



# RINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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instead of giving up

something for lent -



Dear Trinity Faith Family,

The season of Lent is a time when we draw closer to God by doing certain prac-

tices that help us to focus on God in new ways in our lives. Many Christians observe

the season of lent by giving up something for the 40 days of lent.

I encourage you this year to consider instead of giving up something for lent - take time to pray... pray more... or explore different ways to pray. Prayer is a faith practice that sustains us in our Christian faith. Jesus gave us the Lord's Prayer as a model prayer to

teach his disciples to pray. Join us on Sundays, as we dig deeper into this prayer. What does it mean and how can praying this prayer change our lives?

On Wednesdays, we will borrow wisdom of Henri Nowen's book - *With Open Hands*. Together we will look at the practice of pray-

er, the barriers, and how it changes us. We will also explore simple prayer exercises and practices we can take home and use in our personal, couple, and family prayer times.

One other option for lenten practice is to consider being part of an Adult Faith Education opportunity being offered at Trinity in Madelia. The course is called, *The Gifts of* 

Imperfection, by Brene
Brown. Ash Wednesday we will be reminded of our humanity - hearing the words "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." Join us for this class where we together acknowledge that even in our humanity, our imperfections - in Christ we are enough. We are beloved Children of God. You are invited to be a part of this class.

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I look forward to our lenten journey together.

Peace and grace!

Pastor Krista

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## TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President: Laurie Wille,
Vice President: Tom Dodge
Secretary: Marlene Breitbarth
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith
Ch Properties: Brad Nickerson,
Stewardship: Vern Quade
Lay Ministry: Yvonne Noorlun
Worship: Barb Mager
Youth: Teresa Zaharia,
Pastor Krista

## Trinity Council Minutes January 13, 2016

We first met with Trinity Madelia, Pastor Krista was home with the flu. The times for Lenten Services were discussed with tentative times of Ash Wednesday service to be 5:30 at Truman and 7:00 at Madelia. It was also decided to alternate Lenten services with Madelia and Trinity Truman would have Feb. 17, March 2 & March 16<sup>th</sup> with the suppers at 5:30 and Service at 7:00. Maundy Thursday service at Truman will be that morning at 9:30am with communion and coffee & rolls to follow and Madelia will hold the evening service. Good Friday Service would be held in Truman at 7:00pm. Easter Sunday will start with breakfast before church and the service will be at 10:30am. The worship committee will be meeting with Pastor Krista to firm everything up on Friday, January 15th.

# President Laurie Willie called the Trinity Truman council meeting to order.

The Secretary's report from Dec.

9<sup>th</sup> was reviewed and with the changes of Barb Mager being present at the meeting and it was an IPad that was purchased to tape the sermons. Motion passed with the changes.

Clayton presented the Treasurers report. There is \$14,239 in checking and \$71,195 in savings. It was also noted that we are \$5800 ahead at year end. The dollars in Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings was discussed on where they could be used. It was decided that the council would like to keep the donations local and get the youth and children involved in their donation. It was tabled until next month.

<u>Lay Ministry</u>: The poinsettias have been all cleaned up and a thank you on how great they looked up front.

Church Properties: Brad reported that the lights are being changed out to more energy efficient bulbs as they become available. There should be 80% less energy being used with the new LED bulbs. He is also checking with the gas company for rebates toward the heating project.

<u>Christian Ed:</u> Nikki reported that they are continuing with the Sunday school program as before the Christmas break.

Youth: Teresa reported that the youth had decorated cookies and watched a movie in December. They are still working on finding a charity that will take the books that were donated by the school library. If anyone has a suggestion, please contact Teresa.

Worship: Barb reported that we will be holding separate council meetings on Ash Wednesday. If anyone is interested in carpooling to the Lenten services in Madelia, contact Barb. A discussion was

held on getting the youth

more involved in church activities such as lighting candles & reading the psalms. We need to get the youth to express what they would like to see in church & worship services.

Church

**Old Business**: A reminder that there is a need for updated phone information from the congregation. In the back of the Annual report is a list of all members and the phone numbers that we have now, if yours has changed, please let Brenda know.

Installation of Pastor Krista, the Lay ministry will be getting together with Pastor Krista to see how she wants to handle this.

New Business: Clayton has purchased the new phones for the church at a cost of \$225 with \$200 being donations and \$25 from the church. Brad will help Clayton get them installed and programmed.

It was also mentioned that anyone who is donating items to the church as a tax write-off, they really need to submit a bill & then when they get paid, they can return the check to the church. This way the items will show up in the budget. The annual meeting election nominations were reviewed: President – Tom Dodge, V. President – Dennis Rode, Secretary – Marlene Breitbarth, Treasurer - Clayton Duncanson, Stewardship – Dave Sorenson, Lay Ministry - Rosalie Heckman, Church Properties – Ron Kelley, Christian Ed – Natalie Splinter, Youth - Britta Hartman, and Worship – Cathy Sorenson. Respectfully submitted by, Marlene Breitbarth, Secretary

# Women ELCA



### **WELCA NEWS**

Quilting Days were started on January 25 & 26. A special thank you to the men and women who helped set up the tables and arrange the supplies needed for quilting after the church service Thanks to the ladies who helped to provide warm quilts that will be donated to many appreciative people in the months to come. Thank you also to the many people who have donated fabric, batting and other supplies for this worthy cause. Quilting days will continue on February 22-23 and on March 28 and 29. If you haven't been part of quilting days in the past, come and see how the process works. Yes, there is work, but there are also coffee and lunch breaks and a wonderful time of fellowship among our Trinity ladies.

The next WELCA general meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, February 8. Lois Circle is in charge of serving the lunch. There are four general meetings per year. The next meeting will be May 9.

Each woman/husband at Trinity is assigned to a working di-

These divisions help vision. out when needed in providing and serving food for funerals and other church events. providing workers for church special events, etc. The need for help is rotated among the four divisions. Last year the divisions did not have to do many things. The decision was made to keep the division cochairs the same for the coming year with one exception. 2016 planning please change Division B cochairs to Jo and Vern Quade and Linda & Gary Mey-Division A co-chairs are Yvonne & Lowell Noorlun and Lori Anderson. Division C cochairs are Tammy & Scott Wokasch and Kaela & Ron Kelley and Division D coare Cathy & Dave chairs Sorenson and Tonia & Dave Kahler. Thank you for being willing volunteers. Your planning and work efforts are greatly appreciated! Check in the 2016 yellow plan of work booklet to see which division you are in. If you haven't gotten a new booklet, it is in your church mailbox. Dates for upfundraisers coming and WELCA events can be found on page 6 in the booklet.

Other February WELCA activities include mending at Truman Senior Living on February

16 and Bingo at Luther Memorial Home in Madelia on Tuesday, February 23.



For God so loVed the world
thAt He gave His
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begottEn
SoN,
thaT whoever
belIeves
iN Him should not perish
but havE everlasting life.

(John 3:16, NKJV)



On Valentine's Day, we remember that God is the source of all love in the world. His perfect love for us has made all human love possible.



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

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# WE WORSHIPTOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS							
DATE/Theme	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL			
February 7-Transfiguration	Exod 34:29-35	99	2 Cor 3:12—4:2	Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]			
February 10-Ash Wednesday	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	51:1-17	2 Cor 5:20b—6:10	Matt 6:1-6, 16-21			
February 14-1st Lent	Deut 26:1-11	91:1-2, 9-16	Rom 10:8b-13	Luke 4:1-13			
February 21-2nd Lent	Gen 15:1-12, 17-18	27	Phil 3:17—4:1	Luke 13:31-35			
February 28-3rd Lent	Isaiah 55:1-9	63:1-8	1 Cor 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9			

## FEBRUARY LAY MINISTRY

#### TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

**WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM** 

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME: 9:00 AM

COMMUNION SCHEDULE: 2/7 & 2/14

COMMUNION SERVERS: TBA

<u>LAY READERS</u>:

2/7-Brytni Drevlow

2/14-Kim Breamer

2/21-Tom Dodge

2/28-Clayton Duncanson

#### FEBRUARY USHERS:

\*Duke Drevlow, Troy Harder, Ross Ringeisen and Ricky Davis

**OBJECT LESSON**: Mike Taylor

## **LENTEN WORSHIP PLACE & TIMES**

Feb. 10 - Ash Wednesday—Trinity Truman at 5:30 pm

Feb. 17—at Truman 7 PM (5:30 –6:45 meal)

Feb. 24—Madelia 7 PM

Mar. 2—at Truman 7 PM (5:30-6:45 meal)

Mar. 9—at Madelia 7 PM

Mar. 16—at Truman 7 PM (5:30-6:45 meal)

Maundy Thurs. —9:30 AM at Truman, 7 PM- Madelia

Good Friday- at Truman 7 PM

Easter Sunday-9:30 am Brunch

Easter Sunday Service at 10:30 am in Truman

## ATTENTION!!!

Trinity has updated our Wi-Fi network at the church.

You will have to enter a password (only one time) to receive Wi-Fi at the church.

Contact the church office or Brenda to get the password.

If you have any questions, call the office at 507-776-4781.

In case of inclement weather, announcements about Trinity's worship service cancellations will be found on the radio...

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Weather

Policy

KSUM-1370 AM

KFMC-106.5 FM

KJLY-104.5 FM

The announcements will also be

found on Trinity's website,

Facebook page and on the KEYC television station website.





March 2016							
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Schedule TRINITY Sun school 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM	1:30 Martha Circle meets at Barb S.	GROUNDHOG DAY	3	9 am Open Bible Study/ Lois Circle meets at the Truman cafe	5	6
7 Communion CAMP WORSHIP Installation of New Leadership	1:30 WELCA Meeting Lois serves	9	10 Ash Wednesday 5:30 pm Service  ASH 6:30 pm Council mtg.	11	12	13
14 Communion  Valentines  Barbershop Group  12:15-3:30 Confirmation	Newsletter  DEADLINE!	Mending at Truman Senior Living	17 5:30-6:45 Lenten meal Lenten Worship 7 pm at Truman	18	Worship the your God an serve him or	d
21	22  → 9 am (vil	ing Days	Lenten Worship at Madelia 7 pm	25	26	27
28	9:00 Am  Messenger  Assembly		Pastor Krista's Office Hours Wed. 11:00-2:30 pm Thurs. 8:30-2:30 pm	CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon-800-11:00 Wed-8-11 & 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00		March Lenten Worship  3/2- Truman 3/9-Madelia 3/16-Truman 3/24 M Thurs 3/25-Good Fri 3/27-Easter



## TRINITY'S NEW LEADERSHIP FOR 2016

President: Tom Dodge

Vice President: Dennis Rode Secretary: Marlene Breitbarth Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson

(New Committee members are in **bold type**)

Christian Ed: \*Nikki Smith, Julie Brudelie, Kim Hastad and Natalie Splinter

Lay Ministry: \*Yvonne Noorlun, Brenda Hansen, Marilyn Duncanson, Rosalie Heckman

Worship: Dean Gulbranson, Pam Rode, Barb Mager and \*Cathy Sorenson

Youth: \*Teressa Davis, Teresa Zaharia, and Britta Hartman

Stewardship: \*Duane Heckman, Vern Quade

and Dave Sorenson

Church Properties: Tom Kneeland, Darrell Drevlow, \*Brad Nickerson and Ron Kelley

(\*Council Representative)



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

Prayers Bea Behrens, Agnes Carlson, Lisa Carlson & family, Donna

Fisk, Oakley Selnes, and Danny Lang... Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.



Our Deepest sympathy to Janice (Mike) Wiederhoeft and family on the death of her brother. Jon Larsen of Armstrong, IA who passed away on January 19th.



# Update your contact information form

Please update your contact information for a phone tree that is being developed.

The phone tree would be used to contact members of church service cancellation in bad weather, or another important announcement, if needed.

Fill out this form and return to the church office. Respond by calling the church office at 507-776-4781.

emailing the office at trinitytruman@frontier.com or mailing in an envelope to:

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Name:
phone (home)
(cell)
I would prefer a call.
I would prefer a text.
I would prefer an email.
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I do not want to be contacted by the phone tree.
I would like a phone call, but not to have to make a call to someone else.

# BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word.	1	Roger Carlson	3 Emma Wiederhoeft Alexander Krumwiede	4 Joyce Jorgenson	5	6
7 Amanda Babinski Patrick Wiederhoeft	8	9 Hailey Olson Butch & Marlene Ratike (64 years)	Jim Hansen	Mark Durkee Dave Sorenson	Abby Butler	13
Valentine's Day	Presidents Day	16	17	Blessed is the one who trusts in you!	19	20
21	22 Miriah Mosloski	23	24 Barb Mager	25	26 Lowell Noorlun	Dean Ehlert
28 Bryce Hansen	1eap D <sup>a</sup> y					



Lenten meals will once again be hosted by the Trinity Youth Group from 5:30-6:45 pm

Wednesday, February 17-Taco Bar Wednesday, March 2--Lasagna Wednesday, March 16-Summer picnic



Everyone is welcome—free will offering



Congratulations to Zachary Hansen and Beth Kotewa on receiving the Triple A Award for Truman HS. This is a very distinguished award. We are very proud of you!!



"To err is human, to forgive, divine, and well, I've done my part."

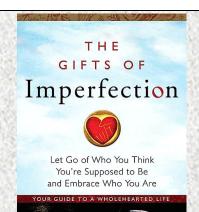
# **BIBLE QUIZ**



At a time of deep struggle in Elijah's life, God made his presence know to him, How?

- A. In a strong and destructive wind
- B. In an earthquake
- C. Through fire
- D. Through silence

Answer: D (See 1 Kings 19:9-12 NRSV)



Coming Soon - Adult Education

The Gifts of Imperfection –
Let Go of Who You Think You're Supposed to Be
and Embrace Who You Are

# Description

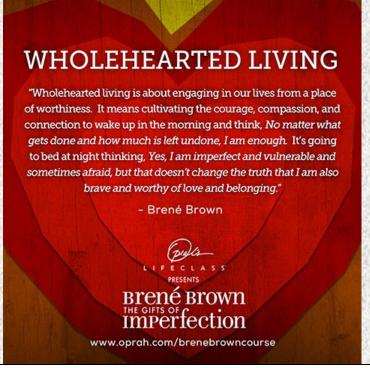
Brené Brown, Ph.D., L.M.S.

It is easy to get caught up in the rat race of life trying to be who you think or others think you are supposed to be. Author Brene' Brown challenges us to acknowledge the truth that we are all imperfect - but we are enough. In this class we will be guided through video clips and Brene' Brown's book *The Gifts of Imperfection.* We will identify practices that distract us from who we think we are supposed to be and spend time together around practical ways to embrace us as we are.

# Topics include:

Letting Go of What People Think - Letting Go of Perfectionism - Cultivating Gratitude and Joy - Letting Go of Comparison - Letting Go of Exhaustion as a Status Symbol - Letting Go of Self Doubts and "Supposed Tos"

Date of class February 1, 2016 - March 14, 2016
Time: 7:00 pm
Location - Trinity Lutheran Church
406 W Main St
Madelia, MN





# THE MESSENGER

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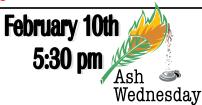
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""They who love are but one step from heaven."

—James Russell Lowell



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# TRINITY WORSHIP-10:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:00 AM

(Sunday school classes are from Sept—May)

If you are searching for a church home or are currently a member, we want to extend a warm welcome to you. Trinity observes the "Open" communion policy— all those believing in Christ are welcome at our Lord's Table.

Communion is scheduled to take place the first two Sunday's of the month, check the calendar inside for any changes.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-8:00-11:00 am Wed.-8-11 am, & 1-4 pm Friday-8:00-11:00 am

### PASTOR KRISTA'S HOURS OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday—11:00-2:30 pm Thursday—8:30—2:30 pm