## **BIBLE STUDIES THIS WEEK AT TRINITY**

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Bible Study	Day/Time	Location
Adult Bible Study	Sun./ 9:30 am	Fellowship Hall
I Peter Bible Study	Sun./9:30 a.m.	School Library
7-8 grade Bible Study	Sun./9:30 a.m.	Room 207
High School Bible Study	Sun./9:30 a.m.	Room 209
Young Adult	Mon./6 p.m.	School library
LWML Bible Study	Mon./6:30 p.m.	Church Library
Women's Bible Study	Tues./ 9 a.m.	Church Library
LWML Bible Study	Tues./10 a.m.	Narthex
<b>Ecclesiastes Bible Study</b>	Wed./10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
High School Group	Wed./ 7 p.m.	School Library
Mom's Group	Thur./ 9 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Mom's Group	Thur./6:30 p.m.	School Library
Men's Group	Sat./7:30 a.m.	Trinity Hall

## 20s AND 30s BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to attend a Bible study, which begins Monday, Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. We will be studying I Thessalonians, where Paul encourages the church to walk in love. A light dinner will be served. Please call Linda Gaster (563-340-9778) or Tony Dixon (563-323-8001) for more information.

#### **LADIES OF TRINITY**

Ladies of Trinity are invited to the LWML Bible study on Monday, Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the church library. If you prefer a daytime meeting, another group will be meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. in the entrance of the church.

#### **DRESS DRIVE**

Risen Christ Lutheran Church in Davenport is collecting new or used formal, bridesmaid, party and prom dresses of all sizes, appropriate for women 14 and older for the 2018 Night to Shine prom. The Dress Drive will be Oct. 16-22. The prom will be held at Trinity Lutheran on Feb. 9, 2018. We ask that the dresses are clean and in good repair. The participants will keep the dress. Please bring donations to Risen Christ 6021 NW Blvd, Davenport, IA or contact Jessica Welch 563-528-3969.

#### **MARTIN LUTHER MOVIE**

If you were not able to attend the Martin Luther Movie - The Idea that Changed the World, which the Davenport churches sponsored last spring, it is being presented at the Regal Theatre in Moline on Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m. Call Gloria Strieter (309-794-9191) with any questions.



## **Sunday School This Week:**

Genesis 18:1-15,21:1-6 - Sarah hears God's promise she'll have a son within the next year. Sarah is very old, so she laughs at the idea. But by the next year, she has a son. She names him Isaac, which means laughter, because God brought her laughter. God brings us laughter, too! What laughter has God brought you?

**Next Week - Genesis 27, 32-33:** God brings Jacob and Esau back together.

## **CHANCEL FLOWERS**

The flowers this weekend have been given to God's glory by Fern Werning's family in celebration of her birthday on Oct. 9.

#### THANK YOU FROM PASTOR MERLE, LOIS

Members of Trinity: This thank you is long overdue. However, last week was filled with my final days of service. I ask for your forgiveness. Thank you so much for your kindness, the love you have shown to both Lois and me in my years as your pastor, and your generosity in the monetary gift to us. From the very beginning, as a vicar, you showered us with your love. As we all begin a new path chosen for us, I look forward to walking beside you all, sharing joy and sometimes sorrow together. God's blessings to you - Pastor Merle & Lois.

#### **LIFE THOUGHTS**

In Christ God embraced and befriended hearts and bodies ruined by sin. He allowed neither disabilities nor disobedience to separate anyone from His love (Luke 14:1-4). This forgiveness heals us to share the same gracious kingdom with the ones right in front of us who struggle with impairment and iniquity (Luke 14:12-14). Prayer: Extend Your kingdom, Lord Jesus, through me to those who are broken like I am. Amen.

## **THANK YOU**

I want to express my thankfulness for the prayers, visits, phone calls, cards and meals I received during my illness. I am so grateful and getting better every day! The Lord bless you! Cindy Persinger.

# **MARTIN LUTHER QUOTES**

"When the world hears, then, that its highest gifts are disapproved by the Gospel and that only this King is commended, it is not only offended, but even prepares weapons and strives with all its might to vindicate its own gifts against this affront. This is the occasion for the bitterest conflicts; thus the world and this King attack each other with hostile hearts, with this result, about which Psalm 118:22 prophesies: 'The Stone which the builders rejected has become the chief Cornerstone.'" LW 12:62

