

THE MESSENGER

A PUBLICATION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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



Greeting in the name of
Christ Jesus!

The month of March brings us through our journey of Lent; into Holy Week and the celebration of Easter. Spring arrives in the midst of this

season and we are reminded of new life—as Christians we celebrate Easter each and every

Sunday of the year! May you be blessed as the Lenten journey comes to a close and you worship through Holy Week and Easter. We have moved through the beautiful liturgy of Holden Evening Prayer; hearing the contrasts of biblical characters and events which run parallel to a more contemporary context.

(GLIMPSES: Now and Then)

Together, as a community of faith, we move towards Holy Week and the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter!). Upon our lips that morning with be: “Jesus is Risen!” Carry with you those words as the story unfolds, as it did in the past, and continues to this day!

Jerusalem, the Holy City is abuzz with the crowd and sounds as Jesus enters on a donkey

Enemies look for a time to capture and bring Jesus to trial.

Several disciples follow Jesus to the Garden of

Gethsemane. Do they know what is ahead?

Under arrest, Jesus is questioned: “Are you the King of the Jews?” “*You say that I am*”

Suffering from the wounds from the whipping and dragging, Jesus is led to Calvary where he is crucified.

IS this the end?

Radiant light surrounded the angel at the tomb, who announces: “He is not here, He is RISEN!”

Indeed the promise is fulfilled! Jesus was the ultimate gift of grace; going to death, the grave, to the dead and conquering sin, death and the devil!

Soon after the resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples; making it clear that he indeed had risen.

Each and every one of us is a receiver--- a receiver of life, forgiveness, eternal life and salvation because of what God has done in Jesus Christ! It is a gift that keeps

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Now is the time for celebration! Now is the time of affirmation! Now is the time to claim the promises we have as baptized children of God! JESUS IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

Pastor Carol

*P.S. do you get the impression
that I like to “play” with words!???!*

COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Josh Tonkin
Vice President: Dan Klassen
Secretary: Kathy Wilkening
Financial Admin: Nikki Smith
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith
Ch Properties: Mark Durkee
Stewardship: Margaret Durkee
Lay Ministry: Judy Doble
Worship: Cathy Sorenson
Youth: Caitlyn Carlson



Trinity Lutheran Church
Council Meeting 7:30 pm
Wednesday- February 14, 2024

Members Present: Kathy Wilkening Dan Klassen Josh Tonkin Cathy Sorenson Nikki Smith Ashley Parrish Caitlyn Carlson Mark Durkee Yvonne Noorlun Pastor Carol Judy Doble

Secretary Report - Kathy Wilkening Cathy motioned accept as read and Nikki second.

Treasures Report Nikki Smith Dan motioned to accept and Caitlyn second. Caitlyn motioned to pay the bills and Cathy second.

Stewardship- None

Lay Ministry/Evangelism - Judy Doble - The committee discussed reducing the amount of cards mailed. It was decided that shut-ins, get well cards, and children under 8 and over 80 will receive cards.

Church Properties Mark Durkee - The furnaces stopped working and Day Plumbing was called for repairs. Total bill was \$1380 for repairs.

The mouse problem seems to be under control for now.

Christian Ed/Gift Ashley Parrish - GIFT has been having around 40 youth per meeting. The talent show was to talk and share the gifts God has given us. Next meeting GIFT will again go to Dollar General to purchase gifts for Ronald McDonald house in Sioux Falls. GIFT will serve one of the Lenten meals.

Youth Caitlyn Carlson - The youth will be serving 3 Lenten service meals. The youth group of 6 decorated 72 cookies and delivered to some members of the congregation as well as shut-ins. March 9th the youth group will deliver the GIFT Easter baskets and tour the facilities. Youth will serve pizza to the families staying at Ronald McDonald house.

Worship-Cathy Sorenson - February 18 a representative from Shetek will speak to the congregation. Lenten services will be the Holden Service and skits.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Yvonne Noorlun would like everyone to write a job committee description for the department they serve in. Then the

Nominating Committee can tell the new person what their responsibilities are.

Mark Durkee will talk to Day Plumbing about boiler system maintenance as well as a/c units maintenance on an annual basis.

Nikki motioned to rent the church to the Senior Class for a fundraiser. They will have a pancake breakfast on March 2 from 8:30 to 11:30. Cost is \$50 for rental. Judy second.

Pastor Carol's report Continue with Home and Assisted Living visits. One funeral, many phone calls and cards. Lenten service prep, adult education. Confirmation date has changed to April 7th. Need more members to run the video equipment and students as acolytes.

Submitted by Secretary
 Kathy Wilkening



Treasurer's Summary Report As of January 31, 2024

Checking Account Bal.	\$72,893
Savings Account Bal.	\$54,585

JANUARY:

General Fund Income	\$ 5,999
General Fund Expenses	\$ 7,917
Net short	\$(1,918)

FEBRUARY:

Cash Available	\$ 72,893
Bills to pay	\$ 9,966
Cash long	\$62,927

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER/YOUTH DIRECTOR

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/ CALENDAR YEAR	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
March 3rd— 3 Lent	Exod 20:1-17	1 Cor 1:18-25	John 2:13-22
March 10—4 Lent	Num 21:4-9	Eph 2:1-10	John 3:14
March 17—5 Lent	Jer 31:31-34	Heb 5:5-10	John 12:20-33
March 24—Palm Sunday	Isa 50:4-9a	Phil 2:5-11	Mark 14:1—15:47
March 28—Maundy Thurs	Exod 12:1-4[5-10] 11-14	1 Cor 11:23-26	John 13:1-17, 31b-35
March 29—Good Friday	Isa 52:13—53:12	Heb 10:16-25	John 18:1—19:42
March 31 —EASTER	Acts 10:34-43	1 Cor 15:1-11	Mark 16:1-8



March Youth Director Newsletter

We recently took the GIFT kids shopping for the Easter baskets for the Ronald McDonald House, which is one of my favorite activities that we do at GIFT. It is so amazing to see the kids put so much thought into the little gifts that they pick out! This last time seemed extra special because many of the kids bought cards so that they could send them a Get-Well message. We have many conversations while shopping about what the kids might like or what activities they might do in the hospital. One of my favorite conversations was talking about how even though we don't know the kids who are sick and staying at the Ronald McDonald House, it's important to let them know that they are not alone and that someone in Truman, MN cares about them. I often think back to the time that my oldest daughter Mariel was in the hospital. My family stayed at the Ronald McDonald House in Sioux Falls. I think back to how isolated and alone we sometimes felt within the walls of the hospital over her ten days stay. I wonder what it may have felt like to receive a handwritten card or a basket full of toys, knowing that a child took the time to shop and put it together. It makes me tear up when I think about it. I am filled with so much gratitude for all the support that we receive! We are spreading so much love, joy and hope to these families!

~Ashley Parish Youth Director

March Events:

*March 6th No GIFT as there is no school due to Spring Break

March 9th Youth Group (older youth) will be delivering Easter baskets and serving a meal at the Ronald McDonald House in Sioux Falls, SD. Meet at the church at 2pm.

March 13th Lenten Supper GIFT volunteers and youth serve at 5:15pm-6:15pm Lenten Worship at 6:30pm.

March 20th GIFT at 2:15pm-5:30pm and Lenten Supper Youth Group serves at 5:15pm-6:15pm. Lenten Worship at 6:30pm.





WELCA News

The Tuesday mornings in February have been busy for us. Of course they start with coffee every week to which all senior citizens are invited, even people who are not members at Trinity.

The first Tuesday morning we had our monthly Bible study. We would welcome having more people attend.

The second Tuesday we had our first WELCA meeting of the year. We meet four times a year.

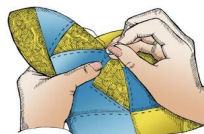
The Third Tuesday six of us met to cut quilt blocks. We will do this again the third Tuesday in March.

The last Monday and Tuesday are the days we tie quilts and sew around them. We would enjoy having more help. We bring bag lunches the first day and have been going to Aardvarks for lunch the second day.

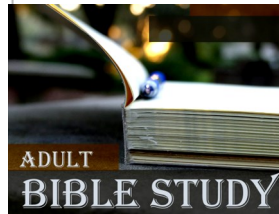
Cathy S., Yvonne, and Kathy W. are serving supper before the March 6 Lenten service. Robin and Sandy volunteered to help serve the meal.

We now have new roasters to use for meals at church. The old ones no longer seemed safe to use.

Barb Shoen



QUILTERS



ADULT EDUCATION Biblical People (New Testament) of Purpose

March 3rd: Lydia

March 10th: *Luther Crest
Representative

April 7th: Mary, John, and Mark's
mother

April 21st: Cleopas and Companion

May 5th Jaius

Confirmation Retreat at Shetek Bible Camp

April 19th 6:00 p.m.

to Saturday, April 20th 6:00 p.m.

SENIOR HIGH



Breakfast

8:30-10:30 - March 2nd

At Trinity's Fellowship Hall

UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:



Fareway-\$69,510.96

Hy-Vee-\$144,668.73

Keep those receipts coming!!

***Please make sure the receipts are not getting cut off -- this makes them useless.*



MARCH

2024

April 2024						
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28	29	30				

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>WORSHIP SCHEDULE</u> Service at 10 am on Sunday's Streaming live on FB	<u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u> Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11, 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00	<u>Pastor Carol Office Hours</u> Mon-10-12 Wed-10-12			1 	2 Senior High Breakfast at Trinity 8:30-10:30
3 <u>Communion</u> 9 am Adult Bible study	4	5 9:45 am Open Bible study	6 NO GIFT (spring break) 5:15-6:15 Lenten meal 6:30 Lenten Worship	7	8	9
10 9 am Adult Bible study	11	12	13 Confirmation 2:15-3:15 5:15-6:15 Lenten meal 6:30 Lenten Worship 7:30 Council meeting	14	15 Newsletter 	16
17 <u>Communion</u> 	18	19 	20 Gift class 2:15-5:30 5:15-6:15 Lenten meal 6:30 Lenten Worship	21	22	23
24 Palm Sun 	25 Bring a sack lunch	26	27 Confirmation Class 2:15-3:15	28 Maundy Thursday 9:30 worship 	29 Good Friday 6:30 Comm Worship 	30
31 Easter Resurrection Sunday—10 am 		<u>Acolyte Schedule</u> 3/3-Taelynn & Gage Moon 3/10-Alaina K & Sophia C 3/17-Landon & Zach Schneider	<u>Acolyte Schedule-cont.</u> 3/24-Carter & Liam Werner 3/31-Jackson and Aubree	<u>March Servers</u> 3-Donna K 17-Mark D 29-Jan R 31-Sandy M	<u>Lay Readers for March</u> 3-Margaret 10-Allison K 17-Sandy M 24-Dan K 29-Judy D 31-Dave S.	<u>Ushers for March</u> Lowell & Yvonne Noorlun

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH



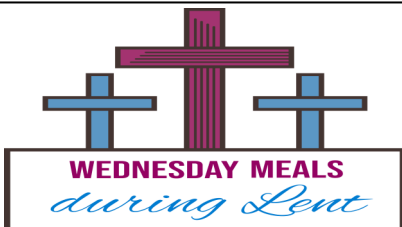
Doris Fedder has moved to a different room at Heartland Senior Living.

Her new address is:
402 N 4th Ave E #109
Truman, MN 56088

Dear Members of Trinity Lutheran,

We just received your gift of \$60. Thank you for being so generous and gracious! When you make a gift to camp, your gifts help sustain the ministry happening across our three sites and ministry programs all year long. You have a hand in helping accomplish this important work. We are so grateful for your contribution and support!

Blessings, Travis Aufderheide-Executive
Director of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries



LENTEN MEAL SCHEDULE:

Wednesday's in Lent

5:15-6:15 pm

(free will offering)

March 6—Barbecues, chips, beans
and bars

March 13—Chili, grilled cheese
sandwiches and ice cream

March 20—Baked potato with
toppings, sweet dessert

CREST NEWS

Yvonne Noorlun has accepted a staff position at CREST. As the Community Services Coordinator, her purpose is to develop and coordinate Live in Home Services, Growing and Learning activities, Out and About activities, and Caregiver Support services, for the Truman area.

She will be inviting you to some coffee hours for the purpose of sharing what CREST has to offer, and receive input from you regarding your thoughts about the needs of the community.

For the receiver "Home is where the heart is", and for the volunteer, you get rewarded with a smile and a thank you from someone who has experienced help to live in their own home. Please feel free to call or Email her at any time if you need services, or are willing to volunteer in any capacity.

whittlers@frontiernet.net

Phone: 507-776-8555

Yvonne Noorlun

In case of Inclement weather, announcements about Trinity's worship service cancellations will be texted to you and also be announced on our website, Facebook page and on the KEYC television station out of Mankato, MN.



We remember in our prayers...all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the homebound:

Prayers

Jerry Teig, Norm & Marilyn Anderson, Linnea Huss, Pastor Penny Ritter, and Lois Lloyd's daughter-Amy.

Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.



MARCH

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 World Day of Prayer	2 Carter Werner
3	4 Dan & Nikki Smith (18 years)	5 Kim Hastad Luke Kester	6	7	8	9 Tallin Cook
10 Tom Dodge 	11 Sandy Meyer	12 Tom Kneeland	13 Mike & Paula Heckman (4 years)	14 Justin Kelley Muriel Druck (94 years) 	15	16
17 Ashlyn Cook Chris Hyndman June Speckhals	18	19 SPRING BEGINS	20 Colby Brudelig Jerry Teig (88 years)	21 Julie Brudelig Jerome & Laurie Wille (43 years)	22 Carson Hastad Karen Nickerson	23
24 Palm Sunday	25 Don & Kathy Wilkening (57 years) 	26 Darrell Buhmann MiKayla Carlson	27	28 Maundy Thursday Dan & Denise Janssen (26 years)	29 Good Friday Donna Kotewa	30 Darin Carlson Don & Sandy Meyer (39 years)
31 Easter 						

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Address Service Requested

JOIN US FOR
Easter Sunday Worship
March 31st
at 10 AM



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"Blessed
are those who
have not seen and have
believed."

John 20:29

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