



TRINITY NEWSLETTER



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March 11, 2019

Dear Beloved members of Holden and Trinity congregations,

After prayerful and thoughtful time, it is with heavy heart that I have decided to resign as your minister. At this point I am both mentally and emotionally drained. The last few weeks I have had some health issues that is making it impossible to return.

You are blessed to have Rick Schneck as a member of the congregation. He has been my mentor and I know he will continue to ensure things run smoothly. I would like to thank Mike Folk and Josh Bohlen for their leadership in the congregations. I know they will continue to lead with a spirit filled heart. I also thank all of you who have sent me get well cards. One of those are Connie Monson for her beautiful card wishing me well. Also, Sharon Trulson for her phone call letting me know that everything would be ok and that everyone is stepping forward to do their part. It reminded me of Ephesians where it tells us that “We are the body of Christ” and I know each one of you will come forward and be ministers in this body as you move forward.

Thank you to all who have opened their hearts and homes to John and myself. We will always remember your kindness and your love shown us. John and I will be back and visit after I recover and gain my strength.

Gods Blessing to all of you,

Your friend in Christ,

Bev McNeill

**LENT
2019**

Thy Will Be Done

Wednesday Lenten

Schedule 4/3-4/10

5:30 Trinity Worship

6:15 Trinity Youth Supper

6:00 Holden WELCA

Supper

7:00 Holden Worship

THE
FORTY
DAYS
of LENT



RETURN
to the
LORD
YOUR
GOD



Self cleaning
kitchen—
Clean up
after yourself

Trinity Kitchen Cleaning

All Trinity Women are encouraged to gather on **Monday, April 25th**, at 9:00 to clean the kitchen. This includes the cleaning of: refrigerators, stoves and ovens, cupboards, dishwasher, sinks, and the racks holding cups, glasses, and dishes.

There is a job for everyone.

At noon there will be a business meeting and pizza party.

Many hands make light work !



Trinity Easter Memorial Garden

Plans are being made to celebrate **Easter Sunday, April 21st**, with the addition of a memorial garden.

Plants, given in memory of loved ones, would enhance and beautify the front of the church. Members may purchase their own plant and bring to the church. If you do, please inform the office so it can be noted in the bulletin. Or you may order through the office.

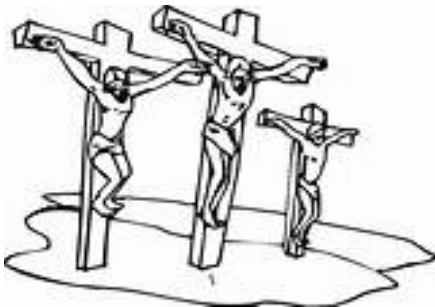
**ORDER FORMS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.**

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday.....April 18

Holden & Trinity Worship
at Trinity 7:00 p.m.
Youth Supper at 6:00

Good Friday.....April 19



Joint Holden & Trinity Worship
at Trinity 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday.....April 21



7:00 a.m. Trinity Easter Communion Worship
& Youth Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Holden Easter Communion Worship
& Brunch

MESSAGE TO MEMBERS OF HOLDEN & TRINITY

Council members from both Churches have been meeting with Reverend Kathryn Skoglund from the Southwestern Synod to discuss getting an interim minister and the what the pastoral needs are for both Churches. Reverend Skoglund also explained the call process. More information will be shared as it becomes available. Please continue to keep the Council members in your prayers as they continue with the process.



THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!!

Is there ever enough words to thank so many people who have given so much? Holden and Trinity are so blessed to have so many caring, giving and talented members. Everyone has stepped up to offer assistance to help out wherever needed. God's love is shown through everyone's willingness to support our churches.



THANK YOU

Mary Jo Huselid for organizing the Meals on Wheels Program for Trinity and the drivers who have been delivering the meals .These past winter month have not been easy!

~ Women of the ELCA ~

Glacial Ridge Conference Spring Gathering

Monday, April 15th - 5:00 \$8.00 registration
5:00 a light meal is served

THEME: *"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet"* PROGRAM: Vocalist, Paul Green from Glenwood

Women who plan to attend should meet at
Trinity at **3:30** to car pool.

Host churches are Women from Chippewa Falls of Terrace, St. Paul's Lutheran of Lowry, and Shepherd of the Hills of Swift Falls.



Sandy Abbott, Edna Anderson, Wilma Anderson, Landen Arndt,
Delores Athey, Greta Botker, Stella Jacobson, Tyson Karsky, Darcy Nielsen, Theda Skundberg, Mavis Steen, Bonnie Stotesbery, Kathy Tharaldson, Bev & John McNeill

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO

5th Graders & Parents

First Communion for the 5th graders has been postponed until a later date.

THANK YOU~~

TO

Sharon Trulson for filling in as interim secretary for both Churches during the month of March!!! It was most appreciated!

Senior High Youth Gathering

The Sr. High Youth Gathering will be April 5&6 this year at Lake Geneva Christian Center in Alexandria for grades 9-12. Total cost is \$100- the youth group will pay \$50 for anyone who wants to go. Please check your calendars.

Words & thoughts of Lent, Good Friday, Easter...

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..." -- Pope Benedict XVI

"Whoever wishes to be my follower must deny his very self, take up his cross each day, and follow in my steps." -- Luke 9:23

"You can do more than pray after you have prayed; but you can never do more than pray until you have prayed." -- A.J. Gordon

"Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism." -- Pope Benedict XVI

This is the most blessed Sabbath on which Christ sleeps, but on the third day he shall rise again. Therefore, O Lord our God, we sing to you a hymn, a song to your burial: By your burial you have opened for us the gates of life, and by your death you have slain death and hell. O God, our deliverer, blessed are you!

Holy Saturday is a day of loss, but also a day of quiet hope. *"For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay"* (Psalm 15).

***For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.***

John 3:16

SCHOOL BAG COLLECTION PROJECT

This year's goal is **50** full bags!

Deadline is April 17th

Items needed:

142 Tablets

19 Crayon Boxes (16-24)

157 Pens- Black or Blue Ink (Not gel)

36 Scissors

30 Pencil Sharpners

COLLECTION BOX IS LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

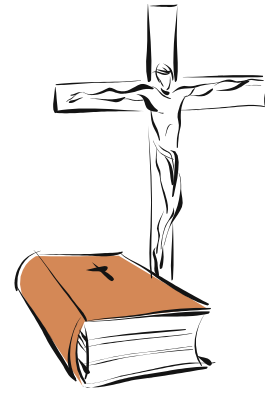
April

- 1 Ashley Paulsen
- 3 Kathy Gillespie
- 4 Logen Cardwell, Chace Herberg
Wayne Huselid, Bev McNeill
- 5 Hadley Fuhrman, Roger Strand
- 6 Linda Brandt, Debbie Lindholm
Curtis Peterson
- 9 Mikki Erickson
- 10 Gary Arndt, Casey Dahl
Brenda McAlister
- 10 Mark Chase
- 11 Jeff Herberg, Joanne Vangsness
- 12 Shawna Arndt
- 13 Ben Athey, Slater Redfield
- 14 Norman Erickson
- 15 Travis Sandberg
- 16 Jake Finberg
- 20 Edna Anderson, Jim Teske
- 22 Matthew Basta
- 24 Karen Ebnet, Betty Nelson
Charles Stein
- 27 Noah Cardwell, Kevin Casper
- 28 Marcus Moberg
- 29 Eric Anderson, Karin Anderson
Lori Hall
- 30 Caleb Cardwell, Danny Herberg
Jens Jorgenson, Lake Jorgenson

These birthdates come from the computer membership program, *Revelations*. Please give your information to the office if your name has been missed.

OPERATION SHOEBOX

A call was received from someone at Operation Shoebox thanking us for all the shoeboxes. They were amazed over the number from our small churches!



If God left messages on your telephone answering machine...

- Let's meet at my house
Sunday before the game.
- C'mon over and bring the
kids.
- What part of "*Thou shalt
not*"...didn't you
understand?
- We need to talk.
- Loved the wedding! Invite me
to the marriage.
- That "*Love Thy Neighbor*"
thing...I meant it.
- Will the road you're on get
you to my place?

Jan. - March - Holden & Trinity

Holden

- Jan. 5th - Funeral for Russell Skundberg
- March 11 - Funeral Mary Jane Boothby

Trinity

- Jan. 19th - Baptism of Reid Roscoe, son of
Marissa Dahl & Ramsey Roscoe
- March 25 - Funeral for Darlene Olson

**Trinity Lutheran Church Council
March 13, 2019**

Present: K. Stattelmann, R. Stotesbery, J. Morrill, J. Bohlen, H. Zimmel

Also present: M. Trulson, R. Erickson, D. Herberg, M. Folk, Pastor Kathryn Skoglund from Synod

Call to order Josh

Secretary's report approved as submitted. Motion by Kelly, second Randy.

Treasurer's report approved as submitted. Motion Deb, second Kelly.

Committee Reports:

*Education: Confirmation is covered thru March. Senior youth group will meet early April.
* Evangelism, Worship and Music: None
* Property and Management: Leaks have appeared in the roof. The weather stripping on the south door needs attention.

* Stewardship/Finance: None
* Outreach: None

Other Reports:

* Parish Board: None
* St. Pauli Committee: None

Old Business:

1. Review annual meeting - Josh has meet with Val Hoffman regarding selling the two properties. Motion by Randy to go ahead. Second Haley.

New Business:

1. Minister Bev's resignation. Pastor Skoglund outlined what would be happening in the future as far as the call process. Worship is covered for March and she has agreed to lead us in worship on April 7, and also on Easter Sunday. We can fill in with pulpit supply until we reach an agreement with an interim Pastor.
2. April council meeting will be April 10, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Close with Lord's Prayer

Motion to adjourn Kelly, second Haley.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Maher, secretary

Trinity Activity of Funds – February 2019

General	Bal. 2/1	68,911.58
	Income	5,942.92
	Expenses	- 10,781.19
	Trans. to Special Funds	- 503.00
	Bal. 2/28	63,570.31
Chaperone	Bal. 2/1	3,642.95
	Income	.00
	Expenses	.00
	Bal. 2/28	3,642.95
Discipleship	Bal. 2/1	60.28
	Income	0.00
	Expenses	- 50.00
	Bal. 2/28	10.28
Long Range Repairs	Bal. 2/1	-1,535.46
	Income	60.00
	Transfer to Imp. Fund	.00
	Bal. 2/28	- 1,475.46
Olai Steen Scholarship	Bal. 2/1	5,239.46
	Income	0.00
	Expenses	0.00
	Bal. 2/28	5,239.46
TLC Scholarship	Bal. 2/1	1,084.66
	Income	00.00
	Expenses	- 400.00
	Bal. 2/28	1,484.66
Memorial	Bal. 2/1	3,501.00
	Income	0.00
	Transf. to Imp	0.00
	Bal. 2/28	3,501.00
Thrivent	Bal. 2/1	8,149.33
	Income	93.00
	Expense	0.00
	Bal.2.28	8,243.33
Improvement Fund	Bal. 2/28	00.00
Total balance of all special funds:		\$20,645.22
Combined General & Special Funds:		\$84,215.53
St. Pauli Maintenance Fund:		
	Bal: 2/1	\$ 9,890.99
	Donations	.00
	Interest	.38
	Bal. 2/28	9,891.37
Memorial Money Market	Bal. 1/1	\$100,066.45

Interest
Bal. 1/31

13.43
\$100,079.88



