

# Lake Breezes-February 2008

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Sunday Worship:  
Fellowship: 9:15 AM  
Office: 651.633.2402

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM  
Education Hour: 9:30AM  
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## The following is from Higher Things Daily Devotion.

*But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" (Exodus 17:3)*

Ever been in a long car ride? Then you know the comments, "How long 'til we get there? If I don't get something to eat, I'll starve. If I don't get something to drink, I'll die." That sort of grumbling sounds like the Israelites in our text. On the way to the Promised Land, God is providing everything, but nothing is good enough.

Do you find yourself in a similar situation? We are on a journey to the Promised Land, but nothing is really good enough. God provides food for the journey, food that will nourish and strengthen faith. He provides Word and Sacrament for you. But you grumble! "This is so boring, why can't we have more fun in worship? Why do we need these nasty tasting wafers and that sick tasting wine? Why can't we have Doritos and grape juice? It'd taste better. How can that simple water, so many years ago, have any impact on me today?"

God freed the Israelites from slavery. By a mighty hand He brought them out of their bondage to a cruel oppressor. They walked through the Red Sea as the water was piled up as cliffs to their right and to their left and still they grumbled. Nothing was good enough in their minds, and still God blessed them with all that they needed to bring them to the Promised Land.

Jesus walked in human flesh. He knows that whatever He uses to give us the gifts of forgiveness, eternal life, salvation, and strengthened faith by the means of grace, we will naturally despise.

Nothing is good enough to our eyes. Yet, God has blessed us with all that we need to bring us to the Promised Land. He feeds and nourishes our faith with the simple things of water, word, bread and wine. It is in them that He fulfills His promise and gives us eternal life.

Good and gracious indeed is our God to forgive our grumbling and care for our needs now and forevermore.

*All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise to Father, Son, and Spirit, the God who saved us by His grace; all glory to His merit. O Triune God in heav'n above, You have revealed Your saving love; Your blessed name we hallow. Amen. (LSB #555, verse 10)*



**Lutheran Hour Ministries**

WCCO-AM (8 3 0) carries the broadcast at 6:05 AM Sunday mornings.

**February 3 "Clever Myths"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus  
We all know, or at least we should know, there are a lot of cleverly invented stories circulating; stories which can't be trusted. The message today says the Savior's story of salvation is no myth. It is God's truth which can be trusted. 2 Peter 1:16

**February 10 "If"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus  
Today's sermon talks about the custom made, one-of-a-kind temptations which Satan successfully offers to each of us and the salvation which comes through Christ. Matthew 4:3

**February 17 "For Salvation"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus  
God gave His Son as a Gift to save us—no strings attached. That's something you don't see everyday. John 3:16

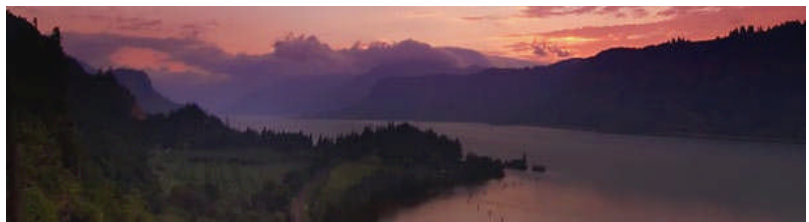
**February 24 "...Because of the Woman's Testimony"**

Guest speaker: Rev. Steve Siegel  
The Samaritan woman Jesus met at the well was a social outcast, but that did not stop her from telling everyone in the village who Jesus was. And because of her testimony, many came to believe in Him as the Savior of the world. John 4:5-26, 39-42

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**Workshops on Lutheran Liturgy for Lay People**

February 9 from 9– 3 PM  
Speaker: Professor John Pless  
Glory of Christ Lutheran Church  
4040 State Hwy 101 N, Plymouth  
Registration fee: \$20, call 763.478.6031 or email [www.gloryofchrist.org](http://www.gloryofchrist.org) to register in advance.



**"THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE"**

Thursday, February 28, Trinity seniors and guests will meet at 11 AM for devotions and a short meeting. A potluck lunch will be served at 11:45 followed by a 60 minute film, "The Columbia River Gorge". History comes to life with photographs and archival film in this carefully researched chronicle. Travel in the footsteps of the Columbia River Indians, as you encounter this biological and geological wonder.

A signup poster will be placed on the downstairs bulletin board. Please indicate what potluck item you will bring-hot dish, salad or dessert.

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**Nordic Choir**

Craig Arnold, Conductor  
Saturday, February 2 at 7:30 PM  
Westwood Lutheran Church  
9001 Cedar Lake Road, St. Louis Park  
Adults \$20, students \$10  
For tickets, visit [www.luthertickets.com](http://www.luthertickets.com) or call 1.800.4 Luther



Learn the "untold story" of Joshua and the Battle of Jericho.

St. Odilia Catholic Church  
3495 N. Victoria St  
Shoreview

Thursday, Jan. 31 and Friday, Feb. 1 at 7:30 PM  
Saturday, Feb. 2 at 1 and 7:30 PM  
Sunday, Feb. 3 at 2:30 PM  
Call 651.484.6681 or go to [www.stodilia.org](http://www.stodilia.org) for tickets



## Easter is fast approaching!

We will again start the Easter season with a 7 PM Ash Wednesday service on February 6th. We will have our Lenten services on Thursday nights at 7 PM preceded by supper at 5:30 PM. The following groups are asked to serve the suppers on these nights:

February 14th	Lay Ministry	February 21st	Men of Trinity and LWML
February 28th	Prince of Peace	March 6th	Youth and Education
March 13th	Needed	March 20th	Seniors

If there is any conflict with these dates, please contact Miles Hamre.

### LCEF

Family emergency funds are not as common as they used to be and yet for most families carrying large amounts of debt, the need is probably greater. LCEF's Family Emergency Fund is an opportunity to set aside funds for the unexpected and unplanned expense, while earning competitive rates of interest. For current rates, click on [lcef.org](http://lcef.org) or call 1.800.THE LCEF for more information.

Good Christians never fight...or do they? Christians can and do fight like everyone else. When we do, relationships wither, businesses and careers suffer, and the witness of the church is weakened. You can help reverse this pattern. Learn what opportunities God gives you in the ministry of reconciliation. Join us for the seminar, *Blessed Are the Peacemakers*. In one day of Bible study, God can change your attitude towards conflict and your relationship to others.

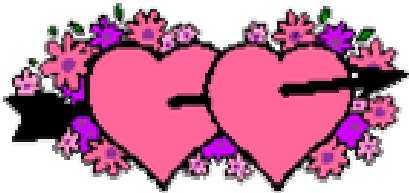
Host location: Concordia Academy, 2400 N. Dale St.

**February 2, 8:30-3:30 PM**

Cost is \$20/ checks payable to "East St. Paul Circuit"  
To register mail to So. Shore Trinity, c/o Ambassadors of Reconciliation, 2480 So. Shore Blvd., White Bear Lake, 55110 or call 651-429-4293

**February Ushers, Lent 2 & 3-**Erv Studenski, Jim Nygaard, Cliff and Kevin Moore, Katelyn Steffens  
**Ash Wednesday, Lent 1-**Paul Fuchs, Dean Bruss, Mark Eberhart, Jeff Schusted

<u>Communion</u>	<u>Counters</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Cleaners</u>	<u>Fellowship</u>
<u>2/3</u> Gary	Howard, Donna	Kim	Floyd, Bob, John	Needed volunteers to help serve coffee and treats during the month of February at 9:15 AM.
<u>2/6</u> Mark, Keith		Nick		
<u>2/10</u>	Curt, Jeanne	Rebekah	Schuster family	
<u>2/14</u>		Steven		
<u>2/17</u> Howard, Doug	Maynard, Virginia	Nathan	Erv, LeRoy, <u>Harold</u>	
<u>2/21</u>		Michael		
<u>2/24</u>	Curt, Jeanne	Travis	Keith, Wanda, <u>Maria, Paul</u>	
<u>2/28</u>		Adam		



**EDUCATION HOUR**-9:30 AM Ages 3-100 are invited to come enjoy coffee and treats at 9:15 AM

**CONFIRMATION**-6th, 7th and 8th graders Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 PM

**MIDWEEK**-High School students Wednesday evenings 6:30-7:30 PM

**BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Thursdays @ 5:30 PM

**LAY MINISTRY** will meet Sunday, February 10 @ 4 PM

**RESERVING SPACE**-To reserve a room, please contact the secretary.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** to Trinity members in February!

**SHARE THE WORSHIP** will not meet in February

**PROPERTY/MEN OF TRINITY** will meet on Saturday, February 2 @ 8:00 AM

**COUNCIL MEETING** on Saturday, February 9 @ 9:00 AM

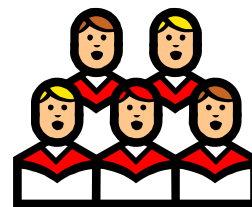
## How to be a good Lutheran

During new student orientation at Concordia (Seward), the Dean of Students addressed the parents and us incoming freshmen. He said "There are 3 ways you can tell someone is a good Lutheran. The first—they always sit in the back of the church".

I would like to invite all of the musicians in our congregation to become "good" Lutherans on Easter Sunday.

First, we would like to form a choir to sing on that special day. There will be 1-2 rehearsals depending on the interest of the group.

Second, we would like to form a band to play on 2 hymns and during the offertory—any combination of instruments (keyboard, brass, woodwinds, percussion, strings). Again, 1-2 rehearsals depending on interest.



If you are interested, please let me know—*especially* those who wish to play in the band (as I will need to arrange parts). Come visit with me after a worship service or drop a note on the organ with your name and interest.

Looking forward to working with all the good Lutherans at Trinity!

Katherine Grein