



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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



Dear brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I sit at my desk today with giving thanks for the saints that have gone before us for the saints that continue to walk among us, and for the

opportunity to nurture others in the love that God has for them and us. Yesterday, I gathered with a family around a casket to give thanks to God for their 105 1/2 year old family matriarch. Who's life shaped their faith in amazing ways. This saint not only touched her family's lives but also touched many of us in our church family.

Every November as we near Thanksgiving... I find myself remembering another saint in my life my grandma died right before Thanksgiving, just shy of 100 years old. This short but spunky lady had a significant impact on my faith and who I am today. She had a faith that helped her meet adversity and challenges of life, with an unshakable trust in God and a love for God, her family, and others.

These two women had much in common, lived through historical events of: World War 1 and 2, the Great Depression, the first man on the moon, assassination of President Kennedy, 9/11, and many other historical events. They experienced the evolution of modern conveniences: radio, television, computers, phones, and I would say most importantly indoor plumbing. These two women also knew struggles and were faced with challenges that life would throw at them. They handled these challenges with grace and a trust in God's provision.

One of the attributes of both of these women as they lived out their lives of faith was their

sense of gratitude. Gratitude for their families and relationships that were in their lives. Giving thanks and appreciation for the blessings of others, for the time you spent or things you did. They had a keen sense of the blessings God has given them and they expressed gratitude for those many blessings in how they lived their lives. They used their many blessings to bless and care for others.

One of my grandma's favorite songs, I remember her playing on her 8 track player...was the song "Count Your Blessings". It went something like this...

Count your blessings, name them one by one...

Count your many blessings see what the Lord has done....

I invite you this month of November to take a moment to count your blessings.... Take a moment to give thanks to God for your blessings. Also, take a moment to reflect how you are responding to the blessings you have been given. We are called to be stewards of creation and stewards of our lives... reflect how you are sharing your time, your talents, and your treasures. We are a blessed people. Let us live into and out of these blessings with joy and thanksgiving.

As I reflect on the blessings in my life, I give thanks for you. Beloved people of Trinity Lutheran Churches in Madelia and Truman you are a blessing to me and my family and thank God for the opportunity to be your pastor. May this month be a time of blessing and gratitude for you and your family.

Grateful,
Pastor Krista

TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Dennis Rode
Vice President: Yvonne Noorlun
Secretary: Cathy Sorenson
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith
Ch Properties: Brad Nickerson,
Stewardship: Vern Quade
Lay Ministry: Laurie Wille
Worship: Barb Mager
Youth: Teresa Davis
Pastor Krista

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH October 11, 2017

Present: Yvonne Noorlun, Barb Mager, Laurie Wille, Nikki Smith, Clayton Duncanson, Teresa Davis, Vern Quade, Dennis Rode, Brad Nickerson, Pastor Krista, Cathy Sorenson

Joint meeting: Thanksgiving Eve service will be held at Trinity-Truman on November 22. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services will be held at their normal times. Our African guests were appreciative of our hospitality. Representatives from the two churches will meet before our December meetings to make budget plans.

Dennis called the meeting to order. The secretary's report. Was accepted as read. Clayton presented the treasurer's report. Members are reminded to honor their pledges before the end of the year.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: Vern reported that the Pony Express kick-off will begin on November 5. The packets have been assembled and the letters for members not on the Express are ready to be mailed. There will be rolls and coffee for the Torchbearers and their spouses on November 5.

Lay ministry: Possibilities for new members were discussed. A date for new member Sunday has not been set.

Church properties: Thanks to Lowell for changing the locks on Brenda's door. There was discussion about installing motion lights or cameras. No action was taken.

*Thanksgiving Eve Service
will be held at
Trinity-Truman on
November 22nd*

Christian education: Sunday School is going well. The board wishes more students would show up for breakfast at 9:00. Having the students sing during the church service and having noisy Sunday on a consistent Sunday were discussed.

Youth: We have 7 students signed up to go to the National Convention next summer in Houston. Teresa Zaharia and Grant Hartman will be going as chaperones. The board is discussing many ideas for fund raisers. If someone has a good idea, please talk to Pastor, Teresa, or Grant. The Youth group will be serving their annual soup supper on November 7. The group will have a fun night on October 22.

Worship: All Saints Sunday will be held on October 29 and Reformation Sunday will be celebrated on November 5. Hans Wiersma will be our guest speaker. More large print bulletins are needed. There was discussion on having a screen or TVs and going paperless. There will be investigation of the possibility and input is welcome.

There was no old business.

New business:

It was decided that we donate \$125 to the firemen for their annual fundraiser.

Vern made the motion to adjourn and Brad made the second.

Cathy Sorenson
secretary



**We need to continue
to apply to Thrivent
for funding for our
Church projects.
Please contact
Yvonne Noorlun and
she will gladly help
you with the
application process!**

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/Theme	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL
Nov 5-(All Saints)	Rev 7:9-17	34:1-10,22	1 John 3:1-3	Matt 5:1-12
Nov 12-(Pentecost 23)	Amos 5:18-24	70	1 Thess 4:13-18	Matt 25:1-13
Nov 19-(Pentecost 24)	Zeph 1:7, 12-18	90:1-8 [9-11]12	1 Thess 5:1-11	Matt 25:14-30
Nov 26-(Christ the King)	Ezek 34:11-16, 20-24	95:1-7	Eph 1:15-23	Matt 25:31-46

NOVEMBER LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME: 9:00 –10:15 AM

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

Nov 5, Nov 12 & Nov 22-Thanksgiving Eve

COMMUNION SERVERS:

11/5-Margaret Durkee

11/12-Donna Kotewa

11/22-Jerry Teig

LAY READERS:

11/5-Laurie Wille

11/12-Brenda Hansen

11/19-Johnnie Zaharia

11/22-Dave Sorenson

11/26-LeAnn Maloney

ACOLYTES: 11/5-Colby Bruderie

11/12-Casidy Moon

11/19-Karsan Davis

11/26-Casidy Moon

NOVEMBER USHERS:

*Grant Hartman, Norm Anderson, Dave Sorenson and John Zaharia

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST SIGN UP-

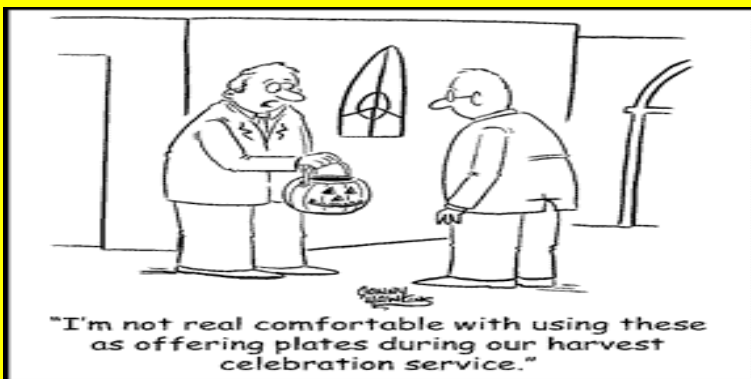
11/5-Dan & Marianne Lang

11/12-LuElla Kautz

11/19-Carolyn Drevlow

11/26-Janice Buhmann

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 5**
We will be
celebrating the 500th
year of the
Reformation





WELCA NEWS

The annual Thankoffering Worship Service will be held on Sunday, November 12. WELCA ladies will be helping throughout the service. A reminder that this is the service where non-perishable food items and/or monetary donations are brought to the front of the church during offering time. These donations will be brought to the Heaven's Table Food Shelf in Fairmont.



There is a Circle Change—Martha Circle will be held at Arlene P. on Monday, November 6th at 1:30 pm.

The next WELCA meeting will be held at 1:30 on Monday, November 20. JoAnn K. serves.

BINGO				
15	28	37	51	73
6	17	32	45	61
9	15	★	60	70
12	26	44	52	66
7	22	34	48	72

Bingo will be held at Truman Senior Living Center on Wednesday, November 29th at 2 pm..

The annual Cookie Walk is on December 2nd, 2017. Norma Stough and LeAnn Maloney have volunteered to co-chair this event. Each family of Trinity is asked to donate cookies, etc. or money.



Cookie Walk

The 22nd Annual Cookie Walk will be held at Trinity Lutheran on Sat., December 2nd, 2017 from 8:00-10:00 AM.

There will be lots of cookies, candies, snack mix and more..

Sponsored by Trinity WELCA

Attn: Trinity members! Now is the time you should be thinking of the cookies to bake for the cookie walk!



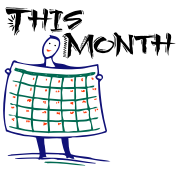
UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$116,668.05

Hy-Vee-\$142,221.65



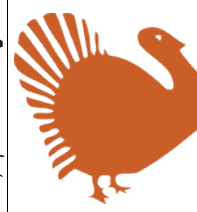



Gas & Pharmacy receipts also count) Keep those receipts coming!!

***Please don't cut off the receipts-- the amounts are getting cut off and making them useless.*



December 2017						
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31						

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<p><u>Worship Schedule</u></p> <p>Worship 10:30 AM</p> <p>Sun School 9-9:30 -Breakfast 9:30-10:15-class</p>	<p><u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <p>Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11 & 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00</p>	<p><u>Pastor Krista's Office Hours</u></p> <p>Tuesday: 9:00-1:00 pm Friday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p>	<p>1</p> <p>6 pm Choir</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9 am Open Bible Study Truman Café</p> <p>Pastor gone</p>	<p>3</p> <p>for cont. ed.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 1 am Sunday →</p>
<p>5 <u>Communion</u></p> <p>9:30 am. Torchbearer's Breakfast</p> <p>Stewardship Drive begins →</p>	<p>6</p> <p>1:30 Martha at Arlene P.</p>	<p>7 Youth Election Night Soup Supper</p> <p>5-7 pm </p>	<p>8</p> <p>6 pm Choir</p> <p>7 pm Church Council mtg.</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p> VETERANS DAY</p>
<p>12 <u>Communion</u></p> <p>Thankoffering Sunday</p> <p>Conf-U 12:15-3:30 in Truman</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6 pm Choir</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8-3 pm Early Childhood Screening at Trinity</p>	<p>17</p> <p>NewsLetter DEADLINE</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>1:30 WELCA Meeting- JoAnn K. serves</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 <u>Communion</u></p> <p> Thanksgiving Eve 7 PM WORSHIP SERVICE IN TRUMAN</p>	<p>23</p> <p></p>	<p>24</p> <p></p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p> <p>CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY</p> <p></p> <p>CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9 am Messenger assembly</p> <p></p> <p>2 pm Bingo at TSL</p>	<p>30</p>		

NEWS

From Our Parish



Our deepest sympathy to the Marlene Ratike family on the death of her husband, Marvin "Butch" Ratike who passed away on Friday, September 29. His funeral was held at Trinity on October 7th.

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Thank you all for the cards, memorials, food, words of comfort and all who helped at the funeral. There are so many great people in our church.

God Bless you,  
Family of "Butch" Ratike



ALL SAINTS REMEMBERANCE WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 29TH. WE REMEMBERED OUR PAST LOVED ONES FROM 2017

- Lisa Carlson 1-24-17
- Marilyn Duncanson 6-1-17
- Marvin Ratike 9-29-17



## Prayers

We remember in our prayers...all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the home-bound: **Bea Behrens, Doyle Peterson and Danny Lang...** Be present

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

# Stewardship CAMPAIGN

November 5th we will kick off our annual Stewardship Drive.

We will once again use the Pony Express. *Please keep the packets moving along to the next person on the list.*

The Torchbearer's Breakfast will be held on Nov. 5th at 9:30 am. Spouses are also invited to attend.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

Anything confidential or containing cash should be placed under Pastor's or the Administrators office door. Please be cautious about what you put into any of the mailboxes

Congratulations to Skyler & Sarah (Mohwinkel) Spear who were married on September 2nd, 2017 at the Little Brown Church in

Nashua, IA. Sarah is the daughter of Larry & Amy Mohwinkel and Granddaughter to Marlene & Mel Breitbarth. They live in Truman with their two children, Sawyer (3 years) & Samara (1 year).



# BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



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|                                              |                                 |                                                                                                                                     | <p>1</p> <p>Danny Lang</p> <p>Gabby Greier</p>                  | <p>2</p>                                                                                       | <p>3</p>                                                                    | <p>4</p> <p>Ross Ringeisen</p> |
| <p>5</p> <p>Amber Nickerson</p> <p>Vern Quade</p>                                                                            | <p>6</p>                        |  <p>7</p> <p>Wayne Maloney</p> <p>Sue Michalke</p> | <p>8</p>                                                        | <p>9</p>                                                                                       | <p>10</p> <p>Jake Ebert</p> <p>Doug Schwanz</p>                             | <p>11</p>                      |
| <p>12</p> <p>What we're thankful for</p>  | <p>13</p>                       | <p>14</p> <p>Nicole Maloney-Ebert</p>                                                                                               | <p>15</p>                                                       | <p>16</p>                                                                                      | <p>17</p> <p>Cathy Sorenson</p> <p><b>Ove &amp; Deb Oren (44 years)</b></p> | <p>18</p>                      |
| <p>19</p>                                                                                                                    | <p>20</p> <p>Tyler Splinter</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Carson Peters</p>                                                                                                      | <p>22</p> <p><b>Dale &amp; Cindy Wiederhoeft (42 years)</b></p> | <p>23</p>  | <p>24</p>                                                                   | <p>25</p>                      |
|                                           | <p>27</p>                       | <p>28</p>                                                                                                                           | <p>29</p> <p>Karen Kneeland</p>                                 | <p>30</p>                                                                                      |                                                                             |                                |





ELECTION DAY SOUP SUPPER  
NOVEMBER 7  
5:00-7:00 PM



The Trinity Youth Group is hosting a Soup Supper which includes Chili and homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Plus peanut butter or egg salad sandwiches, a beverage and bars are included

*This is a free will offering event*

The pictures below are students of the three teachers from the South African (the Shiyane Circuit) who visited us last month. Yvonne Noorlun and Cathy Sorenson filled 2 large suitcases with school supplies (*funded by Thrivent*), for them to take back to the African School. They had things like school supplies, book bags and even some small toys. We also included Thrivent Shirts left from previous projects. The luggage was donated by Dennis & Pam Rode.









# THE MESSENGER

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your smart phone



## NOVEMBER 2017

*God's Blessings to:*



**New!** Trinity now has  
**Text Alert!!!**

We can notify you by text  
message if church has been  
cancelled, or any other event  
change. Call or email the  
church office to be included!



*"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."*

—Henry Ford

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**Welcome**  
*Worship with us*

**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.*

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-8:00-11:00 am  
Wed.—8-11 am, & 1-4 pm  
Friday-8:00-11:00 am

### PASTOR KRISTA'S OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday—9:00-1:00 pm**  
**Friday—9:00—1:00 pm**

~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~