

THE MESSENGER

A PUBLICATION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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



Dear Family and Friends of
Trinity,

*"Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
you have chosen me to be—
you have drawn me in your won-
der, you have set your sign on
me."*

"Loving Spirit" ELW #397

For six weeks following the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter), the Church observes the season of Easter. The chancel will continue to show signs of Easter, through banners, paraments and altar cloth colors (white), liturgically we will confess the Nicene Creed, and continue to sing hymns celebrating the resurrection of Jesus. In addition, the Pascal Candle, the tall candle near the altar and the baptismal font is lit each Sunday during the season of Easter. Then we have a change of seasons.

On May 28th the Church (most liturgical churches: Lutheran, Catholic...) will celebrate the Festival of Pentecost, a season that marks the end of the Easter season and begins the longest season of the church year: the season of Pentecost or some call it "Ordinary Time". On May 28th, the color red will drape on the altar, the lectern and the pulpit; reminding us of the tongues of fire and the coming of the Holy Spirit as relayed to us in the second chapter of The Book of Acts of the Apostles in the New Testament.

On the day of Pentecost (28th), we might wear red, decorate the chancel with red flowers, or wave red flags; imagining the tongues of fire that hovered over the heads of the disciples on that day as recorded in The Book of Acts. At Pentecost we could also bake a cake and celebrate the birth of "the church". Before Pentecost there was actually no organized movement that could called

"the church". Yes, there were followers of Jesus, but no "church". So for Christians the coming of the Holy Spirit affirms the formation of what we call, yet, "the church". The Holy Spirit was sent to call the church into being, and to enliven, and enlighten the church and the followers of Jesus. Pentecost is the birthday of the church.

As Lutheran's we confess in the Apostle's Creed our understanding and belief in who the Holy Spirit is and the Spirit's purpose in our life and faith. At baptism we make and receive the promise that the Holy Spirit is present to us, in the church and in our relationship with God, creation and our daily life (The Spirit: "calls, gathers, and enlightens us").

After the celebration on the Sunday of Pentecost, the color red is replaced by the color green, representing the season of Pentecost. Green is a color that reflects growth. We NEVER stop growing as Christians!

During both the Easter and Pentecost season set aside some "growth" time to consider your relationship with God, the Holy Spirit. Ask yourself: *1. Am I relying on the power of God's Spirit today? *2. Am I open to being the channel through which the Spirit can work and I can share my gifts? *3. Are the fruits of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, etc.) growing in my life? *4. Am I joining others in worship, the place where we are called to gather (which is what the Spirit makes happen!) with others to give praise to God?

God bless you and continue to bless the ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church. Live each day in hope and love; acknowledging the grace of God through your words and actions as you move through your daily life!

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
Youth: Caitlyn Carlson



**Trinity Lutheran Church
 Council meeting
 Wednesday April 12, 2023**

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

Devotion- Pastor Carol read a devotion with a discussion.

Secretary- Kathy Wilkening- Correction to the March minutes. Kim Hastad Caitlyn Carlson and Heather Tonkin will be on the Youth Checking account and all others taken off.

Treasures Report- was accepted presented

Stewardship- Margaret Durkee - New ways to give cards have been placed in the church pews.

Lay Ministry Evangelism- None

Properties- Mark Durkee - The barrier sticks on the driveway will remain until the ground firms up. The 2 bushes by the front door of the church may have to be replaced. Maybe boulders would be a better option. The mowing schedule has been made and will be mailed. Clean up will continue with trimming bushes and trees It was decided to pay \$250 for the year to have driveway and lawn sprayed for weeds. Motioned accepted to have Fairmont Glass replace the sweep under the front door.

Christian Ed- Nikki Smith- GIFT had about 30 children and each child went to Dollar General with \$5 each to purchase something for a Easter Basket. Ashley Parish delivered the Easter Baskets to Ronald McDonald house in Sioux Falls. May will be the last GIFT for this season.

Youth- Caitlyn Carlson- Kim Hastad Caitlyn Carlson and Heather Tonkin will be on the Youth checking account and all others taken off. Eight youth went to Mount Kato with more activities planned.

Worship- Cathy Sorenson Pastor Carol would like to see a Wednesday evening service once a month during the summer as so many congregation members have other plans on the weekends during summer.

Pastor would like to have a camp service where camping opportunities are talked about with possible videos or speakers. Memorial benches will be ordered from the Kautz and Peterson families.

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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.

\$531.00 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 March 31, 2023

Checking Account Bal.	\$69,756
Savings Account Bal.	\$53,158

MARCH:	
General Fund Income	\$ 5,867
General Fund Expenses	\$ 7513
Net short	\$ -1646

APRIL:	
Cash Available	\$ 69,756
Bills to pay	\$ 7,011
Cash long	\$ 62,745

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/ CALENDAR YEAR	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
May 7– 5th Sun in Easter	Acts 7:55-60	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
May 14-6th Sun in Easter	Acts 17:22-31	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
May 21-7th Sun in Easter	Acts 1:6-14	1 Peter 4:12-14;5:6-11	John 17:1-11
May 28-Day of Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21	1 Cor 12:3b-13	John 20:19-23

Welcome, New Members

On April 23rd we welcomed our Newest Members to Trinity

DAN & KAREN STRAUSSER – They transferred from Our Savior Lutheran in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin to Truman to be closer to their family. You might know their daughter & son-in-law, Sadie & Chris Mosloski. They are both retired and in Karen's free time she likes to craft, play cards and work with glass.



SYLVIA BALK – She has been coming to Trinity services with her friends, Linda & Elisabeth. Sylvia is a retired nurse. Sylvia likes to crochet, knit and other needle work. She also enjoys to garden and watch sports on TV especially MN teams!



LINDA & ELISABETH CARLSON- Elisabeth helps with our GIFT kids and with 4-H. she travels to rabbit shows and helps with the Lewisville Auxiliary. Elisabeth also makes and sells goat milk soaps and works at STEP. Linda works at

the Truman Casey's and drives the bus for Truman Public schools. She also helps with Lewisville Auxiliary.



JODEE LEWIS & HER FAMILY – Her and her family moved here from St. Peter, MN and now they live in the Truman and Granada area. Her son's are Collyn Lewis who is 14 yrs old, Christopher (Sarah) Forbrook, Cameron (Alicia) Forbrook & baby Felix. JoDee's daughter is Carlee (Mitchell) Scheff). Carlee is going to have a baby boy and is due June 8th. JoDee has another daughter Cassandra Vogel, who lives in New Ulm, MN.



WELCA News

If you have any items for our baby kits please bring them to the church by May 1. They may be put in the quilting room. At our next WELCA meeting we will check to see what more is still needed.

Our next meeting will be May 9 after our Tuesday morning coffee. It seems to work well to have many of our WELCA activities after Tuesday morning coffee.

We have cut quilt blocks then and one Tuesday several women cleaned the kitchen after coffee. Thank you to those doing the work.

The quilts for our five graduate have been completed. They will be presented to the graduates by their prayer ladies. They will then know who has been praying for them and sending them greeting cards.



QUILTERS

We made about 50 quilts this year. Our quilting crew seems to be getting smaller but we still have some faithful workers.

There not only is coffee on Tuesday morning for those of us no longer needing to go to work in the morning but for now we are serving coffee at 9 Sunday morning before the church service. All are welcome to come for fellowship. If anyone would be willing to bring goodies but is unsure of the coffee pot we could find someone else to do the coffee.

~Barb Shoen

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Am looking into getting new Pictorial Book for the congregation. The last pictorial book was 2014.

Soon the new tables will be ordered.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A congregational meeting will be held on April 30 right after the service.

The congregation will be voting on whether to hire a Youth Director.



Cathy recommended Ashley Parish for Youth Director starting in June, Motion passed.

New congregational members were accepted: Sylvia Balk, Linda and Elisabeth Carlson, and Karen and Dan Strausser.

Dan did research for the property insurance. It was decided to switch insurance company's to North Star Mutual Insurance.

Submitted by Secretary,

UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

**Fareway-
\$86,371.56**

Hy-Vee-\$5,303

(Congrats! on making another \$1000.00)

Keep those receipts coming!!

*****Effective June 1, 2023 the threshold for the \$1000 rebate will be increased to \$200,000.***





May

June 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
WORSHIP SCHEDULE Service at 10 am on Sunday's & streaming live on	1 CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon-8-11 am Wed-8-11, 1-4 Fri-8-11 am	2	3 GIFT Class 2:15-5:15	4 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER	5	6
7 Communion Rogation Sunday Blessing of the Seeds	8	9 9:30 am WELCA Mtg at the church	10 7 pm Church Council mtg.	11	12	13
14 Happy Mother's Day	15	16 Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul. <small>3 John 1:2, ESV</small>	17	18 Ascension Day	19 Newsletter DEADLINE!	20
21 Communion 2023 GRADUATION SUNDAY	22	23	24 Confirmation Class 4-5:30 Worship On Wednesday	25	26	27
28 Pentecost Sunday Wear Red!	29 HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY <i>Remember and Honor</i> Church office Closed	30 USHERS FOR MAY Jerome Wille & Mike Heckman	31	MAY LAY READERS 5/7-Josh Tonkin 5/14-Dan Klassen 5/21-Brenda Hansen 5/28-Judy Doble	MAY COMM SERVERS 5/7-Ross Ringeisen 5/21-Margaret Durkee	

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH:

LAWN TRIMMERS NEEDED!

Volunteers are needed to do trimming work around the borders & etc. of the outside of Trinity Church Building. (it would take 30 minutes or less to complete). If interested contact the Church Property members: Mike at 236-4626, Mark at 618-0757 or Brad at 848-0463.



Trinity has banquet tables for sale (8' x 3.6') for \$10 each. Contact Dan Klassen at 507-381-0965 or Trinity office 507-776-4781 on Mon, Wed & Friday mornings.



Cards will reach Pastor Penny at:

Penny Ritter c/o Robert Ritter, 27833 County Rd 107, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472



Save the dates for our new Pictorial Directory on **Tuesday & Wednesday,**

August 22nd & 23rd. We haven't had one done since 2014.



I want to thank Trinity for the beautiful flower basket I received on Administrative Professionals Day. I will treasure this basket all summer! Thank You!

~Brenda Hansen~ Trinity's Office Admin



W.O.W. - Worship on Wednesday

Summer is a busy time with camping and fishing trips, reunions, graduations, family travel and guests, fairs, community sports all happening on the weekends! If you are unable to worship on Sundays at Trinity, Pastor Carol and the Worship Committee will be planning a WOW service once a month on Wednesday. It will be very informal; providing some songs, prayer, scripture reading, a brief message and Holy Communion. The service might be inside, in the small chapel or outside on the lawn/concrete patio (*there will be chairs, but if you want, bring your own lawn chair or blanket*).

**Worship On Wednesday: will be held
WEDNESDAYS: AT 6:30 pm**

May 24th

June 28th

July 26

August 30th

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, Mel & Marlene Breitbarth and Pastor Penny Ritter.

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

Remember your
OFFERINGS



MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Sun

Mon






Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1 Jan Ringeisen	2	3 Mindy Cook	4 Annabelle Hegg	5	6 Oaklynn Beebe
7	8	9 Dan Strausser Brian & Karen Nickerson (26 years)	10 Ruby Tonkin	11 Chris Duncanson	12 Mariel Parish	13 Addison Smith
14 HAPPY Mother's DAY!	15 Cameron & Alicia Forbrook (1 Year)	16	17 Gavin Kester Tanner Mammenga	18	19 Laura Langvardt	20 Olivia Tonkin
21 Carter Brudelite Norm & Marilyn Anderson (57 years)	22	23	24 Jake & Nicole Ebert (10 years)	25 Gary & Linda Meyer (55 years) 	26 Roxanne Lehr	27 Dominic Klassen
28	29 Jackson Hastad 	30	31 Duke Drevlow Gary Meyer			

2023 SCHEDULE

	Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp	Green Lake Bible Camp	Camp House
Week 1 June 11-15		Congregational Bookings	Confirmation Up North
Week 2 June 18-22	Half Blast Andy's Gang Trailblazers Stargazers Community Guides	Pastor's Family Camp	Fishing Camp Up North Congregational Bookings
Week 3 June 25-29	Half Blast Andy's Gang Trailblazers Fishing Camp Stargazers Community Guides	Congregational Bookings	High School Up North Family Camp
Week 4	Fourth of July		
Week 5 July 9-13	Congregational Bookings	Camp Joy (July 10-13)	Congregational Bookings
Week 6 July 16-20	Half Blast Andy's Gang Trailblazers Stargazers Community Guides Onsite Day Camp	Grandparent Grandchild Camp (July 16-19) Quilt Auction (July 21-22)	Congregational Bookings
Week 7 July 23-27	Half Blast Andy's Gang Trailblazers Stargazers Community Guides	Family Camp	Congregational Bookings
Week 8 July 30-Aug 3	Half Blast Andy's Gang Trailblazers Stargazers Community Guides Onsite Day Camp	Congregational Bookings	Congregational Bookings
Week 9 August 6-10	Congregational Bookings	Congregational Bookings	Congregational Bookings

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Summer Camp Registration opens on December 13, 2022
- Early Bird Discount (\$50 off each program) ends February 16, 2023
- Program eligibility is based on grade completed in Spring 2023
- This schedule is subject to change. The most up-to-date schedule can be found at GLLM.org

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Grades Program

K-5	Onsite Day Camp
1-4	Half Blast
2-5	Andy's Gang
5-7	Trailblazers
5-7	Fishing Camp
*	Confirmation Up North
7-9	Stargazers
7-9	Fishing Camp Up North
9-12	High School Up North
10-12	Community Guides

* Open to confirmation-aged students

GREEN LAKE LUTHERAN ministries

HOW TO REGISTER FOR CAMP



Scan for online registration!

Register Online at GLLM.org

- Online registration is the best and most streamlined way for you to register and is highly encouraged. Registration is available online at GLLM.org.
- You can use the same username (email address) and password if you registered online last summer. If you are a new user to this system, create a new account.

Register by Mail

- Complete this paper registration form and mail it to: Green Lake Lutheran Ministries, Attn: Registrar, 9916 Lake Avenue South, Spicer, Minnesota 56288

Program eligibility is based on the grade your camper has completed by the summer of 2023.

Payment Notes

A \$150 deposit is required to complete registration. Exceptions are made for congregational payments, scholarships, etc.

If you would like to set up a payment plan, please contact our Registrar 320-796-2181.

We want camp to be accessible to all. For this reason, we have two levels of pricing as well as scholarships available. See page 7 for more details.

Cancellations

Cancellations received 30 days before the camper's arrival date will receive a refund minus a \$50 administration fee. All other cancellations are non-refundable.

Exceptions may be made due to family emergencies and illness.

DISCOUNTS

Early Bird Discount
\$50 off each registered program through February 16

Sibling Discount
\$20 for a full week
\$10 for Half Blast

IMPORTANT DATES

December 13, 2022
Registration Opens

February 16, 2023
Early Bird Discount Ends

May 22, 2023
Final Camper Payments Due

SCHOLARSHIPS

We want camp to be available to everyone who wants to come! Many churches offer scholarships to help with the cost of camp.

In addition, if you would like to apply for financial assistance through GLLM, please fill out the Scholarship Application. This form can be found in this brochure, at GLLM.org or can be requested by calling camp at 320-796-2181. Once your application is processed, GLLM will send a confirmation email or letter to you.

For an application or to ask any questions, call camp at 320-796-2181.

2023 YOUTH RETREATS

Visit www.gllm.org for more information about upcoming events and to register online! Registration available via mail and over the phone by contacting our office at retreat@gllm.org or 320-796-2181.

FALL FRENZY YOUTH RETREAT

Friday, September 29, 6:30 PM - Saturday, September 30, 4:30 PM

Green Lake Bible Camp

Grades 2-6 - Fee: \$85

If you are an experienced camper who can't wait a whole year to come back, or if you are brand new to camp, this is the perfect retreat for you! Come join us as we explore God's word, play games, spend time outside, and enjoy the beauty of camp in the fall. Some of the summer staff will even be back! Let's have some fun together!



2023 ADULT RETREATS

Visit www.gllm.org for more information about upcoming events and to register online! Registration available via mail and over the phone by contacting our office at retreat@gllm.org or 320-796-2181.

SPIRIT RIDE & STRIDE RETREAT

Thursday, August 17-Monday, August 21, 2023

Camp House

Fee: 4 Nights: \$225 | 3 Nights: \$175 | 2 Nights: \$125

Spend a long weekend riding through the North Shore area, enjoying the comforts of Camp House. This is a great opportunity for a relaxing weekend with fun rides through some of God's beautiful creation. Spirit Ride is open to individuals, couples, and groups - with motorcycles, four wheelers, bicycles, or hiking, walking and running shoes!



GOOD NEWS, GOOD BREWS

Fall 2023 - Specific Date TBD

Medayto Lodge at Green Lake Bible Camp

Must be 21 to attend - Fee: \$175

Join Pastor Reggie Klindworth as he shares the Good News and walks you through the craft brewing process. No matter the experience level, come join us for a great opportunity for crafting, conversation and community. Activities include brewing beer, visiting a local brewery, fishing, community time and devotions.



REGISTER ONLINE GLLM.ORG



CREST
Enhancing Quality of Life

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you have a few hours to spare a month?

Our volunteers donate just that to help the aging population in Martin County! Give us a call now to find out more! Bonus...you are not bound to any day or time, if we call and you're busy...that's ok! We'll catch you another time!

CALL NOW! THE NEED IS HERE! 235.3833



820 WINNEBAGO AVE/FAIRMONT MN 56031

Grief Support

You are not alone in your grief. Come meet with others who understand.

Tuesday, May 16 - June 20

2:30pm @ CREST

820 Winnebago Ave/Fairmont MN

Register by Friday, May 12 to

CREST 235.3833 or

UHD 507.525.1560

UHD
UNITED HOSPITAL
DISTRICT

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• Chemical Free
• Deodorized
• Fluffed
• Sanitized

Pillow Cleaning

THURSDAY, MAY 4

7:30am - 3:30pm

Evangelical Covenant Church
901 Woodland Ave, Fairmont MN

Upper level of the Church

- We have a wide variety of new down/feather pillows and down comforters for sale too!
- Crushed foam pillows can be cleaned.
- Polyester pillows can be recovered.



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