



# Trinity News

December 2023

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## POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Mondays: Choir
- Wednesdays: Wowsome and Confirmation
- Dec 3: Worship w/Communion
- Dec 3: Scholarship Brunch
- Dec 3: Council Meeting
- Dec 10: Worship
- Dec 14: Deacon's Meeting
- Dec 14: Women's Bible Study
- Dec 17: Worship w/Communion
- Dec 17: Bethlehem in Brule
- Dec 20: Wowsome Christmas Program
- Dec 24: Worship & Christmas Eve worship(5:30pm)
- Dec 27: No Wowsome and Confirmation
- Dec 31: Worship



Pastor Young's Sharing Corner

## Celebrating the Fruits of Our Capital Campaign

Dear Trinity Family and Friends,

With hearts brimming with gratitude and joy, we closed the Capital Campaign on 11/19 through a celebration service and brunch. Throughout this campaign, we witnessed the power of unity and the demonstration of profound dedication through generous giving and hosting and participating in fundraisers.

The Capital Campaign Team wants to extend our heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you who played a part in making this campaign a triumph. Whether you gave financially, volunteered your time, or offered prayers and support, your contributions have made a significant difference. Together, we are faithful stewards, actively participating in God's work and ensuring that His gifts are used to make a lasting impact on our mission.

I truly believe that those who gave monetary gifts did so cheerfully and generously. With that in mind, I thanked them and blessed them using the same message when I sent "Thank You" cards. This sentiment is reflected in the Parable of Talents (Matthew 25), where the master (God) commended a servant gaining five more talents and two more talents using the same words: "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

I could not imagine closing the campaign without recognizing the dedication of the Capital Campaign Team members – Neoma (chair), Sharmel, Mike, Lisa, Erica, and Cynthia. For the last 6 months, they brought their wholehearted minds, time, talents, and treasure to make the campaign most successful. Thank you!!! Thanks be to God!

## Advent and Christmas: Celebrating the Season of Hope and Joy



As we approach the most wonderful time of the year, our hearts are filled with anticipation and joy for the Advent and Christmas season. Advent marks the beginning of the Christian liturgical year and is a time of hopeful anticipation as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. It is a sacred season of reflection, prayer, and expectation as we await the arrival of the Light of the World.

Christmas is a time of jubilant celebration as we rejoice in the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. This season reminds us of the incredible gift of love that God bestowed upon us through the birth of His Son.

As we exchange gifts and gather with loved ones, let us also reflect on the ultimate gift of salvation and share the love of Christ with those around us. May this Advent and Christmas season be filled with the warmth of love, the joy of giving, and the peace that comes from knowing the true meaning of Christmas. Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed and joyous Christmas season!

In ministry together

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Young M. Chung".

Pastor Young

## Upcoming Worship & Events

12/3 The First Sunday of Advent with Communion and Scholarship Brunch

12/10 The Second Sunday of Advent /New Member Sunday

12/17 The Third Sunday of Advent with Communion

12/17 Bethlehem in Brule County at 5 PM, 4 H Building, Pukwana (see details below)

12/24 The Fourth Sunday of Advent

12/24 Christmas Eve service with candle lighting and Communion at 5:30 PM

## Scholarship Brunch 12/3:

The deacons will host the brunch. Come join us to support scholarships for high school seniors at TLC.

## The 2nd Annual "Bethlehem in Brule County" 12/17 at 5 PM:

*Live Nativity Pageant & Soup Supper:* Come to the Ag Building in Pukwana Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 5 pm for the live nativity pageant "Bethlehem in Brule County". Trinity Lutheran Church in Chamberlain will be hosting the event in cooperation with the Brule County 4-H, Chamberlain and Kimball communities.

Following the pageant, there will be a soup supper with a free-will donation, with all donations being split between the Chamberlain's Helping Ends Meet program and Kimball school Weekend Back Pack program. Those interested in being in the community choir should contact Nancy DeBoer. Come and join in the true meaning of Christmas.

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 12/24 at 5:30 PM:

Join us on December 24th at 5:30 PM for a special candlelight service as we celebrate the arrival of the Christ Child. It will be a time of worship, reflection, and the singing of beloved Christmas carols.

## Capital Campaign Updates (11/19):

- Monetary Contributions: \$32,259.09
  - Participants: 53
- Fundraisers: \$11,644.60
- Total: \$43,903.69

## Trinity's Recap & Photo Gallery

### Affirmation of Baptism 10/29:

Six of our confirmands publicly confirmed their faith and are now voting members of TLC. Congratulations!





## Pancake Supper and Bingo 11/1:

Our youngest group, Wowsome, and Confirmation Students at TLC hosted the event as part of the Capital Campaign. The event not only provided fellowship through a pancake supper but also offered a fun evening. Thanks to the participants and hosts (Wow-some kids, teachers, and Confirmation students).





## The 28th annual Lutefisk, Lefse, Meatball supper 11/12:

Thanks to those who came to enjoy the food, prepared or served at the supper. It was a big success, drawing over 180 people.



## Celebration Brunch for Capital Campaign 11/19:

We close the campaign with a celebration service and brunch. The capital campaign team provided a delicious brunch. Thanks to those who stayed for the brunch and the team.



# Trinity Lutheran Deacons Meeting

November 9th, 2023, at 5:30 pm

**Present:** Julie Woodruff, Jen Reimer, Pastor Young, Julie Menzie, Janet Coy, Shelly Goodman, Karen Niles, Cortney Haugen and Andrea Olson.

The meeting was called to order by Julie Woodruff.

A devotional was shared with the group by Cortney Haugen.

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Jen made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Karen seconded the motion.

Treasurers report as of October 2023: Deacons balance is \$450.00. Scholarship balance \$3,636.87.

## Old Business:

- Review the prayers list.
- Updated the address lists and sent cards out for the holiday season
- Reviewed the rummage sale

## New Business:

- Pastor Items
  - Nothing new to note
  - Thanked for the pastor appreciation recognition
- Community Activities/Needs
  - Looking for food pantry volunteers
- Reviewed shut-ins list for Christmas gift
  - Gift is ordered and will be ready to be prepared next meeting
- Deacon Brunch will be December 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Pancakes and Sausage will be served
- Wowsome Christmas program is December 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Deacons will put together a gift for students

## Upcoming Events:

- Deacon Brunch - December 3<sup>rd</sup>
- December 20<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Program

December Deacon: Jen Reimer

Next Meeting: December 14th at 5:30 p.m

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Andrea Olson  
Secretary

## Due Dates/Time:



Bulletin Announcements: if you have info to be included in the bulletin, please email it to the secretary at [trinitysec@midstatesd.net](mailto:trinitysec@midstatesd.net) by Tuesday at 4 pm.

Newsletter Information: if you have info to be included in the newsletter, please email it to Pastor at [trinity@midstatesd.net](mailto:trinity@midstatesd.net) by the 20th of each month.

*We appreciate your cooperation in advance. ~Trinity Staff*



## Women's Bible Study

2nd Thursday of each Month

at 10 a.m.

**NEXT GATHERING: Dec 14**

## Holy Communion

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



### 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

Mike Bunker- TLC member  
Family & friends of Terry Bisbee  
Family & friends of Mildred Reniker  
Family & friends of Warren Hammerbeck  
Lance Buum - Grandson to Marlys & Roger Buum  
Vivian Cleland - TLC member  
Janet Coy - 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 & Ery-  
anne Normile  
Ranissa Koellner - Cousin to Bryan & Eryanne  
Alice Odens - TLC member  
Gunner Olesen - Nephew of Leanne DuVall  
Tracy Rogers - Friend of Kay Hines  
Alisa Solem - Friend of Maryalice Larson  
Joel Sprecher - Brother of Paula Feltman  
Ann Thiel - Friend of Dianne Graves  
VaLoy Wilkens - TLC Member  
LeRoy Brown - Brother of Bob Brown

Ben Larson - Nephew of Neoma Harris  
Mike Hallman - Friend of Maryalice Larson  
Charlie Murano  
Karla Kuipers  
Kathy Turgeon

### **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.

### **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.





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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*

Dec. 7: Gary Harris  
 Dec. 9: Addison Meyerink  
 Dec. 15: Melody Busack  
 Dec. 17: Joe Wall  
 Dec. 18: Julie Menzie  
 Dec. 18: Hope Turgeon  
 Dec. 19: Cynthia Wall  
 Dec. 24: Jake Reimer  
 Dec. 24: Will Haugen  
 Dec. 29: Gary Goodman

### *ANNIVERSARIES*

Dec 6: Darrell & Cara Miller  
 Dec 9: Rich & Sandy Rasmussen  
 Dec 27: Donn & Nancy DeBoer  
 Dec 27: Larry & Arlys Abernathy



## DECEMBER SERVICE MINISTERS

Date	Host	Lector	Communion Assistant
Dec 3	Olson Family	Olson Family	Olson Family
Dec 10	Rosemary Mohr	Stacey Tveit	N/A
Dec 17	Bunker Family	Bunker Family	Bunker Family
Dec 24 am			
Dec 24 pm	Goodman Family	Goodman Family	Deegan Goodman
Dec 31	Kathi Anderson	Dianne Graves	N/A

# December

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:30 Worship with Communion 10:30 Scholarship Brunch Council	4 Choir 5:30	5	6 Wowsome and Confirmation 5:30 Meal 6:00 Class	7	8	9
10 9:30 Worship New Member Sunday	11 Choir 5:30	12	13 Wowsome and Confirmation 5:30 Meal 6:00 Class	14 10:00 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Deacons	15	16
17 9:30 Worship with Communion Bethlehem in Brule County-5 pm Pukwana 4-H Building	18 Choir 5:30	19	20 Wowsome Christmas Program 6 pm	21	22	23
24 9:30 Worship Christmas Eve Service 5:30 pm	25	26	27 <b>NO</b> Wowsome or Confirmation	28	29	30
31 9:30 Worship						