



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 2013

Dear Members of Trinity;

One of the songs in our "Worship & Praise Songbook" is "Awesome God". The words are "Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power and love – Our God is an awesome God!" It's a great song and one that we love to sing but I sometimes wonder if we really understand what awe means? It seems like everything has become so common that we no longer say "that was awesome!"

I remember back in the 1950's journeying to the Parkston High School gym, standing in line and receiving a sugar cube that had polio vaccine in it. What an awesome event that was especially for my parents. They knew people who had been afflicted by polio. Because of a sugar cube they no longer had to be afraid that one of their children would have to suffer from this feared disease. Now days immunizations have become so common no one thinks twice about them.

I remember my first trip overseas to Thailand in 1982. I don't remember calling home at all because of the cost and if you did spend the money the connection would be so terrible that you could hardly hear. How different it was last November when we were in Germany and almost every day we had contact with our sons either through texting, calling or sending e-mails. I find it awesome the improvement in overseas communication over the past 30 years but for most young people it's become so common it's not that great of a deal.

I grew up on a farm and for the first few years of my life the house I lived in did not have electricity. What a thrill it was when REA brought electricity to our farm

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COME KNIT! OR LEARN HOW!

Come and learn to knit or teach someone to knit. The Trinity Women plan to knit 4 Wednesdays @ 7:15 in April. Margie will read from the Bible and pray as we knit. This is a mission project. We will be making a scarf 40" long and 40 stitches wide. We will provide the year. It will be a fun hour to spend with fellow Christian Women. If you don't knit, it is easy and you will have a mentor. There will be homework that you will knit at home between Wed. if you wish to. When the scarves are done we send them away for a mission project. Give this project some thought and prayer. Thank you, Pat Blum.

CHURCH CLEANING

The cleaning list and cleaning duties have been updated. There are 3 pages in your mailbox explaining these changes and each members/families responsibilities. Please take some time to review these. If you have any questions call Vonnie at the church Wed. or Fri. mornings or Pat Blum. Thanks for what you all do to help keep Trinity clean and beautiful.

- Mar. 3: D. Larson/Klages
- Mar. 10: Lloyd/M.Birch
- Mar. 17: Venter/Meyerink
- Mar. 24: Menzie/Osterberg
- Mar. 31: K. Moore/Sarah Nelson



FREE BREAST HEALTH SCREENING

Sanford Chamberlain Medical Center is offering free mammogram screenings to women over the age of 40 who have no insurance or a high deductible. Funding for these free screenings runs out June 30, 2013, so make an appointment soon. Pre-registration is required by calling Teresa Mohnen at 234-7185.



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MARCH SERVICE MINISTERS

DATE	HOSTS	LECTOR	CANTOR
MAR 3	Blackwells	Judy Campbell	Judy Campbell
MAR 10			
MAR 17		Carlson	Carlson
MAR 24	Normile	Normile	Normile
MAR 31 Easter			

JOY RANCH

After finishing the building of Phase 1 and dedicating it last spring, more than 10,000 kids and adults were able to visit Joy Ranch last year. Joy Ranch is now in its 2nd fund raising phase called "Open the Gate Campaign". So far \$3,486,000 has been received toward a goal of \$4.7 million. For more information or to make a donation you can either contact Pastor Duane or visit the Lutheran Outdoors web page and click on Joy Ranch.



OPEN THE GATE
— JOY RANCH —

BIRTHDAYS

Mar. 1 Grady Olson
 Mar. 3 Emily Brock
 Mar. 4 Delmer Wevik
 Mar. 5 LeAnne DuVal
 Mar. 6 Carli Miller
 Mar. 7 Tammy Thompson
 Mar 10 Muriel Carlson
 Mar. 10 Declan Tveit
 Mar. 14 Nancy DeBoer
 Mar. 17 Donn DeBoer
 Mar. 17 Gary Kringen
 Mar. 19 Gene Graves
 Mar. 23 Ashley Peterson
 Mar. 23 Rosemary Mohr
 Mar. 24 Marcia Longden
 Mar. 25 Matthew Schwenk
 Mar. 25 Michele Selland
 Mar. 26 Virginia Broussard
 Mar. 27 Joshua Denke
 Mar. 27 Matt Denke
 Mar. 28 Alicia Schaub
 Mar. 30 Jeremy Hines
 Mar. 31 Darrell Miller



ANNIVERSARIES

Mar. 20 -Dallas & Tammy Thompson

PASSOVER MEAL

The Deacons are sponsoring a Seder (Passover) Meal on Maundy Thursday, March 28th starting at 6 pm. A sign-up sheet will be passed around so that the Deacons will know how many to plan for and set places for. The Seder Meal will include Holy Communion and will take the place of our regular Maundy Thursday service. The Seder Meal will include a meal. Jesus was celebrating the Passover Meal with his disciples when he took two items from the table and gave to us a new meal, Holy Communion. The reenactment of the Last Supper will help give us a deep appreciation of the Gospel accounts of Holy Week and Easter.



2013 Lenten Services

March 6 Theme –Lamb Shank Bone
 March 13 Theme – Green Herb
 March 20 Theme – Scorched Egg
 March 28 Passover Meal
 March 29 – Good Friday
 Theme – Cups of Wine



Trinity Lutheran Church Council
Wednesday, February 6, 2013

Present ~ Pat Blum, Bob Brown, Mary Brown, Judy Campbell, Mark Huber, Gary Kringen, Dave Larson, Denise Meyerink, Rosemary Mohr, Karen Niles, Jeff Tveit, Joe Wall, and Pastor Duane

Absent ~ Matthew Menzie

Devotions ~ The meeting was called to order by President Pat. Jeff led devotions. Pat welcomed new council members Mary, Rosemary, & Denise.

Minutes of last meeting ~ Minutes of the January regular & special meeting were read. Motion by Judy, seconded by Joe to approved, motion carried.

Treasurers Reports ~

- Russ Denke gave the regular account report. Fundraising account report was given by Mary Normile. Motion by Mark, 2nd by Gary to accept both reports, motion carried.

Deacons~

- The annual meeting potluck was well attended.
- Plans are under discussion for a chili/movie night featuring the Luther movie.
- Lenten Services will focus on parts of the Seder supper. The deacons will plan a Seder supper for Maundy Thursday.
- Motion by Gary, 2nd by Dave to hold 2 joint meetings between the council and deacons each year. The motion was amended by Jeff, 2nd by Gary to hold one meeting a year at the time of the July/August meeting. Both motions carried.

Pastor's Report Highlights~

- Pastor shared his report, motion by Gary, 2nd by Karen, Motion carried.

Unfinished Business ~

- Pastor Evaluation has been compiled and shared with pastor.
- A written Treehouse contract has not been found. Various aspects of this were discussed.
- The cleaning contract with Dakota Milestones was discussed. Pat will be mailing out the the annual meeting reports and cleaning information to all members who have not picked it up from their mailbox.

New Business ~

- Election of officers was held.
 - President-Mark Huber; Motion by Dave, 2nd by Mary to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried.
 - Vice President-Joe Wall; Motion by Gary, 2nd by Mark to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried.
 - Secretary-Gary Kringen; Motion by Judy, 2nd by Rosemary to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried.
 - Treasurers-Russ Denke & Mary Normile; Motion by Jeff, 2nd by Karen to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried.
 - Financial Secretary-Marcella Jensen; Motion by Jeff, 2nd by Gary to cease nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried.
- Committee, Offering, and Devotion signup sheets were passed around for all members to sign.
- Goals for the church year were discussed. The strategic plan was given out to all members to review for the next meeting. Goals will then be developed.
- Motion by Jeff, 2nd by Gary for the February Noisy Offering to go toward the Haiti Solar Oven project. These are manufactured in Volga. Motion carried.
- Motion by Pat, 2nd by Joe for the March Noisy Offering to go to Antonio Vicente Sol a student in the ChiChi School in Guatemala. Motion carried.
- Motion by Pat, 2nd by Karen for the Lenten offering to be split between Woyatan Lutheran Church in Rapid City and Pueblo de Dios meeting at Augustana Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, two of SD Synods multicultural ministries. Motion carried
- Ron Luurs has developed a new website for the church. Motion by Gary, 2nd by Judy to have the Stewardship Committee meet with Ron and report back to the next meeting.

Next Meeting

March 6, 2013 will be the next meeting. Bob has devotions. Judy & Bob will count money for the month.

Adjourn

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jeff Tveit, Secretary