THE MESSENGER

A PUBLICATION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

~Welcome to Trinity Lutheran...Warm Hearts and Willing Hands~



Dear Family and Friends of Trinity,



I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt his name together. (NRSV)

This beautiful psalm captures the essence of why we worship. We have been created for worship. As Christians, it is *who* we are, a community of broken people, healed through God's mercy and forgiveness; recognizing that God is indeed worthy of being praised continually. Worship is one vehicle through which the Word is heard in scripture, confession and forgiveness, song, prayer and the Sacraments.

Worship encompasses much more than sending you out the door on Sunday, feeling good about yourself. Worship is more than receiving- it truly is the giving back to God through praise, it is about soul connecting and deepening a relationship, humility and the community that we are part of-- in worship you are surrounded! Worship is also about being sent out to tell of a God who is GOOD.

When you stop attending worship, have a hard time getting back to a routine of

worshipping or just decide "Bed-le-hem" Lutheran is a good place to be- it is time to take a moment to rethink and sink back into a more intentional pattern of worshiping with the community of saints as often as you are able.

Worship is what you and I are created to do. Worship is important as it connects you deeper in the mutual relationship you have with God and God's people. Worship is a mark of our discipleship.

Lent, Holy Week and Easter is a great time to practice this mark of discipleship on Sunday and/or Wednesday Midweek Service. Come, see, hear and taste that the Lord is good. Come and "together let us praise God's name."

Worship is part of the <u>W</u>onder of your life that <u>O</u>pens you to receive the grace and goodness of mercy and forgiveness through a deepening <u>R</u>elationship with God, through the sacraments and the communion of saints; providing you with opportunities of practicing the <u>S</u>tewardship of your faith life in thought, word and deed; while allowing any <u>H</u>ealing that is necessary in all of our lives; responding to the Spirit which calls, gathers and enlightens us; <u>I</u>nviting us to make worship a <u>P</u>riority in the life we have been given through God, whose desire it is to be worshiped by those who love him. What a gift!

Pastor Carol

COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Dan Klassen Vice President: Josh Tonkin Secretary: Kathy Wilkening Financial Admin: Brenda Hansen Christian Ed: Nikki Smith Ch Properties: Mark Durkee Stewardship: Margaret Durkee Lay Ministry: Judy Doble Worship: Cathy Sorenson



Trinity Lutheran Church Council meeting Wednesday March 8, 2023

Members Present: Kathy Wilkening, Dan Klassen, Cathy Sorenson, Nikki Smith, Margaret Durkee, Josh Tonkin, Caitlyn Carlson, Pastor Carol Mapa

Pastor's Report-Pastor Carol met with Worship Committee and made Ash Wednesday recording due to the storm. The Secretary's and Treasurer's report was approved as read.

President-Dan Klassen-Someone has been putting personal garbage in Trinity's dumpster. Discussed ways to prevent that from happening and the extra cost from Madelia Sanitation

Stewardship- Margaret Durkee - None

Lay Ministry Evangelism-Judy Doble - she had guestions Youth checking account and all about the cards Trinity sends out every month.

Church Properties- None

Christian Education-Nikki Smith - GIFT had 35 students. The lesson was David and Goliath. GIFT will serve tacos for Lenten meal.

Youth-Caitlyn Carlson - The youth served Lenten meals and have many activities planned.

Worship-Cathy Sorenson -The new printers for Pastor Carol and Brenda's office have arrived. March 17-24 Brenda will be on vacation. The Lord's Prayer will be sung instead of read every other Sunday. April 6 Maundy Thursday service will be at 9:30 am with coffee and rolls afterwards.

April 7 Good Friday Service at 6:30. April 9 is Easter Service at 10. April 23 will be new member Sunday.

April 30 Pastor Carol will be off and worship committee is working on a very special service.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

A Facility Use Agreement for a baby shower for Carlee Scheff on April 29, 2023 motion was accepted.

Trinity's building insurance is going up by \$3700. Nikki motioned to have Nikki

Caitlyn and Heather put on the others taken off. Judy second.

Cathy motioned the meeting adjourn at 7:45 and Caitlyn second.

Submitted by Secretary

Kathy Wilkening

THRIVENT CHOICE **DOLLARS**

Through Thrivent Choice, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes some of its charitable outreach grant dollars among thousands of participating nonprofit organizations and congregations.

\$207.00 deposit

We need to continue to apply to Thrivent for funding for our **Church projects. Contact Yvonne** Noorlun and she will help you with the application process!



Treasurer's Summary Report As of February 28, 2023

Savings Account Bal. Savings Account Bal.	\$69,640 \$53,073		
FEBRUARY: General Fund Income General Fund Expenses Net short	\$ 5,167 \$ 5,319 \$ -152		
MARCH:			

Cash Available \$ 69,640 Bills to pay \$ 6,962 \$ 62,678 Cash long

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS						
DATE/ CALENDAR YEAR	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL			
April 2-Palm Sunday	Passion Readings					
April 6-Maundy Thurs	Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10]	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	John 13:1-17,31b-35			
April 7-Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13—53:12	Hebrews 10:16-25	John 18:1—29:24			
April 9-Easter Sunday	Acts 10:34-43	Colossians 3:1-4	John 20:1-18			
April 16-2nd Easter	Acts 2:14, 22-32	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31			
April 23-3rd Easter New Member Sunday	Acts 2:14, 36-41	1 Peter 1:17-23	Luke 24:13-35			
April 30-4th Easter	Acts 2:42-47	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 20:1-18			

Thank you to all those who served or helped out in any way and also those who came out to support our Wednesday Lenten Suppers!





On Tuesday, April 11, you can get lunch for only \$6.00 at Trinity church in Madelia! There will be ham sandwiches, lots of salads, and cupcakes for dessert. It will be served from 11 until 1. Proceeds will go to the Living Meadows Auxiliary to benefit the home. You may also buy tickets for \$1.00 to be eligible for the door prizes. You need not be present to win. Tickets can be purchased from Robin or Barb.

We are in need of baby items for our Lutheran World Relief baby kits. We would like to make six kits. There is a list of what is needed on one of the tables at church. Items should be new or can be used in very good condition. Everyone is encouraged to help with this project.

We have completed the quilts for our five graduates. They will be given to the graduates the Sunday they are honored in May. The quilts will be presented by their prayer friend.

We will cut quilt blocks again after coffee on April 18.

Remember we have a time for fellowship with coffee starting at nine on Sunday mornings. We decided to not have it Easter Sunday.

The fabric that is donated for our quilts is really appreciated. However, at the present time we no longer have a need for white sheets. We can use flat colored sheets in good condition for quilt backs.

~Barb Shoen

LIVING MEADOWS at Luther, Madelia
AUXILIARY PRESENTS:



TUESDAY, April 11

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MADELIA, MN

11 am to 1 pm Drawing for a Salad Luncheon Variety of Prizes Adults \$6.00 at 12:30 p.m.

Take out or in-town delivery available.
Call 642-8301 between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

HIVE!

Fareway-\$86,371.56

Hy-Vee-\$150,060.50 (Congrats! We have made another \$1000.00)

Keep those receipts coming!!

**Please make sure the receipts are not getting cut off -- this makes them useless.





May 2023						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WORSHIP SCHEDULE Service at 10 am on Sunday's & streaming live on FB	CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon-8-11 am Wed-8-11, 1-4 Fri-8-11 am	Coffee Time 9 am before each Sunday Worship				APRIL - S' DAY
2 Communion PALM SUNDAY	3	4	5 GIFT Class 2:15-5:15	6 9:30 am service w/ coffee/rolls	7 Communion GUCD FRIDAY 6:30 Worship	8
9 Communion EASTER SUNDAY	10	Spring Festival In Madelia 11-1 pm	Confirmation 4-5:30 7 pm Church Council mtg.	13	14	15
16	Newsletter DEADLINE!	18	19	Delores Bau Funeral at Trinity	21	22
23 Communion	24	25	Confirmation 4-5:30 Aministrative Tyrodessionals Day	27	28	Private Baby Shower for Carlee Scheff at Trinity
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NEWS FROM OUR PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS:



June Louise Speckhals was born on March 17th to Megan & Matt Speck-

hals from Faribault, MN. Welcoming her home is her big sister is Alice (3) yrs). Proud grandparents are Mark & Margaret Durkee.

ON SUNDAY. APRIL 23RD We will welcome New Members to Trinity. If you are wanting to join, here is your opportunity.

All those interested in joining Trinity can talk to Pastor or the Worship Committee Members-Cathy



Sorenson or Brenda Hansen. You can also call the church office.

We will have a coffee hour at 9 am before services on the 23rd to welcome those new members to our congregation.

Blood Drive to be held at the Truman HS on Wed, April 5th, 2023



From 11 am—4 pm at the schools Elementary Activity Room.

To make an appointment,

Visit: RedCrossBlood.org and enter TRUMANHSMN

Come to give from April 1-23 to get a cool t-shirt, while supplies last.



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE, APRIL 6: 9:30 AM COMM/WORSHIP-coffee & fellowship to be held after.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, APRIL 7:

6:30 PM WORSHIP with Communion

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 -EASTER 10 AM COMMUNION WORSHIP



Options Pregnancy Center's Annual Banquet will be held at the Best Western in Fairmont on Thursday, April 13 at 6 pm. Reservation are required and seating is limited. Complimentary tickets for this Fundraising Dinner are available by call OPC at 238-2330 by April 6th. (see blue flyer in hallway for more info)

Lutheran Men in Mission-SW MN Synod Spring Gathering is Saturday, April 15th at Gloria Dei Church in Redwood Falls.

To register, contact the church office to fill out a form. The cost is \$25 per person. Donations to the LMM Scholarship Endowment Fund are appreciated even if you are not able to participate in the Spring Gathering.



We remember in our prayers...all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the homebound:

Prayers

Rosalie Heckman, Jerry Teig, Linnea Huss, Kent Hyndman, Mike Taylor, Mel & Marlene Breitbarth and Pastor Penny Ritter.

Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.







APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Monana	3	4 Paula Heckman	5 Carolyn Drevlow	6 MAUNDY HI RSDAY	7 Good Friday Amy Mohwinkel Jared Steuber Cindy Wiederhoeft	8
JoAnn Knutson (87 years)	10	11	Dan Janssen Lowell & Yvonne Noorlun (32 years)	13 Marianne Lang	FAI HC	THAPE
16	17 Liam Werner	Corry Pettersen	Lily Detloff	20	21	22 Mike Bonk Jerome Wille
23	Jacob Worlds Teresa Zaharia	25	26 Grant Hartman Donna & Sam Kotewa (26 years)	27 Kylee Harder	28	Dave Baarson
30	4	He	is R	isen		

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