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March 2021

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POINTS OF INTEREST:

Wed: Wowsome Wed. & Confirmation Wed: Lenten Services Mar 7: Council Meeting Mar 9: Mens Bible Study Mar 9: Text Study Mar 11: Deacon's Meeting Mar 14: Prairie River Conference Gathering Mar 23: Text Study Mar 25: Women's Bible Study Mar 28: Palm Sunday Apr 1: Maundy Thursday Apr 2: Good Friday Apr 4: Easter





from the desk of...

Pastor Lisa

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the church is quiet, the temperature seems just about ready to hit sixty degrees (wow!), so my mind is on the spring season that is sure to be on its way soon. It's a change of season that it seems as though you can just "feel" or sense in so many ways. It's also Lent, a change of season in our church year. One that I think we can also sense in one way or another. The days are brighter and longer, but our hearts and minds go to the cross. To the place where our Lord suffered and died, so that he might rise and give us eternal life. What does it mean to enter and abide into this season? How do we "feel" or sense it taking shape in our lives?

For myself, it starts as a bit of a heavy feeling in my chest. A somberness or sadness when I remember that we will soon experience Good Friday. Then, for one reason or another, that heavy feeling seems to lift, and I can sense what comes next, what comes after Good Friday. New life and resurrection! A change of the seasons. From a time of repentance, fasting, and prayer to a time of joy and thanksgiving. I think that both seasons, everything we can sense and feel in these days are important. For we have been promised that the Holy Spirit is at work in all of it. We have been promised that we will soon get to celebrate the new life and forgiveness brought to us through Jesus Christ.

Much as the temperatures go up, and the sunny days lengthen and we see the coming of spring, in Lent we have been given the opportunity to transform. The chance to dwell with God for forty days on the road to the cross through our times of prayer, worship, and digging into the scriptures. My hope and prayer for us in this season of Lenten transformation is that we can learn to embrace those moments that are heavy and take notice of where God might be at

PRAYER LISTS

Wade Beringer – Friend of Dotty Hieb Oona Bieberly – Friend of MaryAlice Larson Terry Bisbee - Brother of Dean Bisbee Lowell Carlson - Friend of Judy Swanson Vivian Cleland - TLC member Audrey Doty - Sister of Arlene Shrake Lyle & Lorna DeHaai – Friend of Dotty Hieb Barb Geranen - Relative of Pastor Lisa Kayleen Haiar - Granddaughter of Charlotte & Loren Geerdes Sandy Hook – Friend of Mary Brown Ruth Jibbens – Mother of VaLoy Wilkins Bette Juhl - Mother of Teena Mosel Bob Juhl - Father of Teena Mosel Marcia Kindt - Grandmother of Bryan Kindt & Eryanne Normile Pastor Heidi Kvanli - Friend of Pastor Lisa Heffernan Jackie Normile - Sister of Mike Normile Gunner Olesen – Nephew of LeAnn Duvall Denise Plecity - Sister of Deanna Hagan Travis Powell - Friend of Nancy DeBoer Mike Selland - TLC member Joel Sprecher – Brother of Paula Feltman Jim Steckelberg - Friend of Dotty Hieb Ann & Boyd Thiel – Family friends of Dianne Graves

To Be Remembered:

Larry Abernathy Connie Bailey Leonard Buum Micah Ellis Ray Goeden Dwayne Graves Jared Houska Winnie Keller Amy Kenobbie Deah Killion Larry Larsen Rianna Laurens Mariah Normile Glenn Osborne Clifford Priebe Sue Robinson Cindy Wilkens

Those in service to our country:

Ethan Trobaugh Ethan Weisz

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 Wopila House 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.

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

Church Council meets the first Sunday of the month at 10:30 a.m. at Church.

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

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

Mar. 1: Grady Olson Mar. 4: Delmar Wevik Mar. 5: LeAnne DuVall Mar. 6: Carli Cuka Mar. 7: Tammy Thompson Mar. 10: Muriel Carlson Mar. 10: Declan Tveit Mar. 10: Declan Tveit Mar. 14: Nancy DeBoer Mar. 17: Donn DeBoer Mar. 23: Rosemary Mohr Mar. 23: Rosemary Mohr Mar. 24: Marcia Longden Mar. 25: Cortney Haugan Mar. 25: Presley Houska Mar. 25: Matthew Schwenk Mar. 25: Michele Selland



ANNIVERSARIES

Mar 20: Dallas & Tammy Thompson



MARCH SERVICE MINISTERS						
Date	Host	Lector				
Mar 7	5th & 6th Grade	5th & 6th Grade				
Mar 14						
Mar 21						
Mar 28	5th & 6th Grade	5th & 6th Grade				

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Feb 7, 2021 Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Present: Terrold Menzie, Sharmel Olson, Mark Huber, Dick Feltman, Kathi Anderson, Declan Tveit, Rosemary Mohr *, Neoma Harris *

Absent: Mike Bunker

* Denotes started meeting but left as exiting council members

Devotions: The meeting was called to order, Terrold led the devotions.

Additions to agenda: Nothing was added to the agenda.

Reading of Minutes: The minutes were reviewed with the spelling of Dysmas needing to be changed. Mark made the motion to accept them with the change and Terrold provided the second. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- Were within \$500 of last month's income but report doesn't reflect the last Sunday of the month, due to when it fell in the calendar.
- No unordinary expenses.
- Terrold made the motion to approve the report and Kathi seconded it and the motion passed.

Correspondence:

• A letter announcing an increase for the internet was received. It will be effective on March 1. The rest was catalogues.

Committee Reports:

PROPERTY

- The timing for the thermostats needs to be set. Terrold will be doing that on Tuesday.
- The janitor's duties were reviewed and updated. A new list was provided and approved.

WORSHIP

• Met to plan Lenten services. One question asked by the committee was on at what time should they meet, either before or after confirmation. It was decided to keep it at 7:15, after confirmation.

STEWARDSHIP

• Still working on the Financial Course and will need to invite Jeff Tveit to the March meeting to discuss the endowment.

EDUCATION

• Only about half of the kids are attending. If it starts full time then some teachers would be needed, one or two more.

Deacons:

- Four new members will be in this year's group.
- Will be voting on officers at the next meeting.

Pastor's Report:

- Altar Guild, Education and worship all met.
- Had the annual meeting.
- PRC Pastors are meeting every Tuesday over Zoom.

Unfinished Business:

• No unfinished business was discussed.

New Business:

- Midstate will have a call forwarding option for the church number to be forwarded to the Pastor's cell number. It would cost \$1.50 per month for this service. Would like the council to consider this.
- We've been having trouble with getting Midstate to email voice mails to the pastor's number.
- Officer elections went as follows: Dick made the motion and Kathi seconded these nominations which passed
- Sharmel remained President
- Mark Huber became Vice President
- Terrold stayed the Secretary
- Signups for Committees, Devotions and Offering Tellers
- The installation of the new council will be on 2/21.
- February Noisy offering goes to ELCA World Hunger
- March Noisy offering was motioned by Terrold and seconded by Mark to be Lutherans Outdoors of SD. It carried.
- February offering teller will be Terrold with Sharmel in March.
- A motion for the midweek Lenten offering to go to the Lutheran Outdoors was made by Declan and seconded by Dick. It passed.

Monthly Devotion and Offering Teller sche					
<u>Month</u>	Devotions	Offering Tellers			
March	Sharmel	Sharmel			
April	Mark	Mark			
May	Kathi	Kathi			
June	Dick	TBD			
July	Terrold	Terrold			
August	TBD	TBD			
September	Kathi	Kathi			
October	Sharmel	Sharmel			
November	Mark	Mark			
December	Terrold	Terrold			
January	TBD	TBD			
February	TBD	TBD			

Monthly Devotion and Offering Teller schedule

Next Meeting:

• Sunday, March 7, 2021 at 10:30 AM will be the next meeting.

Adjournment:

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer

Trinity Lutheran Church Deacons Minutes

Thurs., Feb. 11, 2021 @5: 30 p.m.

Met in the church fellowship hall and/or by Zoom conference call.

PRESENT: Dotty Hieb, Karen Niles, Deb Selland, Jen Reimer, Erica Sundall, Dianne Graves, and Pastor Lisa

ABSENT: Dave Larson and Alice Bunker

DEVOTIONS: Dianne Graves

WELCOME NEW DEACONS: Janet Coy, Aaryn Schaub (absent), Julie Menzie, and Cortney Haugen (2nd term)

THANK YOU to OUTGOING DEACONS: Deb Selland, Dave Larson, Karen Niles

APPROVAL of PRIOR MEETING MINUTES of DEC 9, 2020 - January meeting was canceled. Motion by Cortney Haugen, Seconded by Dianne Graves.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Recent donation to scholarship fund

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. GIFT BAG DISTRIBUTION- Appreciated/Thank yous
- 2. POINSETTIA DISTRIBUTION- Appreciated and welcomed
- 3. NEW MEMBER MENTORS: See list. President Dotty Hieb explained mentor duties, deacons asked to let Dotty know if they wish to mentor a new member or family
- 4. ANNUAL REPORT-Given at annual meeting by President Dotty Hieb

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. ELECTION of OFFICERS: President: Dotty Hieb, VP: Erica Sundall, Secretary: Dianne Graves, Treasurer: Cortney Haugen
 - a. MOTION to accept nominations: Made by Erica Sundall, seconded by Jen Reimer
- 2. MEMBER TERMS: (Copies Available)
- 3. Discussion of meeting time/day: to remain at 5:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month
- 4. 2021 SCHOLARSHIP: Paperwork given to one student
- 5. STANDING ITEMS:
 - a. PASTOR LISA UPDATES/COMMENTS: Welcome to new deacons, COVID-related updates, sympathy card given to a family, reminder to deacons that they will be contacted to send out sympathy cards to members on their contact lists as needed.
 - b. PRAYER LIST: Updated
 - c. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/ NEEDS / MEAL GIFT CERTIFICATES: discussed earlier in meeting, reminder to touch base with nursing home residents, updated concerning visits in person
 - d. 2021 DEACON LIST: Pastor Lisa explained duties

- e. EVENTS of MONTH/MONTHS AHEAD:
 - FUNDAY SUNDAY: Possible outdoor activities?
 - SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER: Possible noisy offering in April
 - EASTER GIVING TREE: Several Ideas/ Suggestions were discussed. More info at March meeting
- 6. OTHER ITEMS: Easter cards will be distributed at March meeting
- 7. EASTER CARDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED at MARCH MEETING
- 8. MARCH DEACON: Dianne Graves
- 9. NEXT MEETING Thursday March 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED

CLOSING -- LORD'S PRAYER

SUBMITTED BY DEB SELLAND Outgoing Deacon/Secretary

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work. I pray that we can take this time to live in expectant hope and joy for Easter morning.

How we each do that will be different. Some will gather in person on Sundays and Wednesdays, others will gather virtually. Still others will invite God's Word and prayer more heartily and intentionally in their daily routines. Not because we should or because we have to, but because we recognize God changing the world at this time as we are on the cusp of spring, and we can recognize that perhaps God is changing us.

Change is uncertain and scary at times. The uncertainty and wildness of the changing seasons can be scary too. Yet let us not forget that change – of the seasons, of the church year, or in any part of our lives – shapes us. Makes it possible for us to serve God in ways we might not have thought of before. And that's beautiful! Moving into being who God has made us to be is beautiful. It may feel heavy, but by the work of the Spirit the heaviness falls away. This Lenten time where we look ahead to the promises of Easter is here. God is present in it, dwelling with us in it. Let us embrace what God is up to, keep on the lookout for the changes we may see in this season. Let us give thanks for the current and new seasons of our life together. May we see life and hope in all that God will lead us to as we journey on to Easter morning.

Peace, Pastor Lisa

March

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 5th and 6 th Grade WW, Confirmation – 6:00 pm 7:15 Lenten Service	4	5	6
7 9:30 Worship w/Communion 10:30 Council Mtg	8	9 6:30 – Men's Bible Study 2:00 Text Study	10 5th and 6 th Grade WW, Confirmation – 6:00 pm 7:15 Lenten Service	11 Altar Guild – 9 am Deacons Meeting – 5:30 pm	12	13
14 9:30 Worship 3:00 pm – Prairie Rivers Conference Gathering	15	16	17 5th and 6 th Grade WW, Confirmation – 6:00 pm 7:15 Lenten Service Happy St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20
21 9:30 Worship w/Communion	22	23 2:00 Text Study	24 5th and 6 th Grade WW, Confirmation – 6:00 pm 7:15 Lenten Service	25 4:oo – Women's Bible Study	26	27
28 Palm Sunday 9:30 Worship	29	30	31 5th and 6 th Grade WW, Confirmation – 6:00 pm	April 1 Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00 pm	April 2 Good Friday Service – 7:00 pm	April 3
April 4 Happy Easter						
Easter Service – 9:30						