



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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



"WE ARE THE CHURCH"

Dear Trinity Families,

Years ago, when I attended my first Youth Gathering in Denver, Colorado, as a freshman in high school, Jay Beech sang a song called The Church Song. It goes something like this....

**We are the church! The body of our Lord.
We are all God's children and we have been restored!**

The church is not a building where people come to pray, It's not made out of sticks and stones, its not made out of clay... Chorus

You can go to worship but you cannot go to church; you can't find a building that's alive no matter how you search... Chorus

The church is not a business, a committee or a board; t's not a corporation for the business of the Lord....Chorus

The church, it is the people living out their lives, called, enlightened, sanctified for the work of Jesus Christ.

This has been an exciting summer - vacations, our youth have been to bible camp, the ELCA Youth Gathering, we have hosted Vacation Bible School and Middle School Leadership Camp, and your

church councils have met and had some great discussions.

This is fall is an exciting time for us as a church... together we are going to embark on a building project... not one of bricks and mortar but joining together in Building Christian Community at Trinity for ministry together in 2018 and beyond and we are counting on your participation.

In the coming weeks, during worship we will be focusing on Paul's letter to the Ephesians as we engage with the theme Building Christian Community at Trinity. Paul wrote many letters to the churches with all sorts of problems but the letter to the Ephesians is unique. Paul saw the need for a new vision for the church. It doesn't address the problems within the church but engages with the problems outside the church and the way God's people are called to gracefully meet those challenges. Paul challenges the believers of Ephesus to be a church built on love and extending this love beyond their friend groups, to one another, and to the world beyond the walls of the church - to be the church ACTIVE and VISIBLE in the world.

Beloved people of God - we are the church... the call of the church in 2018 and beyond is about living out our lives as the beloved Children of God we are... responding to the needs and hurts of this world - meeting and loving God's people where they are. Let us join together in living out our identity for WE ARE THE CHURCH!

Pastor Krista



TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Yvonne Noorlun
Vice President: Grant Hartman
Secretary: Cathy Sorenson
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith
Ch Properties: Duane Heckman
Stewardship: Dave Sorenson
Lay Ministry: Laurie Wille
Worship: Barb Mager
Youth: Britta Hartman
Pastor Krista

Trinity Lutheran Church July 12, 2018

Present: Clayton Duncanson, Duane Heckman, Barb Mager, Yvonne Noorlun, Grant and Britta Hartman, Nikki Smith, Dave and Cathy Sorenson

Yvonne called the meeting to order. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Clayton presented the treasurer's report. There is \$5161 in the checking account and \$46,170 in the savings account. The month of June showed a net loss of \$2889. This has been a persistent trend and has become a matter of concern.

BOARD REPORTS:

Youth: Grant reported that the Youth Gathering trip had gone well. The kids were wonderful and involved in the activities. Worshipping with 30,000 energetic kids is an awesome experience! In 2021 the Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis. The youth will be serving their stakeholders meal on August 4 and they will participate in the church service on August 5.

Church properties: There are several shrubs that have suffered from winterkill. Motion carried to pull out the dead shrubs and replace these areas with decorative rocks. Trinity is also looking for someone to trim our

shrubs. Doyle and Arlene have filled this capacity for many years and Doyle feels he needs to retire--and he has earned this right. We are very grateful to this great couple for this wonderful service to our church.

Christian education: VBS will be held in Madelia on August 6-9.

There will also be a leadership camp. Plans are still being made on holding Sunday School on Wednesday after school.

Worship: Sunday worship has started at 8:45. We will need pulpit supply pastors for 2 Sundays in August.

OLD BUSINESS: Yvonne and Grant have the waffle service organized. Workers still need to be contacted.

The Trinity parade entrant will be a pick-up with coolers of cold water. We are hoping there will be some youth that will help hand out the bottles.

Since pastor was absent, no firm plans were made concerning Sunday School being held mid-week.

Trinity Lutheran Church August 8, 2018

Present: Yvonne Noorlun, Duane Heckman, Clayton Duncanson, Grant and Britta Hartman, Nikki Smith, Barb Mager, Pastor Krista, Dave and Cathy Sorenson

Yvonne called the meeting to order. The secretary's report was accepted as read. Clayton presented the treasurer's report. There is (\$250) in the checking account and \$49,459 in the savings account. For the sixth straight month our expenses have exceeded our income. Everyone is urged to honor their pledge to Trinity.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship: The committee will be organizing the stewardship drive in September. Several sacks of food were delivered to a church family.

Church Properties: There are shingles missing on a section of the new

addition. It was decided to have Boekett's furnish the materials and do the labor for \$421. There is money in an insurance account to pay this bill. Duane will be putting more hand-capped signs on the south side of the building and a reserved sign for pastor in the front of the church. Darrell Drevlow has volunteered to trim the shrubs. Thank you, Duke!

Youth: The youth who went to Houston served a lasagna supper to Stakeholder contributors on August 4. They also participated in the service on August 5.

Worship: Pastor Harold Peterson will be conducting our services on August 19 and August 26.

Pastor's report: Pastor is working on the curriculum for Confirmation. She is working with students in the Servant Leadership Camp as well as being involved with VBS. Pastor is putting together a curriculum for a new endeavor for Trinity--holding Sunday School on Wednesdays after school.

New business:

God's Work--Our Hands day will be September 9. Anyone who knows of a project that we can help with should call Yvonne or Brenda.

Because attendance has been so low for Sunday School, it was decided to try something new. Starting on September 12 we will be having Sunday School on Wednesdays. The students will come to church after school and there will be time to have a snack, work on school work, visit with members of the church, have physical activity, etc. Pastor Krista will be conducting the lesson. Nikki will make sure everything else runs smoothly. Laurie Wille has volunteered to be a back-up for Pastor and Nikki. This program will be open to anyone who would like to join us.

The Graham family has started an organ fund in memory of Dot. Our organ is 37 years old. We hope it lasts many more years, but some day it will have to be replaced. Everyone is welcome to donate to this fund.

Cathy Sorenson, secretary

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/Theme	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL
Sept. 2-Pentecost 15	Deut. 4:1-2, 6-9	15	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Sept. 9-Pentecost 16 (GWOH & Rally Day)	Isaiah 35:4-7a	146	James 2:1-10, [11-13] 14-17	Mark 7:24-37
Sept. 16-Pentecost 17	Isa 50:4-9a	116:1-9	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38
Sept. 23-Pentecost 18	Jer. 11:18-20	54	James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37
Sept. 30-Pentecost 19	Num. 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29	19:7-14	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50

SEPTEMBER LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 8:45 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Will begin Sept. 12th and now will be on Wednesdays after school until 5:30

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

September 2 & 9

COMMUNION SERVERS:

9/2- Clayton Duncanson

9/9-Margaret Durkee

LAY READERS:

9/2-Dean Gulbranson

9/9-Laurie Wille

9/16-Johnnie Zaharia

9/23-Barb Shoen

9/30-Clayton Duncanson

SEPTEMBER USHERS:

*Brian Nickerson, Tim Cook, Jaiden Cook and Tallin Cook

God's Work, Our
Hands Sunday is
Sept. 9th

Church School
Rally Day is
Sept. 9th



LAWN-MOWING
TEAM

SEPTEMBER LAWN CARE TEAM

9/2—9/8— Wayne Maloney and Nicole Ebert

9/9—9/15-Dave Kahler and Vern Quade

9/16—9/22-Mike Wiederhoeft

9/23—9/29-Dave Baarson

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



**Sunday, October 7th - 8:30 AM
at Trinity Lutheran Church**



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

**A brunch will be provided
after the service**

(Free will offering)

**All are welcome to worship and enjoy fellowship with us!*



WELCA NEWS

Since the Polka Service is at 8:30 this year, we will serve brunch instead of having potluck. Volunteers are furnishing egg bake and fruit. The division working will be asked to furnish rolls, muffins, or coffee cakes.

We have changed our policy regarding cakes at funerals. To make less work for servers, we are now asking that the cake also be provided by the caterer.

After our meeting in August we bagged 98 quilts. The will be brought to the CADA houses in Mankato, New Ulm, St. James, and Blue Earth.

Barb M. brought the 31 school kits to the Synodical Convention in St. Cloud. It was decided to do the kits again, and because of the sales on school supplies at this time of year we will make purchases now. Norma and Jan B. will once again sew the bags. Kathy W. has made and filled six bags, for which we thank her.

Thanks to all who furnished food or cash for the salad luncheon, for those who worked, and for all who came to eat. Special thanks are due to Cathy S., Barb M., and Marlene B. for being chairmen of the event. The profit of \$1,464 will be put in the roof fund.

The free will offering received at the coffee hours goes toward paying the Polka band. Thanks to those who provided the goodies and for all who stayed to enjoy the fellowship.

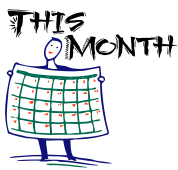
Division C served the lunch for Joan's funeral. Thanks to those who furnished cakes and helped work.

STICK WITH IT!

“If I’ve learned anything about friendship, it’s to hang in, stay connected,” says journalist Jon Katz. “Don’t walk away, don’t be distracted, don’t be too busy or tired, don’t take them for granted. Friends are part of the glue that holds life and faith together.”



This applies to church life too. When we’re annoyed by some aspect of congregational life or caught in conflict with other members, it’s tempting to drift away to another church — or no church. Even when all is fine, we sometimes let church take a back seat. But our bonds with the family of God are “part of the glue that holds life and faith together.” For the sake of the benefits we gain and give, may we “hang in [and] stay connected” with our church family. May we not “walk away [or] be distracted, ... be too busy or tired.” May we not take one another for granted but thank God for this “glue” — even when things get a bit sticky!



October 2018						
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28	29	30	31			

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Worship Schedule</u></p> <p>Worship 8:45 AM</p> <p>Church School On Wednesday's after School Starts 9/12</p>	<p><u>Pastor Krista's</u> <u>Office Hours</u></p> <p>Tuesday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p> <p>Friday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p>	<p><u>CHURCH</u> <u>OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <p>Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11 & 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00</p>				1
2 <u>Communion</u>	3 Church Office closed 	4 1:30 pm Martha at Kathy W. 	5	6 9 am Open Bible Study at the church	7	8
9 <u>Communion</u> RALLY SUNDAY God's work. Our hands.	10	11 9/11 REMEMBRANCE	12 Sunday school begins after school - until 5:30 Wow! 7:30 pm Council mtg.	13	14 	15
16	17	18	19 Church school - after school until 5:30	20	21	22
23 	24	25	26 Church School— after school til 5:30 9 am Messenger assembly 	27	28	29
30				<p>TRINITY'S ANNUAL POLKA SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7TH AT 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE.</p> <p>A BRUNCH WILL BE HELD AFTERWARDS</p>		

NEWS

From Our Parish



Our Deepest sympathy to Veryle Williamson on the death of his wife, Joan who passed away on July 17, 2018. Her funeral was held at Trinity Lutheran church on July 21st and the burial was at the Waverly Cemetery.

THANKS from the HEART

Thank you to Pastor Krista for her comforting words and kindness during Mom's final days and the funeral service. Many thanks also to Barb Mager and Mark Nass for the beautiful music and Trinity's WELCA for serving the lunch,

Blessings to you, Dot Graham Family

Thanks to everyone who donated food or money for another successful salad luncheon. A BIG thank you to the many people who helped out with the serving or the clean up. Working with you is awesome!



The family of Joan Williamson would like to extend our heartfelt THANKS AND APPRECIATION for the thoughts, prayers, messages, phone calls, cards, memorials, food and extra-special hugs during Joan's hospitalization and since her passing. The generous out-pouring of love from all you helped each of us grasp this major loss and life change. Special thanks to Pastor Krista Strum and the Trinity Lutheran church family for all the love. To Tom, Greg & Ean of Kramer Family Funeral home and to Dr. Kolar and the loving staff that kept Joan comfortable during her final days at Mayo Health systems-Mankato. Please know that we hold each of you dear to our hearts! We definitely lost "the good one".

~ Veryle & Family of Joan Williamson



YOU'RE IN OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS

Please pray for Trinity member, Howard Culbertson

His wife Cheryl, has set up a caring bridge site for you to follow up on his journey: www.caringbridge.org/visit/howardculbertson



Anyone wishing to have a pastoral visit should contact the church office, Yvonne Noorlun or Pastor Krista



PEACEMAKERS WHO SOW IN PEACE, REAP A HARVEST OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.



Prayers

We remember in our prayers...all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the home-bound: **Howard Culbertson and the families of Dot Graham and Joan Williamson....** Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$135,205.52











Hy-Vee-\$57,294.92

Gas & Pharmacy receipts also count

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

BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>We have 3 silver anniversaries this month! Congratulations!</p>						<p>1  Steve & Vanessa Graham (34 years)</p>
2	<p>3  Rick Davis</p>	<p>4 Duke & Carolyn Drevlow (25 years) </p>	5	6 Tammy Wokasch	7 Jackson Maloney	8
9 Marcy Pettersen	10	<p>11  Kashia Moon Dan Smith</p>	12	<p>13 </p>	14	<p>15 Deb Nickerson Jan Wiederhoeft Jeff & LeAnn Maloney (34 years)</p>
<p>16 Margaret Durkee  James & Brenda Hansen (25 years)</p>	17	<p>18 Linnea Huss  Denny & Angie Jahnz (25 years)</p>	19 Geno Butler	20 Zachary Hansen Aubree Heenan	21 Jordan Selnes	22 
23	<p>24 Jan Warrington Dan & Marianne Lang (35 years)</p>	25 Ava Taylor	<p>26 Tim & Mindy Cook (20 years) Josh & Heather Tonkin (3 years)</p>	27 JoAnn Quade	<p>28 Mary Lehr (92 years)  David & Teresa Zupfer (27 years)</p>	29 Rhonda Bonk Barry Pettersen
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2018 YOUTH GATHERING AT HOUSTON, TX JUNE 27-JULY 2ND



OUR CHURCH EVENTS

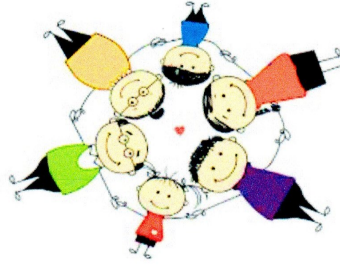
TRINITY'S ANNUAL WAFFLE BREAKFAST DURING TRUMAN DAYS





WEDNESDAY 5:30-6:30 PM

GIFT



Growing in Faith Together

You are invited to participate in a FREE After School Program

When: Wednesdays after school until 5:30 pm
Participants can ride the bus to the church.

Where: At Trinity Lutheran Church - Truman

What: A faith-based after school program that provides homework help, games, snack, stories, activities, and adult mentors.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

To sign up or for more details...
Call the church office at 507-776-4781
Or email Pastor Krista at pkstrumom@me.com

Christian Symbol



Seal

A seal is the mark of God's promises to the believer and of the believer's consecration to God. Old Testament priests wore a piece of gold against their forehead, as a seal, engraved with the words "Holy to the Lord." For Christians, the sign of the cross serves as a seal of salvation. Paul declares, "He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come" (2 Corinthians 1:21-22, NIV).

Bible Quiz

Who was Moses' father-in-law, and what was his occupation?

- A. Joshua; shepherd
- B. Miriam; tentmaker
- C. Aaron; farmer
- D. Jethro; priest



Answer: D (See Exodus 3:1.)



THE MESSENGER

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SEPTEMBER 2018

God's Blessings to:

**God's work.
Our hands.
SEPTEMBER 9**

Get it! 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!

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“If you want your children to turn out well, spend twice as much time with them, and half as much money.”

Visit our WEBSITE!
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—Abigail Van Buren



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Church
School begins
Wednesday's
after school until 5:30
beginning Sept. 12

TRINITY WORSHIP-8:45 AM
CHURCH SCHOOL- Wednesday's
(After school until 5:30 pm. 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~