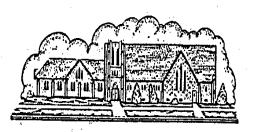


TRINITY NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER 2019 No. 316

Trinity Lutheran Church—ELCA 225 Cty Hwy 6—PO Box 374—Clinton, MN 56225

To the members of Holden and Trinity,

I wanted again to thank you for the prayers, cards, letters and phone calls while I have been sick. I can never explain to you how much they have meant to me. Your letters have been wonderful. I never realized how God had blessed our ministry and time together until reading the letters. And for that I thank both God and all the wonderful members of both congregations.

I am doing so much better than I was. It seems each day I improve a little more. The doctor said it would take up to a year and I feel he knew what he was talking about.

I have been praying for the churches that someone will accept the call to be your minister and grow to love Trinity and Holden churches as much as I have. For ten years God fulfilled a dream of mine to be a Minister of a church, and I thank God and you for fulfilling that dream.

Thank you, Minister Bev

To the Congregations of Holden and Trinity:

We want to take this opportunity to update you in regard to our search for a new pastor.

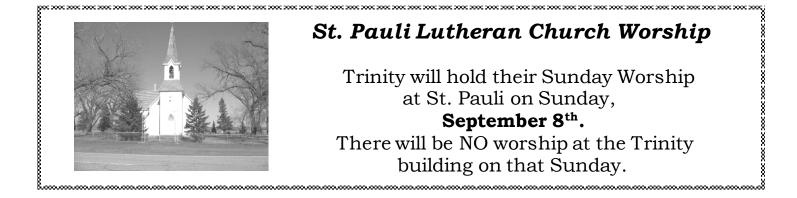
Our Call Committee has recently completed our site profile and it is available for prospective pastors on the Synod website. The Committee has been meeting regularly and has put a lot of work in to developing a profile.

Since early June, we have been very lucky to have had Jim Rach presiding over our services. Jim has been doing an excellent job, and we very much appreciate his willingness to help us out. In meeting with the Call Committee, Jim has expressed interest and is willing to take on the role of interim pastor. The councils are working together to develop a wage and benefit package and will hopefully be entering into a contract with Jim in the near future. We are very fortunate to have Jim who is willing to take on this role. Please take a moment to thank him when you see him and wish him well as he begins Seminary classes.

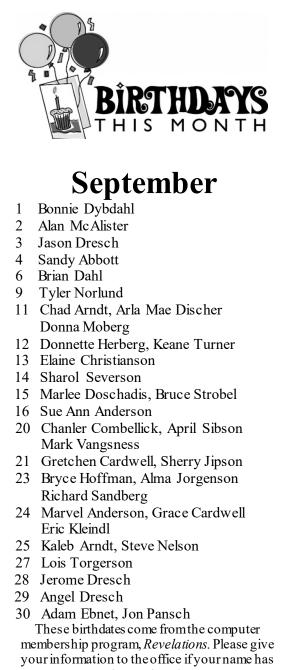
Please join us for Trinity's Rally Sunday on September 15^{th} for potluck and "meet and greet" with Jim.

If you have questions or concerns regarding our search for a prospective pastor, please contact a member of the Call Committee or a member of your church council.

Thank You, Holden and Trinity Church Councils



Kindness is Contagious: Free phone line spreads message of kindness – 651-602-2176



been missed.

HOLDEN WOMEN

will meet following worship on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND. There will be an election of officers for 2020. All are encouraged to attend!

TRINITY WOMEN'S



Monday, September 9th 10:00 in the **Trinity Fellowship Hall**

Gather Magazine

September Lesson Copies available if needed.

ALL Women are Welcome members and visitors.

Trinity Rally Sunday ~ September 15th

Sunday School starts at 9:30 followed by an **Outdoor Worship** at 10:30. The kids will be singing during the worship service. Please bring your lawn chairs or blankets, and kids bring your **backpacks** for a special back to school blessing. All 3-year olds, 2nd graders, and 7th graders will be receiving their Bibles during the worship service so please plan to attend to receive your Bible.

There will be a **Potluck Dinner** following worship.

Sunday School times for this year will be 9:30 – 10:15. Each class will have music and class times each week.

See you on September 15th!

LUTHER CREST BIBLE CAMP

- LC Cookies...for sale at Carlos Creek Grape Stomp Fri-Sat, 9/13-15
- LC Marketplace & Apple Bakery...Saturday, October 19th at Carlos Creek Winery – Marketplace in the Barn, LCBC Cookie Tent, Apple Bakery, Live Music, Wine Tasting, etc. For more info: *jodyj@luthercrest.org*
- LC Fall Creative Retreat...Fri-Sun, 11/15-17 Registration deadline: Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 Scrapbooking, Stamping, Quilting, and other creative projects that you are working on – come to LC for the weekend to spend 3-4 days with nothing but Creative Time to yourself! PLUS – hiking, massages, food, fellowship, laughter, etc.!!! *luthercrest.org* for info.

Trinity Education Committee

Upcoming Area Happenings...

Reunion/Homecoming Retreat at Big Stone Camp for Christ on Saturday, Sept. 7th, 9:30 - early afternoon. Sponsored by the Ladies of the Artichoke Baptist Church. More information on the bulletin board.

Fall Harvest Supper at Fron Lutheran Church in Starbuck on Wednesday, Sept. 18th 5:00-7:00. Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings.

2019 Senior Expo is Wednesday, October 9th from 9:00-2:00 at the Montevideo Community Center. More information can be found at the churches.

26th Watertown Quilt Festival is Sat. & Sun., October 5-6 at the Codington County Extension Complex.



In case of Trinity building or maintenance issues contact the following:

Josh Bohlen: 320-305-9771 Jim Teske: 320-305-0375 Gene Moberg: 320-808-9283 Rick Schneck: 320-760-9791 Bruce Moberg: 320-760-1582 Kelly Stattleman: 320-808-6778



Please notify the Church office (325-5178 or trinity008@Cenurytel.net) with updates and Changes to addresses, phone numbers, and/or memberships.

Women of the Glacial Ridge Conference Fall Gathering Monday, September 23rd First Lutheran, Morris

"Cross -Cut Lessons from Lefse"

Theme Verse: "What is the Kingdom of God like? And to what should I compare it?" Luke 13:18 Program Hymn: "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

> \$10 Registration – opens at 4:00 Light supper at 4:30

The public is invited for the program by: **Pastor Daniel Bowman,** Hawk Creek and Rock Valle Lutheran Churches, Sacred Heart, MN He will present sweet, serene sounds of the saw with spiritual life lessons from the *Lefse Catechism*. 6:00 in the sanctuary

In-kind gifts for Stevens County Food Shelf will be collected.

Offering collected will be distributed as follows: 50% SWMN WELCA

25% Stevens County Habitat for Humanity 25% RUSC (Raising Up Stevens County) Kinship

Watch for carpooling times in the upcoming church bulletins.

Back to School Hygiene Drive Benefitting CGB Elementary

and High School Students

Trinity Church will be holding a hygiene drive to collect items for students who need them in the CGB schools. There will be a box at the church where donated items can be dropped off starting on Rally Sunday, September 15th. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please make your check out to: Trinity Lutheran Church and write **PAW PANTRY** on the memo line.

Suitable items:

- Toothpaste/toothbrushes
- Dental floss
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Lotion
- Deodorant
- Soap/body wash
- Mouthwash
- Pads/tampons
- Socks
- Hand sanitizer
- Chap stick
- Q-tips
- Comb/brush
- Nail clippers

Non-suitable items:

- Opened goods
- Used goods



Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00

> Potluck lunch and/or Snacks !!!

God's Coffee...A group of alumni, highly established in their careers, got together to visit their old university professor. Conversation soon turned into complaints about stress in work and life. Offering his guests coffee, the professor went to the kitchen and returned with a large pot of coffee and an assortment of cups - porcelain, plastic, glass, crystal, some plain looking, some expensive, some exquisite -- telling them to help themselves to the coffee.

When all the students had a cup of coffee in hand, the professor said: "If you noticed, all the nice-looking expensive cups were taken up, leaving behind the plain and cheap ones. While it is normal for you to want only the best for yourselves, that is the source of your problems and stress. Be assured that the cup itself adds no quality to the coffee. In most cases it is just more expensive and, in some cases, even hides what we drink. What all of you really wanted was coffee, not the cup, but you consciously went for the best cups... And then you began eyeing each other's cups."

"Now consider this," he continued... "Life is the coffee. The jobs, money and position in society are the cups. They are just tools to hold and contain life, and the type of cup we have does not define, nor change the quality of life we live. Sometimes, by concentrating only on the cup, we fail to enjoy the coffee God has provided us."

God brews the coffee, not the cups... Enjoy your coffee!

"The happiest people don't have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything they have." Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly... and leave the rest to God



It's Time of Collect ~ School Kits and Christmas Shoe Boxes

A reminder that now is the time to start collecting and gathering items for Trinity's Christmas Shoe Boxes and School Kits! A collection box can be found in the church narthex for donated items.

School kits: 4 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper, about 8x10¹/₂; no loose-leaf paper



One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other One pencil sharpener

One pair of blunt scissors

5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band **5** black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons

One 2½ inch eraser
The Trinity WELCA provides the drawstring bags for packing to ship to Lutheran World Relief.
Gift ideas for the Christmas Shoe Boxes can be found at: samariitanspurse.org.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, items will be bought to complete the Christmas boxes. Checks may be made to Linda Brandt.



Trinity Council Meeting July

Present: C Folkens, R Stotesbery, D Maher, J Bohlen, K Stattelman, J Morrill, Also present Bonnie Stotesbery Call to order by Josh

Secretary's report approved as submitted.

Motion Randy second Chuck

- Treasurer's report approved as submitted.
- Motion Randy second Kelly

Committee Reports:

- Education: Bible School is set for July 24 thru 27
- Evangelism & worship: no report
- Property and Management: Weeds have been sprayed and flowers planted. Extra sump pumps have been installed.
- Stewardship: There was discussion on scholarship granting for students other than in their freshman year.
- Outreach: no report
- Parish board: no report
- St Pauli: no report

Old Business:

- 1. Interim: We have worship led thru June 30. There is a possibility of an interim pastor. The Pastor from Morris will lead us in worship on June 23, and also do a baptism.
- 2. Church property: Parsonage water lines have been repaired. The party interested in the Nelson house is trying to arrange financing.

3. Call committee will meet June 23rd at 9:30. New Business:

- The computer in the office needs to be updated. Motion to purchase whatever is needed up to \$500.00. Motion Chuck, second Haley.
- 2. Will check with Melisa about the PIG banks.
- 3. The light on the pulpit will be taken off and replaced.
- 4. The rates on the CD's have been updated.
- 5. Fire Department donation is to be \$100.00 Motion Jodi, second Kelly.
- 6. Confirmation gowns. The company providing the gowns is going out of business and offered to sell @ 25.00 per gown. Bonnie will see if there is a new vendor available.
- 7. Prairie Five asked for a donation, Haley made a motion to table at this time. Second by Randy

There will be a donation in Pastor Skoglund's name for \$400.00 to a fund she specified at the synod in lie of payment for her helping cover worship. A donation will be made for \$100.00 in Kathy Draeger's name to the BSC Camp for Christ, and a donation for \$100.00 to Evangelism and Worship and Music in Wayne Huselid's name. Motion Jodi, second Deb. Close with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting will be July 10 @ 6:30 Motion to adjourn Kelly, second Randy Respectfully submitted by Deb Maher, secretary

<u>Trinity Activity of Funds – July 2019</u>

General	Bal. 7/1	54,233	.88					
	Income 5,518		.45					
	Expenses	- 8,365						
Trans. to Special Funds - 483.12								
	Bal. 7/31	50.903						
Chaperone	Bal. 7/31	3,652	.95					
	Bal. 7/31	10	.28					
Long Range Repairs								
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	Income	320	.00					
	Bal. 7/31	- 595	.46					
Olai Steen Scholarship								
	Bal. 7/1	5,275	.30					
	Income	36	.24					
	Bal. 7/31	5,311	.54					
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	Bal. 7/31	1,484	.66					
Memorials	Bal. 7/1	4,311	.05					
	Income	20	.00					
	Expenses	- 125	5.00					
	BaÎ. 7/31	4,206	.05					
Thrivent	Bal. 7/1	8,988	.33					
	Income	231	.88					
	Bal. 7/1	9,220	.21					
Total balance of all special funds:			\$23,290.23					
Combined Gen	\$74,193.97							
Combined General & Special Funds: \$74,193.97								

 St. Pauli Maintenance Fund:

 Bal: 7/1
 \$ 9,892.99

 Donations
 .00

 Interest
 .45

 Bal. 7/31
 9,893.44

Memorial Money Market

Bal. 7/1	\$105,146.36
Income	.00
Interest	19.01
Bal. 7/31	105,165.37

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