

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY— Heard any good news lately?

It's out there, but in a world dominated by headlines about coronavirus and civil unrest it can be kind of challenge to find.

Truly, this is nothing new. But it has become even that much more of a challenge in a world of social media where we can receive bad news in “real time,” instantaneous broadcast to our digital devices.

Our DIY (“Do It Yourself”) VBS and the preaching series that goes with it will be inviting you and your household into a series of “Bad News-Good News” sorts of stories.

Each week, we want to invite you to “SEE” how the Good News of God's steadfastness comes to light in the bad news of the story we're reading. **It is our prayer then, that you and your household might become just a**

little more equipped not only to look for Good News in the constant barrage of bad news in our world, but also that your and your household might become just a little more equipped to BE Good News for others in our community, as well.



Here's our schedule for “Good News in a Bad News World”

Sun., June 21	Introduction	Psalms 23 & John 1:1-14
Sun., June 28	Noah's Ark	Genesis 6 – 9
Sun., July 5	Jesus Calms the Storm	Mark 4:35-41
Sun., July 12	Ezekiel & the Dry Bones	Ezekiel 37:1-14
Sun., July 19	The Runaway Son	Luke 15:11-32
Sun., July 26	Daniel & the Lions' Den	Daniel 6:1-23
Sun., Aug. 2	Resurrection!	Matthew 28:1-10

INVITE

PRELUDE –

Camp Onomia Staff

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME

*** BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**—FOR THOSE OF YOU WORSHIPING AT HOME, WE INVITE YOU TO SET ASIDE SMALL BOWL OF WATER TO SERVE AS YOUR BAPTISMAL FOUNT DURING THIS TIME. CHOOSE A BOWL THAT WILL “REMAIN” YOUR BOWL.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

L In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

L Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Word of God tells us that if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We pause in silence for reflection and self-examination.

L Most Merciful God,

C We confess that we are captive 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. But 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 us all our sins. By the authority Jesus has given his Church to proclaim the forgiveness of sins, 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.

C Amen.

*** OPENING HYMN | #556 "MORNING HAS BROKEN"**



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en,
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
 born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

*** GREETING**

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Let us pray. *(Silence is kept to gather all for prayer.)*

C Living God, in a world where people conspire one against the other, where jealousy and mean-spirited thinking create deep chasms between us, where truth of your word is thrown into the lions' den, your mercy nevertheless extends to the darkest corner, reaching into faithful hearts and delivering us from all harm. We trust that though the sun rises and falls on our troubles and toils, it will never go down on your kingdom, enduring forever through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

EQUIP

THE WORD— Daniel 6:1-23

R The reading comes from the Old Testament prophet Daniel, the 6th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom one hundred twenty satraps, stationed throughout the whole kingdom, ²and over them three presidents, including Daniel; to these the satraps gave account, so that the king might suffer no loss. ³Soon Daniel distinguished himself above all the other presidents and satraps because an excellent spirit was in him, and the king planned to appoint him over the whole kingdom.

⁴So the presidents and the satraps tried to find grounds for complaint against Daniel in connection with the kingdom. But they could find no grounds for complaint or any corruption, because he was faithful, and no negligence or corruption could be found in him. ⁵The men said, "We shall not find any ground for complaint against this Daniel unless we find it in connection with the law of his God."

⁶So the presidents and satraps conspired and came to the king and said to him, "O King Darius, live forever! ⁷All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an interdict, that whoever prays to anyone, divine or human, for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions. ⁸Now, O king, establish the interdict and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked."

⁹Therefore King Darius signed the document and interdict.

¹⁰Although Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he continued to go to his house, which had windows in its upper room open toward Jerusalem, and to get down on his knees three times a day to pray to his God and praise him, just as he had done previously. ¹¹The conspirators came and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his God.

¹²Then they approached the king and said concerning the interdict, "O king! Did you not sign an interdict, that anyone who prays to anyone, divine or human, within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions?"

The king answered, "The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked."

¹³Then they responded to the king, "Daniel, one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or to the interdict you have signed, but he is saying his prayers three times a day."

¹⁴When the king heard the charge, he was very much distressed. He was determined to save Daniel, and until the sun went down he made every effort to rescue him.

¹⁵Then the conspirators came to the king and said to him, "Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no interdict or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed."

¹⁶Then the king gave the command, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the den of lions. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you faithfully serve, deliver

you!"

¹⁷A stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, so that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. ¹⁸Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no food was brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

¹⁹Then, at break of day, the king got up and hurried to the den of lions. ²⁰When he came near the den where Daniel was, he cried out anxiously to Daniel, "O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God whom you faithfully serve been able to deliver you from the lions?"

²¹Daniel then said to the king, "O king, live forever! ²²My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths so that they would not hurt me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no wrong."

²³Then the king was exceedingly glad and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

KIDS' TIME—PASTOR KARI

SERMON—PASTOR KARI

* HYMN OF THE DAY | #632 "O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST"



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

* APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*** PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH—PLEASE ADD YOUR PRAYERS TO OUR LIVEFEED COMMENTS.**

AFTER EACH PETITION, ALL ARE INVITED TO SING THE REFRAIN INCLUDED HERE:

Refrain
All

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from
death in - to life. life.

L Let us pray for the Church, for the world, and each whom we know and love, according to their needs.

The prayers of the Church are offered.

Our prayers conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

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*OFFERING PRAYER

L Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves; our time; and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SEND

* SENDING BLESSING

L Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN | #763 "MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG"

1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion,
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com - forts die? The Lord my Sav - ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing!

I catch the sweet, though far - off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing - ing?
 What though the dark - ness gath - er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing - ing?

Refrain

No storm can shake my in - most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heav - en and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

* SENDING

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Camp Onomia Staff



A REMINDER ABOUT GENEROSITY IN THE SUMMER:

Our gratitude to God is extended to the people and leadership that has been offered during these extraordinary times. Eldon Johnson, Collin Miller, Bob Minks, and Pam Ross have been GODSENDS over this time in keeping an eye on the finances of our congregation, especially in filling out and submitting the application for the Payroll Protection Plan monies made available through the Federal government. Those proceeds have been applied in the areas we were required to use them (mainly payroll), which helped us keep a healthy, positive cash flow up to this point.

But we are now entering what have been for us traditionally lean months of giving. And our faithfulness to God's calling, even in this time, is to be responsible for our financial commitments, not least of which include our ministry partners (like the Synod and Camp Onomia); our buildings (including, of course, our mortgage on Trinity Crossing); and of course, our staff! **But we cannot be faithful to that calling without your trust and faithfulness in your generosity.**

There are still any number of ways to give:

- **By Mail**—we have a reliable process for making sure that all offerings are out of the building every single day and deposited right way. It is safe, even with our mostly shuttered building.
- **By Drop Off**—Just to the right of the front doors of the church is a secure mail slot that is only accessible by lock and key on the inside of the church building. *If you must be out and about, you can drop your gifts off in the church mail slot.*
- **On-line**—You can [CLICK HERE](#) to give RIGHT NOW, if you want, and that gift can also be set-up to come in a recurring way. (This is the link you would follow from our website by clicking on the offering plate image there.) This is THE most efficient way of signing up for Simply Giving, which is administered by Vanco, one of the most secure e-commerce companies in the industry.
- **Automatic Withdrawal**—Contact your bank.
- **By App**—Both the Apple and Google Play app stores have a free app called "GivePlus." Once downloaded to your device, simply search for "Trinity Lutheran Church, Princeton, MN"; follow the directions for registering; and set-up your giving in whatever way works for your faithful generosity, one time, recurring, or whatever.

Thank you again for supporting God's mission for us, even in these times of separation and uncertainty.

Day Of Kindness Princeton Community Event Saturday, August 1st



This day is approaching quickly!! We need your help in collecting more toilet paper to hand out this year. More donations are needed to make this day a success this year. You can stop by the church office, there will be a bin outside the door and it will be checked and emptied regularly.

Live Stream Fundraiser

As life gradually starts to move to our new normal, one thing that will not be changing any time soon is the need for Trinity to continue its live broadcast ministry. The Reentry Team has been busy working to create a plan for having in-person worship in the near future. However, full in person attendance is not likely for some time. As we start allowing people to attend worship in person, the current live broadcast setup will not be manageable and a more permanent solution will be needed.



When the budget for this year was being put together no one had even heard of the coronavirus. Since this is not something that was planned for, we are creating a special fundraiser specifically for raising funds for the equipment needed for a permanent live stream broadcast. We have created a two phase plan, and the details of each phase are listed below. If you want to be part of making this happen, please give online or mail your gift to the Church office at 111 6th ave N. Princeton, MN 55371. Be sure to mark your gift for LiveStream. Thank you.

Phase 1 consists of what is needed in order to broadcast the live stream on a permanent basis. The goal is to implement this phase as soon as possible, meaning when funds are available they will be used. Any funds not used for Phase 1 will be moved to Phase 2.

Phase 1 Goal: \$10,000

Equipment Needed:

- 2x computers (one for the live stream, one for the projection software)
- 2x 24" monitors for the computers
- 2x Cameras (one main view, one side area views)
- Projection software
- Network Equipment
- Cabinetry for an AV Station

Phase 2 is our long term vision for adding visual elements into worship. This will allow us to move away from printed materials and move toward pre-recorded announcements,

preaching illustrations, adding seasonal color and art, music, etc. The goal for this phase is to have it available for the Christmas season.

Phase2 Goal: \$15,000

Equipment Needed:

- 2x 98" Television screens
- 1 65" Leaders monitor
- Mounting poles
- Hardware and cabling

THANKS!!

HELP NEEDED TO FILL OUT HYMN SINGERS, SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

One of the things we think has made our livestream worship so viable is the presence of singers who “fill out” our hymn singing. (THANK YOU TO THE STAFF FROM CAMP ONOMIA AND LIZ FOR FILLING THAT ROLE THIS MORNING!!)

We really, really, REALLY need those singers for the NEXT SUNDAY.

Otherwise, our livestream is going to seem kind of “flat.”

IN ORDER TO DO THIS...

- WE ARE STILL KEEPING OUR NUMBERS TO 10 OR FEWER FOR OUR LIVESTREAMED SERVICES.
- STILL--YOU MUST NOT be in a higher-risk category (i.e., 65-years or older; underlying healthier conditions; etc.) or exhibiting symptoms (coughing; etc.)
- YOU MUST be able to practice good physical distancing—6 ft. or more.
- YOU MUST be able to wear a mask.
- YOU NEED TO BE PRESENT NO LATER THAN 8:30AM on SUNDAY MORNING.
- IF YOU CAN HELP OUT—AND WE REALLY, REALLY NEED YOU TO HELP OUT—PLEASE CONTACT Liz (office@trinity-princeton.org or 763-389-2671) ASAP, AND SHE'LL FILL YOU IN WITH ANY OTHER DETAILS. THANKS!!!

OR—Check out your E-Trumpet and our website. THANKS!!



TENTATIVE RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP

**TENTATIVE RETURN TO WORSHIP DATE: SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, TIME
TBA**

At our July meeting (the first IN-PERSON meeting since March—with masks and physical distancing, of course) the council approved a series of policies, procedures, and protocols regarding the reopening of our office; welcoming back the use of our building for small groups; and a tentative date for the return of in-person worship.



Please note: that “tentative” date is based on a number of factors, some of which is not in our direct control, including what virus numbers continue to do, but also includes having in the place the care and safety practices we can control like wearing masks, physical distancing, and cleaning/sanitizing.

The full plan can be viewed on our website: http://www.trinity-princeton.org/uploads/1/0/8/1/108189583/07.13.2020_worship_reentry_plan.pdf

Key features to this plan include...

- limited, physically distant seating capacity for approximately 100 worshipers;
- required masks for all participants;
- fresh air ventilation through our HVAC system;
- elimination of sung congregational music in exchange for music provided by a singular singer;
- removal of hymnals and other "handleables";
- a thorough cleaning/sanitation protocol after worship.

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU NOW IS SOME RESPONSE AS TO YOUR INTENT FOR A RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP. You can provide that through a brief poll, which can be found on our website, www.trinity-princeton.org.

THANKS!!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF TLY’S SUMMER SERVICE TRIP!!

For buying pizzas... For hiring kids to work... FOR SIMPLY DONATING OUT OF THE GOODNES OF YOUR HEARTS!! WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR YOU!!

The group left early yesterday morning. They will be undertaking Creation Care service projects with the US Forest Service

Participants are : Kayla Haux, Desirae Jensen, Sydney Negri, Pastor Kari, Pastor Mike, Anna Pancoast, Eleanor Pancoast, Molly Street, Hunter Warner, and Kasey Zimmerman



Summer Splash with Camp Onomia!

Sign up now for a day of fun with our camp counselors from our favorite camp!

Wed., August 5 at Mark Park or Thurs., August 6 at Camp Onomia

Kids who have completed grades 1 to 8

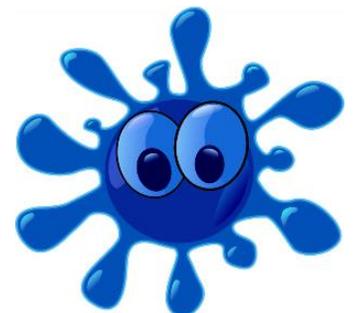
Friends are welcome.

You'll be divided up into groups of similar ages.

This will fulfill the camp requirement for last year's 8th graders who have not yet been to confirmation camp!

This does not fulfill the camp requirements for other FaithWalk Students. We're hoping we will be able to go to camp for a whole week together again next summer!

Of course everything about next year is still up in the air... we will be as flexible as necessary!



You may choose either one, or both!

Only \$40

A box lunch and beverages will be provided.

Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed.

Camp will provide enough counselors for a 1 to 8 cabin ratio.

Camp staff have been tested for COVID and are sequestered at camp.

Each cabin group will function independently of the others. Staff will be equipped with sanitized program totes for each small group which contain supplies needed for the day's activities for that specific group.

Masks are expected to be worn by all participants. Masks will be removed during active play time.

Active play time and all activities will be contactless.

Opening celebration and closing "campfire" will be held outdoors, keeping social distance.

Temperatures will be taken at entry.

The entire day will be outside.

Arrival and check in at 9:00 am, check out at 3:57.

You'll need to provide your own transportation.

For registration form click here. Please drop the form off at the church office (just drop it in the mail slot) or mail it in by August 1st!

But wait... there is another opportunity to experience Camp Onomia this summer!

We have also been invited to join our friends at Immanuel for their Summer Splash on Wednesday, July 29 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Princeton. The rest of the details are all the same! You may use the same registration form, just get it to Immanuel instead of Trinity.

Prayer List

Members

Dorothy Bergstrom
Florence Botzek
Jeri Ann Bredemus
Jim Dery
Susan Deyle
Katey Donais
Dale Dunham
Marlene Foss
Adolph Hamann
Marlys Hanson
Phil Knapp

Bruce Lacher
Tad Larsen
Del Liestman
Jamie Lundberg
Chellis Matz
Sharon Matz
Anikka Miller
Jean Miller
Emily Nelson
Ed Peterson
Bev Reed
Warren Reed
Dina Scandinato

Cindy Schmatz
Loren Schroeder
Carol Skare
Matt Skarohlid
Brenda Smith
Anne Stevenson
Eric Strandberg
Joyce Tessmer
Prudence Tessmer & family
Ardy Tourville
Carol Warner
Chuck Warner
Barb Wicktor

Russ Wicktor
Dean Winslow
Ginny Winslow

Family Members & Friends

Peter Berry (Mary Berry's son)
Diane Boser (Friend of Dan & Jean Anderson)
Gene Brown (Pastor Mike's uncle)
Jean Carlson (Chuck Warner's sister)
Virg Carlson (Chuck & Carol Warner's brother in-law)
Caitlin Christenson (Kenny & Joy Christenson's daughter in-law)
David Doerfler (Pastor Mike's uncle)
Rachel Fadden (friend of Ron & Judy Peterson/Jim & Jan Dery)
Jan Gale's daughter Jamie
Joan Gessar (Courtney Hoppe's mother in-law)
Marian Grow (LaDonna Olson's sister)
Shirley Heyns (Chellis Matz sister)

Dale Kannegiesser (Elaine Storck's friend)
Evelyn Kingma (June Kunkel's sister in-law)
Carol Kint (Ron Peterson/Jan Dery's sister)
Janet Kruetter (Joy Christenson's sister)
Randall Lundgren (Debi's Pederson's nephew)
Bryce Murphy (friend of Marlowe Miller)
Esther Neussendorfer (Danette Scepurek's grandmother)
Janice Omtvedt (Ingrid Bavier's mother)
Elliott Pancoast (Pastor Mike's dad)
Tracy Pidde (Princeton 3rd grade teacher)
Justin Poorker (Jim & Jan Dery grandson)
Amanda Ridout (friend of the Pancoast Family)
Rob Savage (Friend of the Keller family)
Robin Schmidt (Jan Gerth's daughter)

Andy Struthers (Maria Barlage's brother)
Patty Thul's Sister Sheri
Stacy Turner (Marlowe & Jean Miller's daughter)
Scott Wallin (Char Kramersmeier's son)
Eric Webster (friend of the Morisset family)
Ronda Wetzel (daughter of Andrea & Ron Sandusky)

Serving in the Military

Andrew Anderson
Andrew Barthel
Claire Barthel
Jacob Benver
Brady Beauchamp
Eden Betzler
Ronald Duresky
Riley Forland
Derek Hanson
Anthony Mandt
Zachary Morisset
Ben Noard
Parker Pedersen
Jaden Thimmesch