, like taking a plate of cookies to a new neighbor, can have a lasting impact on them. Following our study, based on the "Time of Grace" series, we decorated some small plates that have our church logo on them. These plates are available for anyone in the congregation who would like to visit a neighbor, friend, new parent, etc., and take a "gift". Whether that would be a few cookies, some fruit, loaf of bread, chocolates, or whatever fits the occasion, feel free to take a plate to ***leave with them***. The plates are in a basket on the table by the guest book in the narthex. So, take a look and pick one up if you have someone you have wanted to visit and possibly invite to church! (Note: the plates should not be immersed in water, only hand wiped.)

LWMS Fall Rally - The rally was held on Oct. 2, 2021, at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Maumee, OH. Our guest speaker was Mr. Tim Hansen, a member of the One Africa Team and Multi-Language Productions, and President of his home congregation King of Kings in Willoughby, OH. Tim is retired from international business. His presentation theme: Big Changes, Who do they impact? WELS has been in Africa a long time and from that are the blessings of partnering with the national synods of Zambia, Malawi, Nigeria, and Cameroon and more recently, fellowship with Ethiopia and Kenya. Africa will become the largest population with 1.65 billion in 2030, bigger than China and India! There is new outreach in south Sudan, Uganda, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Rwanda, and Senegal. Multi-Language Productions (formerly Multi - Language Publications) has created more than 2.9 million video, audio, and print materials, and online training resources in more than 56 languages to date.

A new production from MLP is TELL (Think. Evaluate, Learn, Lead), an English-Language online Bible-based training platform. As for King of Kings, Tim explained that his church is a board of home mission project and is approved as a restart mission. The church is a 45-year-old congregation. Utilizing the Praise and Proclaim Ministry they were able to switch the focus from just saving their church home to doing something for the community. Please plan on coming to the LWMS Spring Rally which will be held here at Trinity, Jenera on April 23, 2022. The speaker is Pastor Brad Wright, Risen Savior, Mansfield, OH.

Thank you to Dawn Inniger, Ohio Circuit Secretary



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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 or

Tuesday of the month during the school year.

Register on line at tlcjenera.org.

November 2021



Memory Gem from God's Treasure

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

So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God
through faith, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized
into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Galatians 3:26-27

Trinity Lutheran Church and School

November 2021

October '21

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December '21

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Halloween	1 Mornings with Mommy 9:30 Faculty 3:30 Board of Ed 6:00	2 Mornings with Mommy 9:30	3 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 7:00 Bible Info Class 7:00	4 K-4th grade Field Trip Children's Theater, Lima	5	6 Sports Day-Cincinnati
7 Communion Catechism 1:00	8 Pastor Circuit Mtg 9:00 Preschool Playtime 10:00	9 Grades 1-8 Field Trip Lima Symphony Elders 7:30	10 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 7:00 Bible Info Class 7:00	11 Good Sam Bible Class 11:00	12	13
14 Childrens Lesson Catechism 1:00	15 Mornings with Mommy 9:30 Church Council 7:00	16 Mornings with Mommy 9:30	17 School Chapel 8:20 Choir Practice 7:00 Bible Info Class 7:00	18	19	20
21 Communion Catechism 1:00	22 Newsletter Articles Due	23 Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening)	24 Choir Practice 7:00 Teacher Reporting No School	25 Thanksgiving Day Service 9:30 a.m. No School	26 No School	27
28 WELS Connection	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 9:20 AM	Money Counters Craig von Stein 11.07-11.20 David Bower 11.21-12.04		Monthly Flower Chairperson Mark Burkholder	Lutheran Chapel On the Air Sundays 11:00AM 1230 AM Dial (WCWA)

GREETERS FOR NOVEMBER

EARLY SERVICE

LATE SERVICE

11.07	Jim & Jane Smith	Warren & Marilyn Pratt
11.14	Mark & Kathi Curth	Mike & Jill Woodward
11.21	Josh & Ashley Breitigam	Bob & Julie Inniger
11.25	James & Deb Reichley	Thanksgiving
11.28	Tyler & Kathy Smith	Mark & Jane Boehm

NEXT MONTH

23, 24	Christmas Eve Children's Service
25-31	Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL

BIRTHDAYS

2	James Reichley
8	Daniel Curth
11	Rebecca Mitchell
12	Jane Boehm
12	Jane Smith
13	Grant Schmitzer
18	Adria Below
25	Lana Sprain
27	Kathy Miles

ANNIVERSARIES

8	James & Kathy Miles
28	Steve & Missy Ritter

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