

TOGETHER IN FAITH

Let us gather as a community to celebrate the blessings that surround us



A Letter from the Pastor: Teaching by Example

By Pastor Tim Ehling -- Mission Developer for the Kettle River Cooperative

To the Cooperative Family:

“Train Children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray.”

Proverbs 22: 6

The question I have, may be the same question all parents ask...what is the right way to train my children?

As the season of Sunday school draws near, the beginning of September, teaching our children the faith we all share in Christ Jesus becomes our main focus as a church. But, the question still remains...what is the right way to train our children in the Christian faith? Maybe the answer is not so much what we do to teach our children, but how we model for them the faith.

Here is a poem for you to think about. It might be a little outdated, but still rings true. Maybe the strongest way for us to teach our children is to be an example. Think about it.

Today.

When I go mad and hit my child
“For his own good,” I reconciled,
and then, I realized my plight...
Today, I taught my child to fight.

When interrupted by the phone, I
said, “Tell them I’m not at home.”
And then I thought, and had to sigh...
Today, I taught my child to lie.

Sunday Worship

Trinity Lutheran Church

Every Sunday at 8:00am

Oak Lake Lutheran Church

Every Sunday at 11:15am

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I told the tax man what I made, forgetting
cash that I was paid; and then I blushed at
this sad feat...

Today, I taught my child to cheat.

I smugly copied a cassette, to keep me free
of one more debt. But now the bells of
shame must peal...

Today, I taught my child to steal.

Today, I cursed another race. Oh God,
protect what I debase, for now, I fear it is
too late.

Today, I taught my child to hate...

By my example, children learn
that I must lead in life's sojourn
in such a way that they are led
by what is done, not what is said.

Today, I gave my child his due
by praises for him instead of rue.

And now I have begun my guide:

Today, I gave my child his pride.

I now have reconciled and paid
to IRS on all I made.

And now I know that his dear youth.

Today has learned from me, of truth.

The alms I give are not for show,

I clasp within a warm embrace

my neighbor of another race

the great commandment from above.

Today, I taught my child to love.

Someday, my child must face alone

this world of fearsome undertone,

but I have blazed a sure pathway:

Today, I taught my child to pray.

(by Henry Matthew Ward)

A wise pastor I know one said, "When I die
I hope they say at my funeral, "Yeah, he
was a good pastor, but you know, he was
really a great Father!" Certainly, God
wants us to do well in our professions or
callings, but most importantly, God wants
us to be loving, supportive and present
mothers and fathers for our children.

God's grace and peace to you as you help
teach and raise all our children by the way
you live your life.

News for August

Oak Lake Farmer's Market

The Oak Lake Farmer's Market
continues every Saturday from
9:30-11:30 am (or until sold out).
We are looking for volunteers to
host the market—if you're able to
help, please sign up on the sheet
in the pavilion. Also, save the date
for our **Pancake Breakfast on
Saturday, September 5** (Labor
Day weekend). We look forward to
seeing you at Oak Lake!

God's Work. Our Hands. - Serving Local Classrooms

On **Sunday, August 30**, the
congregations of Oak Lake and
Trinity will gather for a **joint
worship service at Trinity at 9:30
am**. There will be no worship
service at Oak Lake that day.

As part of our **God's Work. Our
Hands.** service project, we are
collecting **healthy, individually
packaged snacks** throughout the
month of August to assemble snack
bags for local classrooms. **Please
consider bringing snack
donations to worship during
August.** Your generosity will help
us serve our local schools in a
meaningful way.

Following worship on August 30,
we'll enjoy a **potluck brunch** and
the blessing of the snack bags
before they are distributed. Please
bring a dish to share, a lawn chair
or blanket, and stay for games,
fellowship, and a wonderful day of
serving our neighbors together.

WELCA School Kit Collection

WELCA is preparing **School Kits
for Lutheran World Relief**,
helping children around the world
have the supplies they need to
learn and succeed. School
supplies are on sale now, making
this a great time to donate!

We are collecting:

- 4 spiral 70-sheet notebooks
- 1 rulers (with centimeters and inches)
- 1 pencil sharpener
- One 2½ -inch eraser
- 1 pair of blunt scissors
- 5 No. 2 pencils with erasers
- 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons

Thank you for your generosity and
support of this important ministry.
If you have any questions, please
contact **Rita Hanratty**.

Council Members - Save the Date!

Please mark your calendars for the
**Joint Council Meeting on
Tuesday, September 15, at Oak
Lake**. This meeting will be held on
a different date than our usual
schedule, as previously agreed
upon by both councils.

We look forward to gathering with
council members from Oak Lake
and Trinity.

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bruno Food Shelf Hours: Monday, Friday & Saturday 1-2pm			Daisy's Thrift Store Hours: Monday, Friday & Saturday 10am-3pm; Thursday 3-6pm			
2 Trinity Worship 8am OL Worship 11:15am <i>Pastor Tim on Vacation</i>	3	4 Kerrick Community Night Out 6-7:30pm at GraceLynn Playground in Kerrick Trinity Council 7pm	5	6 Auxiliary 3pm at Trinity	7 Legion 6pm at Trinity	8 OL Farmers's Market 9:30-11:30am
9 Trinity Worship 8am OL Event Mtg 10:15am OL Worship 11:15am <i>Pastor Tim on Vacation</i>	10 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	11	12	13	14	15 OL Farmer's Market 9:30-11:30am
16 Trinity Worship 8am Potluck to follow OL Property Mtg 10am OL Worship 11:15am BP checks	17 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	18 Oak Lake Council 6:30pm	19 WELCA Yearly Planning Meeting 9:30am Cooperative Council 5pm at Hope in Moose Lake	20	21	22 OL Farmer's Market 9:30-11:30am
23 Trinity Worship 8am OL Worship 11:15am	24 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	25	26 Newsletter Deadline	27	28	29 OL Farmer's Market 9:30-11:30am
30 Joint Worship 9:30am at Trinity Potluck to follow	31 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>		OL Worship Servants: Altar Guild: Janet Sway & Beth Dahm Readers: Bill Spaulding / George Dahm Communion Server: Volunteers Greeters, Acolyte, and Sunday Coffee Hosts: Volunteers			