



Trinity News

October 2014

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POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Oct 1 – Council Meeting
- Oct 5 – Treehouse Meeting
- Wed. – Wowsome Wed.
- Wed. – Confirmation
- Wed. – Choir
- Oct 9 – Deacon’s Meeting
- Oct 14 – TLW Workgroup
- Oct 24 – Bible Study
- Oct 26 – Reformation Sunday
- Oct 28 – Bible Study
- Oct 28 – PRCP Meeting
- Oct 31 – Happy Halloween



from the desk of...

Pastor Lisa

Dear Members and Friends of Trinity,

Where did September go?! It was a great month here at Trinity, with a fundraiser/fun day, the start of our kids’ program year, and seeing many folks return from what I hope and pray was a great summer with relaxing vacation time. Not to be outdone by a busy September, we have a full and faith-full October ahead.

Along with welcoming new members, and affirming the baptism of (confirming) one of our young men, we will be giving Bibles to our 3rd & 4th grade students—parents be watching for an email from me! It is an exciting time, and I look forward to these new beginnings that all of these folks will get to experience, and to having the rest of us walk alongside them at these stages of their journeys in faith.

Having experienced all of these things in one way or another, I find it a little funny that I remember receiving my first

Bible the most clearly. It was a Good News edition, with a black cover and gold writing. We each were given a verse to read as the Bible was presented to us; mine was from Deuteronomy, but the exact citation escapes me as I write this. Now, today, that Bible has its own place on my shelf. Its back cover falling off, and big hearts drawn on the inside cover. It has been well-used and well loved in the last almost 20 years (eek!). That day, my pastor put the Word into our hands and we got to explore it more fully for ourselves for the first time.

Our good ‘old Marty Luther did much of this very thing during the Reformation. While hiding out from those who wanted to kill him—in Wartburg Castle—he translated the New Testament into the common German language of his people. Prior to this, peasants and lay people could not read the Word for themselves, nor were they really given room to explore what the

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PRAYER LISTS

Cindy Dodge Anderson
 Susan Biggers
 Agnes Ekstrum
 Shirley Feltman
 Kayleen Haiar
 Mike Healy
 Katie Hines and
 Bucklee James Mattson
 Terry Hines
 Fern & Wally Jones
 Ron Kjonggaard
 Gabby Lynch
 Abby Meier
 Samantha Moncur
 Gunner Olesen
 Glenn Osborne
 Laura Quinn
 Andy Steckelberg
 Family of Kate Steckelberg
 Arleen Swanson
 Tony Trusty
 Ray Urban

Kathy Valnes
 Lynette VanBeber
 Mindy Wahlquist

TO BE REMEMBERED

Connie Bailey
 Bart Blum
 John Blumeyer
 Don Borman
 Jim Butler
 Allan Currey
 Gail Danhour
 Ray Goeden
 Gene Braves
 Winnie Keller
 Deah Killion
 Riana Lauens
 Larry Larsen
 Mariah Normile
 Alexandra Osborne
 Antoinette Osborne
 Benjamin Osborne
 Krista Osborne

Clifford Priebe
 Mike Renbarger
 Ed Selland
 Jill Schreiber
 Kim Tyrell
 Cindy Wilkens

THOSE IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

We pray for Philip Soulek, Nick Glant, and all of the men and women in military units who have been called to active duty, and for their families.

MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH

We pray for Prison Congregations of America, St. Dysmas Congregation at Springfield, SD as they continue to do your work behind prison walls.

CHURCH CLEANING

If you wish to hire Dakota Milestones to clean the church during your assigned week, the cost is \$20 per week. Put your contribution in the Sunday offering. Please write your name and "Church Cleaning" on the envelope. Note "Church Cleaning" on your check's memo line.

Oct. 5	Mohr
Oct. 12	D. Larson / Klages
Oct. 19	Lloyd / M. Birch
Oct. 26	Meyerink

Contact Pat Blum at 234-6175 or 730-6175.

OCTOBER SERVICE MINISTERS

SATURDAY		SUNDAY			
Date	Host	Date	Host	Lector	Cantor
Oct. 4		Oct. 5	Tveits	Mark Huber	OPEN
Oct. 11		Oct. 12	Niles	Niles	Choir
Oct. 18		Oct. 19	Shrakes	OPEN	OPEN
Oct. 25		Oct. 26	Confirmands	Confirmands	Choir

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Trinity Service and Religious Education Schedule

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. with communion on first and third Sundays, choir sings on second and fourth Sundays.

Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m. with communion.

Wowsome Wednesday & Confirmation Class:
Wednesday, 5:30 meal; 6:00 class, mid-September thru late April.

Potlucks held after 5:30 p.m. service on the third Saturday.

Fifth Sunday Potlucks sponsored by Deacons and held after each Fifth Sunday Service.

Church Council meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Church.

Deacons meet the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Church.

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 1: Elaine Larsen
Oct. 3: Mary Normile
Oct. 4: Dick Feltman
Oct. 6: Maryalice Larson
Oct. 8: Shirley Kopke
Oct. 8: Larry Larsen
Oct. 9: Sean Dougherty
Oct. 9: Chase Standeford
Oct. 9: Hunter Fredrick
Oct. 11: Chris Mosel
Oct. 13: Cara Miller
Oct. 15: John Larson

Oct. 16: Dwain Miller
Oct. 16: Saige Schlaffman
Oct. 20: Karen Graber
Oct. 20: Lisa Heffernan, Vicar
Oct. 21: Scott Trumm
Oct. 21: Judy Campbell
Oct. 23: Collin Thompson
Oct. 26: Diana Shepherd
Oct. 27: Dwain Blackwell
Oct. 28: Rachele Goodman
Oct. 30: Pat Blum



ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 5: Dick & Paula Feltman
Oct. 11: Del & Joyce Wevik
Oct. 25: Ben & Hope Turgeon



OUR MISSION AND PURPOSE:

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

TRINITY WOMEN OF THE ELCA LEADERSHIP TEAM

Cynthia Wall, President,
234-6957

Maria Birch, Vice-President,
234-9429 or 680-9429

Rosemary Mohr, Treasurer,
734-4039

Nancy DeBoer, Mission Ac-
tion

MESSAGE FROM CYNTHIA WALL

Trinity Lutheran Women (TLW) invite you to participate with us in our activities. You may ask who or what is this group and why shall I get involved?

TLW is the organization of women at Trinity Lutheran Church, Chamberlain. It is part of the Prairie Rivers Conference, South Dakota Synod and finally church wide of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. TLW is our local group of women which are part of a larger church. TLW has a tradition of mission, study of the bible and fellowship.

Mission projects that we complete reach outside our local community and into many nations. Most recently we completed our collection of school supplies for our teachers in our school district. This fall we will be collecting winter clothing for the local children and families. Monthly on the third Thursday we gather to put together "care kits" for international missions of Lutheran World Relief. Individuals have knitted and crocheted scarves for the Seafarers Mission also.

The study of the word of the Lord is essential for our individual and community growth. Tuesday morning bible study meets on the fourth Tuesday at "It's a Vonnie Cake" at 7:30am. I repeat the same lesson on the fourth Thursday at 6:30pm at Trinity. These lessons are on the [WELCA Gather website](#). If these opportunities do not fit into your schedule or if you or a group may have another resource to study, please contact Pastor Lisa or myself with these ideas.

Christ is the foundation for any christian community and fellowship it vital to sustaining the community of individuals. The opportunity TLW has for fellowship occur when completing mission projects, planning and during bible study.

The women of TLW are praying you will become involved. We do Gods work with our hands. If you have any questions contact; Cynthia Wall, President, Maria Birch, Vise President, Rosemary Mohr, Treasurer, and Nancy DeBoer, mission support. ❖



BIBLE STUDY – FALL 2014

Transforming Life and Faith

by Carol Schersten LaHurd

A new life partner, a new child, a new job, a new home: most of us recognize how our lives are changed by these experiences. In **Transforming Life and Faith** we will consider how our lives and our faith journeys are transformed by the events we experience and the people we meet. In both the Old Testament and New Testament, and especially in Acts of the Apostles, we will read about people who have life-changing experiences: Paul on the road to Damascus, Moses in the wilderness of

Midian, Lydia praying by a river in Macedonia, an Ethiopian man traveling from Jerusalem to Gaza. We will watch them turn to and with God as their minds, hearts, and daily lives are altered. And we will reflect on the ways we, too, have been and will be transformed and called by God to serve God's mission in the world.

Theme verse

“. . . be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.”
Romans 12:2b



About the Author

Carol Schersten LaHurd is a lifelong teacher: Red Cross swimming lessons, high school English, parish education, and, for the past 30 years, biblical studies, Islam, and interfaith relations in colleges, seminaries, the church, and the wider community. After earning degrees from Augustana College (Illinois) and the University of Chicago, she received a Ph.D. in New Testament from the University of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Carol has published many scholarly articles and book chapters on biblical and interfaith topics and has experience in inter-religious and ecumenical relations. With her family she has lived in Damascus, Syria, and Sana'a, Yemen, where she taught and did research on women in Islam.

She is author of "Luke's Vision: The People of God," the 1998 Bible study for *Lutheran Woman Today* (now *Gather*). From 2006-2010 she was coordinator of the Middle East peace-making campaign of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Currently she teaches part-time at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and is educational outreach consultant for the seminary's Center for Christian-Muslim Engagement for Peace and Justice.

For her own personal transformations, LaHurd credits close reading of the Bible, a lifetime in a dozen Lutheran congregations, a host of inspiring students and teachers, travel and living abroad, friends of all religions and no religion, her extended family, and especially her husband, Ryan LaHurd, son, Jeremy, and his wife, Maria, daughter, Kristin, and grandchildren Adila and Tecún.



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

SEPT 3, 7:30PM

Present: Mark H, Karen N, Rosemary M, Judy C, Cynthia W, Dave L, Mary B, Pat B, , Robert B, Justin G
Absent: Gary C, Conner G, Russ D – Guests: Vicar Lisa, Mary Normile

Devotion: Mark H.

Adgenda additions: Treasurer Position

Minutes of July 17th: Read, edited and approved.

Treasurers Report: Mary N and Russ D – read and approved.

New Member Request: Pastor Lisa is meeting with some interested new member.

Correspondence: None

Pastors Report: Submitted, read and approved.

Report on opportunity to be involved with the National Youth Gathering, Tinkletown - the interactive center at the gathering.

Education:

Wow Some Wednesday begins Sept 10th. Sign up will be during the Buckley Mattson fundraiser. Still need some teachers.

No confirmation during Lent.

Update on "Sundae Funday" fundraiser

Property:

North E door in Sanctuary: Continue research door options, Pat B

Emergency Plan: Continuing activity group has met again and lists of emergency numbers have been posted.

Request permission to use grass paint during upcoming fundraiser. Approved

Altar area remodel is reviewed Council committed to completing this project by Feb 1, 2015.

Wireless mic is malfunctioning. Council will persue purchasing another mic or mic system budgeting \$300.

Snow removal will be discussed next meeting.

Stewardship: Encourage to meet this month.

Deacons:

May be fourteen new members, discussing new format for welcoming event. Discuss having a brunch at someone's home.

Unfinished Business:

Treasures Position: Russ is willing to work from a distance as he does not plan to be in Chamberlain full time. He suggest to have another signer on the checkbook. Discuss recommends he continue to be Treasurer, pursue using online banking and treasure mail will be forwarded to him.

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New Business:

Review property usage agreement. Discussion involved the use of items owned by the church. Concern that the present usage agreement only covered use of building. New usage agreement will be written to include property items also.

Noisy offering ideas requested for next Year

GIFT program. Need to elicit volunteers.

Next meeting: October 1

Closing with Lords Prayer

20TH ANNUAL LUTEFISK SUPPER PLANNED FOR NOV 9TH



Lena said, "Eat up that broccoli, Ole. It'll put color in your cheeks." Ole replied, "Do you really think I want green cheeks?"

Fun! Fellowship! Food! What puts all of those together? It is our church 20th annual lutefisk, meatball, lefse supper. In 1995 a group of crazy Trinity Lutheran Scandinavians hatched the idea of this supper to raise money for the church building fund. This ignited the money raised for our current fellowship hall.

This year's lutefisk, meatball, and lefse supper will be held Sunday, November 9. Be gearing up to think what you would like to make and what you would like to do at the supper. Signup

sheets will be passed around mid October.

Lefse making is being planned for Sunday, November 2nd following church. (The day South Dakota turns 125!) We will order pizza for lunch and have birthday cake! The more people the more fun it is!

If you have comments, suggestions, or questions please contact one of the committee planning

members Mary Brown, Mary Normile, Judy Swanson, or Jeff Tveit.

Ole bought Lena a piano for her birthday. A few weeks later, Lars inquired how she was doing with it.

"Oh," said Ole, "I persuaded her to switch to a clarinet."

"How come," asked Lars?

"Vell," Ole answered, "because with a clarinet she can't sing."

from the desk of... Pastor Lisa

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history and narratives of Christ meant for them in their time. But once the "Word got out", there was no stopping it and the people joined Luther in more fully reading and studying our scriptures.

I think of this as I reflect on our young kids getting their first Bibles, and remember receiving mine. It's not just a meaningless rite; it could hold more meaning for them than we could probably understand. For maybe the first time, these kids will get to read the Bible in words they can understand. The stories and accounts, I pray, will come alive and I also pray that their minds and hearts continue to be opened as they explore the Word.

As we hand off the Bible to them, may we see that these kids, our new members, confirmands, long time members, everyone who is a part of our life together here at Trinity has a place and a purpose. May we continue to pray for and support one another in times of new beginnings, struggle, and even in the mundane things of life. May we see that the Word of God is truly living and active in our church and in the world around us; that this Word is what we can grasp with open minds and discerning hearts as we move forward to more exciting times in our life together.

In Christ,
Pastor Lisa

OCTOBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 5:30 WW Meal 6:00-7:00 7:00 p.m. Choir 7:30 p.m. Council	2 Noon- Chamberlain Area Ministerial Meeting	3	4 5:30 p.m. Worship
5 9:30 a.m. Worship	6 5:30 Treehouse Meeting	7	8 5:30 WW Meal 6:00-7:00 Wowsome Wed & Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	9 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting	10	11 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion
12 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Communion, New Members 2:00 p.m. Sanford Worship service	13	14 6:15 p.m. TLW workgroup	15 5:30 WW Meal 6:00-7:00 Wowsome Wed & Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	16 12:00 p.m.-5 p.m. TLW Mission Work & Potluck	17	18 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion & Potluck
19 9:30 a.m. Worship	20	21	22 5:30 WW Meal 6:00-7:00 Wowsome Wed & Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	23 NEW DAY & TIME 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall	24	25 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion
26 Reformation Sunday/ Confirmation 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Communion	27	28 7:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study @ Vonnie's PRCP meeting in Mitchell	29 5:30 WW Meal 6:00-7:00 Wowsome Wed & Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	30	31 Happy Halloween	