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TRINITY AND HOLDEN LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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From the Desk of Minister Jim...

August has few observances in our tradition, but one we still recognize is the assumption of the Virgin Mary on August 15. It may seem surprising that we recognize this until you consider what Luther's view of the Blessed Mother was:

- (1) "She is the highest woman and noblest gem in Christianity in Christ....She is nobility, wisdom, and holiness personified. How then can we praise her? The true honor of Mary is the honor of God, the praise of God's grace...Mary is nothing for the sake of herself, but for the sake of Christ....Mary does not wish us to come to her, but through her to God."
Explanation of the Magnificat, 1521
- (2) "One should honor Mary as she herself wished and as she expressed herself in the Magnificat. She praised God for his deeds. Honor and praise must be given to her in such a way as to injure neither Christ nor the scriptures." Christmas Sermon, 1531
- (3) Christ...was the only son of Mary, and the Virgin Mary bore no children besides him...I am inclined to agree with those who declare that 'brothers' really means 'cousins' here, for Holy Writ and the Jews always call cousins brother."
- (4) "God has formed the soul and body of the Virgin Mary full of the Holy Spirit, so that she is without all sins, for she has conceived and borne the Lord Jesus." *Luther's Works*
- (5) "There is no doubt that the Virgin Mary is in heaven. How it happened we do not know. And since the Holy Spirit has told us nothing about it, we can make it no article of faith...it is enough to know that she lives in Christ." *Feast of the Assumption Sermon, 1522*
- (6) "Mary is the mother of Jesus and the Mother of all of us even though it was Christ alone who reposed on her knees...if he is ours, we ought to be in his situation; that where he is, we ought also to be and all that he has ought to be ours, and his mother is also our mother." *Christmas Sermon, 1529*



Please continue to keep these people in your prayers:

Sandy Abbott, Edward Anderson, Marvel Anderson, Landen Arndt, Greta Botker, McCoy Jipson, Alma Jorgenson, Tyson Karsky, Donna Moberg, Susie Nelson, Verna Schlimme, Pam Schneck, Theda Skundberg, Lois Torgerson, Chandler Van Hoorn.

Please contact the church office to make any changes to the prayer listings.



Make a Difference as a Caregiver Support Volunteer



We're seeking volunteers to meet with older adults for friendly visits a few hours each week. Our Caregiver Support & Respite Volunteers meet at the homes of older adults and out in the community. This gives family caregivers a break to run errands, rest and recharge.

Everyone is invited to volunteer — we serve all people and welcome diversity in our volunteers.

Volunteers receive training, and no prior experience is required. To qualify you must be 18 years or older, will need some availability each week and reliable transportation.

Volunteer Benefits:

- Share your skills, meet new people, make a positive impact and have fun in the community.
- Feel the satisfaction of giving back.
- Be matched with someone who shares your interests.
- Offer older adults friendship and support.

GET STARTED TODAY

To learn more or get started, please call 866.787.9802, email caregiverservices@lssmn.org or visit lssmn.org/volunteer/caregiver.



LSS Caregiver Support & Respite Services receives funding from the Federal Older Americans Act through an award from the MNRAA and DSAAA on Aging under an Area Plan approved by the MN Board on Aging. The services of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota are available to all people, regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, disability or age. © 2023 Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota. 04/23

Luther Crest ONLINE AUCTION

Tues - Fri, Sept 19-22
www.luthercrest.org



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Alexandria, MN

Questions?
Need More Information?
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Still accepting newly
made donated items
until Sept 4

Fun event for
a great cause!
All proceeds will
enable more campers
to experience
life-changing
programs year-round!

Schedule of Events

NEW!! Tues, Sept 19 3-7pm - In person Viewing at Camp!
Wed, Sept 20 NOON - Bidding Opens!
Fri, Sept 22 NOON - Bidding Closes!
Sat, Sept 23 11am-2pm - Item Pickup Day!
Shipping of items can be arranged



HOLDEN LUTHERAN CHURCH of Beardsley donated 15 handmade quilts to Big Stone County Highway Department staff and snow plow drivers. A group of six ladies from the church produced the quilts using materials bought using funds provided by Thrivent. The group felt that donating the quilts to the Highway Department was a good idea after a long winter and having previously given quilts to teachers, nurses, fire fighters, and police in the past.

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notes :

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	01 SEBASTIAN SCHMIDT	02 DEB NELSON	03 JENNIFER NORDLY BILL COMBELLUCK	04 JESSE ATHEY BRIAN KRUEGER	05 MARIA BOTKER KYLE GILLESPIE THEDA SKUNDBERG
06 AMBER DOSCHADIS RANDY ERICKSON LEVI STATTELMAN	07 DARREN CASPER	08	09 LOGAN NORDLY	10 BLAIR MORRILL DAWN DREWELOW	11 AUSTIN RIZZO	12
13	14 GARRISON MOBERG	15 TIANA CHASE JIM RACH	16	17 LORIE CHASE DAISY NORLUND	18 LEROY SCHOON	19 KAREN HAGEN
20	21	22	23 TERRY MAUS MEGHAN SMART	24 TATE PULLIS	25 PAMELA CHASE DONNA FOLKENS DEB MAHER JAMESON NORDLY	26 KENLEE CHASE JOLEEN WIEGMAN SUSIE NELSON
27 TERRENCE MACK	28 FINN GILLESPIE HUCK GILLESPIE BRUCE HERBERG	29 RUSS REDFIELD	30 ADAM EBNET JON PANSCH	31 BRANDEN CARDWELL	01	02

Stetson Jon Zych



**SON OF
MIKAELA AND KADEN ZYCH
BORN 6-13-2023**

Will be Baptized at
Trinity Lutheran Church
on

Sunday, August 27, 2023 - 10:30 am



baptism
of

**HAYDEN ANTON - ADAM
WEBER**

SATURDAY | AUGUST 19 | 10 AM

Son of
Jasmine Cloos and Hunter Weber
Born on November 7, 2022

Church Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church Council

Trinity Lutheran Church Council - May 17, 2023

Present: Randy Stotesbery, Donna Moberg, Deb Nelson, Donnette Herberg, Chuck Folkens, and Minister Jim.

Call to order by Donna.

Opening devotions by Jim

Secretary's report: Motion to approve by Chuck, second by Donnette. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to approve by Donnette, second by Deb. Motion carried.

Mileage & Minister's report: Motion to approve by Chuck, second by Deb. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Education:** Looking into a lock-in in June
- **Evangelism & Worship:** No report
- **Property & Management:** Shingles are set to be delivered on Monday and completed by Wednesday. Will get an additional rebate.
- **Parish Board:** No report
- **St. Pauli:** No report

Old Business

- **Roof repair** - see above
- **First English** - They are still interested in meeting with Trinity. More info and time to meet to follow.
- **Summer Services** - Trinity will have early services until June 16th. St. Pauli services will be on Sundays with no worship at Trinity. Discussion was held on possible contemporary service at the fair June 16th and at the Depot Aug 27th.

New Business

- **Request:** from Lawrence Crowfeather - will wait to hear back for further info.
- **Donation from Torgerson family** - start of a fund for production equipment/software, etc. Discussion was held and will be talked about at next month's meeting.
- Motion by Donnette, second by Chuck to approve sexual harassment & misconduct policy. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, July 13th at 6 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Meeting adjourned on motion by Chuck, seconded by Donnette. Motion carried. NO JUNE MEETING - JULY MINUTES WILL BE POSTED IN SEPTEMBER ONCE APPROVED.

