

Special Prayers for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for making us brand new creations through the work of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and be with those in need of our prayers, especially for comfort for Abbas (friend of Bill Bade), Jo Barrington, Mila Beck, Dee Boehm, Marilyn Britton, Richard and Terri (parents of Adam Bridgman), Melanie Ferricks Capps and family (friend of Holly Henning-Buhr), Al Casolari, Karen Cates, Kolton Gotschalk, Gary Hampton (Clara Mae Hilberer’s son-in-law), Helen Hoffman, Mark Hoffman (son of Helen Hoffman), Earl Huddleston, Christine Huddleston (Michael Kincaid’s sister), Joelle Knoles, Tom Kopera, Marilyn Lockwood, Anthony Meredith (father of Kaden Meredith), Barry Nass, Paul Ogan (father of Brian Ogan), Sheavie Reagan, Elsie Reed (mother of Mickey Reed), Vickie Reilly, Aaron Shipman, Alan Smith (father of Alicia Klug), Bonnie South, Martha South, Jeff Vorderstrasse, Jenny Walker, Rick Wilson (father of LeAnne Woody), Sandra Yost (sister of Joelle Knoles); for the families of Alfred Wernecke and Jean Miller (mother of Theresa Miller), and in celebration of the anniversaries Hamilton and Juanita Jones, Amen.

Flowers for the Altar

Today’s flowers for the altar are given by Rick and Kathy Wanless in glory to God and to celebrate 38 years of marriage.

At Worship Last Week

Maundy Thursday: 225; Good Friday: 88; Tenebrae: 161; Holy Saturday: 72,
Sunday: 105, 323, 298..... 1,272
No Sunday School
Offerings for the Lord’s Kingdom Work:\$25,949.67
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“Forgive Because You Are Forgiven”

Matthew 18:21-35

Seminarian Adam Bridgeman

- 21 Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?”
- 22 Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.”
- 23 “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants.”
- 24 When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.
- 25 And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.
- 26 So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’
- 27 And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.
- 28 But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’
- 29 So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’
- 30 He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.
- 31 When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.
- 32 Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.’
- 33 And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’
- 34 And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.
- 35 “So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

Adam Bridgman and his wife, Julie, both grew up in Springfield. He graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin in 1997 with a degree in pre-seminary studies and attended Concordia Seminary in St. Louis for one year before deciding he needed more time and experience before entering the ministry. He worked in a juvenile detention center for a number of years, as well as HIPAA compliance with Medicare and Medicaid insurance claims. He returned to Concordia Seminary in 2015 to resume his studies and re-enter the ministry. He is currently serving his vicarage at Lutheran Church of Resurrection at St. Louis, Mo.

Adam and Julie (a lifelong Trinity member and daughter of Arnold and Betty Kochman) were married at Trinity in May, 2015 and remain members of Trinity Lutheran Church.



Worship Services:

Sermon

**“Forgive Because You Are Forgiven”
Seminarian Adam Bridgeman**

Saturday Service

5:30pm-Parish Center
Holy Communion
Liturgy 151
Divine Service Setting 1
Hymns: 467 (st. 1, 2, 3) 472, 633, 478

Sunday Services

8:00am-Church
Liturgy 151
Divine Service Setting 1
Junior Choir
Hymns: 467 (st. 1, 2, 3) 472, 478

10:30am-Church
Holy Communion
Liturgy 151
Divine Service Setting 1
Hymns: 467 (st. 1, 2, 3) 472, 633, 478

Scriptures for Today

1st Reading: Acts 5:12-20 (21-32) (p. 913)
Psalm: Psalm 148 (p. 526)
Epistle: Rev. 1:4-18 (p. 1028)
Gospel: John 20:19-31 (p. 906)

Sunday Bible Study

9:30am-10:15 am

Sunday School

Sunday School and Sunday Bible Study are held at the Trinity School Parish Center
(For complete descriptions, see Weekly Announcements)

- Grades Pre-K-Grade 8:** (Various locations)
- Sunday Morning High School Bible Class:** Led by Youth Director Cindy Good in the Church library
- Women’s Bible Study:** Led by Amy Holmes and Karen Hemenway in the Extended Care Room
- Lord’s Supper Bible Study:** Led by Pastor Holmes in the 8th grade classroom
- Conquering the Sins We Love:** Led by Pastor Hemenway in the Parish Hall



Those Serving This Week

Ushers

Saturday

Sunday 8am

Al Casolari, Kevin Cranford, Lynn Friday, Bill Miller, Barry Nass

Sunday 10:30am

Paul Hartman, Bryan Knoles, Alan Krofchick, Cliff Krueger, Chris Nickols, Adam Strong

Communion Assistants

Saturday

Mike Reed, Steve Rossman

Sunday

Ted Haberman, Bryon Welt, Andy Wiesenhofer

Musicians

Saturday

Wendy Boehme

Sunday

Laura Fliege

Altar Committee

Saturday

Donna Harshaw, Sonya Cohn

Sunday

Carol Ponder, Betty Shaw



A Warm Welcome to our Visitors and Members!

- We would like to know who our visitors are, so either before or after the service, please complete a visitor card from the pew rack and pass it to the center aisle for collection by the ushers.
- Personal Assistive Listening Devices for persons with hearing problems are available from an usher.
- The offering is an act of worship for members and friends of Trinity, moved by God's love, to support this ministry. Visitors should not feel obligated to participate. We want you to feel welcome and we truly wish to serve you.
- If at any time during the service it becomes difficult for you to stand, by all means take a seat, even if others are standing. God knows our strengths and He understands our weaknesses and frailties, too. God bless you!



Our Practice in Participating in the Lord's Supper

We're glad you are here worshipping with us! Today we will be celebrating Holy Communion. According to Christ and Holy Scripture, in this gift we receive the true body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28, Luke 22:14-20, I Corinthians 10:16-21, I Corinthians 11:23-26). Through this blessing, we are also strengthened to live in faithfulness to Christ, lead more Godly lives and have a deeper love for one another. Those communing are publicly professing that they believe these things to be true and are also giving witness that they are in agreement with the teaching of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

St. Paul tells us that those who take Communion without proper instruction take it to their great harm (I Corinthians 11:29). We don't want that for anyone; therefore, we ask that anyone holding a different Christian confession or belief about the Lord's Supper refrain from Communion. If you are not Communing with us today, we encourage you to come forward with those in your aisle to receive a blessing. Simply indicate your presence by crossing your hands on the rail (or in front of your body for Saturday night worshippers). If you have questions about our Communion policy or our beliefs please feel free to speak to one of the pastors after the service or indicate on an attendance card that you would like to be contacted. May God bless us all as we worship Him in His house today! *Upon request, we offer a gluten free communion wafer. Please ask an usher for assistance.

*Each and every day is a gift that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

Second Sunday of Easter
Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28



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