

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1–8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!”

⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 14:12b–20

^{12b}[S]ince you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

¹³Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. ¹⁶Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷For you may be giving

thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. ¹⁸I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. ¹⁹Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

²⁰Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1–11

¹On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Genesaret, ²and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” ⁶And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” ⁹For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” ¹¹And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.



All...
were astonished
at the catch



About the Cover: Throwing nets back in the water after toiling unsuccessfully all night hardly seems like a good plan to finally catch some fish. But when it is the Lord speaking, things happen. Nets break because the catch is so great! The same is true for the gifts that the Lord casts to us in His promises. The gifts of His grace, mercy, forgiveness, and life are bursting at the seams.



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Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

8:45 AM

Divine Service w/ Holy Communion

9:45AM

Holy Communion-The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, refuse to amend their sinful life, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The

Gluten free
communion wafers are
available upon request.

Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked, out of Christian love for you, not to commune.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

February 10th, 2019

<i>Divine Service</i>	Setting I	p. 151
<i>Opening Hymn</i>		LSB 907
<i>Introit Psalm</i>		Ps. 38
<i>Hymn of the Day</i>		LSB 398
<i>Offetory</i>		p. 159
<i>Distribution Hymns</i>		LSB 688, 507, 827
<i>Closing Hymn</i>		LSB 853
<i>Acolyte:</i>		Jared Hunt
<i>Acolyte for next Sunday, February 17th:</i>		Ragan Mathis
<i>Organist:</i>		Mr. Ross Rieckers

The Fair Stand Committee will meet following the service today.

The 2018 Annual Church Report is available for pickup on the table in the narthex. One per household please.



In Our Prayers:

For our Shut-ins: Gladys Lambring, Dorothy Hoeverner, Lois Nierman, Bertha Eggeman, Don Hoeverner, Paul McMahon, Mabel Pollert, Everett Hackman, Joyce Sterling, Richard & Phyllis Lambring, John & Patty Surenkamp, Walter Miller.

For Illness/Healing: Sharon Rohr, Jim Reedy, Richard Bane, Dave O'Mara, Bryce Tormoehlen, Dave Schepman, Jack Wilson, Roberta Main, Allen Holle, Beulah Pottschmidt-Rieckers, Jane Pollert, Collins Beard, Harold Hoeverner, David Darlage, Betty Parrott, Brenda Calandro (Bill Brooks' sister)

Bulletin Announcements: Please forward all items for the February 17th, bulletin to Holly Sawyer at sjsoffice.hsawyer@gmail.com, drop them by the school office, or text to 812-528-0645 by 8:00am, **Friday, February 15th.**

	Date:	2/3/2019
Envelopes/Loose		\$16,413.00
TLHS Dues		\$ 148.00
Federation		\$ 28.00
Parsonage Rent (Feb)		\$ 700.00
Daycare Rent (Jan)		\$ 580.00
Jan. Preschool Fees		\$ 3,100.00
Memorials		\$ 25.00
February 3rd, Total		\$20,994.00
Weekly Need to Balance the Budget		\$16,598.84
Total Tithes/Gifts to Date (1/1/2019-2/3/2019)		\$58,274.00
Needed to Date to Balance the Budget		\$82,994.20
Week 5: % of Budget to Date:		70%
Line of Credit		TBD
Attendance		235

Feb. 10 (The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany) - Luke 5:5 – “And Simon answered, ‘Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.’ ” Peter's words show both exasperation and trust. He's tired. He tried his best and failed. But he is still ready to trust the Lord's word – and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting the Lord's word ... and acting on it.

This Week's Schedule:

- Today:** +8:45a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
+9:45am Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
+Following Svc. Fair Stand Committee Mtg.
- Tuesday:** +7:30p.m. Men's Club/Bible Study
- Wednesday:** +7:00p.m. Women's Bible Study
+8:00p.m. Public School Confirmation Class
- Thursday:** Happy Valentine's Day!
+5:30p.m.-8:00p.m. Pre-Marital Class
- Friday:** +7:00a.m. Mom's Breakfast @ School
+8:15a.m. Chapel
+10:00a.m. Church Cleaning
- Next Sun.** +8:45a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
+9:45am Divine Service

Creation: Extraterrestrial Life

Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth. (Genesis 1:28)

NASA reportedly spends billions of dollars annually in its search for extraterrestrial life. Let's hope for success. Who knows what life forms we might be able to master and place into subjection? (For my part, I would love to have a highly skilled space alien as a personal assistant whose fondest desires, like my dog's desires, amount to a regular bowl of kibble and a friendly pat on the head.)

- Penicillin was discovered in a petri dish in 1928. Since then, it has made life better for millions of people. Perhaps there are comparable life forms on Mars, which will enable us to cure cancer, wipe out AIDS, or just erase beer belly.
- Horses have been domesticated for about 5,000 years. In many places today, horses still provide life-sustaining services such as food, transportation, shelter, and even recreation. Maybe we can find a similar, yet more versatile, beast of burden living on the dark side of the planet Zork.
- What if we were to receive a visit from highly developed extraterrestrial races? Let's put them all to work! God's command to Adam concerning everything on this earth should be applied equally to everything that might live and move in outer space: "subdue it, and have dominion."

One fatal flaw of most science fiction is its assumption that we humans are not the center of the universe. We are. When God created Adam and Eve, He placed His humans at the very peak and pinnacle of everything else He made. The earth was made for us. The sun and the moon were made for us. Even the farthest subatomic par-

Oberammergau Passion Play Tour
Pastor Stuckwisch is hosting a Tuscan Treasures and the Passion Play tour that will see key sites in Northern Italy, Austria, and Southern Germany June 15-27, 2020. An informational meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12 at 6:30pm in Zion's Fellowship hall at 1501 Gaiser Drive in Seymour, IN. The registration deadline is February 25th. More information can be found in the February Church Newsletter or by calling 812-525-1840.

The Indiana District LWML will be awarding a limited number of \$500 COLLEGE Scholarships for the 2019-2020 school year. These scholarships are available to students preparing to be servants of the church on a full-time basis (ministry, teaching, DCE, parish work, etc.) and are enrolled in an LCMS synodical university or seminary for next year. Forms are available online at our district website: www.lwmlindiana.org, for students who may qualify and are interested in receiving financial help. The completed application must be returned to me with a postmark no later than March 15, 2019. Applicants must be a communicant member of an Indiana District LCMS congregation for at least 18 months.

Trinity Lutheran High School invites students and their families to its final open house this Saturday, February 16th from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. All interested eighth grade students will receive a voucher that covers the registration costs at Trinity for the 2019-2020 school year. Please enter through the commons.



ticle in the most distant galaxy just beyond the edge of the universe was made for us.

The creation was not merely made so that we humans would have a place to live, either. The creation was made to be the stage, the landing pad, and the jewel setting for the incarnation of our Lord, when "very God of very God . . . was made man" (Nicene Creed). "He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together" (Colossians 1:17).

We humans have nothing to fear from a supposedly superior alien race from outer space. Such a race is merely the figment of an imagination that has been steeped in the assumptions of evolution. Here is all the proof and support we need for our human-centric view of the universe:

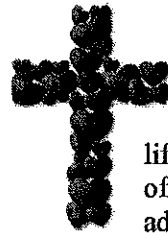
God said, "Let us make man in Our image, after Our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. (Genesis 1:26-27)

Our human dominion over all things is, of course, no license to waste and destroy everything just because it belongs to us. When God said to us, "subdue it, and have dominion," He gave us a sacred trust—one that we routinely defy and ignore and break because of our depravity and sin. But the destructiveness of human sin does not belie the point of the creation. It simply illustrates our ongoing need for a Savior.

Do not worry! One has come. He shall also come again.

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Epiphany V – Our fear of our own unclean lips (Isaiah 6:5) and slow tongues can make us mute about marginalized lives. That's why the merciful Maker has touched our tongues (Isaiah 6:7) with His transformative Word and placed His life-giving power upon our lips. We need not doubt that even out of our mouths the Spirit of our Father speaks a wisdom no adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict.

There will be a special offering following the worship service to address last year's shortfall on the line of credit. \$22,390.00 was collected last Sunday, making to the total collected so far \$29,645.00.



Are you interested in attending the 2019 Trinity Dinner Auction? We still have a limited amount of individual tickets available for the auction on Saturday, February 23rd. The cost of a ticket is \$70 per person and can be purchased at Trinity. Please call Trinity at 812-524-8547 if you have questions or would like to purchase a ticket.

FREE ARMED INTRUDER EVENTS IN INDY & COLUMBUS - The Indiana District & Church Mutual are once again sponsoring two free events on how to spot the warning signs before a violent event occurs and how to keep your people safe if faced with an armed intruder.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church (Columbus) will be hosting this workshop on Tuesday, February 26 at 6:00 pm.

Trinity Lutheran Church (Indianapolis) will be hosting this workshop on Wednesday, February 27 at 6:00 pm.

To learn more and/or register for this free event, please call 812.372.1571 ext. 2128. A light dinner will be provided before the event. Flyer on bulletin board in narthex.

Zion Lutheran Church, Seymour will hold their annual Turkey & Ham Dinner today. Serving will be from 4:00-7:00p.m. Carry-out will be available. There will be a free will offering. Monies raised will support various mission activities.

CHILI DINNER – The St. Paul Wegan Youth Group is having a chili dinner next Sunday, February 17th, from 11:30am-12:30pm. The menu will consist of chili soup, chicken noodle soup, western sandwiches, hot dogs, coney sandwiches, salads, pies, & desserts. A free will offering will be taken.

