



Weekly Update

Friday, July 3, 2020
Trinity Lutheran Church Tea, SD

Dear Beloved on Trinity,

Last year a good friend gave me a book on encouragement with accompanying Bible verses. As I read through each day, certain words or phrases resonate with me. Today was one of those days when a familiar Bible verse took on new meaning.

We often hear Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you but give you a future with hope." I have used this verse in our 12th grade Milestone and with other youth, encouraging them to remain faithful – God has a plan for them. I have shared it with others who were struggling with life's difficulties and have memorized it myself as I rest in His promises.

But this morning as I read my daily devotions, Sarah Young, the devotion writer reminded me that God chose us before the foundation of the world, to walk with him along paths designed uniquely for each of us. So we are to concentrate on keeping step with God and not try to anticipate what the next step is or hurry God's plan for our lives. He's got you so relax and enjoy the present moment.

"Our hope and future are rooted in heaven." Sarah Young

She says that God sometimes gives us glimpses of that future and hope to encourage us and spur us on. What glimpses has God revealed to you? Did it bring you joy?

My recent glimpses of the future hope and joy were these:

1. Time spent with my husband walking on a beautiful evening
2. Being told by our 2 year old granddaughter that Phil and I are her best friends.
3. Listening to the song, "The Blessing" by Kari Jobe
4. Remembering how God brought me to Trinity
5. Sharing a prayer with a friend who needed to hear some good words

I am in awe that the Creator of the universe hears my prayers and knows how many hairs are on my head. We worship an awesome God!

I give God thanks for you today and always, Deacon Christie

PRAYER LIST

We pray for members and friends of our congregation: Jim Olson, Ron Seim, Steve Jelen's dad – Gene and brother – Jamie, Sarah Hilmoe's uncle Fred Tidemann. Jerry & Dianne Werness's son in law – Doug Madetzke, Shirley Oltmann's sister, Linda, Jami Atkin's dad – Kevin Roth, Tara Johanneson's brother-in-law, Jesse, Troy Smith while in active duty. Condolences Deb Olson and family for the loss of her husband Jim.



CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday—6/28 8am Worship via Facebook Live, In Person Worship in the Sanctuary at 8am & 9:30am worship

Tuesday—6:30am Men's Breakfast,

Wednesday—6:30pm and 8:30pm Trinity plays softball in Lennox

Sunday—7/5 8am Worship via Facebook Live, In Person Worship in the Sanctuary at 8am & 9:30am worship

MOVING INSIDE

This week, Sunday, July 5, the 9:30 worship service will move inside the sanctuary. Due to current attendance numbers we can maintain recommended social distancing inside.

Following the same guidelines as the 8:00 service please sit every other pew (one empty pew in-between) and maintain at least 6' distance between families. We request attendees utilize the screens during worship and recommend wearing a face mask.

As a reminder the following is still in place;

- If you are a high risk individual or are not feeling well, stay home and attend the live-stream 8:00 service
- Doors will be propped open
- Use hand sanitizer when entering the building (provided at each door)
- All high-touch surfaces (including pew backs) will be sanitized before, in-between, and after each service
- Hymnals and Bibles have been removed from the Sanctuary
- Sharing of the peace will be verbal with no-touch
- Offering will be collected using baskets at the back of the Sanctuary
- No coffee hour (during this phase)

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Week of June 28

\$8,500 Weekly Total Expenses Adjusted for Virtual Only Church

+\$1,500 Additional Expenses for Benevolences and Programs

\$10,000 Weekly Total Operating Expenses

\$10,400 Actual Weekly Total Giving

\$400

Month of June 2020

\$34,000 Monthly Total Expenses Adjusted for Virtual Only Church

+\$6,000 Additional Expenses for Benevolences and Programs

\$40,000 Monthly Total Operating Expenses

\$34,563 Actual Monthly Total Giving

-\$5,437

During our time of virtual only church, expenses were adjusted, including pausing our benevolences. As we resume our giving, restart programming, and community outreach our total expenses will increase. This one number represents all expenses including staff costs, benevolences, supplies, outreach, and our mortgage payment.

Ways to Give:

Online Giving: <https://teatrinity.breezechms.com/give/online>

Text Giving: (605) 777-7223

Envelopes: In-person or mail to the church

8am & 9:30am Worship

Sunday, July 3, 2020

Trinity Lutheran Church, Tea, SD

Teatrinity.org – 605-498-2343



GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

L: We call to you, come!

C: Come into our presence, Lord.

L: We praise you for your presence in our lives.

C: You love all that you created.

L: Let us enter worship with thanksgiving and praise.

C: For you are God alone and worthy of our praise.

Confession

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen**

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for his sake God forgives all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Song "Gather Us In" ELW #532

1. Here in this place new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this Day
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name

2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human Race
Gather us in, the rich

and the haughty Gather us in, the proud and the strong Give us a heart so meek and so lowly Give us the courage to enter the song

3. Here we will take the wine and the water Here we will take the bread of new birth Here you shall call your sons and your daughters... Call us anew to be salt for the earth Give us to drink the wine of compassion Give us to eat the bread that is you Nourish us well and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining Not in some heaven light years away But here in this place the new light is shining Now is the kingdom, now is the day Gather us in and hold us forever Gather us in and make us your own Gather us in, all peoples together Fire of love in our flesh and our bones Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

Prayer of the Day

L: Gracious God,

C: You invite us to come and play in your kingdom where all have a role and a purpose. Help us give up what we need to in order to be faithful members of the body of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Zachariah 9:9-12

Psalm 145:8-14

L: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

L: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.

C: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

L: to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

C: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

L: The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

C: The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Second Reading – Romans 7:15-25a

Gospel Reading – Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Deacon Christie Meier

Sermon Song “I Will Carry You” by Christie Meier and Dawn Hoffman

Apostles’ Creed

Offertory

Prayers of the People

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Lord’s Prayer

Blessing

SENDING

Sending Song “Battle hymn of the Republic”

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword
His truth is marching on, His truth is marching

Glory, glory, Hallelujah! Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory, Hallelujah! His truth is marching on

I have seen Him in the watch fires of a hundred circling camps
They have built Him an altar in the evening dews and damps
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps
His day is marching on Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in His...

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C: Thanks be to God!