THE MESSENGER

A PUBLICATION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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



Dear Family & Friends at Trinity,

"Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space; let sun and moon and stars and light and what lies hidden praise your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or

yet untold; let water's fragile blend with air, enabling life, proclaiming your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race; let peace, descending like a dove, make known on earth your healing love.

Indwelling God, your gospel claims one family with a billion names; let every life be touched by grace until we praise you face to face."

-Creating God, Your Fingers Trace (ELW #684)-

Our skies have been made hazy and the air around us has been deemed to be called of a quality that is not healthy for us to breath.... however, as evening approaches in these mid-June days, there is a spectacular the colors and at times the sun itself is a red fireball of different hues of red. As the evening passes, hues of pink, lavender and violet reflect off the clouds. It is **AWEsome.** It begs from my tongue a word of thanks and praise and wonder. I went to my hymnal and turned to the hymn above. The text writer based this hymn on Psalm 148. The psalm itself affirms the great tenets of our Christian faith: God the creator of the universe/cosmos; God who sustains the ecology of life; God, redeemer of his people from oppression and death; and God the Spirit which dwells in his people-the church.

I think it is a psalm (148) and hymn (ELW#684), for us to reflect upon during these months of summer. A time when, in theory, we take more time to enjoy the gift of time with family and friends (and solitary time as well), especially in the out-of-doors. Psalm 148 is a "praise the Lord" type of hymn, and text writer Jeffery

Rowthorn captured the awe, wonder and mystery of our creating, sustaining, redeeming, indwelling God in this gem of a hymn. It gives us permission to enter into a relationship and "lets" us learn of grace.

In addition to these moments we take, the opportunity begs for us to engage in intentional prayer on behalf of others, and ourselves and our families as in the summer months, travel and time on the road, even back and forth from our homes and the nearest town for activities increases.

As the people of Israel planned trips, more for census and business probably than a vacation per say, there were prayers for sending. These prayers/hymns were known as "Psalms of Ascent". Most of the travel ended in Jerusalem and other cities (strategic planning) were located on the top or side of a hill/mountain--hence "ascent". The Psalms of Ascent are located in the Book of Psalms in the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) from Psalm 120-134. I invite you to check these Psalms out during the summer months (traveling or not!). In addition I include below some prayers for you as we peruse or cruise through the summer months:

Blessings for those who travel:

O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve us/those who travel; surround us/them with your loving care; protect them from danger; and bring us/them in safety to our/their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, our beginning and our end, you kept Abraham and Sarah in safety throughout the days of their pilgrimage, you led the children of Israel through the midst of the sea, and by a star you led the magi to the infant Jesus. Protect and guide us now as we (or substitute the names of travelers) set out to travel. Make our ways safe and our homecomings joyful, and bring us at last to our heavenly home, where you dwell in glory with our Lord Jesus Christ and the life-giving Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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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
Youth: Caitlyn Carlson



Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting 7:00 Wednesday- June 14, 2023

Members Present: Kathy Wilkening Dan Klassen Cathy Sorenson Mark Durkee Josh Tonkin Pastor Carol Judy Doble Yvonne Noorlun

Devotion- Pastor Carol read Psalm 46

<u>Secretary Report</u>-Kathy Wilkening - was accepted as read.

<u>Treasure's Report</u>- Dan - motion accepted as read.

Stewardship-None

<u>Lay/Ministry/Evangelism</u>- Judy Doble has been sending out cards.

<u>Church Properties</u>- Mark Durkee - Trimming trees and bushes. Added more landscaping

rocks, spraying weeds, working on bat control. Tabled installation of broken window until later. Brad and Mike installed the new benches.

Christian Ed-Dan Klassen—Will have Ashley write articles for the Newsletter. Plan to have a GIFT booth for Truman Days at the Graf Park. Rummage sale at Trinity during Truman Days. VBS will be August 28-31

Youth-None

Worship-Cathy Sorenson - July 9 will be a special service as Pastor Carol will be on vacation. July 30 will be with Pastor Rebecca. The new benches are installed. Going forward with Pictorial Directory on August 22 and 23.

Synod Assembly Lowell and Yvonne Noorlun were delegates as well as Pastor Carol. Workshop they attended was "Kids are people too". Many good ideas.

Pastor Carol's Report-

Would like to have the offering brought up to the front of the church.

Youth help with communion by collecting the cups.

Youth pour the water during the baptismal reading of faith.

Some prayers read by congregation members.

Intergenerational study with coffee.

Job description for Ashley Parrish.

More use of Thrivent moneys.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cathy motioned to accept use of the facilities for Teresa Zaharia and Jeff Hall on Sept 9. Mark second.

Kathy motioned to accept the removal of membership for Britta and Grant Hartman. Judy second. Looking for pulpit supplies for July 9th and August 27.

Cathy motioned to adjourn at 8:10 and Mark second.

Submitted by Secretary

Kathy Wilkening



Treasurer's Summary Report As of May 31, 2023

Checking Account Bal. Savings Account Bal.	\$71,156 \$53,304
MAY: General Fund Income General Fund Expenses Net long	\$ 9,263 \$ <u>5,346</u> \$ 3,917
JUNE: Cash Available Bills to pay Cash long	\$ 71,156 \$ 6,453 \$ 64,703

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS –July—August								
DATE	1ST READING	PSALM	2ND READING	GOSPEL				
July 2	Jer 28:5-9	89:1-4, 15-18	Romans 6:12-23	Matt 10:40-42				
July 9	Zech 9:9-12	145:8-14	Romans 7:15-25a	Matt 11:16-19, 25-30				
July 16	Isa 55:10-13	65: [1-8] 9-13	Romans 8:1-11	Matt 13:1-9, 18-23				
July 23	Isa 44:6-8	86:11-17	Romans 8:12-25	Matt 13:24-30, 36-43				
July 30	1 Kings 3:5-12	119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39	Matt 13:31-33, 44-52				
August 6	Isa 55:1-5	145:8-9, 14-21	Romans 9:1-5	Matt 14:13-21				
August 13	1 Kings 19:9-18	85:8-13	Romans 10:5-15	Matt 14:13-21				
August 20	Isa 56:1, 6-8	67	Rom 11:1-2a, 29—32	Matt 15:[10-20] 21-28				
August 27	Isa 51:1-6	138	Romans 12:1-8	Matt 16:13-20				



Hello, my name is Ashley Parish. I am the Youth Director for Trinity Lutheran Church. I am very excited about the plans we have in store for our youth program! I will be sending monthly information regarding events that are happening every month. If anyone has any questions please feel free to contact me via phone. My phone number is 507-829-9741. I look forward to getting to know everyone and growing in faith!

August 28-30th

June Events: June 30th -"He's Got The Whole World In His Hands" Come to Trinity Lutheran Church at 4pm -6pm and learn how to make your own little world by creating a terrarium! Supplies and snacks will be provided. Call or text Ashley to register by June 21st to allow time to order supplies.

July Events: July 20th and July 21st 9am-5pm: Rummage Sale at Trinity Lutheran Church. We will be selling donated items as well as snacks. Proceeds will go towards the Youth Program. We are looking for youth to help serve snacks.

July 22nd 11am-1pm: Truman Days Booth. Youth will be serving rootbeer floats, selling bracelets and handing out flyers. Please contact Ashley to volunteer.

July 14th 7:30pm-9:30pm: Campfire Talk for Youth that are in 7th-12th grade. We will have yard games, a campfire and s'mores!

August Events: August 28th-Day Camp From **2pm-5pm** Ages 4-7 *Theme-Creatures Big and Small-Activities include: craft, songs and games*

August 29th and August 30th from 3pm-6pm Ages 5 and up

Theme-God's Creation-August 29th Activities include: craft, scavenger hunt, songs and games Theme-Peace Like A River-August 30th Activities include: craft, songs and water games

*Contact Ashley to register. Please register by August 14th. Snacks will be provided.

We are looking for youth volunteers to help with Day Camp, please let me know if you are interested)

We are hoping to have the kids lead the worship service Wednesday, August 30th at 6:30pm.

Family Softball Game at Rosberg-For youth and family of all ages - TBD (End of Summer) 6pm-8pm





August 2023								
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE Worship Service at 10:00 am No live stream- ing in the summer	SUMMER OFFICE HOURS Mon-7:00-11:00 Wed-7:00-11:00 Fri-7:00-11:00	Pastor's Office Hours Mon-10-12 Wed-10-12	July 2-8— July 9-15— July 16-22	MRE TEAM F Monty Selne Vern Quad —Chris M. —Tom Knee	es e	1
2 Communion	Church office closed Pastor Carol	4 APPY TIH On vacation —	5 Church office hours 7-11 am	6 Church office hours 7-11 am	7 Church office hours 7-11 am	8
9	10	11	7 pm Church Council mtg Pastor Carol back	13	14 7:30-9:30 pm Campfire talk for youth in 7-12 grade	15
16 Communion	17	18	19	20	21 Truman	22 <u>Days</u> Trinity hosts Waffle breakfast 7:30-10 am Youth at booth in park
23	24	25	Worship on Wed. @ 6:30	27	28	29
30 Hymn Sing w/Pr Rebecca	31		USHERS FOR JULY Chris & Sadie Mosloski	July Comm Servers 7/2-Mark D. 7/16-Dave S.	July Lay Readers 7/2-Ann E 7/9-LeAnn M 7/16-Dave S 7/23-Donna K 7/30-Keegan	

LAWN CARE TEAM FOR AUGUST

July 30-Aug1-5—Clayton D.

Aug 6-12—Chris M

Aug 13-19—Dan K.

Aug 20-26-Mark Durkee Aug 27-Sept 2-Mike W.



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6 Communion	7	9:30 WELCA Meeting 9	9 7 pm Church Council mtg.	10	11	12
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20 Communion	21 Pastor Carol	Pictures for Church Directory on vacation	Pictures for Church Directory	24	25	26
27	BIBLE SO August 2		Worship on Wed. @ 6:30	August Ushers Judy Doble & Clayton Duncanson	August Lay Readers 8/6-Laurie W 8/13-Josh T 8/20-Margaret 8/27-Sandy M	August Comm Servers 8/6-Sandy M 8/20-Dan K.



We have the six baby care kits packed and ready to go to the World Relief Warehouse. We decided to go back to doing the school kits. School supplies will soon be on sale so it is good ro make purchases then. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF WELCA TO BRING

Each kit needs these items. Keep in mind that only the exact size can be used.

NEEDED IEMS TO CHURCH.

Four 70 page notebooks, wide or college lined

One ruler with centimeters

One pencil sharpener

One 2 1/2 inch eraser

One blunt scissors

Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers Five ball point pens - no gel ink One box of 16 or 24 count crayons

Thank you for your donations for our quilt project. At the present time we do not need white sheets but appreciate colored flat sheets in good condition to use for backs. Of course we can always use new cotton fabric.

The Bible Study group met in June but will not meet again until September. The next WELCA meeting will be at 9:30 Tuesday August 8. Come early for coffee, rolls, and fellowship.

~Barb Shoen

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Creations Praise:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, who in your selfemptying love gathered up and reconciled all creation to the Father. Innumerable galaxies of the heavens worship you. Creatures that grace the earth rejoice in you. All those in the deepest seas bow to you in adoration. As with them we give you praise, grant that we may cherish the earth, our home, and live in harmony with this good creation, for you lie and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Sundays and Seasons @2012 Augsburg Fortress)

Agriculture:

Abundant God, we give you thanks for the fruitful earth, which produces what is needed for life. Bless those who work in the fields and pasture land; grant favorable weather to all engaged in agriculture and ranching; and help us to ensure that all people share the fruits of the earth, rejoicing in your goodness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (ELW page 81 paraphrased)

Pastor Carol



August 22 & 23rd, 2023
Save the dates.. for our new pictorial directory. A Coordinator will be contacting you to make your appointment

UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:



Fareway-\$69,510.96 Hy-Vee-\$115,004.48

Keep those receipts coming!!

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

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH



The GIFT team will be having a Rummage Sale during Truman Days-Thursday,

July 20 at 9 am—5 pm. and Friday, July 21 at 9 am—5 pm. Some of the items being sold are: household items, vases, Christmas decoration, jewelry, tv, cd player, toys, books, home décor, lamps, wind chimes, hose, Schwinn exercise bike, bike racks for car, some clothing and other misc. items.

If you have items to donate or any questions, contact Ashley at 507-829-9741.



If you are not able to worship on Sunday's in the summer at Trinity, join us on

Wednesday, July 26th Wednesday, August 30th

This is an informal service with songs, prayers, a scripture reading or two and a brief message. The service will include Holy Communion.



Our Deepest Sympathy to Marlene Breitbarth at the death of her husband. Mel. He passed away on Sunday, June 18th. His funeral was held on Thursday, June 22 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Truman.

Our sincere Sympathy to the Arlene Peterson family. Arlene passed away on Tuesday, June 20 in Mankato, MN. Funeral services were held on Friday, June 30th at Trinity Lutheran. Burial was held at Ridgelawn Cemetery.

Chuck Nord passed away on Saturday, June 10th in Fairmont. Memorial services were held on Tuesday, June 20 at Zaharia Funeral Home in Truman.

Truman Needed are: granola bars, crackers, Schools goldfish crackers, cereal, peanut butter/ Pantry jelly, popcorn, juice, juice boxes, cake Needs mixes, frosting, baby food, easy mac, ramen, Deodorant, shampoo/conditioner,

hand soap, bodywash, toothbrushes, feminine products, notebooks, pencils, pens, folders, binders, glue sticks, crayons/colored pencils and markers to be collected at the church.



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

Larry Miller, Rosalie Heckman, Linnea Huss, Jerry Teig, Marilyn Anderson, Marlene Breitbarth & family, Pastor Penny Ritter, The **Arlene Peterson family and Ramona-Darrell** Buhmann's daughter/Robin Miller's sister.



Birthdays & CAuniversaries. July 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Dave & Pat Baarson (51 years)
Barb Shoen (91 yrs)	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY Linda Carlson	y5	6	7	8 Mike Heckman
9	Dale Wiederhoeft	11	12	13 Steve Graham	14	15
16	17 Alaina Klassen	18	Jaiden Cook	20 Logan & Melissa Werner (10 yrs)	21 Vicky Schwanz Melissa Werner	22 Ron Kelley Jared Zupfer
23 Terresa Davis	Pam Rode	25 Jeff Maloney	FAITH	27	28 Larry Miller	29 David Michalke Vern & JoAnn Quade (46 years)
30 Karsan Davis Tammy Selnes	31		LOVE			

August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
444		Joyce Ysker (81 yrs)	2 Dave & Cathy Sorenson (53 yrs)		4	5 Mike & Rhonda Bonk (34 yrs) Rick & Terresa Davis (25 yrs)
6	7 Mike Taylor Allison Klassen Brenda Hansen Dan & Allison Klassen (19 yrs)	8	9	10 Peter Shoen Margaret & Mark Durkee (38 years)	Amy Pettersen	12
13	14	15	16	17 Connie Selnes (84 yrs)	18 Chad Hastad Nikki Smith	19
20 Karen & Tom Kneeland (40 yrs)	21 Dianna Hovdet	22	23	24 Luke Hinton	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Ann Erdmann	He reste	T'es my soul.

DAD'S BELGIAN WAFFLE BREAFAST



TRUMAN DAYS

Saturday, July 22, 2023

7:30—10:30 a.m.

Truman Community Building

ALL YOU CAN EAT

ADULTS \$8.00 - 5 yrs and under FREE

Take outs available

Dine in Air-Conditioned Comfort

Sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church

Truman, MN

Trinity Members—please sign up to help with the waffle breakfast. A Sign up sheet will be posted at the church soon. You can also call the church office at 776-4781. We need everyone help to make this fundraiser for Trinity a success!!

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