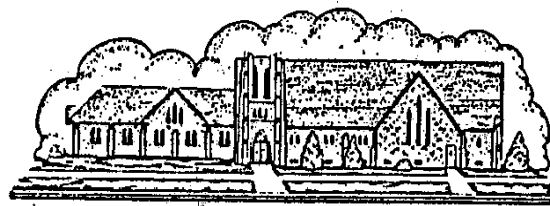




TRINITY NEWSLETTER



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Dear Friends of Holden and Trinity,

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible." Hebrews 11:1-3

"Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation." Elton True Blood

I would like to share with you "The Other Commandments" from the book, Riches of the Heart.

1. You shall not worry, for worry is the most unproductive of all human activities.
2. You shall not be fearful, for most of the things you fear will never come to pass.
3. You shall not carry grudges, for they are the heaviest of all life's burdens.
4. You shall face each problem as it comes. You can only handle one at a time anyway.
5. You shall not take problems to bed with you, for they make very poor bedfellows.
6. You shall not borrow other people's problems. They can better care for them than you can.
7. You shall not try to relive yesterday for good or ill, it is forever gone. Concentrate on what is happening in your life and be happy now!
8. You shall be a good listener, for only when you listen do you hear ideas different from your own.
9. You shall not become "bogged down" by frustration, for 90 0/0 of it is rooted in self-pity and will only interfere with positive action.
10. You shall count your blessings, never overlooking the small ones, for a lot of small blessings add up to a big one.

Your Friend in Christ,
Minister Bev McNeill

2019

HAPPY ☆ NEW ☆ YEAR

Christian Resolutions

1. Resolve to stay faithful to Jesus Christ. He is the one Truth, Way and Life. There's no reason to look elsewhere.
2. Resolve to not let anything – a career, a significant other, social media, a house – become an object of worship.
3. Resolve to watch your language and not speak any destructive talk, especially involving the name of God.
4. Resolve to prevent burnout by putting aside work one day a week. Trust God to provide for your needs that day and just enjoy the time He's given you.
5. Resolve to talk to your parents on a regular basis, and show them love and respect.
6. Resolve to be angry less. Channel any feelings of rage, which Jesus said are as severe as murder, into worshipping God and serving others.
7. Resolve to honor your commitment to your spouse. Whether in thought or in deed, stay pure and loyal in the union God made.
8. Resolve to not take anything that's not yours, including stuff you can hold and put in your pocket, and plenty that you can't, like music downloads, streaming movies, and hours on your timecard.
9. Resolve to speak about others only with truth and love, not gossip.
10. Resolve to be content with what you have, and not worry about that others are amassing.



Holden Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 27, 2019

10:30 Worship

Pot Luck Dinner followed by Annual Meeting

Trinity Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 20, 2019

10:30 Worship

Pot Luck Dinner followed by Annual Meeting



MEMORY CAFÉ'

Beginning in January on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday there will be a social gathering for people with memory loss and their care companions to come together for conversation over a cup of coffee in the Meeting Room of the Ortonville Public Library from 1:00-3:00. Sometimes there will be music, art or other forms of entertainment.



Praying Hands

Many children learn to count on their fingers, but a nurse once taught a child to pray "on his fingers".

This was her method:

- ~ Your thumb is the digit nearest to your heart, so pray first for those who are closest to you. Your own needs, of course, should be included, as well as those of your beloved family and friends.
- ~ The second finger is the one used for pointing. Pray for those who point you toward the truth, whether at church or school. Pray for your teachers, mentors, pastors, and those who inspire your faith.
- ~ The third finger is the tallest. Let it stand for the leaders in every sphere of life. Pray for those in authority - both within the body of Christ and those who hold office in various areas of government.
- ~ The fourth finger is the weakest, as every pianist knows. Let it stand for those who are in trouble and pain - the sick, injured, abused, wounded, or hurt.
- ~ The little finger is the smallest. Let it stand for those who often go unnoticed, including those who suffer abuse and deprivation.

What a simple and wonderful reminder as we pray!
What a great tool to use in teaching children (and the young at heart)
how to pray for themselves and others!

~~Luther Crest Bible Camp~~

Check out the brochure on the bulletin board for information on the 2019 summer camp schedule...



Trinity Lutheran Church Council November 2018

Present: C. Folkens, G. Moberg, M. Benson, K. Moberg,
J. Bohlen, J. Morrill, Minister Bev

Opening Devotions by Minister Bev

Call to order by Josh

Secretary's report approved as submitted.

Motion Gene, second Jodi

Treasurer's report approved as submitted.

Motion Deb, second Melisa

Mileage and Pastor's report approved as submitted.

Motion Melisa, second Chuck

Committee Reports:

Education: Wreaths will be coming in. Youth group meets 12-2-18 after Church. There will be no Sunday School December, 16, 23, 30.

Evangelism and Worship: None

Property and Management: The new door knob has been installed on the door to the balcony.

Stewardship: None

Outreach: None

Parish Board: None

St. Pauli: None

Old Business:

1. The internet has been upgraded.
2. Bank Accounts: Jodi gave a summary of the various accounts associated with the Church. Motion by Chuck that all statements under Trinity's EIN should be mailed to the Church. Donna should be added to the main checking account and debt card as an authorized signer. Josh Bohlen, president should replace prior council president Jared Nordly as a signer for the youth group. Second Melisa
3. The Nelson house has been deeded to the Church. Josh will check at the courthouse about taxes. There will be a meeting of the finance committee to outline the options, which need to be presented to the congregation for a vote.

New Business:

1. The membership list was reviewed to be used in the new directory.
2. The phone system needs to be updated. Motion by Deb, second Jodi to authorize Donna to purchase new phones and a locked file cabinet up to \$500.00.
3. The newsletters will be placed in the Church mailboxes. Those letters not picked up in a timely manner will be mailed. Motion Jodi, second Kristi.

Motion to adjourn Kristi, second Chuck. Close with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Maher, Secretary

Trinity Activity of Funds – November 2018

General	Bal. 11/1	51,499.53
	Income	16,836.99
	Expenses	-6,105.48
	Trans. to Special Funds	-388.00
	Bal. 11/30	61,843.04
Chaperone	Bal. 11/30	10,904.18
Discipleship	Bal. 11/1	60.28
	Income	0.00
	Expenses	0.00
	Bal. 10/30	60.28
Long Range Repairs	Bal. 11/1	2,718.85
	Income	150.00
	Bal. 11/30	2,868.85
Olai Steen Scholarship	Bal. 11/1	5,202.71
	Income	0.00
	Bal. 11/30	5,202.71
TLC Scholarship	Bal. 11/30	1,584.66
Memorials	Bal. 11/30	2,961.00
Bible Camp	Bal. 11/30	-1,003.00
Thrivent	Bal. 11/1	8,051.33
	Income	98.00
	Bal. 11/30	8,149.33
Improvement Fund	Bal. 11/1	-4,724.31
	Income	140.00
	Bal. 11/30	-4,584.31
Total balance of all special funds:		\$26,143.70
Combined General & Special Funds:		\$87,986.74
St. Pauli Maintenance Fund:		
	Bal: 11/1	\$ 9,889.74
	Donations	.00
	Interest	.41
	Bal. 11/30	9,890.15
Memorial Money Market		
	Bal. 11/1	\$100,028.63
	Interest	12.33
	Bal. 11/30	\$100,040.96



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

January

- 1 Travis Arndt, Katherine Hoxtell
Georgeanne Sibson
- 3 Hannah deNeui
- 4 Makayla deNeui
- 6 Teagan Cardwell, Melissa Kleindl
- 8 Dylan Finberg, Danica Maus
Isabella Ross-Strand
- 9 Travis Pullis, Janet Spalinger
- 10 Kristian Winston
- 13 Hilary Chase, Kendra Moberg
Jessica Moberg
- 16 David Dybdahl, Bob Haukos
- 17 Rachel Erickson, Mary Folk
- 19 Kyle Blankenhagen, Christi Stotesbery
- 23 Jim Weinman
- 26 Pam Schneck
- 27 Aaron Fuhrman
- 28 Cheri Kaye
- 29 Trudy Anderson
- 30 Tom Herberg
- 31 Harold Nelson

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

“Show Him Your Tooth, Albert”

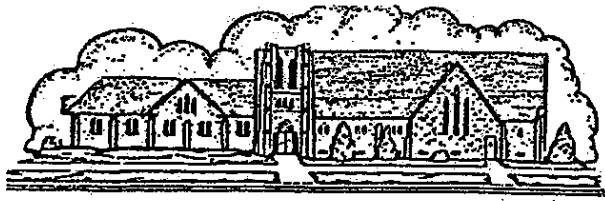
Two small boys went into the dentist’s office one day and waited for the dentist to get through with his appointment. When he came into the waiting room, the older of the two boys spoke up. “Doctor, I want a tooth taken out, and I don’t want any gas, and I don’t want it deadened because we’re in a hurry. The doctor smiled and said, “Well, you’re quite a brave young man. You want a tooth pulled, and you don’t want any gas, and you don’t want it deadened.” And the little boy said, “That’s right, ‘cause we’re in a hurry.”

“Well, okay,” said the dentist, “but tell me, which tooth is it?” And the little boy turned to his smaller friend and said, “Show him your tooth, Albert!”

The world is full of people like that, isn’t it? People who want to see things happen and get things done, but who want someone else to pay the price and to suffer the consequences. That’s not the way it works. We have to get into the dentist chair ourselves.

New Year's Day Party - That Never Was? As in many homes on New Year's Day, Janet and Nigel, a happily married couple, faced the annual conflict of which was more important: the football match on television or the lunch itself. Hoping to keep the peace Nigel ate lunch with the rest of the family and even lingered for some pleasant after-lunch chat before retiring to the lounge to turn on the television.

Some minutes later, Janet looked in to see how he was and graciously even bought a cold drink for Nigel. She smiled, kissed him on the cheek and asked what the score was. Nigel told her it was half time and that the score was still 0-0. 'See?' Janet said happily, 'You didn't miss a thing.'



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