



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Box 38 TRUMAN, MINNESOTA 56088
Office (507) 776-4781, Fax (507) 776-7888
Email: trinitytruman@frontier.com, Website: trinity-truman.org

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



Dear Trinity Family,

Fall is upon us! As you look in your bulletins and this newsletter you will see a phrase you may not be familiar with

Cross-Generation Sunday School.

Three times a year I will be leading a Sunday School lesson that is designed for children, youth, their parents, and members of the congregation to gather together participate in faith based activities around scripture and faith practices as we grow together in faith.

The faith development of our children and youth is our Trinity family responsibility and most of all privilege. At baptism we welcome our newly baptized into the family of God and worker with us in the Kingdom of God. How do you suppose our newly baptized learn about: Who God is? The treasured Bible stories we know? Why these stories are important? It is through a growing faith... and how does this happen?

My brothers and sisters in Christ it is through relationships. We know that **faith is caught more than it is taught...** in other words people observe how we as Christians live out our faith, this includes our children. We also know that **faith is formed thru trusted**

personal relationships. Relationships where we share experiences together (God's Work Our Hands Day or Family Mission Trips) share a bit of our lives with one another. In a world that seems so connected by technology we have our children, youth and yes, even us adults need to pause and make time for real face to face relationships.

So I encourage you to take part in our Cross Generation programming. You need no prior experience teaching, leading. You need not be an expert on the Bible. You just need to come as you are, make a difference in the faith lives of our children and youth. You may just be surprised as you interact with our youngest members that you will be blessed.

Join us October 9th at 10:00am in the fellowship hall for Trinity's first Cross Generation Sunday School. Parents come with your kids, and Trinity members without children come join us as we have a time of faith formation fun together.

I look forward to seeing you at these events.

Growing together in faith!

Pastor Krista

TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES



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: Teresa Davis
Pastor Krista

Trinity Council Minutes September 14, 2016

PRESENT: Pastor Krista, Tom Dodge, Dennis Rode, Marlene Breitbarth, Clayton Duncanson, Dave Sorenson, Yvonne, Noorlun, Brad Nickerson, Teresa Davis, Cathy Sorenson.

Pastor Krista led the Truman and Madelia Council members in devotions. She reported that there are 12 students in confirmation (8 – Truman & 4 – Madelia) and they are in need of Mentors for this coming year. Calvin is working on a trip to the MN Art Institute. God's Work our Hands was a success and the ELCA had over 400 churches across MN participating. Thanksgiving services will be in Madelia this year. With Christmas Eve on a Saturday this year the councils will need to decide if there

will be a Christmas Eve service and Christmas Day service. Madelia is starting their Wednesday night suppers at 5:45pm.

Tom Dodge called the Trinity Truman meeting to order. The Secretary's report was approved as read. Clayton presented the Treasurers report. There is \$11,854 in checking and \$87,231 in savings. The report was accepted as presented.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: They will be starting to organize for the Pony Express that will be starting in November.

Lay Ministry: There are 3 families that the church will be helping with their specific needs.

Church Properties: Day Plumbing is still working on finishing the new heating system. There is one window that has been repaired and they are looking into planting more trees.

Christian Ed: No report at this time.

Youth: They held a pool party and are now working on the Soup Supper for Election night, Nov. 8th.

Worship: The Polka Service will be held Oct. 2nd at 10:00am with a potluck to follow.

Old Business: Pastor and Yvonne

are still deciding when to hold the training session on applying for Thrivent Funds.

New Business: There needs to be a meeting setup for the call committee to start contacting members for Council offices that need to be filled for next year.

A Pastoral Care Committee of Tom, Yvonne and Barb will be setting up a meeting with Pastor Krista.

Pastor Krista reported on meetings attended, Pastoral duties, Projects attended and upcoming events. There will be Bibles handed out to catch up on all youth ages 3 to 7th graders. It was also noted that 22 students attended VBS.

Submitted by:

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.

Choice Dollars designated to Trinity this month is:

58.00

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

DATE	THEME
October 2	Trinity's Annual Polka Service
October 9	God's People On The Move
October 16	Getting Settled
October 23	Kings & Kingdom
October 30	Trials of Tears & Joy/ Rite of First Holy Communion

OCTOBER LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 8:45 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME: 10:00 AM

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

Oct. 9 & 30

COMMUNION SERVERS:

10/9-Chad Hastad

10/30-Cathy Sorenson

LAY READERS:

10/2-Laurie Wille

10/9-LeAnn Maloney

10/16-Carolyn Drevlow

10/23-Mike Taylor

10/30-Marilyn Duncanson

OCTOBER USHERS:

*Dennis Rode, Ron Kelley, Jerome Wille, and Duane Heckman



October 2nd at 10 AM

October Hymns



Oct. 2– Polka Service

Oct. 9– *Lead Me, Guide Me*

*We Are Marching in the Light of God
Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

Oct. 16– *There is a Balm in Gilead*

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Come Thou Font of Every Blessing*

Oct. 23– *Here I Am Lord*

*How Great Thou Art
Softly & Tenderly Jesus is Calling*

Oct. 30– *Bless Be the Tie That Binds*

*Rock of Ages
Abide with Me*

OCTOBER LAWNMOWING

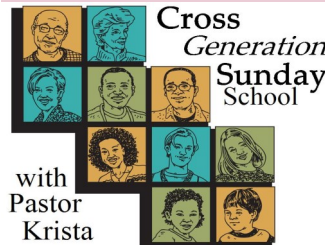


10/2-10/8-Dallas W and Tom Kneeland

10/9-10/15-Nicole Maloney-Ebert

10/16-10/22-Clayton D. and Chuck Nord

10/23-10/29-Tom Dodge



Join Pastor Krista on October 9th at 10 am. for Cross Generation Sunday School.

We will meet in the fellowship hall after Oct. 9th Sunday worship. Parents come with your kids, and Trinity members without children come join us as we have a time of faith formation fun together. Don't forget to bring your Bible!!



WELCA NEWS

The annual Polka Service will be held on Sunday, October 2 at 10:00 a.m. Division B is in charge of setting up the pot-luck lunch that will be served after the service. Remember to invite your family and friends to come to this fun-filled service. Chuck Thiel and The Jolly Ramblers will again be the band who will lead the service.

Any WELCA members who would like to attend the Fall Gathering of the Watonwan River Conference (*see flyer on right*) on Saturday, October 15 at Sleepy Eye should let Barb Shoen or Barb Mager know so they can make reservations.

Some dates to think about are:

Sunday, November 13. -- Thankoffering Worship Service. There will not be a special speaker this year for this service. WELCA ladies will participate in the service as usual and an offering and collection of non-perishable food items will be held as well.

Saturday, December 3 –

Annual Cookie Walk from 8-10 a.m. Thank you to Pam Rode and Natalie Splinter for volunteering to chair this project. It's not too early to start thinking of what items you wish to make.



OCTOBER 15, 2016

Women of the ELCA

Trinity Lutheran Church

217 Brackenridge St. SW, Sleepy Eye, MN

“A Time to Dance”

Registration and Coffee – 8:30 AM – served by the ladies of Trinity, Sleepy Eye

Meeting – 9:15 AM

Cost - \$7.00 per attendee

Speaker – Marge Lundeen will share how dancing can be the opposite of mourning. Her stories about her attempts to learn to dance will make you laugh, and she will challenge you to respond to the assurance that in God's plan there is a time for everything. Please join us to hear her great message!

Offering – ½ to the Synod, ½ to World Hunger

Lunch- served by the ladies of Trinity, Sleepy Eye

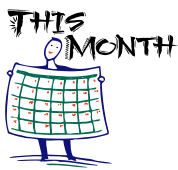


UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$73,803.87

Hy-Vee-\$34,914.05

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



November 2016						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	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			

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<p>Worship Schedule</p> <p>Worship 8:45 AM</p> <p>TRINITY</p> <p>Sun school 10:00 AM</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>Wednesday: 8:30-2:30 pm</p> <p>Thursday: 10:30-2:00 pm (call on Thurs.)</p>			<p>Pastor at</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Krista Conference</p>
<p>2</p>  <p>Polka Service 10:00 am potluck after</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1:30 Martha At Arlene P.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Choir practice Begins 6 pm</p>	<p>6 9 am Bible study/ Lois Circle at Truman Café</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9 <u>Communion</u> 10 am Cross Generation Sunday school with Pastor Krista</p> <p>Conf. Classes 12:15-3:30 at</p>	<p>10</p>  <p>COLUMBUS DAY</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6 pm Choir</p> <p>7 pm Church Council Mtg. (Madelia)</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> 	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p> <p>1st Communion Classes</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Newsletter</p> <p>DEADLINE!</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>6 pm Choir</p> <p>Pastor _____ at _____</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Conference</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:00 am Messenger Assembly</p>  <p>6 pm Choir</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 <u>Communion Reformation</u></p>  <p>First Communion</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween</p> 	<p>Cross Generation Sunday School</p>  <p>with Pastor Krista</p>		<p>Join Pastor on Oct. 9th after worship for Cross-Generation Sunday School. Bring your parents, grandparents, friends and your Bibles!</p>		

NEWS

From Our Parish

REFORMATION



500 Years ago, a German monk named Martin Luther sought to turn the church of his day back to the clear teachings of God's word, the truth that we are saved, not by our own efforts, but by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.



Having learned of God's free gift of righteousness granted through faith in Christ, Luther composed 95 theses, or statements for debate, against the church practice of selling indulgences, what believers had come to see as buying forgiveness. On October 31, 1517, he posted his theses on Wittenberg's Castle Church door, which served as a town bulletin board.

The Holy Spirit, at work in the Word, led Luther to understand that "the righteousness of God" is God's gift to sinners by grace through faith in Jesus. The savior took all of our sins, our unrighteousness, onto himself on the cross and in exchange gave us his righteousness, his holiness. With that understanding, Luther felt that he had been born again and had walked through the open gates of paradise.

Luther designed a coat of arms, a personal trademark for his published writings. A black cross on a red heart represents saving faith in Christ crucified. The heart rests on a white rose, a sign of the peace that we have in Christ. The rose, in turn, is placed on a blue field, because the joy we now have is the beginning of heavenly joy. A gold ring surrounds the symbol, a reminder that the peace and joy of heaven will never end.



Luther stood firm—as do all who trust in Christ—guarded by the shield of faith and wielding the sword of the Spirit, the word of God.

We would like to thank everyone who sent prayers, cards and memorials after the loss our brother, Merlin Wegner and sister, Sandra Hinderschied.



Dallas & Arlene Wegner

"When life gives you more than you can stand ... kneel."



*We remember in our prayers... all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the homebound: **Bea Behrens, Lisa Carlson & family, Oakley Selnes, Danny Lang, and Deloris Strehlo...** Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.*



Prayers



"When I type in your name and 'sin,' sir, there are over 20 million results."

BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Dennis Rode Joshua Worlds
2 Yvonne Noorlun	3 Marc Wiederhoeft	4 Lindsey Maloney	5	6 Howard & LuElla Kautz (55 years)	7	8 Luke Thompson
9 Gene Mager Madison Wiederhoeft Dennis & Pam Rode (40 years)	10 Larry Mohwinkel	11 David Zupfer	12	13 Troy & Raquel Harder (15 years)	14	15
16 LeAnn Maloney	17	18 	19	20	21	22 Tim Cook Kirsten Worlds Nicole Worlds
23	24 Beth Kotewa Doyle & Arlene Peterson (57 years)	25	26	27 Dean & Bev Gulbranson (64 years) 	28	29
30 Terry Pettersen	31 					

Trinity Lutheran Church of Truman, invites you to attend.....

POLKA WORSHIP SERVICE



Sunday, October 2nd • 10 A.M.

Once again Chuck Thiel & the Jolly Ramblers will entertain us
with familiar sing-along hymns set to polka music tunes!

Pot Luck Meal following the service

Please bring a dish to pass:

A hot dish, salad, dessert, whatever you wish!
Beverages, plates and utensils will be provided.

Free-will offering.

**All are welcome to worship and enjoy fellowship*



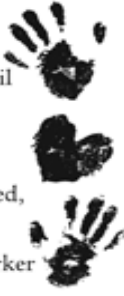
Harvest Time

FRIENDSHIP WALL HANGING

Make this with — and for — a special friend.

What you need:

- Paper and pencil
- Scissors
- Cardboard
- Aluminum foil
- Tape
- Acrylic paint (red, blue, green)
- Paintbrushes
- Permanent marker
- Twine
- A friend



What you do:

1. Trace a palm-sized heart in the center of the paper. Cut out the heart to use as a stencil.
2. Cover the cardboard with foil. Tape the heart stencil in the center.
3. Fill in the heart "hole" with red paint. Let dry. Remove stencil.
4. Cover your hand with blue paint, and make a handprint to one side of the heart. Cover your friend's hand with green paint and have him or her make a handprint to the other side of the heart. Let dry.
5. Write "FRIENDS" at the top.
6. On the back, tape twine to make a hanger.



Friends in the Lord

Jesus offers a perfect example of friendship. What does he do for his friends?

Directions: Follow the clues to fill in the blanks. Then write the completed Bible verse below.

1. Better than; rhymes with *crater*: _____
2. Opposite of hate: _____
3. Opposite of yes: _____
4. Three minus two: _____
5. Not _____ but that; rhymes with *hiss*: _____
6. To place something down; rhymes with *say*: _____
7. Opposite of up: _____
8. Opposite of death: _____
9. Best buds: _____

" _____ has _____
 _____ than _____: to _____
 one's _____ for one's _____."

JOHN 15:13, NIV

Answer: "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13, NIV

Christian Symbol+

Door



A door symbolizes our invitation to engage in prayer and personal relationship with Jesus: "Knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7, NIV). Conversely, a door represents Jesus' desire to be invited into our lives and hearts: "I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me" (Revelation 3:20, NIV).



THE MESSENGER

TRINITY LUTHERAN PARISH (ELCA)
102 NORTH 7TH AVENUE EAST
PO BOX 38
TRUMAN MN 56088

Postage
required
for delivery

Address Service Requested

Trinity now has a
mobile App for your
smart phone



to download, go to: <http://trinitylutheranchurch16.appseme.com>

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!

Find us on
Facebook

Visit our **WEBSITE!**
www.trinity-truman.org



Phone: 507-776-4781
Fax: 507-776-7888

Pastor Krista Strum
Cell: 507-995-1233
Email: pkstrumom@me.com

TOM DODGE
Trinity Council President
tddfarm507@gmail.com

Lowell Noorlun
Trinity Custodian
507-236-5483

Prayer Chain
Connie Selnes
507-776-2473

Brenda Hansen
Office Administrator
trinitytruman@frontier.com
Office Phone 507-776-4781

October 2016

God's Blessings to:



“Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself.”

—St. Francis de Sales



Worship SCHEDULE

TRINITY WORSHIP-8:45 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL-10:00 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

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~