



Trinity News

May 2023

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POINTS OF INTEREST:

- May 3: Wowsome & Confirmation
- May 7: Worship w/Senior Recognition
- May 7: Grads Reception
- May 7: Council Meeting
- May 10: Family Fun Night
- May 11: Women's Bible Study
- May 11: Deacon's Meeting
- May 14: Happy Mother's Day
- May 14: Wowsome Teacher Recognition
- May 28: Pentecost



Pastor Young's Sharing Corner

"The Great Good Place: The Third Place"

Humans require social interaction and community beyond their homes (first place) and workplaces (second place). The term "third place" was coined by Ray Oldenburg in his book "The Great Good Place: The Third Place" in 1989 to refer to community spaces where individuals can form relationships and build a community outside of their home and work environments.

Oldenburg identified several characteristics of third places, such as accessibility, a welcoming atmosphere, regulars, a neutral ground, and a low profile, which can also apply to the church as a potential third place for the community, as suggested by Walter Brueggemann, a renowned Old Testament scholar.

The idea of the third place is not new to Christianity, as Jesus spent time with his disciples, forming relationships and building community. The early church regularly met for worship and fellowship, creating a space for believers to come together and support each other in their faith journey.



Today, the church can serve a similar purpose by providing a space for worship, prayer, and fellowship where believers can build relationships and grow in their faith, find support during challenging times, and form friendships with like-minded individuals.

This is especially vital in a world where people are increasingly disconnected, spending more time alone or online than in face-to-face interactions.

It is essential to remember that God should be at the center of our



lives, even as the church serves as the third place.

A crucial question is how Trinity can function as a third place for those lacking a robust support system outside their home or workplace.

In Ministry together,



Pastor Young Chung

Upcoming Worship & Events

5/7 Graduation Sunday: We will honor our high school graduates (Evan Engel & Declan Tveit).

5/14 Wowsome Sunday: We will recognize our teachers.

5/21 Ascension of Our Lord

5/28 Day of Pentecost

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Calling any Knitters and/or Crocheters:



Trinity is excited to be starting a prayer shawl ministry. Shawls have been used since Old Testament times to bring cover, comfort, and solace to those in need during times of stress and sadness and symbolize being wrapped in God's love and the embrace of a loving congregation for the recipients as we uplift others in their time of need.

Shawls are hand-made by members of the congregation with the intention of bringing peace to the receivers. Prior to being given to the individual in need, it is blessed by the Pastor before it is presented to the recipient on behalf of the congregation. Prayers are said at the start of the project and periodically through its construction.

If you are a knitter or crocheter and would like to use your talents to comfort those in need of this support, please get in touch with Pastor Young or me for more details.

Melody Busack,

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Recap & Trinity's Photo Gallery

First Communion Class 4/1

Five students (Bryan Kindt, Eryanne Normile, Nicholas Reimer, Gene Longhenry, and Shailey Fletcher) completed the program (3/25 & 4/1). They baked bread for their First Communion in the second session under Kathi's instruction.



Palm Sunday 4/2

The Wowsome kids and their teachers sang "Hosanna" enthusiastically, and the dramatic presentation of "The Passion of Our Lord" (with Jesus played by Cynthia Wall, Pilate by Judy Campbell, and others) invited worshippers to join Jesus' triumphant entry and witness his suffering and death in Jerusalem.

The choir not only offered great music but also provided delicious brunch. We greatly appreciate the choir members sharing time and gifts.



Maundy Thursday 4/6

Maundy Thursday: The five students who completed the First Communion class took their first Communion. They also shared the story of Jesus' last week learned from Wowosme's class (teacher: Dianne G.). The unforgettable disciples who delivered a monologue on Mid-Week service during Lent all appeared together.



Good Friday 4/7

Seven people presented the story of Jesus' betrayal, death, and burial from the perspectives of those who were there: Narrator (Judy C.), Judas (Jeff), Simon of Cyrene (Donn), The Soldier (Will), The Dying Thief (Bryan), The Centurion (Amber), Mary the Mother of Jesus (Stacey), and Mary Magdalene (Nancy). Pastor Young provided special music, "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded." Worshippers witnessed Jesus' death on the cross through the words, the story, and the music, which brought tears to their faces and hearts.





Easter 4/9

We celebrated Easter with shouts of "Christ is Risen! Alleluia" and Holy Communion. The superb trumpet music by Dennis Carlson made our Easter celebration even more glorious and triumphant.

Easter Decorations

Thank you for helping us feel the Easter spirit with the beautiful decorations!



Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

April 2, 2023

Present: Rosemary Mohr, Kathi Anderson, Dick Feltman, Dotty Hieb, Sharmel Olson, Mark Huber, and Pastor Young

Others Present: Jeff Tveit, Thrivent Representative

Absent: Prestyn Haugen and Will Haugen - Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 11:25 AM by President Sharmel.

Devotions: Dotty provided devotions.

Additions to the Agenda: Graduation Sunday, Table/Chair Usage, Capital Campaign

Review of Minutes: Motion by Dick and second by Rosemary to approve the minutes of March 5, 2023 - motion carried.

Jeff Tveit, Thrivent Representative provided a history of the endowment fund, explanation of the various accounts including Endowment, Money Market, Action Card and Choice dollars.

Discussion held and motion made by Dick, seconded by Kathi that the Thrivent Limited Maturity Bond Fund be moved to a Money Market account. The motion carried.

Jeff was asked to provide an article for the newsletter explaining Thrivent Cards and Choice Dollars

Jeff was also asked how Thrivent Endowment funds can be used

Treasurer report: Report was distributed. Treasurer was absent. Discussion held on high fuel costs and what the Council can do to curb those costs, i.e. controlled temperatures and thermostat accessibility. The need for additional income was discussed. Motion to approve Treasurer Report was made by Kathi and second by Mark. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Donation requests from various entities

Committee Reports:

DEACONS:

- Family Fun Night - May 10th. Easter Cards have been sent.

PROPERTY:

- Hopkins is working on furnace placement and programmable thermostats. Dick is checking if hot water can be piped into the kitchen from current hot water heater.

WORSHIP:

- No meeting held this month, plan to schedule a meeting in May

STEWARDSHIP:

- Working on a meeting date

EDUCATION:

- No meeting

TECHNOLOGY:

- Updating clicker controls, wireless connections, computer designation to just service

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- Baptism Service, Mid-week Services, Holy Week Prep, Recruiting characters and writing scripts for Palm Sunday and Good Friday
- Women's Bible Study, Baptism class, new member class, First Communion classes
- Ongoing communication for newsletter input, events announcements, emails and texts with committees, individuals and groups.
- Pastoral Care visits, cards, calls and technology communication with members.
- Deacon and Tech committee meetings
- Hosted Prairie River Pastor's meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Directory project continues, looking at end of summer/early fall dates.
- Roofs for Cameroon to date have \$706 for splitting - finalize this amount in May
- New members April 30 Korzan Family and Melody Busack

New Business:

- To meet end of April to discuss Secretary Job Description
- Fundraising discussion options - consider a Capitol Campaign or only furnace fundraiser. On-going discussion on presenting to congregation
- Graduation Sunday - two graduates. Declan Tveit and Evan Engel
- Sign up for devotions and offering tellers distributed
- Utilization of Tables and Chairs for personal events - policy to be considered
- Month Devotions Offering Teller
 May Mark Rosemary

Next Meeting: May 7, 2023

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dotty Hieb, Secretary

Trinity Lutheran Deacons Meeting

April 13, 2023, at 5:30 pm

Present: Janet Coy, Julie Woodruff, Julie Menzie, Karen Niles, Andrea Olson

The meeting was called to order by Karen Niles.

A devotional was shared with the group by Andrea Olson.

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Andrea made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Julie M. seconded the motion.

Treasurer's report as of 3/9/23: No change from last month. Janet made a motion to approve the budget and Karen seconded the motion.

Old Business:

- Review the prayers list.
- Discussed Easter cards.

New Business:

- Discussed May 7th, Senior Recognition Sunday
- Discussed Family Fun Night on May 10th and decided a meal.

Upcoming Events:

- Family Fun Night
 - May 10th from 5:30 – 7:00
- June 18th scholarship brunch
 - To be discussed next meeting

May Deacon: Janet Coy

Next Meeting: May 11, 2023

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Andrea Olson,
Secretary



Women's Bible Study

2nd Thursday of each Month

at 10 a.m.

NEXT GATHERING: May 11th



Holy Communion

If there is anyone who is homebound and would like to receive communion, please notify Pastor Young or Rosemary.

Prayer Requests:

If there is anyone who might have an upcoming surgery or other procedures done – let us know so we can put you on our prayer list.



Council Members

President – Sharmel Olson

Vice President – Mark Huber

Secretary – Dotty Hieb

Members at large – Kathi Anderson,
Rosemary Mohr, Dick Feltman

Youth – Prestyn Haugen

Deacons

Chairman – Julie Woodruff

Vice – Karen Niles

Secretary – Andrea Olson

Treasurer – Julie Menzie

Members at large – Shelly Goodman, Cortney
Haugen, Jen Reimer, Aaryn Schaub, Janet Coy

PRAYER LISTS

Terry Bisbee – Brother of Dean Bisbee
Lance Buum – Grandson to Marlys & Roger Buum
Vivian Cleland – TLC member
Kayleen Haiar – Granddaughter of Charlotte & Loren Geerdes
Kyle Haiar – Grandson of Charlotte & Loren Geerdes
Esther Hanson – TLC member
Sandy Hook – Friend of Mary Brown
Bette & Bob Juhl – Parents of Teena Mosel
Larry Kercher – Special friend of Brittany Buum
Marcia Kindt – Grandmother of Bryan Kindt & Eryanne Normile
Terry Kindt – Grandfather of Bryan Kindt & Eryanne Normile
Ranissa Koellner Cousin to Bryan & Eryanne
Dawn Konstanz – Friend of Dianne Graves
Alice Odens – TLC member
Gunner Olesen – Nephew of Leanne DuVall
Tracy Rogers – Friend of Kay Hines
Gary Schumacher – BIL to Mary Brown
Alisa Solem – Friend of Maryalice Larson
Joel Sprecher – Brother of Paula Feltman
Ann Thiel – Friend of Dianne Graves
VaLoy Wilkens – TLC Member

People to be remembered:

Ruth Jibbens
Deah Killion
Larry Larsen
Rianna Laurens
Mariah Normile
Glenn Osborne
Clifford Priebe
Sue Robinson
Deb Selland
Mike Selland
Cory Thomasen
Cindy Wilkens

Those in service to our country:

Missions of the Church:

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

We also pray for Church on the Street, which serves those who are without homes in the Sioux Falls area.

People and the churches in Ukraine.



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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.

CHOIR meets every Monday at 5:30 pm, Sept thru May

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 10 a.m.

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

May 1: Melissa Hall
May 2: Roger Campbell
May 2: Hayden Handel
May 2: Denise Meyerink
May 3: Mariah Normile
May 4: Lorri Swenson
May 4: Dallas Thompson
May 5: Aaryn Schaub
May 7: Bob Brown
May 7: Judy Peterson
May 7: Nicholas Wall
May 10: Terry Menzie
May 11: Gavin Graves
May 12: Brad Carson
May 13: Richard Menzie
May 17: Arlys Abernathy

May 17: Sharmel Olson
May 19: Noah Bury
May 19: Bucklee Mattson
May 19: Marlene Munkvold
May 21: Roger Buum
May 21: Cassi Swenson
May 24: Mark Huber
May 24: Bonnie Randall
May 24: Esther Hansen
May 26: Kami Byre
May 26: Chris Longhenry
May 27: Luke Baker
May 28: Tre' Antelope
May 28: Chloe Mosel
May 28: Derek Thompson
May 29: Allayna Brown
May 30: Nicholas Schaub

ANNIVERSARIES

May 10: Ralph & Arlene Shrake
May 21: Roger and Marlys Buum
May 27: Mike & Lisa Schlaffman
May 27: Terry & Julie Menzie
May 29: Mike & Alice Bunker



MAY SERVICE MINISTERS

Date	Host	Lector	Communion Assistant
May 7	Olson Family	Janet Coy	Sharmel Olson
May 14	Alice Bunker	Alice Bunker	No assistant
May 21	Normile Family	Normile Family	Normile Family
May 28	Kathi Anderson	Dianne Graves	No assistant

May

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 5:30 Wowsome/Confirmation	4	5	6
7 9:30 Worship w/Communion/Sr recog 10:30 Grad reception 11:00 Council meeting	8	9	10 5:30-7:00 Family Fun Night	11 10:00 Women's Bible study 5:30 Deacon's meeting	12	13
14 Happy Mother's Day 9:30 Worship Wowsome Teacher recognition	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 9:30 Worship w/Communion	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Pentecost 9:30 Worship	29	30	31			