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New Years Greetings from Pastor Paula:

Praise God! We have celebrated another Christmas and the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. We have seen the light! I hope you have taken time in these days to look up at night and see the heavenly vault that God created which we talked about on Christmas Eve.

The third Sunday in Advent we celebrated Joy! Our JOY is that we live in the light of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Joy

Joy does not come from positive predictions about the state of the world. It does not depend on the ups and downs of the circumstances of our lives. Joy is based on the spiritual knowledge that, while the world in which we live is shrouded in darkness, God has overcome the world. Jesus says it loudly and clearly: "In the world you will have troubles, but rejoice, I have overcome the world."

The surprise is not that, unexpectedly, things turn out better than expected. No, the real surprise is that God's light is more real than all the darkness, that God's truth is more powerful than all human lies, that God's love is stronger than death.

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Thank you for the outpouring of Love and support during this time. Thank you for the gifts, cards and greetings for Christmas, all are appreciated so much!

May we travel together into 2025 in God's light. Looking for the paths he is leading us in and showing us the way God wants us to live and serve.





Upcoming Worship & Events

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1/5/25	9:30 AM	Worship w/Holy Communion			
1/5/25	10:30 AM	Council Meeting			
1/6/25	5:30 PM	Choir			
1/8/25	5:30 PM	Wowsome & Confirmation			
1/9/25	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study			
1/9/25	5:30 PM	Deacon's Meeting			
1/11/25	10 AM - 12 PM	4H Meeting (Sharmel)			
1/12/25	9:30 AM	Worship			
1/13/25	5:30 PM	Choir			
1/15/25	5:30 PM	Wowsome & Confirmation			
1/19/25	9:30 AM	Worship w/Communion			
1/20/25	5:30 PM	Choir			
1/22/25	5:30 PM	Wowsome & Confirmation			
1/26/25	9:30 AM	Worship			
1/26/25	10:30 AM	Congregational Meeting			
1/27/25	5:30 PM	Choir			
1/29/25	5:30 PM	Wowsome & Confirmation			

Advent Tea















Bethlehem in Brule County

















Trinity Lutheran Church Council Minutes

December 1, 2024

Call To Order: Sharmel

Devotions: Pastor Paula

Present: Dick, Sharmel, Rosemary, Bryan and Pastor Paula

Absent: Evelyn and Kristen

Reading Of October Minutes: Motion by Dick to accept minutes, seconded by Rosemary. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report was reviewed, motion by Dick to accept report, seconded by Kathi. Motion passed. There was discussion about insurance increasing.

Correspondence: There are thank you notes.

Committee Reports:

- **DEACONS:** Are hosting a laundry mission, it is moving forward. Will provide soap and funds to do laundry. Also, will have snacks available.
- **PROPERTY:** Request for leaf blower, Dick will get one.
- WORSHIP: Will meet soon, then every second Sunday after services.
- STEWARDSHIP: Nothing at this time.
- EDUCATION: Christmas program will be Dec. 18 at 6 p.m. with meal to follow.
- **TECHNOLOGY:** Concerns about the mic/sound system.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Paula will be staying in Chamberlain Saturday nights now until March.

New Business: Bethlehem in Brule County is the 15th of December. Congregational annual meeting will be 26th of January, 2025. Reports for meeting need to be in by the 15th of January.

Nomination Committee: Dave Larson, Roger Campbell and Judy Swanson. Two open positions for council (Rosemary and Kristen) and three deacons.

Next meeting: January 5, 2025.

Lord's Prayer.

Due Dates/Time:



Bulletin Announcements: if you have info to be included in the bulletin, please email it to the secretary at <u>trinitysec@midstatesd.net</u> by Tuesday at 4 pm.

Newsletter Information: if you have info to be included in the newsletter, please email it to Pastor at <u>trinity@midstatesd.net</u> 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: Jan 9



If there is anyone who is homebound and would like to receive communion, please notify Pastor Paula or Jeff Tveit.

Council Members

President - Sharmel Olson

Vice President - Bryan Bunker

Secretary - Kathi Anderson

Members at large – Kristen Brown, Rosemary Mohr, Dick Feltman

Youth - Evelyn Bunker

Deacons

Chairman – Julie Woodruff

Vice - Karen Niles

Secretary - Cynthia Wall

Treasurer – Julie Menzie

Members at large – Shelly Goodman, Jen Reimer, Janet Coy, Maryalice Larson Andrea Olson

PRAYER LISTS

TLC Members: Miley Jo Mines

Marlys Buum Kate Mohr

Esther Hanson Sara Narron

Larry Larsen Glen Osborne

Alice Odens Chris Reinboth

Mike Selland Diane Hieb

Cindy Wilkens Mike Roberson

Pat Blum Steve Ahlbrecht

Deb Selland Lezlie Amelia

Family and Friends: Gale Holler

Josh Adams Ruth Jibben

Lance Buum Those in service to our country:

Kayleen Haiar Missions of the Church:

Sandy Hook We pray for Prison Congregations of

Bob & Betty Juhl America, St. Dysmas Congregation at Springfield, SD as they continue to do

Marcia Kindt your work behind prison walls.

Ranissa Koellner We also pray for Church on the Street,

which serves those who are without

Ben Larson homes in the Sioux Falls area.

Barb McGinnis
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

Jan. 1: Kay Hines

Jan. 2: Harry Munkvold

Jan. 3: Rowyn Korzan

Jan. 6: Rowen Longhenry

Jan. 7: Marlys Buum

Jan. 13: Keith Osterberg

Jan. 18: Kellen Meyerink

Jan. 20: Mike Bunker

Jan. 20: Caleb Reimer

Jan. 24: Sandy Rasmussen

Jan. 27: Kristen Brown

Jan. 29: Mary Brown

Jan. 29: Julie Woodruff

Jan. 30: Stacey Tveit

Jan. 31: Teena Mosel

ANNIVERSARIES

Jan 11: Keith & Ardyce Osterberg



JANUARY SERVICE MINISTERS

Date	Host	Lector	Communion Assistant
Jan 5	Normile Family	Mike Normile	Normile Family
Jan 12	Rosemary Mohr	Melody Busack	N/A
Jan 19		Janet Coy	
Jan 26	Kathi Anderson	Dianne Graves	N/A

January 2025

December '24

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22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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February '25

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16 17 18 19 20 21 22

23 24 25 26 27 28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 New Years Day	2	3	4
5 9:30 am: Worship w/Communion 10:30 am: Council Meeting	6 5:30 pm: Choir	7	8 5:30 pm: Wowsome and Confirmation	9 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm: Deacon's Meeting	10	11 10 am - 12 pm: 4H Meeting
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	27 5:30 pm: Choir	28	29 5:30 pm: Wowsome and Confirmation	30	31	1
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