

THE MESSENGER

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



May is a month of endings and beginnings. School year comes to a close, high school seniors experience the final “last times” in activities, academics and sports. There is Mother’s Day and the beginning of summer with Memorial Day weekend. Lots of gatherings, lots of planning, lots of activity! There are a few BIG festivals/occasions also on the church calendar: Pentecost and Holy Trinity Sunday. My focus in this brief note is Pentecost.

O Living Breath of God (ELW#407)

Vs. 1: O living Breath of God,
wind at the beginning upon the waters;
O living Breath of God,
bearing the creation to wondrous birth:
(Genesis 1: 1-2) Refrain

Vs. 2: O living Breath of God,
by whose power the Son
came to birth among us;
O living Breath of God,
who to the creation gives
life anew: (John 1:1-9) Refrain

Vs. 3 O living Breath of God,
bearing us to life through
baptismal waters; (Rom.6:3-4)
O living Breath of God,
sighing with creation
for freedom’s birth. (Romans 8:22-23)

Refrain:
Come now, and fill our spirits;
pour out your gifts abundant.
O living Breath of God,
Holy Spirit; breathe in us as we pray.
(Romans 8:26-27) Refrain

The hymn: “O Living Breath of God” (ELW#407- not the most sing-able, but the words convey the message); captures the meaning of Pentecost and the receiving of the Holy Spirit quite well. As the church observes the festival of Pentecost on Sunday, May 19th, we pause and celebrate the church’s birthday. Pentecost was the day that the Holy Spirit came upon a crowd gathered. The crowd was very diverse. Rev. Dr. Rolf Jacobson (Luther Seminary) describes Pentecost in the following way: “Pentecost was an event that “lit a fire-quite literally- (read about it in Acts 2!) under the witness of the church.”

Pentecost is fifty days after Easter (on the 7th Sunday after Easter). The church celebrates Pentecost Sunday with the color red and following this specific observation we enter the season of Pentecost (color green), which runs right up to Christ the King Sunday (November 24, 2024); making the longest season of the church year calendar.

As we enter this season of Pentecost, **read all about it in Acts 2**, check out other hymns in the ELW or other resources under the Festival of Pentecost and use them for devotions! Finally, come and worship, pray daily, serve your neighbor, share of your time, talents, and possessions; gather in fellowship- WEAR RED to worship on the 19th! (Ok it might clash with Truman High School colors, as it is also the Sunday, our graduates are recognized!) The Holy Spirit calls, gathers and enlightens us- the baptized people of God and “makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith.” (Luther’s Small Catechism-Third Article Explanation)

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COUNCIL MINUTES

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President: Josh Tonkin

Vice President: Dan Klassen

Secretary: Kathy Wilkening

Financial Admin: Nikki Smith

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, April 10, 2024**

Members Present: Kathy Wilkening Dan Klassen Cathy Sorenson Nikki Smith Ashley Parrish Mark Durkee Margaret Durkee Judy Doble Josh Tonkin

Secretary Report-Kathy Wilkening - was accepted as read

Treasurer Report- The income through March is down \$5,095.23 from the 2024 budget. Motion passed to accept as read.

Stewardship-Margaret Durkee
None

Lay Ministry/Evangelism-Judy Doble - LeAnn Maloney has joined the committee with Judy Doble and Donna Kotewa. More help would be appreciated. They have been looking at

the bylaws for updates. Served donuts and coffee after Maundy Thursday service.

Church Properties -Mark Durkee -Replaced the lights in the sign out front. A new ballast is needed. Also looking to replace some lights in the fellowship hall.

Youth- GIFT - Ashley Parish and Nikki Smith - GIFT met twice in March. Pastor gave ideas for next year's confirmation curriculum. Deep Roots Confirmation by Rev. Breen Marie Sipes was chosen for next year. GIFT will meet 2 times in April as well as do the April 14th worship service. Youth are planning to arrange flowers on May 1st. The confirmation retreat for April was full so they decided to go to Shetek November retreat with the current students as well as the new confirmands. On March 20 Camp representatives from Shetek and Green Lake visited with the GIFT kids. They sang songs, played games, and talked about camp. Kids were given camp brochures to take home.

**The last GIFT class
is on May 15th, the
kids will have a talent
show to showcase the
gifts God has given
them. Meal to follow.
All are welcome!**

Pastors Report: Prepared for Affirmation of Baptism for Confirmands. Continued with home and assisted living with many phone calls, emails and cards. Visited with Pastor Sipes about the confirmation program for next year. Pastor will be on vacation May 14 to May 30. Pastor is thinking of having a Eccumenical service at Graf Park during Truman Days. Old Business: Cathy looked at the by-laws and it is OK to be on more than one committee.

NEW BUSINESS: Received a thank you from the Synod for donation.

Submitted by Secretary

Kathy Wilkening



Marilyn Anderson has moved to a different room:
1640 Blue Jay Blvd.,
Goldfinch Memory Care - Room #27,
Fairmont, MN 56031



Treasurer's Summary Report As of March 31, 2024

Checking Account Bal.	\$70,965
Savings Account Bal.	\$54,887

MARCH:

General Fund Income	\$ 7,726
General Fund Expenses	\$ 8,833
Net short	\$(1,107)

APRIL:

Cash Available	\$ 70,965
Bills to pay	\$ 8,043
Cash long	\$62,922

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER/YOUTH DIRECTOR

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/ CALENDAR YEAR	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
May 5—6th Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:44-48	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17
May 12—7th Sun of Easter	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	1 John 5:9-13	John 17:6-19
May 19-Pentecost/Grad Recog	Acts 2:1-21	Romans 8:22-27	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
May 26-The Holy Trinity	Isa 6:1-8	Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17



Youth Director Newsletter for May

Our Seniors will be graduating soon! I hope you enjoyed your time as seniors and embrace this new chapter of your life. I have enjoyed getting to know you over the years, I wish you all the best!

The school year went by very fast! I will have a ninth grader and a sixth grader! It has been an eventful year with many celebrations, and I have many things to be grateful for. My family had First Communion and Confirmation, we have consistently had 40+ kids at every GIFT and we have many more activities planned! I am so thankful and overwhelmed by the support that my family, our GIFT program, and our Youth programs have received this year. Thank you!

Ashley Parish Youth Director

May Activities:

May 1st - 2:15pm-5:30pm GIFT

6:00pm-8:00pm Youth Group will deliver flowers to some congregation members.

May 15th - 2:15pm-5:30pm **Last GIFT of the school year!**

(GIFT celebration and Talent show at 5:30pm with meal to follow! All are welcome!)

We want to make our last GIFT of the school year extra special by having a celebration! We will be having a talent show with a meal to follow. **The talent show starts at 5:30 pm.** The meal will be grilled hot dogs, chips, cake and ice cream. **Everyone is welcome to join us!** Thank you for all your support this past school season. Thank you to the GIFT volunteers!

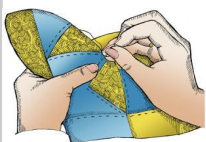




WELCA News

If you were able to go to Trinity in Madelia on April 9 for the Salad Luncheon you had a nice meal of ham sandwiches, a big choice of salads, and cupcakes from Sweet Indeed. Where else can you get this much food for \$6.00? There was also a lot of nice door prizes. This event is put on by the Living Meadows Auxiliary and the profit aids the residents of the home. If you are able to, consider going to this event next year.

On Sunday, May 19, there will be a reception honoring our graduates at 9 am that morning. During the church services these graduates will be honored: Carter Brudellie, Jonah Carlson, Jordan Carlson, Ashlyn Cook, Luke Kester and Keegan Hastad. At this time they will be presented with the quilts that were especially made for each of them. They will be presented by their "Trinity Friend" who has been praying for them and sending greeting cards.



QUILTERS

Our quilting ladies made seventy six quilts this year, including the special graduates ones. If you know of any person organization

in need of quilts, please let us know. Also if you or anyone you know could donate cotton fabric to us it would be greatly appreciated. The one thing we do not need any more is white sheets!

Barb Shoen

WE ARE THE CHURCH! Let us move forward in mission and ministry held by the promises of God and the power of the Holy Spirit!

Pastor Carol



PASTOR'S NOTES:

Pastor Carol and her husband Pr. Jon Mapa, will be on **vacation from May 14th through May 29th**. If you have a pastoral care emergency, you may contact:

Josh Tonkin: 507-473-3461 - Congregational President

Brenda Hansen: (507) 236-2149 - Office Administrator

Pastoral care will be notified and your needs addressed. **Do NOT** try to contact Pastor Carol as she will be out of the lower 48 and contact ability will be very limited. Thank you and have a great second half of the month of May!!

ADULT EDUCATION: Final Bible Study meeting time is May 5th Will reorganize in Fall/September.

UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:



Fareway-\$69,510.96

Hy-Vee-\$50,142.04

Keep those receipts coming!!

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

LAWN MOWING FOR MAY

5/1-5/4 –Clayton/ Brian N.

5/5-5/11-Dennis & Pam Rode

5/12-5/18-Dan Klassen

5/19-5/25-Mark Durkee

5/26-5/31– Mark Durkee



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<u>WORSHIP SCHEDULE</u> Service at 10 am on Sunday's Streaming live on FB	<u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u> Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11, 1-4 Fri-8:00-11:00	<u>Pastor Carol Office Hours</u> Mon 10-12 Wed 10-12 <i>Call her to contact any other times.</i>	1 GIFT Class 2:15-5:30	2 	3	4
5 <u>Communion</u>	6	7 9:45 am Open Bible	8 1:45 Worship mtg Confirmation (6 & 7) 2:15-3:15 7 pm Council	9 	10	11
12 <u>Communion</u> 	13	14 Pastor on — vacation —	15 2:15-5:30 GIFT Class 	16	17 Newsletter 	18
19 <u>Pentecost</u> 	20	21 Pastor vacation	22 2:15-3:15 Confirmation (6 & 7)	23	24	25 Keegan Hastad Open House Grad party 1-4 pm at Trinity
26 <u>Trinity Sunday</u> 	27 Church office closed 	28 Pastor vacation	29 <u>May Ushers</u> Jerome W. & Louis H.	30 <u>May Lay Readers</u> 5– Donna K 12-Clayton D 19-Jan R. 26-Judy D.	31 <u>May Comm. Servers</u> 5-Dan K. 19-Yvonne N Pr Carol back	<u>Acolyte's for May</u> 5-Mariel & Callie Parish 12-Carter & Liam Werner 19-Allaina K & Sophia C. 26-Jackson H.

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH

Pamela S. Gianni D.

Kili L.

Jaren O.

Will O.

Kyle K.

Gravin H.

Tavion J.

Keegan Jannh.C

Allie Kuehl

Jordan C. Tyson M.

Luke Kuster

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Thank you for allowing our class to use the space for our pancake breakfast!

Love from the Class of 2024

TPS students

Big Thank You!



CLASS OF 2024

Senior Recognition Day is on May 19th

We will honor our 2024 graduating seniors from Trinity. A reception will be held at 9 am. At 10 am will be the worship service where they will receive their quilts from WELCA. Be sure to join us to congratulate our six High School Graduates.

With Sympathy

Our Sympathy to the Duke (Carolyn) Drevlow family on the death of his mother, Gloria who passed away at home on March 31, 2024. The funeral was held on April 8th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Truman. Burial was held at Ridgelawn Cemetery in rural Truman.

Deepest Sympathy to the family of Mary Lehr. She passed away on April 16 in Fairmont, MN. Her funeral was held at Trinity on April 24th. She was buried at Ridgelawn Cemetery in rural Truman.

Congratulations to the Confirmation students who Affirmed their Baptism on April 7th, 2024 at Trinity Lutheran.

In front - Carter Werner, Landon Schneider And Mariel Parish. In back - Pastor Carol, Dominic Klassen, Cordae Mesa, and their teacher—Laurie Sherman.

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.

\$382.00 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!



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

Prayers Jerry Teig, Norm & Marilyn Anderson, Linnea Huss, Pastor Penny Ritter, and Lois Lloyd's daughter-Amy, Gary Mapa and the families of Duke & Carolyn Drevlow and Mary Lehr.

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

Remember to...

**Give
Online**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Jan Ringeisen	2 	3 Mindy Cook	4 Annabelle Hegg
5	6	7 Oaklynn Beebe	8	9 Daniel Strausser Brian & Karen Nickerson (27 years)	10 Ruby Tonkin	11 Chris Duncanson
12 Mariel Parish Happy Mother's Day	13 Addison Smith	14	15 Cameron & Alicia Forbrook (2 years)	16	17 Gavin Kester Tanner Mammenga	18
19 Laura Langvardt PENTECOST SUNDAY	20 Olivia Tonkin	21 Carter Bruderie Norm & Marilyn Anderson (58 years)	22	23	24 Jake & Nicole Ebert (11 years)	25 Gary & Linda Meyer (56 years)
26 Roxanne Lehr TRINITY SUNDAY	27 Dominic Klassen HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY	28	29 Jackson Hastad	30	31 Duke Drevlow Gary Meyer	

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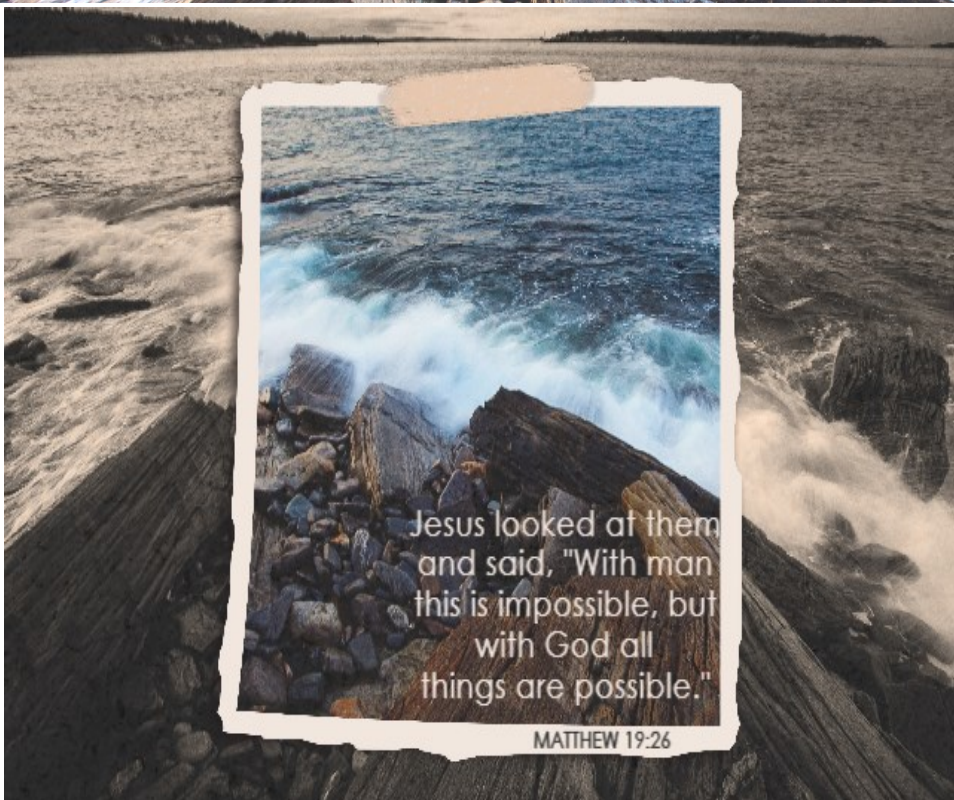
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