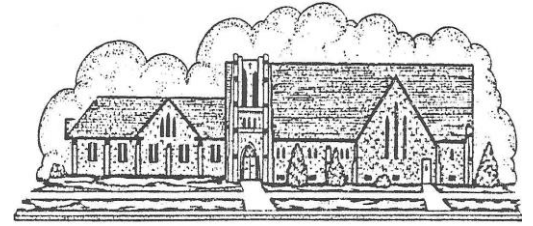




# TRINITY NEWSLETTER



**SEPTEMBER 2018**  
**NO. 306**

Trinity Lutheran Church—ELCA—Bev McNeill, Associate in Ministry  
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Dear Members of Holden and Trinity,

I have prayed that in some way we could get some Bible studies going at Trinity and Holden congregations. I worked with Pastor John Spaulding while at Faith Lutheran in Morris. I remember him saying, "Unless you know stories about Jesus from the Bible how can you know Jesus?" Paul scolded the Corinthian Christians for their unspiritual studies and conduct (1 Corinthians 3:1-4). He explained that their problems were caused partly by some of them having too little knowledge of God's ways.

Growing spiritually through regular and meaningful personal Bible study is vital. We learn God's ways by carefully reading and reflecting on the meaning of His instructions. Consider the attitude toward God's Word and his law expressed in Psalms 110:97-104: "Oh, how I love your law! I is my mediation all the day. You, through your commandments, make me wiser than my enemies; for they are ever with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Your precepts."

We have the opportunity to study God's word. Rodger Brandt has offered to begin a study. He has set the time for 10:00 on Thursday but it willing to change if it's not a good time for you. Don't let this opportunity pass you by. We are so blessed having Rodger offer to do this. I know if you attend once you will continue attending and you will grow in your knowledge of God and the scriptures.

Your friend in Christ,  
Minister Bev



# Rally Day



Trinity --- Sunday, September 16, 2018

9:30 Sunday School & Coffee Hour

10:30 Outdoor Worship (the students  
will be singing during worship)

followed by a  
Pot Luck Dinner

Remember to bring your own lawn chair or blanket for the  
worship.

All are welcome to attend!

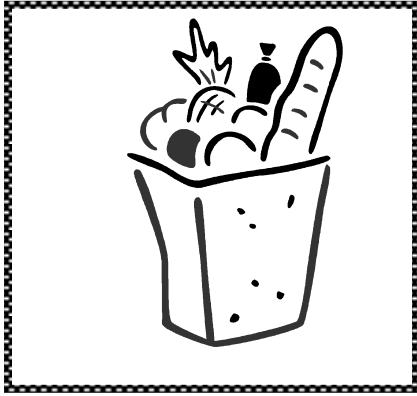
## ~SPECIAL RALLY DAY NOTICES TO STUDENTS & PARENTS~

- \* Kids bring your backpacks for a back to school blessing.
- \* All 3 year olds, 2nd graders an 7th graders will receive their Bibles during worship service so please plan to attend to receive your Bible

### **MAK YOUR CALENDARS**

November 7th Youth Group Fall Supper

December 9th Sunday School Christmas Program at 4:00 p.m.



During the week of Vacation Bible School collected 38.6 pounds of food for the Big Stone Area Community Food Shelf. And there is more to be delivered!!

*GREAT JOB, KIDS!!!*

Thank you to the person(s) who delivered the food!



WELCA Meeting on Wednesday,  
September 12th at 7:00 p.m.

POTLUCK

**Follow us!** Do you follow the ELCA on social media? Keep informed with church news, events, pictures and videos across many platforms. We're on Facebook at [Facebook.com/Lutherans](https://www.facebook.com/Lutherans); @ ELCA on Twitter; @ ELCA on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/ELCA) and [YouTube.com/ELCA](https://www.youtube.com/ELCA). Join this online community of Lutherans!

### JULY & AUGUST

Trinity :

- July 1 Baptism of Madison Olson
- July 21 Burial of Roger Hoxtell
- July 21 Assisted with funeral of Ruth Schneck
- August 24 Burial of Chuck Spalinger
- August 25 Baptism of Jamie Thompson



## A Sunday Funny...

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!"

As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late... But please don't shove me either!"

### *UPCOMING AREA EVENTS*

Sept. 6 Annual Ladies Retreat at Big Stone  
Camp for Christ

Sept. 6 Dementia Friends Training in Ortonville

Sept. 17 The Glacial Ridge Fall Conference for women  
of the ELCA

Sept. 19 Fron Lutheran Church in Starbuck Turkey  
Dinner

\*\*\*More information on the above events is posted on the  
bulletin board

SW MN Synod Youth & Family Ministry Events for 2018-19  
is also posted on the bulletin board.



## September

- 1 Bonnie Dybdahl
- 2 Alan McAlister
- 3 Jason Dresch
- 4 Sandy Abbott
- 6 Brian Dahl
- 9 Tyler Norlund
- 11 Chad Arndt, Arla Mae Discher  
Donna Moberg
- 12 Donnette Herberg, Keane Turner
- 13 Elaine Christianson
- 14 Sharol Severson
- 15 Marlee Doschadis, Bruce Strobel
- 16 Sue Ann Anderson
- 20 Chanler Combellick, April Sibson  
Mark Vangsness
- 21 Gretchen Cardwell, Sherry Jipson
- 22 Darlene Olson
- 23 Bryce Hoffman, Alma Jorgenson  
Richard Sandberg
- 24 Marvel Anderson, Grace Cardwell  
Eric Kleindl
- 25 Kaleb Arndt, Steve Nelson
- 27 Lois Torgerson
- 28 Jerome Dresch
- 29 Angel Dresch
- 30 Adam Ebnet, Jon Pansch

**Trinity members...**don't forget the online giving program, **Simply Giving**. Information and enrolling at the church office or at the church website: [trinitylutheranclinton.net](http://trinitylutheranclinton.net).



On Sunday, September 9th Kayla Thompson will be giving a presentation on Someplace Safe. Both Trinity and Holden will be having a "Shower" for Someplace Safe. There will be a table set up in the Narthex for gifts and there will be envelopes in the bulletins for cash/check donations. The list of needs is: backpacks, personal items for both men & women, combs & brushes, diapers (larger sizes) 4 & 5 and larger than newborn, baby shampoo, baby powder, gift cards for groceries and gas, towels, wash cloths, soap & etc.

Thanks to all who are willing to be....."Our Hands"

## CONGRATULATIONS

TO

*Melissa Tritz from Dumont  
on winning the quilt made by  
The Trinity Women Quilters*

## Back to School Blessing

Dear Heavenly Father,

For all the children returning to school, send your Holy Spirit as their guide and protector.

Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm. Put our sons and daughters in the right place, at the right time, to receive your grace.

Let them learn and grow strong. May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts.

Help us to mature as parents and caregivers.

Bless every family, oh Lord.

We entrust our children to you, dear God. Since from the beginning, they are yours to keep.

In the name of the greatest Son of all, Jesus Christ. Amen

We are just about completing our time with Life Touch and our family photos. In order for this experience to go smoothly it takes many people and a lot of organizing. There are a couple of people I would like to thank that put a lot of time into this project. They are Josh Bohlen, Ileta Herberg, Donna Folkens, Zelda Kohl and Sharron Bystol. I know that there were many more that helped the days of the pictures and we extend a big "Thank You" to all of you.

~~ Minister Bev~~

## **Trinity Lutheran Church Council August 8, 2018**

Present: K. Moberg, M. Benson, C. Folkens, K. Stattelmann,  
Minister Bev, G. Moberg, J. Bohlen, D. Maher

Call to order by Josh

Opening devotions: Minister Bev

Secretary's report approved as submitted.

Motion Chuck, second Gene

Treasurer's report: None

Mileage/pastor's report: Minister Bev gave an overview of the month's activities. Rodger Brandt will lead a Bible Study Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Amanda Stattleman has agreed to go to the Sunday School classes once a month to explain service to them. Donna has agreed to regular office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 daily. Motion by Melissa, second Kelly

### **Committee Reports**

Education: There were 56 children attending Bible School. We had 12 older kids helping along with 3 adults. The kitchen had 5 volunteers. Rally Sunday will be September 16, 2018. We will be having an outdoor worship again. The 23rd of September will youth Sunday, with the youth group giving a presentation on their Houston trip.

Evangelism and worship: none

Property and management: none

Stewardship: none

Outreach: Minister Bev will try to schedule a meeting soon

### **Other committees:**

Parish board: none

St. Pauli: next service is Sept. 1, 2018

### **Old Business**

1. Life touch photography has a full schedule.

2. Trinity website: Jody has updated some. More is needed. Looking for someone willing to keep the outside sign updated.

### **New Business**

1. The key for the upstairs door is missing. The door handle has been removed. A new lock and key will be installed.

2. John Nelson Memorial: John Nelson had established a memorial endowment fund naming the Church as one of the beneficiaries. No action will be taken until we have more information.

3. Sharon Trulson and Virginia Schoon will take pictures for the directory at the nursing homes and anyone who cannot make it to Church.

4. It was approved to set wages for Donna at \$15.00an hour. Motion Deb, second Jody with Chuck abstaining from the vote.

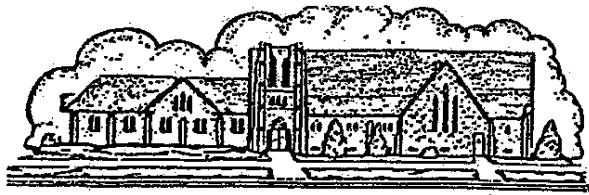
5. It was brought up that the shrubs and buses around the Church need to be trimmed. The property committee will try to get volunteers together to accomplish this in September. The trees will also get a trimming of low hanging branches.

Close with the Lord's Prayer

Chuck made a motion to adjourn, second Melissa

Respectfully submitted by Deb Maher, secretary





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