



RINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

"Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asked the disciples in Matthew 16. Peter responds "You

are the Son of God" As I listened to a sermon this morning on this text, I kept getting drawn back to this question for me personally, for you my beloved congregation, for my family, ad for the world. How do you answer this question of Jesus - "Who do you think I am?"

Please take a moment and think about how you would answer this question. How would you answer this question? You may echo some of the answers shared where I worshipped this morning (by the way, I am not the only pastor that includes congregation participation in their sermons). We shared answers like: Messiah, Savior, Lord, Teacher, love, peace, healer, friend, rebel, Son of God, Redeemer the list went on and on and was a varied as the person there. We were challenged then to consider if our answer reflected how we live.

Beloved people of God, this is an important question for Christians to answer today. Our society is one of the most divided, most agitated, most stressed, and unsettled than I have ever witnessed in my lifetime. It is such a time as this that we as Christians called to this process with you. Help our young people conlive out their faith: to be ready to articulate our answers to who Jesus is and live our lives in response to this.

So this fall I invite you to consider your answer and find ways to live out your life in response. Please consider answering this question along with the life of our congregation. Join us for God's Work Our Hands Day on September 10th as we serve our neighbors in

our communities. Join us and participate in worship, Circles, and Bible Studies as we gather in God's presence with one another this fall.

I also invite you (yes you - not someone else) to consider helping our children and youth be able to answer this question as well. This year Sunday School will begin with providing a simple breakfast each Sunday before class between 9:00 -9:30. We are looking for individuals or small groups of people to sign up to provide and serve breakfast before Sunday School. Our education committee is busy preparing and leading class time from 9:30 -10:15 and are especially in need of help in this area. They are also looking for a couple of people willing to help on Sunday mornings lead singing, or help with leading activities, or just being an extra set of hands. Please prayerfully consider how YOU - (yes you) can help out with our Sunday School program helping our children answer the question "Who do you say that I am?"

This year our Confirmation students once again will be looking for mentors to walk with them through their confirmation instruction. The expectations of a mentor is to meet with the students 5 times throughout the year and discuss elements of faith. Please prayerfully consider saying yes if one of the youth asks you. If you are asked, it is because they feel a connection to you, have a respect for you and how you live out your faith, and would like to share part of tinue to grow in their faith... and also answer the question, "Who do you say that I am?"

Let's keep this question in front of us this fall as we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.

> Living in God's Grace 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: Teressa Davis
Pastor Krista

TRINITY LUTHERAN July 12, 2017

After devotions by Pastor Krista, Dennis called the joint meeting to order. Pastor shared the following items:

Pastoral coverage--Pastor will be gone 3 Sundays this summer.

July 23--we will have a hymn sing (pastor-mission trip)

August 20--Pastor Harold Peterson will conduct our service (continuing education)

August 27--to be determined (pastor-vacation)

Other topics--VBS, God's Work-Our Hands (Sept. 10), All Saints Day, Reformation Sunday, Thanksgiving (here), and Christmas.

The next joint meeting will be held in Madelia on October 11.

Present: Dennis Rode, Vern Quade, Clayton Duncanson, Laurie Wille, Yvonne Noorlun, Teressa Davis, Barb Mager, Brad Nickerson, Cathy Sorenson

The secretary's report was read and approved.

The treasurer's report was pre-

sented by Clayton. There is \$10,623 in the checking account and \$37,383 in the savings account.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: There will be a reminder in the bulletin to bring items for the food shelf.

Lay ministry: There was a nice turn out of pictures of fathers on Father's Day.

Church properties: nothing new to report

Church education: no report but VBS will be held on August 7-10 **Youth:** nothing new to report--the youth has been asked to help with the waffle breakfast

Worship: nothing new to report

OLD BUSINESS: There was a discussion about Confirmation and its requirements and consequences. NEW BUSINESS: Permission was given to Clayton to use the fellowship hall on July 20

Cathy Sorenson, secretary

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH August 9, 2017

Present: Pastor Krista, Yvonne Noorlun, Brad Nickerson, Nikki Smith, Laurie Wille, Clayton Duncanson, Cathy Sorenson

Motion carried to accept the secretary's report. Clayton presented the treasurer's report. There is \$9759 in the checking account and \$37,383 in the savings account. The report was accepted to pay the bills. The profit from the waffle breakfast was \$1313.90. It was decided that we send \$50 to Nancy Jo for the use of her coffee containers

and \$50 to the city of Truman for the use of the Community Building.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: There is a request for more of the larger bulletins. The planning for the Pony Express drive will start soon.

Lay Ministry: Rosalie is sending cards to members for illness, anniversaries, etc.

Church properties: Often lights are left on in the church-especially the bathrooms. Everyone should be diligent about turning out the lights. A survey of the property may be done this fall.

Christian education: There have been 18-22 kids for VBS this week and the kids are having a great time with the Green Lake counselors. Rally Sunday for Sunday School will be September 10. There was a discussion about restructuring Sunday School and trying to get more kids to attend. We all need to be supportive of this committee and their attempt to get more kids involved.

Youth: No report. Worship: No report.

Pastor's report: Pastor's report was included in the discussion about VBS and the Sunday School arrangement.

OLD BUSINESS: The offering over the summer has been down. Hopefully when school starts, the receipts will be more than the expenses.

NEW BUSINESS: Thank you's will be sent to Ron Lenz and Gary Meyer for donating the bus and driver for VBS. A thank you and \$400 will be sent to Trinity in Madelia for payment of a share of the Green Lake counselors' expenses.

Cathy Sorenson, secretary

WE WORSHIPTOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS						
DATE/Theme	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL		
Sept. 3-Pentecost 13	Jer. 15:15-21	26:1-8	Romans 12:9-21	Matt. 16:21-28		
Sept. 10-Pentecost 14	Ezek. 33:7-11	119:33-40	Romans 13:8-14	Matt. 18:15-20		
Sept. 17-Pentecost 15	Gen. 50:15-21	103:[1-7]8-13	Romans 14:1-12	Matt. 18:21-35		
Sept. 24-Pentecost 16	Jonah 3:10—4:11	145:1-8	Phil. 1:21-30	Matt. 20:1-16		

SEPTEMBER LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME: 9:00 -10:15 AM

(Sunday school classes begin Sept. 17th)

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

Sept. 3rd & 10th

COMMUNION SERVERS:

9/3-Cathy Sorenson 9/10-Mark Durkee

LAY READERS:

9/3-Mike Taylor

9/10-Dean Gulbranson

9/17-Jerry Teig

9/24-LeAnn Maloney

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10TH

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday

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Sunday School Rally Day

SEPTEMBER USHERS:

*Mark Durkee, Ron Kelley, Tim Cook & Jaiden Cook



Trinity Lawn Care for September

Aug 27-Sept. 2-Dean G & Mark Durkee

Sept 3-9 - Wayne Maloney

Sept 10-16- Vern Quade

Sept 17-23 – Mike Wiederhoeft

Sept 24-30—Jerry Miller & Monty Selnes



Saturday, September 30 · 4 P.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



WELCA NEWS

Up-Coming Dates:

Saturday, September 30-Annual Polka Service Division A is in charge of serving the Pot luck which will follow the service.

<u>Saturday, October 7</u>-Watonwan River Conference Fall Gathering at our Saviors Lutheran Church in New Ulm.

The food/money received from this year's Thankoffering Service will go to Heaven's Table Food Shelf in Fairmont.

The Annual Cookie Walk will be on Saturday, December 2nd from 8-10:00 am.

Chairmen are still needed for this project.

Please call Barb Shoen if you are willing to help fill this position.

Lutheran Memorial Home in Madelia is proud of our Lutheran church affiliation and support throughout the past 58 years from our member churches. Your churches and members have supported LMH through service on our boards, volunteering and with philanthropic gifts. We are extremely grateful for all the time and talent that you have shared with LMH.

Since you are our foundation we wanted to share some exciting news with you. Luther Memorial Home and our residents have changed over the past 58 years. We were once a place for people to retire to. Residents would move in and live at LMH for 10 years. Today our residents need intense skilled nursing care or come for short-term rehabilitation stay and return home in a few weeks. We have evolved and are discussing changes to our "Luther Memorial Home" name, brand and a building renovation to better meet the needs of our current residents.

We are excited about these changes.

If you have any comments or suggestions please feel free to contact Dawn Campbell at <u>507-642-3271</u> or visit with a church representative serving on our boards. Please keep our organization, its mission and our residents in our prayers. Thank you for all of your support.



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$112,126.08 Hy-Vee-\$125,012.72

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.





October 2017						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Schedule Worship 10:30 AM Sun School 9-9:30 -Breakfast 9:30-10:15-class	CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11 & 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00	Pastor Krista's Office Hours Tuesday: 9:00-1:00 pm Friday: 9:00-1:00 pm			1	2 Meggie Siegler & Jordan Briet- barth wedding at Trinity
3 Communion	A LABOR Day Office Closed Today	First day of School	Confirmation Orientation Parent and Student Meeting at 6:30 pm at Trinity Truman	7 9 am Open Bible Study at Truman Café	8	9
10 Communion SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY God's Work Our Hands	PAIRIUI DAY 1:30 Martha at Marlene B.	12	7 pm Church council mtg.	14	MESSENGER DEADLINE:	16
Sunday School Begins at 9:00 am	18	19	20	21	22 First Day of Autumn	Don & Kathy Wilkening 50th Anniversary Reception at Trinity
24 Pastor's Fall	Theological	26 Conference	27 9 am Messenger Assembly	28	29	4 pm Polka At Trinity



Hello my dear friends at Trinity!

While I have relocated to Santa Fe, NM, my thoughts are with you.

Trinity is going forward and doing well! Trinity is where I grew up. Always a special place in my life! The folks, the excellent choir, a strong pastorate...all of it important to a (formerly) young parishioner.



I move to Santa Fe with a new verve and excitement for my photography and writing. While I miss you all, I ask you to stop through SF on your visits to the magnificent Southwest.

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My best wishes to you all ~ Tom Dodge

Thank you very much for the gracious gift. The quilt was perfect! All of your hard work is appreciated. The towel was also a very nice

touch. As I begin down a new road toward my future plans, please keep me in your prayers. I am so blessed to have been touched by so many wonderful people in my life.

TANNER MAMMENGA



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

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



TRINITY IS HELPING THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

There is a board set up in the front hallway at the church with items to be donated before September 10th for our "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday.

Items needed are: Dishwasher rinse aid, cake pans and cookie sheets, drawing pads, fine tipped markers and colored pencils, glow sticks, ready-to-serve soups, paper bowls, plastic soup spoons, umbrella's, Ziplock bags (all sizes), large cutting boards, dish towels/wash clothes, and printer paper white and colored. And we are also collecting pop/pull tabs.

We will also be doing breakfast bags again on Sept. 10th for God's Work, Our Hands Sunday for those who are not able to go out into town for community work.



thanks** Thank you to all who volunteered to help out and also those who donated items for

Trinity's Day Camp/VBS. Special thanks to Ron Lenz bus service and Gary Meyer who volunteered to drive the bus to Madelia on Monday and Wednesday.



"Charlotte is always willing to substitute on very short notice."

BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				THE POWER of Prayer	Steve & Vanessa Graham (33 years)	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rick Davis	Darrel &		Tammy Wokasch	Jackson Maloney		Marcy Pettersen
	Carolyn Drevlow (24 years)					
10	DAY	12	13	14	15 Deb Nickerson Jan Wiederhoeft	16 Margaret Durkee
	Kashia Moon				Jeff & LeAnn	James & Brenda
	Dan Smith				Maloney (33 years)	Hansen (24 years)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Linnea Huss Denny &	Geno Bultler	Zachary Hansen	Jordan Selnes		
	Angie Jahnz (24 years)		Aubree Heenan		First day in Automn	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Jan Warrington Dan &	Ava Taylor	Tim & Mindy Cook	JoAnn Quade	Mary Lehr (91 years)	Rhonda Bonk	
Marianne Lang (34 years)		(19 years)		David & Teresa Zupfer (26 years)	Barry Pettersen	



TRINITY'S ANNUAL WAFFLE BREAKFAST



VBS/DAYCAMP























These healthy chips make a yummy back-to-school snack.

What you need:

- 4 apples, cored and cut into 1/8 rings
- Large bowl
- Spoon
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- · Baking sheets (sprayed)

What you do:

- Place apple slices in the bowl. Add cinnamon and sugar. Stir so apples are coated evenly with the mixture.
- Place apple slices on the sprayed baking sheets in a single layer.
- Bake at 200 degrees for two to three hours, until chips are dry but still slightly soft.



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APPLE OF HIS EYE

Start each school day by remembering God's loving care for you.

Directions: Starting at the K by the stem and going clockwise, circle each word. Then place the words in the blanks to complete Psalm 17:8.



PSALM 17:8, NIV

Answer: "Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings." Psalm 17:8, MIV

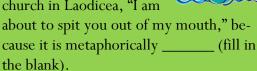
Christian Symbol+

Deer

The deer symbolizes safety in God's care, as seen in David's praise of God for delivery from enemies: "[The Lord] makes my feet like the feet of a deer; he causes me to stand on the heights" (2 Samuel 22:34; Psalm 18:33, NIV). The deer also represents faithfulness and eager devotion: "As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God" (Psalm 42:1, NIV)

BIBLE QUIZ

In memorable language in Revelation, God tells the church in Laodicea, "I am



- A. too hot
- B. too cold
- C. tasteless
- D. lukewarm

Answer: D (See Revelation 3:16.)



THE MESSENGER

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"Don't worry about failures. Worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try." —Jack Canfield

SEPTEMBER 2017





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~