



THE TRINITY TIMES
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
37728 EUCLID AVENUE, WILLOUGHBY, OHIO 44094
PHONE (440) 942-7766 FAX (440) 942-5987
E-MAIL: tlcoffice@trinitywilloughby.org
WEBSITE: trinitywilloughby.org

Minister

Rev. Robert Schuler

Office Hours:

Mon, Wed-Friday 9-12PM

Music Ministry

David Dorsch, Choir Director

Adult Choir Rehearsals

9:15 AM Sept-May

Health & Wellness Ministry

Blood Pressure Screening

1st Sunday of the Month

Christian Education:

Worship Services

10:45 AM Sept-May

9:30 AM Memorial Day-

Labor Day

Holy Communion 2nd &

Last Sun.

Sunday School

Sept thru May 9:30 AM

Adult Sunday School

Sept-May 9:30 AM

Confirmation Class

Thursdays 7:00 PM

Sept-Palm Sunday

Men's Bible Breakfast

8:00 AM Second Sat.

Sociables Bible Study

10:00 AM-Second Thurs

Sept-May

Dear Friends,

The disciples were thrilled. They had their Lord back in their presence once again. Since His Resurrection, He had appeared to them and others several times. They were still a little confused, though, when He talked about “*wait[ing] for the gift [His] Father promised*” (Acts 1:5), and, then, “*He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight*” (Acts 1:9).

You can imagine their bewilderment. He had died and been buried and then had risen from the dead! He had walked among them and taught them again, and now . . . He is taken up into the clouds. No wonder they stood there – probably with mouths agape – looking into the sky where they had last seen Him.

It took “*two men dressed in white*” (Acts 1:10) to bring them back to their senses. “*‘Men of Galilee,’ ” they said, ‘why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, Who has been taken from you into Heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into Heaven’ ”* (Acts 1:11).

Back they went to Jerusalem. Their eyes were no longer on the clouds, but they were still looking at Jesus. They waited. They prayed. They chose another disciple. And they waited some more – all the while looking at Jesus.

Whom are you looking at? Yes, Jesus has ascended. We can only imagine His joyful, triumphant return as all the hosts of Heaven welcomed back the risen, victorious Savior. Because He is that Savior, because He is the Author and perfecter of our faith, “*let us fix our eyes on Jesus*” (Hebrews 12:2). Through His Word and Sacraments, He will lead us in His ways; He will teach us obedience and self-sacrifice; He will teach us love for our neighbors. With joyful and generous hearts, we celebrate the new life that Easter brings us by sharing the message of the Cross and the Empty Tomb with all who will listen. Keep looking at Jesus until in Heaven you see him face to face!

Yours in Christ,

Robert W. Schuler



1	Herta Pretzlaff	15	Cory Cantrell
	Karen Sipols		Mallary Ristau
2	James Gazso		Sheri Stohlman
	Kimberly Kaleal	16	Jaime Trost
	Jake Molnar	18	Sandy Mitchell
	Ken Nagode		Candice Neubert
3	Brandon Armstrong	20	Dannette Nelson
	George Proellochs	21	Hailey Ambrus
	Chloe Zontini		Nathan Meckler
4	Joshua Dawson	22	Sue Karlovec
5	Carl Fike		John Robinson
	Jim Garman	23	Devon Ambrus
	Jillian Keller		Frank Zsaludko
	Brianna Meier	24	Charle Jezernac
7	Kyle Blum		Carrie Meckler
8	Ann Ferenchak		Morgan Mohnke
	Ryan Nash		Ravin Nash
10	Harold Meier	25	Audrey Green
12	Cheryl Gazso	27	Sarah Meier
	Donna Muehl	28	David Dorsch
	Debbie Wollaeger		Ralph Green
13	Ann Schultz		Irma Miller
	Elsa Simek		Bryan Neubert
14	Gabriella Iacona		Tim O'Brien, Jr.
15	Delaney Bischof		



- 20 – Joseph & Heidi Pastore
- 21 – Bill & Kathy Haag
- 25 – John & Dorothy Korpi
- 26 – David & Carol Greenhoff
- 28 – Mike & Candy Zontini

**THERE WILL BE NO BLOOD
PRESSURE CHECK IN APRIL**

**Willoughby Food Pantry needs for
APRIL 2010
Laundry Soap
Paper Towels**

**Please place your donations in the
appropriate box in the entry hall. The
Property Board will take them to the
food pantry as they accumulate.**

**CHARITY OF THE MONTH:
LUTHERN HOUR MINISTRIES
(LHM)**

LHM proclaims God's truth in a world where Satan tries to quiet down, drown out, and shut up the message of hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Lutheran Hour Ministries works to proclaim that message loud and clear all over the world. With offices in more than 40 countries, LHM proclaims the same Gospel message in different ways depending on the culture.

With God's blessing and the support of dedicated Christians, LHM will not be silenced; rather, it will boldly proclaim Christ's love and forgiveness to those in need of the Savior. Please help us proclaim the Gospel loud and clear by making a gift today!

Please use the enclosed "Special Offering" envelope. Put your name and envelope number on the envelope and put it into the collection plate, give it to an usher or mail it to the Church Office.

David Greenhoff, Chairman
Board of Stewardship

*Faith must trample under foot all
reason, sense, and understanding.
– Martin Luther*

**THOSE WHO SERVE
APRIL 2010**

ELDERS:	4- Betty Reed 18-Carol Johlin-Greenhoff Maundy Thursday – Al Gunton	11- Al Gunton, 25 – Steve Meier
PASTORAL ASSISTANT:	Chuck Frank, Maundy Thursday – Steve Meier	
USHERS:	Janet Brenkus Sue Karlovec	Linda Urban Lorraine O'Brien
ADDITIONAL EASTER USHERS	Steve Dopuch Walter Hein	Marie Hein Alan Ristau
GREETERS:	Edith Kalthegener	Ann Ferenchak

ACOLYTES & CROSSBEARERS

Apr. 1 Maundy Thursday(7:30PM)	Irene Swift	Logan Molnar
Apr. 2 Good Friday(7:30PM)	Jake Molnar	Matt Wilson
	Crossbearer:	Brian D'Arcy
Apr. 4 Easter 8:30 AM	Jessica Mohnke	Tyler Mohnke
	Crossbearer:	David Reed
Easter 10:45 AM	Alex Meier	Sarah Meier
	Crossbearer:	David Bauman
Apr. 11	Gabriella Iacona	Megan Hoyt
Apr. 18	Kylie Tritt	Kelly Brown
Apr. 25	Jackson Jusko	Charles Jusko

Please notify the church office of any changes in your contact information, i.e. your home/cell phone nos.



Thank you to the prayer circle for all your prayers and to Pastor Schuler for his encouraging letter to my daughter-in-law, Theresa Baldner, who is now recovering. Your prayers are greatly appreciated. Lois Baldner

Our sincere thanks for your donation of food supplies and the donation of money. A Jesus said, "Whenever you feed the hungry, clothe the naked, care for the sick, visit the imprisoned, or minister to the stranger, you have done it unto me."

JoAnn Ramsey
Willoughby Food Pantry



May 22, 2010

Start saving your saleable items for Trinity's Annual Rummage Sale. Drop off will begin on May 17 and end on May 20. If you have any questions or want to help call the church office.

PARSONAGE UPDATE

Our Principal Architect, Chuck Miller, has reviewed our previous efforts at evaluating and defining the work necessary to restore the house to useable condition. He will review the property on March 23rd, and anticipated the possibility of contact with the city of Willoughby to clarify our plans. Utilizing his experience with old houses, Chuck will provide technical guidance to better enable us to define necessary work in the form of a bid package. As an example, he has observed that installing a heating and air conditioning system in the attic, as one contractor proposed, could lead to formation of heavy icicles on the exterior. We look forward to completing the bid package by mid April.

In the meantime, ideas on the utilization of additional space are popping up. Sunday School classrooms upstairs and informal meeting/bible study space on the first floor have long been on the list. Another suggestion concerns practice space for the Choir, either in the house or in space vacated in the church. An additional thought is that lower heating costs may be achieved by locating offices in the house and using the church space for less regular functions. Vacation Bible School, while only one week a year, has always been looking for space. The cleaned out basement could provide much needed storage for Christmas Pageant props and the like. And then there is yet to be defined youth program needs. More ideas to follow?

LWML

Please set aside April 24, 2010 for the Northeast Zone Spring Rally. It will be held at Faith Lutheran Church in Mentor, beginning at 9:30 am. This years' theme is *Hope For Each Day*. Who couldn't use a little of that? The Speaker will be Julie Mitchell, author of the book "365 Days of Hope." We will also be voting for a new Zone President and a new Zone Pastoral Counselor. The poster can be found on the bulletin board, as well as a sign up sheet. The RSVP deadline is April 18. Cost of the meal is \$6.00 payable at the door. I will phone in one reservation for our church, so please be sure to use the sign up sheet.

Our Quarterly business meeting is April 19th at 7:00 p.m. Please be sure to join us for inspiration, food, and fellowship.

Debbie Krainz, LWML President



VBS NEWS

We are in the planning stages of another exciting VBS for this summer. This years program is **High Seas Expedition: Exploring the Mighty Love of God..** Our first staff meeting will be on April 26 at 7:00 pm. It's not too late to get involved! The dates have been chosen, June 21-24, and we will run the program in the evening like last year. If you would like to participate in the planning or in any capacity – food, teaching, crafts, administration, etc., please contact Debbie Krainz.

HUNGER WALK

The 22nd Annual Walk for Hunger of Greater Cleveland is on Saturday, May 8. There are 2 ways for you to be involved and help reach the Lutherans Against Hunger Teams 2010 goal of \$15,900. You can register to be a walker on the Lutherans Against Hunger Team or you can sponsor a walker. To register, pick up a form in the narthex ; make sure to put Lutherans Against Hunger as the team name and Trinity on the team captain line. If you aren't able to participate as a walker, Pastor and Mrs. Schuler and several other members of the congregation will be walking and could use sponsors. There is a sign up sheet located by the forms to sponsor a Trinity walker. You can also register online at www.hungernet.org . If you have any questions or need additional information call the church office.

For where God built a church, there the Devil would also build a chapel. – Martin Luther

FROM THE BOARDS

Youth Board

Following is a list of April events:

4th – Easter Breakfast. Donations of strata are always welcome.

18th – Youth Meeting after service.

22nd - Cici's Fundraiser from 4-9. Enjoy all of the salad, pizza, pop and desserts you can. This is our 3rd fundraiser with Cici's so our profit will raise to 15%. February's fundraiser earned us \$51.00 Please help us to match or pass this figure!

25th - National Gathering Meeting after service. We will hopefully have all of the hotel information to pass on as well as district updates.

Look for updates in the bulletin and on the web site as things may change. Thank you everyone for all of your support!!

Outreach Board

- ❖ Do you have trouble hearing the Worship Service. Hearing devices are available. Just ask an usher for use of one and return after the service.
- ❖ Blood Pressure Sunday is the 1st Sunday of each month. We meet in the Board Room after church. Board Certified nurses take blood pressures.
- ❖ Durable medical Equipment - There is no charge for using equipment: walkers, canes, bath tub seats, raised seats for lavatory, etc. Just contact the church office if you need any medical equipment.

Property Board

With Spring in the air, we could use a few more outdoorsy volunteers. We meet

on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 for work and fellowship. Come join us!

Education Board

Our Sunday School has completed its Hearts for Jesus Mission India project. The donations from our children will go to support Children's Bible Clubs in India. Thanks to the marvelous generosity and support of our children and parents we will be sending them a check for \$120.05!!

We are looking for a part time 5th & 6th grade Sunday School teacher beginning in the Fall. If you feel called to serve in this function, please contact Jack Braunlich or Ann Schultz.



SUNSHINE HOUR MINISTRY UPDATE

The Sunshine Hour volunteers would like to thank our Trinity family for joining us at our 2nd fish fry at St. Noel's church on Friday, March 12th. We joined 947 people for a delicious meal and good fellowship.

This April finds the Sunshine Hour Ministry celebrating 28 years serving our Lord at Breckenridge Village in Willoughby. We remember with special fondness those who laid the foundation for our ministry and our members who have gone on to be with our Lord.

Please join us as we continue to serve Jesus.

To God be the Glory!

Stewardship Devotion

Scripture Reading:

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do no destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:19-21).



Becoming Rich

Through the working of the Holy Spirit, Christians understand that riches do not consist of money. In fact, riches have nothing to do with money. We can have very little money and be very rich or be very wealthy and be impoverished. True riches have to do with a right relationship with Jesus Who brings us happiness, satisfaction, joy, love and peace. Material possessions do not constitute real riches.

Material things are transitory. What we possess materially is subject to loss in a variety of ways. Our wealth can be lost in the stock market or through rust, obsolescence, and thievery. No matter how much money we may have, we have no way of guaranteeing that it can be kept safe and secure. Money can be lost, stolen, or its purchasing power lost through inflation. Investments can decline in value and businesses can fail. Our property can be burned or robbed. All material things can be gone quickly. Even if our material things stay with us, we will eventually leave them, because, at the end, we can take nothing with us.

So, if we want to be rich, it cannot be on the basis of material things. Things of this world are much too precarious a foundation on which to build a life. If we are to be rich, we have to turn away from material things and turn toward Christ. In our Scripture reading, Jesus tells us to *“store up for yourselves treasures in heaven.”* If we want to get really rich, we have to start storing up riches in heaven.

In order for us to store up treasures in heaven, we first need to love God with all of our heart, soul, and strength and love our neighbors as ourselves. To store up treasures in heaven, we need to loosen our grip on things of this world. We need to learn to be content with what we have rather than always wanting more worldly things.

Through faith, we are rich. As Christians, we receive the riches of eternal life with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Discussion Thoughts:

1. Why do people worry so much about not having enough money?
2. Why don't material things provide lasting happiness?
3. Why is it important to remember that the only thing that we take to heaven is ourselves?

Prayer:

Lord, You are the provider and controller of all things. Help us to put our trust and faith in You rather than in worldly things. We thank You for Your wonderful love that was shown through Your Son, Jesus. In Your precious name, we pray. Amen.

April 2010

April 2010							May 2010						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29	30		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
							30	31					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				April 1 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:30pm Service w/Communion	April 1 GOOD FRIDAY 7:30pm Tennebrae Service	2
4 EASTER 8:30am Sunrise Service 9:30am Easter Breakfast 10:45am Worship w/Communion	5 7:00pm Parish Planning Council	6	7 9:30am Property Board 9:45am Sunshine Ministry	8 10:00am Sociables Bible Study	9 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal	10 8:00am Mens Bible Breakfast 3:00pm Breigizer/Banno Wedding
11 9:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 10:45am Worship w/Communion	12 7:00pm All Boards Meet	13	14 9:30am Property Board 9:45am Sunshine Ministry	15 TIMES DEADLINE	16	17 9:00am Spring Clean Up Day
18 VOTERS ASSEMBLY MTG. 9:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 10:45am Worship 12:00pm Youth Meeting	19 7:00pm LWML Meeting	20	21 9:30am Property Board 9:45am Sunshine Ministry	22 TIMES MAILING 4:00pm Cld's Fundraiser	23	24 9:30am LWML Northeast Zone Spring Rally (Faith Lutheran Church, Mentor)
25 9:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 10:45am Worship w/Communion 12:00pm Youth Gathering Meeting	26 7:00pm VBS Staff Meeting	27	28 9:30am Property Board 9:45am Sunshine Ministry	29	30	

Trinity Office