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### POINTS OF INTEREST:

Wed-WW & Confirmation

Wed—Choir Practice

Nov 2 – Church Council

Nov 8 – Text Study

Nov 10 – Deacons Meeting

Nov 13 – Lutefisk Supper

Nov 15 – Conference Pastors meeting

Nov 17 – Men's Bible Study

Nov 17 – Work Day

Nov 17—Womens Bible Study

Nov 20 – Community Service





from the desk of ...



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Often times, my week at the church starts on Tuesday morning as I look at the week's lectionary texts, choose hymns, and (hopefully!) start to let some ideas roll around for my upcoming sermon. Today, as that work began, Rosemary came into my office and asked me to look at a hymn for All Saints Day. It was called "Have You Thanked the Lord?", and truthfully, I had never heard it before. Some of its words caught my attention, though.

"Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same?

Have you thanked the Lord? Have you knelt in prayer,

and rejoiced that, rain or sunshine, our God is there?"

Now, these words could easily make us feel guilty, as though we have not given thanks to God enough for our lives, and all else that God has granted to us. I know my brain went there at first! But, I think the Holy Spirit was nudging me a bit, and challenging me to think about it differently...

"Don't you know that no tomorrow is quite the same?" Indeed, it is! For by his death and resurrection, Jesus has made all of our "tomorrows" different. Each "tomorrow", each day, is different, because we get to look forward with hope, rather than with fear or sorrow. We no longer have to fear the darkness of sin or death. Different, because we have been promised God's unconditional love and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. In Christ, each tomorrow is different because, with the rising of each new day, we get the chance to live our lives fully and completely in response to all of the gifts of God. And for that...let us give thanks.

Let us give thanks to God always for the love, mercy, forgiveness, and promises we get to live into as the body of Christ. It is true that

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# **PRAYER LISTS**

Ashleigh Blake - Cousin of Pastor Lisa

Pat Blum - TLC member

Jim Butler - Friend of Maryalice Larson

Roger Buum - TLC member

Bea Carr - Aunt of Kaitlin Fuerstenau

Bernie Christenson - Friend of Bob & Mary Brown

Debi Cleland - Sister in law of Nancy DeBoer

Allen Currey - TLC member

Margaret Demery - Grandma to Kelly Longden

Wylee Elwood - Requested by Jeff Tveit

Scott Graves - Son of Gene & Dianne Graves

Dave Gray - Friend of Bob & Mary Brown

Kayleen Haiar - Granddaughter of Charlotte &

Loren Geerdes

Luanne Hammerbeck - Member of the community

Dottie Hieb - Friend of Alice Bunker

Vickie Hieb - Friend of Maryalice Larson

Gwen Hoffer - Friend-in-law of Marlys Buum

Larry Hollmann - Friend of Maryalice Larson

Michael Johnson - Requested by Dave &

Maryalice Larson

Bob Juhl - Dad of Teena Mosel

Brad Klostergaard - Cousin of Karen Graber

Kandi Lewis - Friend of Sarah Brown-Moran

Lora Means - Relative of Del & Joyce Wevik

Steve Merkwan - Friend Bob & Mary Brown

Larry Nielsen - Friend of Bob & Mary Brown

Knox Noble - Child of Houska Family Friend

Jack Normile - Father of Mike Normile

Mike Normile - TLC Member

Gunner Olesen - Member of the community

Glenn Osborne - Brother of Deb Selland

Mark Oswald - Brother in law of Karen Graber

Joel Sprecher - Brother of Paula Feltman

Barry Van Beber - Brother in law of Kay Hines

Mindy Wahlquist - Requested by Maryalice Lar-

son

#### To Be Remembered:

Connie Bailey John Blumeyer

Don Borman

Virginia Broussard

Ray Goeden

Gene Graves

Mike Healy

Emelia Hofwolt

Pam Houghteling

Eugene Kane

Winnie Keller

Amy Kenobbie

Deah Killion

John Koenig

Larry Larsen

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 are on active duty, and their families.

Ariel Gould - Sister of Noah Gould

## 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.

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**

Nov. 2: Allissa Houska

Nov. 6: Bart Blum

Nov. 7: Toree Mosel

Nov. 9: Garrett Houska

Nov. 9: Paul Godtland

Nov. 9: Degan Goodman

Nov. 10: Prestyn Haugen

Nov. 10: Peyton Haugen

Nov. 15: Steve Rossow

Nov. 23: Kimberlee Haiar

Nov. 24: London Houska

Nov. 26: Judy Swanson

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Nov 2: Dick & Dixie Lloyd

Nov 24: Mick & Karen Niles

Nov 26: Kermit & Judy Swanson





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Nov. 6

Nov. 13

Nov. 20

Nov. 27



Amazing is the word to use to describe the work by 40 people the last week of October to get potatoes and carnation milk turned into about 1,000 pieces of lefse! It was great the amount of help available to make the dough on Thursday and to roll, fry and package on Sunday. Thank you everyone!



Now to prepare for the lutefisk/meatball supper on November 13th. Please sign up today. Workers are needed as well desserts and salads. The signup sheets are available in the back of the church.

If you have any questions contact Pastor Lisa, Mary Brown, Mary Normile, Judy Swanson or Jeff Tveit. Thank you for all you helping to make this event a continued success!!



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

On Dec. 3rd, Trinity and St. James are serving the noon meal at the Banquet in Sioux Falls. We have been asked to help with the prep work for the meal, and additional lunch servers are also needed. Please talk to Pastor Lisa ASAP, if you would like to help, and/or are available to drive. Must be at least 13 years of age to work in the kitchen.

Thank you!

# from the desk of . . . Pastor Lisa

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we aren't always good at giving God our thanks and praise. But rather than feeling bad when we fall short of doing so, let us live into the newness of life we have been given, and seek to find ways to make each day a loving, thankful response to God's work and presence among us.

In Christ,

Pastor Lisa

# **Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting**

Sept 7, 2016 7:30 p.m.

#### **Present**

Dave Larson, Danny Selland, Terrold Menzie, Karen Niles, Neoma Harris, Sharmel Olson, Lori Tonak, Cynthia Wall, Nancy DeBoer, Rosemary Mohr

#### Absent

Justin Graves, Dick Feltman, Pat Blum, Cynthia Wall, Nancy DeBoer

#### Devotions

President Dave called the meeting to order, Sharmel Olson led devotions.

#### Additions to Minutes

No additions were made to the agenda.

## **Reading of Minutes**

Minutes were reviewed. Lori Tonak moved to accept and Neoma Harris seconded. Motion passed

## Treasurer's Report

- The budget is behind around \$1,300.00.
- 2 Checks have not yet cleared.
- The electric bill was high but still OK.
- A motion was made to accept the report by Sharmel Olson and was seconded by Neoma Harris, motion passed.

## Correspondence

• No correspondence was released.

## **Committee Reports**

### **PROPERTY**

- Door status The door representative was at the church and gave a few bids for different doors.
- Church cleanup has been postponed. A poster board of which Mary has a sample can be used to create a board to display so people can sign up.
- Wireless router Terrold Menzie can donate a router but there may be a clause in the agreement to only use Midstate's router.
- The cork on the front bulletin board needs to be replaced.
- The snow removal contract agreement with Garret George will be extended for this winter season if he wishes to continue it. He'll be contacted.

#### WORSHIP

• Fall kick off to be at 10:30 at the park on September 11. Everything is ready and in place.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

- Lori Tonak went to the stewardship event with the bishop in Kimball. Every congregation is being asked to participate in the campaign called "Listen! God is Calling" and will try to get a certain amount of money from each person over a three year period. This campaign will raise funds to help new pastors pay down seminary debt, and will help continue the synod's multicultural ministries.
- Temple Talks will continue.

## **EDUCATION**

• Wowsome Wednesday had about 30 kids. 2 families need to be followed-up on. The program went smoothly and everyone got their calendars. Background checks on the teachers are still needed on a few of them. Dave will get them done if given a list of the teachers. This needs to be done by January.

#### **Deacons**

- St. Dysmas will be on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Will meet tomorrow to discuss plan.
- A possible pot luck will be held sometime in Oct. Most probably on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Joyce is to set up for the pot luck.

## Pastor's Report

- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> will be in Neb as part of the proceeding on a friend's ordination.
- Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> will be in Pierre.

## **Unfinished Business**

None

### **New Business**

- The national Spinal Bifida Association was proposed as the noisy offering recipient. Rosemary motioned and Karen seconded. Motion passed.
- Offering Tellers Council members are needed to count the money after church. If 2 members aren't available, then a motion to allow the pastor to assist was made by Lori and seconded by Sharmel. It passed.

## **Next Meeting**

- Wednesday, October 5, 2016 will be the next meeting
- Next month's devotions by Karen Niles

## Adjournment

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer

# Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Oct 12, 2016 7:30 p.m.

#### Present

Danny Selland, Terrold Menzie, Karen Niles, Neoma Harris, Sharmel Olson, Rosemary Mohr, Dick Feltman, Nancy DeBoer

#### **Absent**

Dave Larson, Justin Graves, Pat Blum, Cynthia Wall, Lori Tonak, Cynthia Wall

#### **Devotions**

The meeting was called to order, Karen Niles led devotions.

## Additions to agenda

No additions were made to the agenda.

## Reading of Minutes

Minutes were reviewed removed Rosemary Mohr from absent list. Sharmel Olson moved to accept and Rosemary Mohr seconded. Motion passed

## Treasurer's Report

- The energy bill was high. An energy audit was performed about 10 years ago, and nothing was found that could really help the issues with the building's climate control. It was also determined that the recommendations for adjusting heating and cooling settings over the last month didn't change the bill.
- There was a good income and it surpassed expenses.
- A motion was made to accept the report by Dick Feltman and was seconded by Sharmel Olson, motion passed.

## Pastor's Report

- Conference benevolence: A request for benevolence to the Prairie Rivers conference was made. It should be in by the end of the calendar year. A motion to provide \$300 was made by Dick Feltman and seconded by Nancy DeBoer. It passed.
- By the end of October, the insurance provided to the pastor needs to be in place, specifically which plan to implement. A motion to keep the same level was made by Rosemary Mohr, seconded by Karen Niles. Motion passed.

## Correspondence

• A request for noisy offering was made and discussion was tabled to new business

## **Committee Reports**

#### **PROPERTY**

- Door status The doors have been ordered.
- Lights are set to be fixed.

- The date for the church clean up day is to be determined.
- The cork on the front bulletin board needs to be replaced.

### **WORSHIP**

Needs to meet to plan Advent and Christmas services.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

 Needs to meet with the men's bible study to organize our part of the synod campaign "Listen! God is Calling!"

#### **EDUCATION**

- This group will meet in November.
- Christmas program is set for 12/14/16. Songs are already well known.
- Would like to plan another Intergenerational Advent activity for this year.

### **Deacons**

- The next scholarship brunch will be held in November.
- Cards are to be sent out to people.
- Treats for program are to be provided after the program.

## Pastor's Report

- Fall kickoff has started.
- Will be gone next week after worship and will return Saturday.
- For November, will be hosting a meeting on the 15th with clergy.
- The milestone ministry meeting will be held.

### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### **New Business**

- Garden Corner The dedication of it was discussed. It was decided to wait till spring to hold it so it will be nicer. April 14th was discussed as an option.
- The November noisy offering will go to the NeSoDak land expansion project.

# **Next Meeting**

- Wednesday, November 2, 2016 will be the next meeting
- Next month's devotions by Terrold Menzie

# Adjournment

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer

# Deacons Meeting October 13, 2016

Deacons Present: Lori Tonak, Alice Bunker, Pastor Lisa, Joyce Wevik, Dianne Graves, Keith Osterberg, Deb Selland, Mick Niles, and Kay Hines.

The meeting was called to order by President Lori Tonak. Devotions were read by Alice Bunker.

The minutes from a previous meeting (July 14, 2016) were read by Secretary Dianne Graves. The minutes were approved as read.

## **Old Business:**

The fish fry was discussed briefly. 45 were in attendance. Mick Niles, Rich Rasmussen and Mike Bunker did the cooking.

The Scholarship Brunch in November was discussed. It will be held on November 6. Mick Niles offered to bring fruit, Alice Bunker, Lori Tonak and Deb Selland will bring egg bake, Joyce Wevik--juice, Lori Tonak--muffins.

The Christmas program will be held on December 14. It was discussed to have treats at the end of the program--hot chocolate and cookies plus candy canes will be served. It will be decided at the November meeting as to who will serve which duties.

Cards were sent or will be sent to Dottie Hieb by Keith Osterberg and to Allen Curry by Kay Hines.

The trip to St. Dysmas on September 29 was discussed--Alice Bunker, Maryalice Larson, Pastor Lisa and Jeff Tveit attended. It was a very positive experience for all in attendance.

## **New Business:**

Deacon for November is Dianne Graves. She will also have devotions for the November meeting.

Flowers for Confirmation were discussed. A motion was made by Mick Niles to purchase red carnations for the confirmands. Joyce Wevik will purchase. Confirmation will be on October 30.

Pastor will order the Christmas cards to be sent out by the Deacons. They will be distributed when the order comes in along with stamps for mailing. They should be sent out by December 8.

The Lutefisk Supper will be on November 13.

Pastor Lisa thanked the Deacons for all that they do.

The meeting ended with all reciting the Lords Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Graves Secretary

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 6:00 p.m. Choir 7:00 p.m. Committee Mtg. 7:30 p.m. Church Council	3	4	<b>5</b> 5:30 pm Worship w/Communion
6 ALL SAINTS DAY 9:30 a.m.: Worship w/Communion 10:30 a.m.: Scholarship Brunch	7	8 1:30 p.m.: Text Study	9 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Choir	10 7:00 p.m.: Deacons Meeting	11	<b>12</b> 5:30 pm Worship w/Communion
9:30 a.m.: Worship 10:30 a.m.: 1st Communion Class 4:00 p.m.: Lutefisk & Lefse Supper	14	15 Conference pastors meeting	16 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:00 p.m.: Choir	17 7:30 Men's Bible Study 10-12 Work Day 12-2 Women's Bible Study	18	19 1st Communion Class 5:30 p.m. Worship w/Communion
20 9:30 a.m.: Worship w/Communion 10:30 a.m.: 1st Communion Class 7:00 p.m.: Community Worship Service	21	22	23 NO Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation NO Choir	24 THANKSGIVING DAY	25	26 5:30 p.m. Worship w/Communion
<b>27</b> 9:30 a.m.: Worship	28	29	30 5:30-7:00 p.m.: Wowsome Wednesday—Confirmation 7:00 p.m.: Choir			