



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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~Welcome to Trinity Lutheran...Warm Hearts and Willing Hands~



Dear Trinity Family,

Summer can be a time for us to be "on the go," near and far. As I was looking at our family calendar with trips to Green Lake Bible Camp, mission trips planned to Madison and St.

Paul, and a family trip to Canton, Ohio. Whether your summer plans have trips to the lake, a destination vacation or just time with family. This summer I'd like you to invite you to take part in the "Flat Jesus Project" to remind us that Jesus is with us wherever we go.

This project is based on the children's book Flat Stanley, written by Jeff Brown in 1965. Flat Stanley is the book's main character - who is accidentally flattened when a bulletin board falls on him. He discovers that being flat has some great advantages - he can travel to places in an envelope! In the 1990s, the "Flat Stanley Project" involved giving children in elementary schools their own paper cut-out of Flat Stanley and asking them to write about their adventures together or to mail him off to friends and family in other parts of the world...to have them take pictures and write about the adventures of Stanley. -

We are featuring a cutout figure of Jesus (Flat Jesus) in our newsletter. This is the "Flat Jesus Project." Because Jesus is always present with you, wherever you may go, you are invited to take him with you this summer... sending pictures back to the church so that everyone can enjoy hearing about one another's adventures. We hope to receive photos of Flat Jesus from locations near and

far. Perhaps you plan to visit to the Children's Museum, a park or a college visit - take a photo with Flat Jesus, include your name and a comment, and send it to pkstrumom@me.com Maybe your summer will include time at the lake or out for dinner with friends take a photo and send it to us or bring it to worship with you! This visible expression of faith reminds us that Jesus is with us wherever we go! Jesus does not stay in the church between Sundays, but is also outside the Church with us every day as we partner with God to do God's work in the world.

Join us for this fun activity of staying connected this summer and remembering Jesus is with us wherever we go! Pick up your "Flat Jesus" at worship or use the one included in the newsletter. Color your "Flat Jesus" and then take Jesus with you. Many people cover "Jesus with clear contact paper and have Jesus in the car with them as they go on adventures.

Blessings!

*Pastor Krista*



(Find the bigger Flat Jesus on page 9)

# TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Church  
Council



## COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Tom Dodge,  
Vice President: Dennis Rode  
Secretary: Marlene Breitbarth  
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson  
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith  
Ch Properties: Brad Nickerson,  
Stewardship: Duane Heckman  
Lay Ministry: Yvonne Noorlun  
Worship: Barb Mager  
Youth: Teressa Davis  
Pastor Krista

## Trinity Council Minutes May 11, 2016

Present: Tom Dodge, Dennis Rode, Cathy Sorenson, Nikki Smith, Teressa Davis, Yvonne Noorlun, Marlene Breitbarth, Duane Heckman, Brad Nickerson, Clayton Duncanson, and Pastor Krista

President Tom Dodge called the meeting to order. Pastor Krista lead the group with devotions.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

Clayton presented the treasurer's report. There is \$11,672 in the checking account and \$71,637 in the savings account.

### BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: Duane reported that he has made 2 trips the last few weeks to deliver food to our church families. He suggested that paper products such as toilet paper, paper towels, garbage bags, paper plates, cups

& silverware would also be appreciated.

Lay Ministry: They have cards and gifts ready for all the confirmand's and graduates.

Church Properties: Brad and Dennis are still working on getting bids for the heating system. Day Plumbing as put in a bid along with the amount of the rebates and the efficiency of the unit. Brad will check back with Watsons this week, and if they are unable to furnish a system, It was decided to go ahead with Day Plumbing. Brad also reported that 6 new evergreens have been planted on the east side of the church and there will be more planted in memory of Sylvan Behrens. Also Doyle will be fertilizing the lawn.

**Starting on  
July 3rd our  
church service  
starts at 8:45 for  
the next year.**

Christian Education: Sunday school is over and they are now working with Pastor Krista to plan for Vacation Bible School.

Worship: Confirmation service will be May 15th and Graduation Sunday will be May 22 with a Brunch served after the service. A reminder that starting July 3rd our church service starts at 8:45 for a year.

Pastor Krista's report: She has been working on an education plan for

2016 – 2017, busy with pastoral care and continued education. She is looking into starting a study group from the book "Unbinding the Gospel – Evangelism". The group will meet at her home June 9, 16, 30, July 7, 14, 21 and August 4, 18th.

**OLD BUSINESS:** We are still looking for suggestions on God's Work – Our Hands to help the Truman community.

**NEW BUSINESS:** An invitation to Kent Krumwiede's graduation on May 21 – 22nd was read.

Motion passed to give \$100 to Crest.

It was decided to sponsor an ad in the Sentinel Church page.

Marlene Breitbarth, Secretary



### **THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS**

*Through Thrivent Choice, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes some of its charitable outreach grant dollars among thousands of participating nonprofit organizations and congregations.*

**Congratulations! Trinity Lutheran Church received \$2,065 in 2015!**

**Choice Dollars designated to  
Trinity this month is:**

**\$258.00**

# WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/Theme	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL
June 5-Pentecost 3	1 Kings 17:1-24	30	Gal 1:11-24	Luke 7:11-17
June 12-Pentecost 4	2 Sam 11:26— 12:10,13-15	32	Gal 2:15-21	Luke 7:36—8:3
June 19-Pentecost 5	Isa 65:1-9	22:19-28	Gal 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
June 26-Pentecost 6- (Guest Speaker)	1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21	16	Gal 5:1, 13-25	Luke 9:51-62

## JUNE LAY MINISTRY

### TRINITY

#### SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

**COFFEE HOUR: 9:00-10:15**

**WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM**

#### COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

June 5 and June 12

#### COMMUNION SERVERS:

6/5-Chad Hastad

6/12-Margaret Durkee

#### LAY READERS:

6/5-Ciera Drevlow

6/12-Dean Gulbranson

6/19-Mike Taylor

6/26-LeAnn Maloney



**Coffee Hours  
begin in June  
from 9:00-10:15**

JUNE USHERS: \*Jerry Teig, Darrell Buhmann,  
Doyle Peterson, and Howard Kautz



## Trinity Lawn Care for June

**June 1-4-Mike Wiederhoeft**

**June 5-11-Dave Baarson**

**June 12-18-Gary Meyer & Dustin Splinter**

**June 19-25-Wayne Maloney**

**June 26-30-Doug Mammenga & David Kahler**

## NO MORE STING...



One spring day, a father and son were driving when a bee flew in the window and buzzed around because the boy was deathly allergic to bee stings, he panicked. But the calm father reached out and caught the bee in his hand, holding it tight.

After a few moments, the dad reached over, opened his hand and showed his son the stinger stuck in his palm. "it's okay," the father said. "I took the sting, so the bee can't hurt you."

Likewise, people who know Jesus as their victorious Savior no longer need to fear the sting of death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" (1 Corinthians 15:55 ESV)







## JUNE WELCA NEWS

The quarterly WELCA meeting was held on May 9th. Rob Stauter, a CREST board member, gave a presentation about the CREST program in Martin County. CREST was formed by a group of clergy, congregational members and human service providers who saw a need for helping older adults. CREST began as a volunteer program in 1997 and expanded to Martin County in 2003. Truman began receiving services in January of 2015. In Truman presently there are 15 volunteers and 6-9 people needing help. Rob passed out a brochure about CREST and asked that we spread the word about the help that is available and the opportunities for our members to volunteer.

Our WELCA group received money through Thrivent to make fleece blankets. Ten fleece blankets were made that will be donated to Lutheran World Relief. Also 15 school kits will be donated. Thank you to Janice Buhmann and Norma Stough for making the sturdy back-pack bags which

have school supplies in them. These bags will also be donated to Lutheran World Relief. In addition the quilts that were made in January – March will be donated to “Bridging” which gives blankets to families in need. Thank you to everyone who helped with these projects.

It was decided to have coffee hours during the summer hours. **Coffee hours in June will be from 9:00 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. Because we will start church earlier in July for the next year, the coffee hours will be held after church.** Proceeds from the coffee hours will be used to help finance the polka service in October. New clear plastic table cloths are being ordered for the fellowship hall tables. \$100.00 is being given to the Green Lake Quilt Auction. The proceeds from the auction go to helping Green Lake Bible Camp.

### **June Activities:**

June 7 – Mending at Truman Senior Living

June 17-18 – Synodical Convention of WELCA at Vinge Lutheran Church in Willmar

June 29 – Salad Luncheon at Trinity.

Congratulations to Zachary Hansen on receiving the Luther Memorial Home \$500 Scholarship. 7 seniors from the area or from a sponsor Church were eligible to receive this award.

# SALAD BUFFET

## Wednesday, July 29th

### 11:00 - 12:30

Adults -- \$7.00

10 and under -- \$3.50

at

*Trinity Lutheran Church*

*in Truman*

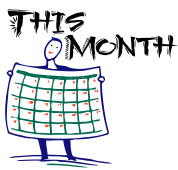
25+ Salads \*\* Assorted Crackers

Fresh Fruit \*\* Veggie Tray \*\*

Deviled Eggs \*\* Sandwiches

Dessert Bars \*\* Beverage

*Carry-outs welcome -- Sorry, No deliveries*



July 2016						
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

<p><u>Worship Schedule</u>  <b>Coffee Hour Begins in June</b>  <b>Worship 10:30 AM</b></p>	<p><b>SUMMER OFFICE HOURS</b>            Mon-7:00-11:00            Wed-7:00-11:00            Fri-7:00-11:00</p>	<p><u>Pastor Krista's Office Hours</u>  <b>Wednesday:</b> 8:30-2:30 pm  <b>Thursday:</b> 10:30-2:00 pm (call on Thurs.)</p>	1	2 9 am Open Bible Study/ Lois Circle at Truman café	3 Truman HS 	4
5 Communion  Coffee hour from 9:00-10:15 am	6 1:30 pm Martha Circle (dine out)  Blood Drive At Community Bldg. 1-7 pm	7 Mending at TSL	8 Church Council mtg. 7 pm at Madelia	9	10 Synod ← → Assembly	11
12 Communion  Coffee hour from 9:00-10:15 am	13	14  FLAG DAY	15	16	17 WELCA <b>JULY/AUG Messenger Deadline</b>	18 SYNOD Convention
19 coffee from 9:00-10:15 am  Happy Father's Day!	20  Welcome Summer!	21	22	23	24	25
Pr Krista at	Green Lake	Bible Camp	→			
26 Coffee hour from 9:00-10:15 am  Family	27 9:00 am Messenger Assembly 	28  Trip	29 1:45 pm Bingo at TSL  Trinity's Salad Luncheon 11-12:30 pm	30	<b>Sunday Services begin at 8:45 a.m. on July 3rd</b>	

# NEWS

From Our Parish



Heartfelt Sympathy to the family of Agnes Carlson. Agnes died on May 11, 2016 in Fairmont, MN. The funeral was held at Trinity Lutheran on May 14, 2016. Officiating was Pastor Krista Strum. Interment was held at Ridgelawn Cemetery in rural Truman.



Former Trinity Interim, Kent Krumwiede graduated from Seminary the weekend of May 21-22nd. Cards & well wishes can reach him at: Box 233, Storden, MN 56174

I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers & cards that I received before and after my surgery. I feel it is a big part of the healing process to have love and support from friends and family.



Kent Hyndman

Stanley Peterson, a former member of Trinity, passed away at the age of 96. His funeral was held on May 13, 2016 at Quattlebaum Funeral Home in West Palm Beach, FL. He grew up in the Truman area and His parents were charter members of Trinity Lutheran.



## UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$67,771.51

Hy-Vee-\$150,001.95

## GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE RECEPTIONS

### Graduation

*Open Houses*

**Open House Graduation Reception for Jackson Maloney on May 29th at his home, 37700 830th Ave, Lewisville, MN 56060.**

**You are invited to a Graduation Open House for Beth Kotewa on June 3rd after the Graduation Commencement at the Truman Community Building.**

**Open House Graduation for Hailey Ann Olson (Truman Graduate) and Haley Marie Harder (Fairmont Graduate) Friday June 3rd after commencement or 8:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church**

**A Graduation Open House will be held for Zachary Hansen on June 4th from 12 -3 pm at his home: 2437 210th St. Truman MN.**

**Graduation Open House will be held for Jacob & Derek Zupfer on June 4th from 1-4 pm at the old Park in Lewisville, MN**

**Open House Graduation will be held for Amber Nickerson on June 4th from 4-7 pm at her home at 109 S 6th Avenue West, Truman MN.**

**You are invited to a Graduation Open house for Chandler Meyer on Sunday June 5th from 2-5pm at the AmericInn hotel and conference center. 240 Stadium Road Mankato MN.**

**Graduation Open House to be held for Jacob Worlds on June 11th from 2-5 pm at his home, 109 N. 3rd Ave. E. Truman MN.**

# BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

			1  <b>Dean Gulbranson (84 years)</b>	2  Alex Ebert	3  Raquel Harder	4  Dylan Davis
5  Lois Lloyd	6  Holly Morris  Jacob & Derek Zupfer	7	8	9  Miah Krebs	10	11  Alex Jones  Jordan Maloney
12  Deb Oren	13	14  Gerald Miller  Brittany Lang	15  Melissa Wokasch	16	17  Arlene Peterson  Johanna Kelley	18  Clayton Duncanson
19 Kent Hyndman Becky Wegner Sadie Mosloski	20  <b>Helmuth &amp; Doris Fedder (57 years)</b>	21  Linda Meyer Kevin Wille	22  Mason Kelley	23  Ove Oren	24  Eloise Miller  Courtney Zaharia	25 Mason Maloney Colton Mammenga <b>Terry &amp; Marcy Pettersen (45 years)</b>
26  <b>Gene &amp; Barb Mager (45 years)</b>	27  Katie Ringeisen  Eric Lewison	28	29	30  Teresa Zupfer  Sarah Mohwinkel		





## Congratulations to Trinity's 2016 Graduating Seniors

**In front-\***Remi Fukuda, Amber Nickerson, Hailey Olson, Beth Kotewa, and Pastor Krista  
**In Back-\***Sun Waratat, Jacob Worlds, Jackson Maloney, Zach Hansen, Derek Zupfer & Jacob Zupfer. Missing from the pictures is Chandler Meyer.



**\*Foreign Exchange Students**

The members of Trinity are very proud of our youth. Did you read the article in the Truman paper about awards night? The following are ranked #1 in their class:

- 8th-Kylee Harder
- 9-Chloe Hartman
- 10-Mason Maloney
- 11-Courtney Zaharia
- 12-Zach Hansen



There are a large number of students who are involved in sports, the play, class officers, student council, Knowledge Bowl, etc. It is wonderful that so many of our students are involved in these great activities. Keep up the great work!

## CONFIRMATION HELD ON MAY 15TH



Jaiden Cook & Kylee Harder were Confirmed at Trinity by Pastor Krista Strum.

May God's Spirit be with You!



# Flat Jesus

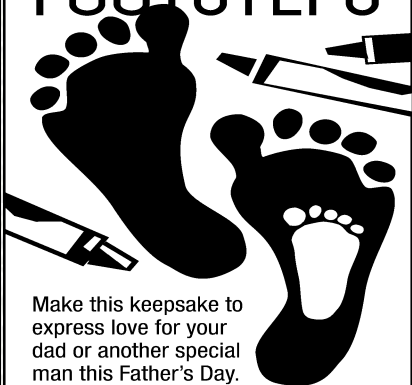


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In my  
**FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS**



Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.

**What you need:**

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

**What you do:**

1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
3. Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.

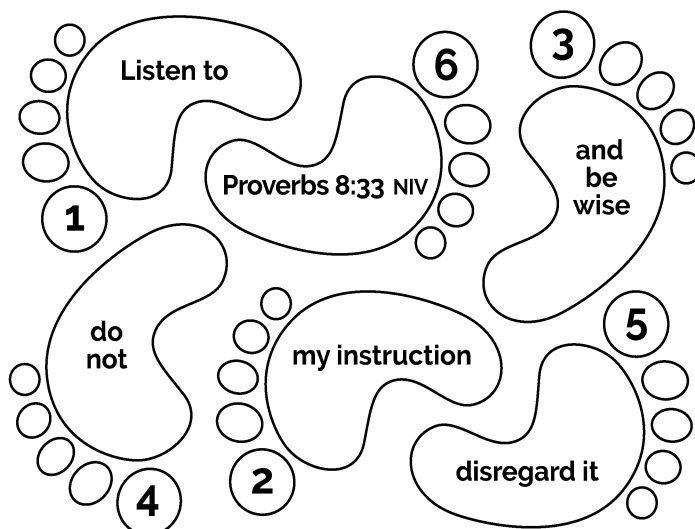
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**FOLLOW OUR FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS**

In the book of Proverbs, a father urges his son to listen to his wisdom, which he received from his heavenly Father.

*Directions: Starting at 1, follow the footsteps and write the words in order on the blanks below.*



“ \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
\_\_\_\_\_ .”  
\_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

Answers: "Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it." Proverbs 8:33, NIV

**Christian Symbol+**  
**APPLE**



Although Genesis 3 doesn't identify the forbidden fruit eaten by Adam and Eve, it has traditionally been thought of and portrayed as an apple. This may be because in Latin, "apple" and "evil" are the same word (malum). An apple, then, often represents humanity's fall into sin. When Christ is shown holding an apple, however, it symbolizes his conquest over sin and death. "for as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive" (1 Corinthians 15:22, Niv).



# THE MESSENGER

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## JUNE 2016

*God's Blessings to:*

*"It is only in the giving of oneself to others that we truly live."*

—Ethel Percy Andrus



## Worship SCHEDULE

**TRINITY WORSHIP-10:30 AM**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:00 AM**

*(Sunday school classes are from Sept—May)*

If you are searching for a church home or are currently a member, we want to extend a warm welcome to you. Trinity observes the "Open" communion policy— all those believing in Christ are welcome at our Lord's Table.

*Communion is scheduled to take place the first two Sunday's of the month, check the calendar inside for any changes.*

### SUMMER CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-7:00-11:00 am  
Wed.— 7:00-11:00 am  
Friday- 7:00-11:00 am

### PASTOR KRISTA'S OFFICE HOURS

**Wednesday—8:30-2:30 pm**  
**Thursday—10:30—2:00 pm**  
*(On Thursday's pastor is in & out of the office, please call her cell)*

~Please call Pastor on her cell if you need to contact her any other time of the week. If she doesn't answer leave a message and she will call you right back~