

## *Psalms*

Leader: Wally Bergmann

This study will begin January 1.

Conversation With God

Bring your Bible; Handouts provided

Most people know a few "literary gems" from the Psalms. But if you are not satisfied with a few oft-quoted verses, you are invited to enjoy the spiritual messages found in the Psalms. The Psalms were written by real people, with real problems and joys. Just as God spoke to the writers of the Psalms, so He speaks to you today.

Goals of this study:

1. Identify the message of the psalm.
2. Use the psalmist's words to express your own moods, needs, and joys.
3. Use the Psalms to praise and thank God.
4. See the Psalms through the light of the Gospel of Christ.

### **Bible Study Enrollment**

Please return this form to the church office

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark the class you would like to attend:

- The Power of a Praying Woman (8:15)*
- What God Does When Men Pray (8:15)*
- Adult Information Class (8:15)*
- Christmas Prayers and Prayers (9:30)*
- Our Lord's Prayer (9:30)*
- Psalms (9:30)*

Other super easy ways to enroll:

1. Online ([www.trinluth.org](http://www.trinluth.org))
2. Email Chuck, [cab1@trinluth.org](mailto:cab1@trinluth.org)
3. Call Chuck, (309) 834-3203

## **At a Glance**

### *The Power of a Praying Woman*

Women usually look after the needs of others—friends, co-workers, family, and spouses—before we look after our own needs. Our prayer lives may be just as "other" focused. There are strengths to that but who will pray for us?

### *What God Does When Men Pray*

"Prayer" sounds so simple, but it isn't always. Through this study, we will see what God's Word says about prayer and learn more about how to make prayer a regular part of our lives. We will also experience ways we can grow in our personal prayer lives while praying with and for others.

### *Adult Information Class*

This class will give the participants an overview of the six-chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism. The biblical foundation of these teachings will be a key focus of the class. During class time, opportunities to discuss the real life importance of these teachings will also be encouraged.

### *Christmas Prayers and Prayers*

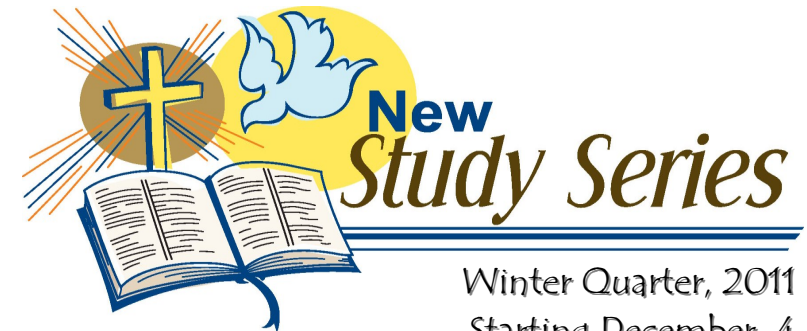
God's people of old anticipated Jesus' birth and all of the gifts that were promised through Him. As we anticipate Christmas this year, we will study some of them and their prayers as they awaited the arrival of the Savior. With them we will rejoice in the Savior Jesus born into this world—as we study their prayers after his arrival. Maybe we'll even sing a few of those Christmas prayers together!

### *Our Lord's Prayer*

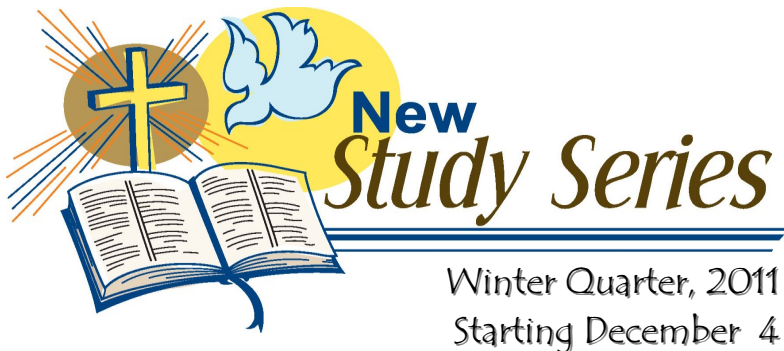
We will look at the nine sections of the Lord's Prayer, by looking into the Scriptures, the lives of real people of God as they talked to Him in prayer and as they received good things from Him—many times, even before they asked. Together we will be refreshed by God's care for us and the truth that He has always been more ready to give than we are to ask.

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Winter Quarter, 2011  
Starting December 4



### **Classes at 8:15 am Only**

#### ***The Power of a Praying Woman***

Leader: Dianne Lehner

Theme: Growing in our relationship with God and others through prayer.

Books will be ordered when you sign-up. Bring Bibles.

As women, we usually look after the needs of others—friends, co-workers, family, and spouses—before we look after our own needs. Our prayer lives may be just as “other” focused. There are certainly strengths to that but who will pray for us?

Goals of this study:

1. Enjoy regular conversations with God in prayer.
2. Better understand God’s plan and purpose for our lives.
3. Receive comfort, help and strength for everyday living through prayer and His Word.
4. Grow in our relationship with God and others through prayer.

#### ***What God Does When Men Pray***

Leader: Chuck Bahn

Theme: Through study, discussion and practice we will grow in using prayer as an effective resource in our roles as men.

Books will be ordered when you sign-up. Bring Bibles.

“Prayer” sounds so simple yet can be so complicated. Anyone can “pray”, but praying can be difficult. Through this study with other men, we will see what God’s Word says about prayer and learn more about how we can make prayer a more regular part of our lives. We will also experience

ways we can grow in our personal prayer lives while praying with and for others. Who knows what God might do when the men of Trinity pray?

Goals of this study:

1. Discover God’s open invitation for us to talk to Him.
2. How to break through personal barriers toward prayer.
3. Learn tools to make prayer a more consistent part of your life.
4. See the joy of watching God at work.
5. Experience the blessing of praying with and for others, while others pray with and for you.

#### ***Adult Information Class***

Leader: Trinity Pastors and DCEs

Materials will be provided.

This class is for anyone interested in knowing more about the beliefs of the Lutheran church and the ministry of Trinity. Anyone interested in taking steps towards membership at Trinity will want to be part of this class.

Likewise, if you are currently a member and are interested in reviewing the core teachings of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, this will be an excellent opportunity for you as well.

This class will give the participants an overview of the six-chief parts of Luther’s Small Catechism. The biblical foundation of these teachings will be a key focus of the class. During class time, opportunities to discuss the real life importance of these teachings will also be encouraged.

Goals of this study:

1. To gain understanding of the core biblical beliefs of Trinity Lutheran Church as part of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.
2. To share in fellowship with others in the class.
3. To experience a Bible study if you haven’t been part of one before.
4. To review the biblical foundation of Trinity if you are currently a member.
5. Upon completion of this class, those wishing to become members of Trinity will be received through adult confirmation on December 4.

### **Classes at 9:30 am Only**

#### ***Christmas Prayers and Prayers***

Leaders: Pastors

This study will meet December 4, 11 and 18.

Bible Characters and their prayers they either in anticipation of Jesus’ birth or as they experienced it in history.

Bring your Bible; Handouts provided

God’s people of old anticipated Jesus’ birth and all of the gifts that were promised through Him. As we anticipate Christmas this year, we will study some of them and their prayers as they awaited the arrival of the Savior. With them we will rejoice in the Savior Jesus born into this world—as we study their prayers after his arrival. Maybe we’ll even sing a few of those Christmas prayers together!

Goals of this study:

1. Appreciate the prayers recorded for us in the Bible
2. Appreciate the pray-ers who prayed them
3. Be prepared again to celebrate our Jesus

#### ***Our Lord’s Prayer***

Leader: Pastors

This study will begin January 1.

Our Lord Still Teaches Us to Pray

Bring your Bible; Handouts provided

Our Lord Jesus first taught His people His prayer two thousand years ago. We believe it has never been more relevant to the needs of God’s people than it is today. We will look at the nine sections of the Lord’s Prayer.

As we do so over a nine-week period, we will dig around in the Scriptures, looking into the lives of real people of God as they talked to Him in prayer and as they received good things from Him—many times, even before they asked. Together we will be refreshed by God’s care for us and the truth that He has always been more ready to give than we are to ask.

Goals of this study:

1. Appreciate Jesus’ gift of The Lord’s Prayer
2. Realize the relevance of Jesus’ 2,000 year old gift
3. Recognize ourselves and our own life-situations in different Bible characters we meet along the way