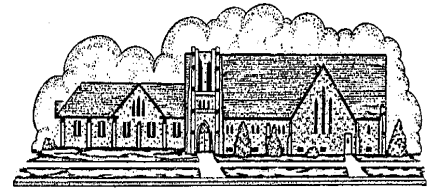


TRINITY NEWSLETTER



NOVEMBER
No. 308

Trinity Lutheran Church—ELCA—Bev McNeill, Associate in Ministry
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Dear Friends of Holden & Trinity,

Have you ever wished you could see God face to face while here on earth? So often we feel that the people in the Bible who were able to walk and talk with Jesus personally had such an advantage that we don't have. I'm reminded of John 1:18 which tells us this, "No one has ever seen God, but God the One and only who is at the Father's side has made him known." I would like to share a beautiful poem written by Pamela Smith Hammer, "Where is God?"

*"Mommy, where is God?" the little girl asked one day.
"Why can't I see him when I pray?"
"God is everywhere, honey," her mm said with a smile.
"If you go out in the garden and sit for a while.
God will speak to you in His own special way.
And you will realize that you see him everyday."
Why did seeing God have to be so hard?
She sat in a flowerbed of colorful mums,
How long could she wait? When would he come?
She sat and she looked, but all she could see
Were the flowers, the trees, and an occasional bee.
She heard the birds singing and felt the warm breeze
"Please God," she said, "Won't you hurry please?"
Finally, the little girl breathed a huge sigh.
She covered her ears and closed her eyes.
Maybe there were too many noises and sights,
Maybe God didn't come out in the bright sunlight.
Suddenly, she thought she heard a sound',
"I'm here, I'm here," she heard all around.
Her eyes flew opened and to her surprise ,
She realized her mother had been very wise.
Everything on earth was made by God's hand,
From the highest mountain to each grain of sand.
All she had to do was open her eyes
To see God everywhere from the earth to the skies.
Each blade of grass, the warmth of the breeze,
The powerful oceans, the buzzing bees,
The flowers, the trees, the birds singing above,
Are all a great gift given out of God's love.
"Mom, I found God!" the little girl cried.
Into the house the little girl ran.
She found her mother and grabbed her hand.
And all I had to do was open my eyes."*

Our prayer today; "Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus." Amen.

Your Friend in Christ,
Minster Bev

All Saints' Sunday – November 4, 2018

We will celebrate by remembering those members who have died this past year.

Holden ~ Gene Herberg

Trinity ~ Betty Morrill, Roger Hoxtell, Chuck Spalinger

Trinity & Holden Peanut Butter & Jelly Worship

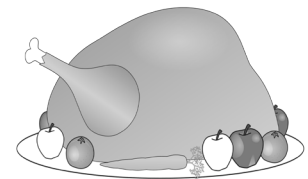


Trinity & Holden Worship is on Wednesday, November 21st at 5:00 at Trinity.

Every one is invited to bring **Peanut Butter & Jelly** for the Food Shelf.

Place it in the aisle for the children to bring forward for their message.

Trinity & Holden Youth



FALL TURKEY SUPPER

Wednesday November 7th ~ 5:00-7:00

Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing

Vegetable & Salads ~ Pumpkin & Apple Bars

The Trinity Women will be holding a **Country Store** in conjunction with this supper. Donations are welcome and should be at the church by 3:00.

OPERATION SHOEBOXES ARE DUE NOV. 11th

IDEAS FOR ALL AGES

1. Hard candy, gum (Please double bag all candy!)
2. Pencils, colored pencils, and sharpener
3. Erasers
4. Pencil case
5. Crayons
6. Pens
7. Personal letter and photo
8. About Me page
9. Ruler
10. Glue sticks
11. Safety scissors
12. Coloring book
13. Markers
14. Notepads
15. Stickers
16. Self-inking stamp
17. Tennis shoes
18. Socks
19. Water shoes
20. Flip flops
21. Hand held toys
22. Plush small animals
23. Balls: tennis balls, bouncy balls, Wiffle balls
24. Jigsaw puzzle
25. Finger puppets
26. Silly Putty
27. Silly Bands
28. Sunglasses
29. Scarves
30. Bandanas
31. Gloves
32. Small flannel throws (Roll it up! It will fit!)
33. Necklace
34. Watch
35. Hat
36. Shoelaces
37. Bean bag
38. Hacky sack
39. Small dry erase board and markers
40. Teddy bear
41. Unopened Happy Meal toy
42. Toy binoculars
43. Inflatable balls
44. Legos
45. Solar-powered flashlight
46. Harmonicas
47. Recorder
48. Tambourine
49. Jump rope
50. Paddle ball
51. Yo yos

52. Handheld Etch a Sketch
53. Small board books
54. Slinky
55. Flash cards
56. Miniature checkerboard and checkers
57. T-shirts
58. Plastic poncho in packet
59. Drawstring bag
60. Balloons
61. Crafting kit (beads, etc.)
62. Toy toolkit set
63. Plastic eating utensils
64. Sippy cup/cup with a lid

GROOMING AND HYGIENE ITEMS

65. Comb
66. Brush
67. Dental floss
68. Mild soap (Please put in plastic bag.)
69. Toothbrush
70. Colorful bandages
71. Hand wipes
72. Small pack colorful tissues
73. Lip balm
74. Emery board/nail clippers

IDEAS FOR GIRLS

75. Package of multi-colored Sharpies
76. Travel sewing kit (10-14 girl)
77. Fat Quarter bundles (10-14 girl)
78. Hair ribbons
79. Ponytail holders
80. Barrettes
81. Small pots/pans with spatula
82. Bangle bracelets
83. Clip-on earrings
84. Doll
85. Pom poms (like the ones used at football games)
86. Purse
87. Hand mirror (unbreakable)

IDEAS FOR BOYS

88. Ball cap
89. Soccer ball with pump
90. Cars
91. Trucks
92. Kazoos
93. Compass
94. Hammer (10-14 boy, original packaging)
95. Nails (10-14 boy, original packaging + zipper bag)
96. Screwdriver (10-14 boy, original packaging)
97. Screws (10-14 boy, Original packaging + zipper bag)
98. LED keychain (10-14 boy)
99. Duct tape (10-14 boy)
100. Tape measure (10-14 boy)

Prayers for Tuesdays @ Two



Keep praying always, whenever;
morning, noon, and night,
and especially on Tuesday at 2:00!

November 4 ~ Give thanks for farmers and harvest

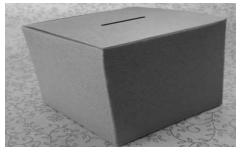
November 11 ~ Give thanks for the beauty of n

November 18 ~ Give thanks for the bounty of food on your table

November 25 ~ Give thanks for everyday blessings from God

Thankoffering 2018

On Sunday, Nov. 18th, Trinity Women of the ELCA will be collecting their annual Thankoffering. Women are asked to bring their filled boxes (extras are available) envelopes will be provided at the door. A will take place at the worship service.



For more than 100 years, Lutheran women have carried out the tradition of collecting Thankofferings at home and in the community to give thanks for blessings in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of life. Your Thankofferings, which support the ongoing work of the church wide expression of our organization, have long been the backbone of our ministry together.



A Prayer for Veterans

Almighty and ever-living God, we give you thanks for the men and women who have served and defended our country and the values of freedom and justice we hold so dear. Help us be mindful of the sacrifices they made and the hardship endured by their families and friends, so that we never take for granted the privileges they have secured for us. Hear us, we pray, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



November

- 2 Cory Fuhrman, Elliot Sibson
 - 3 David Moberg
 - 4 Tyler Mack, Kim Morrissette
 - 5 Piper Goodhart, Verna Schlimme
 - 7 Katlyn deNeui, Birkley Herberg
Lochlan Maus
 - 8 Wesley Herberg, Todd Sandberg
 - 9 Damien Smith
 - 11 Randy Stotesbery, Janine Teske
 - 12 Sue Johnson, Ashton Nordly
Curt Peterson
 - 16 Donna Lindholm
 - 17 Arnold Anderson
 - 19 Lindsee Gustafson
 - 20 Greta Botker
 - 22 Mark Botker
 - 25 Isaiah Athey
 - 28 Calvin Bohlen
 - 29 Ava Leuthardt, Kenedi Stotesbery
 - 30 Stephanie Cardwell, Isabell Davis,
Marie Gustafson, Wyatt Krueger
- These birthdates come from the computer membership program, *Revelations*. Please give your information to the office if your name has been missed.

October - Holden & Trinity

- 10/5 - Wedding of Ally Dahl &
Jake Lindahl at T
- 10/20 Graveside service
Shirley Mickelson
- 10/28 - Confirmation
 - Holden - McKenna Cardwell
Ryan Geray
Madison Olson
 - Trinity - Carly Benson
Emily Davis
Heather Haukos
Jens Jorgenson
Watt Krueger
Taylor Zimmel



During November, let's consider what we are grateful for. This calendar can help us realize basic things we have that we may take for granted. Not everyone in our community has enough food or a comfortable home to live in. November is a month to raise awareness about these issues in Big Stone County AND to do something about it!

- 1.) Designate your "bank" at home (a jar, can, bag, basket, or envelope). Follow the instructions on the calendar. Talk about your "deposits" as a family. What other things are you grateful for? Who do you know that may not have these things? How can YOU help fight hunger and homelessness?
- 2.) At the end of the month, DONATE the amount deposited to help those in need!

Grateful Giving November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Deposit \$1 if you have a working furnace in your home	2 For each bedroom in your house, deposit \$0.50	3 Deposit \$0.50 if you had dessert today
4 Deposit \$0.10 for every light switch in your home	5 If you sleep in your own bed, deposit \$0.25	6 For each TV in your home, deposit \$0.25	7 Deposit \$0.25 for every heat register in your home	8 Deposit \$1 if you have more than 8 cans of food in your cupboard	9 Deposit \$0.50 for each garage door opener you have	10 For the convenience of a washer & dryer in your home, deposit \$1
11 If you had lunch today, deposit \$0.25 (all household members)	12 Deposit \$0.25 for each year you've lived in your home	13 Deposit \$0.50 if you have clean water to drink that comes out of your faucets	14 If you had breakfast today, deposit \$0.25 (all household members)	15 For every cell phone in your house, deposit \$1	16 Deposit \$0.50 if you have enough blankets to keep warm at night	17 If you had a snack today, deposit \$0.25 (all household members)
18 Deposit \$0.50 if you bought coffee or soda today	19 For every household member who has a job, deposit \$0.50	20 If you had a hot shower today, deposit \$0.25	21 Deposit \$1 for every pet you have	22 If you know where your next meal is coming from, deposit \$0.25	23 Traveling for the holidays? Deposit \$0.05 for every mile you go	24 Deposit \$0.50 if you went to the grocery store this week
25 If you went to, or rented a movie this month, deposit \$0.25	26 If you had supper today, deposit \$0.25 (all household members)	27 If you own more than 5 pairs of shoes, deposit \$0.25	28 Deposit \$0.50 if you have your own car	29 For every computer in your house, deposit \$1	30 Thank you for participating in Grateful Giving 2018!	

For the average household, this will total about \$15.

What does \$15 mean to your family? Maybe it's a takeout pizza. Maybe it's a half tank of gas. Maybe it's popcorn at the movies. To the Prairie Five Big Stone County Food Shelf, \$15 purchases a case of Toasted Oat Cereal (12 boxes) or a case of Ravioli (24 cans) which helps feed many hungry families.

Calendar originally received from Blue Earth County.

Trinity Lutheran Church Council

October 10, 2018

Present: K. Stattelman, C. Folkens, G. Moberg, J. Morrill, D. Maher, J. Bohlen, K. Moberg, Minister Bev
Minister Bev and Bonnie Stotesbery were also present.

Meeting was called to order by J. Bohlen.

Devotions were given by Minister Bev.

Secretary's report was approved as submitted. Motion Gene, second Kelly

Treasurer's report was approved as submitted. Motion Jody, second Chuck

Mileage/Pastor report was approved as submitted.

Motion to approve Deb, second Kelly.

Committee Reports:

Education: Fall supper is November 7, 2018 put on by the youth group. November 16-17 will be the Jr. High trip to Willmar. Christmas program is December 9th at 4:00 p.m. Youth group will serve the supper afterwards. Wreath sales will begin soon.

Evangelism and Worship: None

Property and Management: The trimming of trees and shrubs around the property has been done

Stewardship & Finance: Time and Talent sheets will be distributed. There will be stewardship talks during services.

Outreach: None

Other Reposts:

Parish Board: No report.

St. Pauli committee: No report.

Old Business:

1. Retakes for Lifetouch pictures will be November 19, 2018

2. A new door knob will be purchased for the balcony door.

3. The Nelson house has been deeded to the Church. The options will be presented to the congregation.

New Business:

1. Jody has called CenturyLink and can get a reduction in charges, along with a better internet speed. Motion by Deb second by Kristi to have Jodi call and make the changes.

2. It was brought to the attention of the Church Council that bank statements have not all been going to the Church. Jodi will get a list from the bank of all Church accounts and the Council will decide at a later date.

Communion Assistants for Confirmation Sunday will be Kristi Moberg, Deb Maher and Josh Bohlen.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

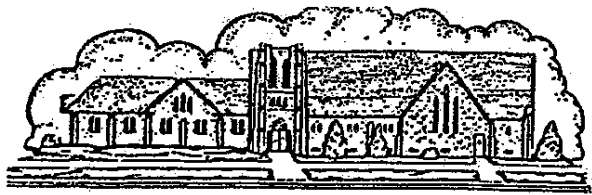
Motion to adjourn Chuck, second by Gene.

Respectfully submitted by:

Deb Maher, Secretary

Trinity members...don't forget the online giving program, **Simply Giving. For information and/or enrolling go to the church website: trinitylutheranclinton.net.**

***Lifetouch Picture Retakes
will be on Monday,
November 19th
at Trinity.***



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