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November 2015

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POINTS OF INTEREST:

Wed. – Wowsome Wed. Wed. – Confirmation Wed. – Choir Nov 4 – Church Council Nov 12 – Deacons Meeting Nov 17 – Cub Scouts Nov 17 & 24 – Women's Bible Study Nov 19 – Men's Bible Study Nov 22 – Community Thanksgiving Service Nov 24 & 25 – Treehouse Program Nov 26 – Happy Thanksgiving





Dear Members and Friends of Trinity,

from the desk of...

On the worship notes that the confirmation students fill out, I ask them "what the most significant part of the worship service" was for them. And I get all sorts of answers: the small kids, special music, or the people (occasionally, the sermoneek!). Those answers got me thinking recently about what parts of the worship service are most significant for me as your pastor. Honestly, that answer varies, especially with all of the great and big services we've had at times throughout the fall. But, there is one part of our service that my brain and heart return to again and again: the noisy offering.

Each month, our noisy offering goes to a local, state, national, or international project, service group, ministry, or charity. Sometimes those offerings are huge, other times they are small. Yet, every week our young ones joyfully run up to the front and drop coins and dollar bills into that can as the adults, also joyfully, give them to our children.

It makes my heart smile to see all of you care so much about the goings on in our world that we would give of what God has given to us to other children of God who are in need. (And to see all those kids have so much fun when they come forward!)

Pastor Lisa

My hope and prayer is that the noisy offering, our monthly offerings that go to further the life of the church, and the money we give in offering to the synod, and to the larger ELCA continues to all be given joyfully. We've been given so much through the cross of Christ. Life, salvation, hope, and abundance in so many different forms. So, in a way, what we give in our offerings of all kinds is a response to the abundant and risen life we have been given in Christ. Not only are we helping our congregation, our denomination, and our world thrive when we tithe or give – we are recalling where the source of all life, goodness, and hope for abundance in our lives comes from: Jesus Christ.

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PRAYER LISTS

Robin Barkins - Friend of Maria Birch Virginia Broussard - TLC member Jim Butler - Friend of Marvalice Larson Barb Carrera - Deb Selland's cousin Dayle Chilson - Colleague of Stacey Tveit Allen Currey - TLC member Gail Larsen Danhour - Larry Larsen's sister Carolyn Davenport - Friend of Maryalice Larson Kayleen Haiar - Charlotte & Loren Geerdes granddaughter Chris & Melissa Hall – TLC members Gwen Hoffer – Friend of Marlys Buum Emelia Hofwolt - Deb Selland's mother Larry Hollmann - Friend of Maryalice Larson Kandi Lewis - Friend of Sharmel Olson Gabby Lynch – Friend of Maryalice Larson Esther Meyers - wife of community member Gunner Olesen – Member of the community Glenn Osborne - Deb Selland's brother Darrel Svendson - Friend of Mary & Bob Brown Ray Urban – Friend of Lori Tonak Barry Van Beber - Family of Kay & Terry Hines Mindy Wahlquist - Requested by Maryalice Larson Sonja Walkup - Niece of Marcella Jensen

To Be Remembered:

Connie Bailey John Blumever Don Borman Ray Goeden Gene Graves Mike Healy **Terry Hines** Pam Houghteling Marcella Jensen Fern Jones Winnie Keller Amy Kenobbie Deah Killion John Koenig Larry Larsen Bucklee James Mattson Mariah Normile Rianna Laurens Clifford Priebe Mike Renbarger Jill Schreiber Kim Tyrell Cindy Wilkens

Those in service to our country:

We pray for all the men and women in military units who have been called to active duty, and 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.

We also pray for the Young Adult Intentional Community of Rosebud, a mission of the South Dakota Synod.



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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.

Trinity Lutheran Scholarship Fund Brunch held after each second 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.



CHURCH CLEANING

If you wish to hire Dakota Milestones to clean the church during your assigned week, the cost is \$10 per family. 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. Nov. 1: Menzie / Osterberg Nov. 8: Munkvold / Sharon Nelson Nov. 15: M. Normile / J. Peterson Nov. 22: Tonak / S. Peterson Nov. 29: Rasmussen / N. Harris

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

NOVEMBER SERVICE MINISTERS							
Date	Host	Lector	Cantor				
Nov. 1	3rd and 4th graders	3rd and 4th graders	OPEN				
Nov. 8	Niles	Niles	Choir				
Nov. 15	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN				
Nov. 22	Blackwells	OPEN	OPEN				
Nov. 29	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN				

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- Nov. 1: Russ Denke Nov. 3: Brett Godtland Nov. 4: Felicity Walker Nov. 6: Bart Blum Nov. 7: Toree Mosel Nov. 8: Zachary Peterson Nov. 9: Paul Godtland Nov. 9: Degan Goodman Nov. 13: Deb Bisbee
- Nov. 13: Jim Rasmussen Nov. 15: Steve Rossow Nov. 17: Terry Hines Nov. 23: Kimberlee Haiar Nov. 24: John Wall Nov. 26: Judy Swanson Nov. 28: Jami DuVall



Nov. 2: Dick & Dixie Lloyd Nov. 24: Mick & Karen Niles Nov. 26: Kermit & Judy Swanson

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL Thursday, October 15, 2015

PRESENT

Mary Brown, Judy Campbell, Dave Larson, Rosemary Mohr, Karen Niles, Cynthia Wall, and Pastor Lisa.

ABSENT

Nancy DeBoer, Justin Graves, Neoma Harris, Mark Huber, and Sharmel Olson

DEVOTIONS

The meeting was called to order by President Dave, Karen led devotions.

MINUTES

Minutes were reviewed. Rosemary moved, Mary seconded approval. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

- Reports were reviewed. Rosemary moved, Cynthia seconded approval. Motion carried.
- Mary moved, Karen seconded to retain gold + premium for Pastor. Motion carried.
- A preliminary budget was presented for 2016.

CORRESPONDENCE

A synod representative will be asked to visit with the council at the November meeting regarding "Listen, God is Calling."

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION

- First communion classes will be held November 8, 15, 21, and 22 with first communion in December.
- The adult education class "Ask, Thank, Tell' will be held during Lent.
- Family activity night will be held during advent.

PROPERTY

- Exterior painting should be completed by October 25.
- Judy will obtain estimates for new doors for the narthex and fellowship hall, as well as concrete repair on south side of church and report at the November meeting.

- The classroom remodel estimate will be presented at the November meeting.
- Estimates are being obtained for sanctuary light replacement.

• Estimates are being obtained for two benches for the corner garden. Memorial money will be used to cover costs.

• The parking lot work delayed due to emergency work at the hospital.

STEWARDSHIP

• No report.

DEACONS

- Updated prayer and deacon's lists. Sent sympathy cards.
- Planning a fellowship time after Christmas program.

WORSHIP

• The fall kickoff was attended by about 100 members at American Creek Park who enjoyed the service, meal, and fellowship.

• Preparations are being made for Advent and Trinity's 60th anniversary.

PASTOR'S REPORT

• October 27th, Pastor will attend Prairie River Conference in Wessington Springs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Plans for Trinity's 60th anniversary were shared.
- St. Dysmas trip scheduled for September will be rescheduled for a later date.
- Mary moved, Rosemary seconded, to pay for "The Lutheran" magazine subscriptions. Motion carried. The annual subscription rate per magazine is \$8.95.
- Mary moved, Karen seconded that a portion of the lutefisk dinner money be used to fund Kelly Longden's second semester seminary classes. The lutefisk committee will determine the amount.

NEW BUSINESS

- Karen moved, Sharmel seconded that November noisy offering go to Lutheran social services of South Dakota. Motion carried.
- Mary moved, Rosemary seconded that a constitutional amendment be presented at the annual meeting to reduce the number of council members from 12 to 6. Motion carried. Dave and Pastor will write the amendment for review at the November meeting.

NEXT MEETING

- November 4, 2015 at 7:30p.m.
- Devotions, Neoma Harris
- Offering tellers-Dave Larson and Cynthia

ADJOURNMENT

• The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Judy Campbell, Secretary

TRINITY LUTHERAN DEACONS MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2015 – 7:00 PM

The deacons met Thursday, October 8, 2015 with Kay Hines, Judy Swanson, Joyce Wevik, Keith Osterberg, Bonnie Luurs and Pastor Lisa in attendance. Jean Blackwell, Lori Tonak and Dianne Graves were absent.

Bonnie led devotions.

The September 10 minutes were approved as read.

The deacons discussed when to schedule the next scholarship brunch. With all the activities taking place in the next few months, it was decided to hold the next scholarship brunch Sunday, January 10. The balance in the scholarship fund is \$474.09 plus the September amount of \$80.00, which makes the total \$554.09. A question arose as to how many graduates Trinity will have in 2016. Keith will find out for sure how many there are and report back at the next meeting.

Sympathy cards were sent to the Riggen family and a card will be sent to Rosemary Mohr. Joyce will send a get well card to Deb Selland. Kay will send a card to Shirley Kopke for her 85th birthday.

The 60th anniversary celebration was discussed. Two young men, Rich Menzie and Marc Schwenk will be confirmed on Oct. 25. Jean will pick up two red carnation boutonnieres for the confirmation students and flowers for charter member, Vivian Cleland, which will be placed on the altar that day and then given to Vivian after the service.

The deacons list have been updated. A master list will be printed out by Pastor Lisa and given to the deacons.

The deacons signed up for reading the prayers in November. Nov. 1 is Keith, Nov. 8 is Dianne, Nov. 15 is Judy, Nov. 22 is Jean/Lori and Nov. 29 is Kay.

The new form for the prayer list has not been updated yet. It was discussed to explain the new form during the annual meeting in January.

Pastor Lisa will order the Christmas cards.

The deacons will serve ice cream and cookies after the Wowsome Wednesday Christmas program. Pastor Lisa will ask the council about using Thrivent choice dollars for the purchase of the ice cream. Judy will contact Stacey Tveit to get a better idea of how much ice cream is needed.

The prayer list was updated and the Lord's prayer was recited.

The deacon duties for November will be shared.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie Luurs, Acting Secretary

from the desk of ... Pastor Lisa

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when we take special time to be thankful for what God has given to us or meant for our lives, let us also consider prayerfully how we can give joyfully and gladly in response to our blessings. Let us try not to cringe when we think about writing that check each week, or month, or quarterly. Let us, instead, say a little prayer of thanks for our abundance when we think about those checks, and say

a little prayer for those around us who will receive whatever else they need through what we are able to give.

In Christ,

Pastor Lisa

History has once again been repeated! An amazing awesome group of over 80 people from our church born across 9 decades (from the 1920 to the 2000s!) came together to feed and have fun with over 215 guest from all over Eastern South Dakota!



A huge thank you to each and every volunteer who joined together to make the lutefisk, lefse, meatball supper a success! Feeding all those hungry people takes lots of teamwork! This is a wonderful community of Christian fellowship to which we belong.

We have a small amount of lefse & lutefisk left. Give the money to Mary Normile or Jeff Tveit.

Lefse \$10 a dozen Lutefisk . . Packages are marked in the freezer

Check for your dishes on the table in the narthex.

Give any suggestions for next year's supper to Pastor Lisa, Mary Brown, Mary Normile, Judy Swanson or Jeff Tveit. Thank you for all you did to make this a success!!



Thank you to Thrivent Financial Action Teams for purchasing supplies and advertising for our event!

Lutefisk

The piece of cod that passeth all understanding.

NOVEMBER 2015

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 All Saints Day 9:30 a.m.: Worship w/Communion	2	3	4 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:30 Chruch Council	5	6	7 5:30 pm Worship w/Communion
8 9:30 a.m.: Worship w/Communion 2:00 p.m. Sanford Service	9	10	11 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:00 Choir	12 7:00 - Deacons	13	14 5:30 p.m.Worship w/Communion
15 9:30 a.m.: Worship	16	17 6:00-7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m.: Women's Bible Study at Trinity	18 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:00 p.m.: Choir	19 7:30 a.m.: Men's Bible Study at Trinity	20	21 5:30 p.m. Worship w/Communion
22 9:30 a.m.: Worship 6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service	23	24 7:30 a.m Women's Bible Study at Is It a Vonnie Cake? Treehouse Program	25 Treehouse Program	26 Happy Thanksgiving!	27	28 5:30 p.m. Worship w/Communion
29 9:30 a.m.: Worship w/Communion	30				<u> </u>	