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~Welcome to Trinity Lutheran... Warm



Dear Trinity Family,

We are entering into the season of lent. It is one of my favorite seasons of the church year, because for me it answers the “Why” question...Why Church? -. It is Jesus! God’s love incarnate and how that impacts and sustains life today.

As human beings, we know that life can be full of great joys and also great sorrows...that we can be wonderful delightful human beings and at times not so wonderful or delightful and need of grace. This lent Sunday and Wednesday Lenten worships we are going to journey together Facing the Cross. As Jesus’ life and ministry on earth was coming close to an end. This time in Jesus’ ministry can be referred to as the time that Jesus turned his face toward Jerusalem. As Jesus set his face and journeyed toward Jerusalem, each and every step brought him on step closer to the encountering the pain of the cross...for humanity.

This Lenten series invites us to set our face to the cross of Christ. We will dare to face together aspects of our lives that are not always helpful for us in living fully as we are as beloved children of God.

Our themes for lent are:

Facing our Sins– acknowledging our own sinfulness and rejoice in Christ’s forgiveness.

Facing Temptation-acknowledging we give into temptations at times but Christ gives us the power to resist temptation.

Facing Our Fears-recognizing what stiles fear in our hearts helps us to cling more tightly to Christ.

Facing Our Worldliness-accepting we are often all too dependent on worldly good open the door to seeing the value of everlasting blessings.

Facing One Another-confessing that we have not always treated each other in a Christlike manner helps to build better relationships.

Facing Suffering-enduring suffering in this world connects us to Christ. Reminding us that Christ meets us at the foot of the cross and points us to the joy to come.

We gather together this lent to journey with Jesus , as he turns his face to Jerusalem, facing the cross. May we also take this time to reflect on our lives, the things that get in the way, and acknowledge the power and hope of that come when Jesus who has faced the cross, conquered death, and rose again. To finally be held in the promise that we have a God, who take on flesh, understands our pain and suffering and meets us precisely as we are at the foot of the cross...and doesn’t leave us there. It is Christ who offers us forgiveness, power to resist temptation, and live boldly as Children of God.

Journeying with you!

Pastor Krista

Congregational
STAR

We are starting a new article about a shining “Star” in our Congregation. We will feature an article about someone special from Trinity every month this year.



BARB SHOEN

Q. Have you always lived in this area?

A. I graduated from Granite Falls. I have lived here since Jim & I got married in 1958.

Q. Do you have family members? If so, name your siblings first then your immediate family members.

A. I have a one sister who lives in Granite Falls. My kids are Tom, Peter, Connie and Carolyn. I have 10 grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

Q. Where do you work or have retired from?

A. I taught elementary for 10 years in Wells, Mankato, and Truman. Then I quit to be a homemaker and “Farmer’s Assistant.” I also did substitute teaching in Truman.

Q. List your favorite hobbies/interests.

A. Making mission quilts, reading, playing cards, doing puzzles.

Q. Have you traveled any place interesting?

A. Some of my most fun trips were to Tybee Island, GA., the Black Hills and Colorado because they were family vacations with our kids and grandkids.

Q. Do you do, or have done any volunteer work?

A. Most of my volunteer work has been at Trinity.

Q. Is there any other information you would like to share with us?

A. When we were married Jim was a member of the Church of Christ. He told me he would to church with me but not join. However, I was very happy when a year later he decided on his own to become a member here.

Q. What is your favorite part or memory of Trinity Lutheran Church?

A. The Christmas Eve service, Martha Circle, Quilting days and the friendliness of the people in our church.

**Editors Note:* Barb has been our Financial Secretary at Trinity for many years. She has been very active in our WELCA as president and other officer positions, plus in charge of the quilting. She also is a scripture reader and communion server. Thank you! Barb, for all your talents here at Trinity Lutheran Church.



TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Grant Hartman
Vice President: Heather Tonkin
Secretary: Cathy Sorenson
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith
Ch Properties: Duane Heckman
Stewardship: Arlene Peterson
Lay Ministry: Laurie Wille
Worship: Jan Ringeisen
Youth: Teresa Zaharia
Pastor Krista

**Trinity Lutheran Church
 Council Meeting
 Wednesday Feb. 19 2020
 (one week late due to storm)
 7:35 PM**

Call to order -
 President Heather Tonkin,
 Vice President - Yvonne
 Noorlun, Secretary Report -
 Kathy Wilkening, Treasurer's
 Report - Clayton Duncanson,
 Members present: Teresa
 Zaharia, Rhonda Bonk,
 Nikki Smith, Clayton Duncanson,
 Kathy Wilkening,
 Heather Tonkin, Yvonne
 Noorlun, Laurie Wille

President Heather called meeting to order. Discussion on when the meetings will be canceled and rescheduled. The conscientious was if no school, no meetings. The following Wednesday will be the rescheduled meeting. Kathy read the secretary's report and it was approved. Clayton gave the treasures report. A payment of \$12,000 was issued to Fairmont Roofing for down payment for roofing project.

Checking account has \$7,652 and savings \$80,259. The report was approved.

Stewardship: Rhonda said nothing new.

Lay Ministry: Laurie continues to send cards.

Christian Ed: Nikki said the GIFT Program continues to receive donations. A GIFT Program checking account will be set up at the Profinium Bank with Nikki and Brenda on the account.

Lent Services for Truman:

March 4th - 5:45-6:45 Lenten supper Taco Bar and root beer floats - Service at 7 pm

March 11 - 7 pm Service at Madelia

March 18th - 5:45-6:45 Scaloped potatoes and ham, and bread - Service at 7 pm

March 25th - 7 pm Service at Madelia

April 1st - 5:45-6:45 Hot Dogs/Hamburgers with toppings, Bars - Service at 7 pm

Youth: Total of 15 will participate in the Youth mission trip to help charities in the Minneapolis area.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on cremation funerals without Funeral Homes assistance. Trinity Lutheran Church Cremation Memorial Service Planning: dealing with the death and grief over the loss of a loved one is very painful. It is strongly

encouraged, that a funeral home of your choice should be contacted upon the death of a loved one to help you with the many decisions and details that surround this life transition. During such an emotional time, it is hard to make decisions, and yet there are necessary arrangements that must be made. However, as more and more families opt for cremation services other than a funeral home, these details are left for the families to handle on their own. In recognition of this, as well as in recognition of the fact the church is not staffed or skilled in all facets of funeral arranging Trinity Lutheran will not provide funeral arrangements serves. Trinity welcomes families to have a funeral in our church with the assistance of a funeral home of the family's choice. Laurie motion and Nikki second.

Rhonda Adjourned Kathy second.

Submitted by
 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.

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

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/Calendar year	THEME	BIBLICAL TEXT
March 1-First Sun in Lent	<i>Facing Temptation</i>	Genesis 3:1-13 Matthew 4:1-11
March 8-2nd Sun in Lent	<i>Facing Our Fears</i>	1 Kings 19:1-13 Mark 4:36-41
March 15-3rd Sun in Lent	<i>Facing Our Worldliness</i>	Genesis 11:1-9 Matthew 19:16-30
March 22-4th Sun in Lent	<i>Facing One Another</i>	Exodus 34:29-35 John 19:26-28
March 29-5th Sun in Lent	<i>Facing Suffering</i>	Job 19:25-27 Matthew 27:27-31

MARCH LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY GIFT SCHOOL— Every Wednesday from 2:15 until 5:00 pm

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

3/1 & 3/8

COMMUNION SERVERS:

3/1— Jan Ringeisen
3/8— Donna Kotewa

LAY READERS:

3/1—Laurie Wille
3/8—Clayton Duncanson
3/15—Dave Sorenson
3/22—Margaret Durkee
3/29—Brenda Hansen

ACOLYTES:

3/1—Ashlyn Cook
3/8—Ashlyn Cook
3/15—Jonah Carlson
3/22—Ashlyn Cook
3/29—Jordan Carlson

MARCH USHERS: *Duane Heckman, Danny Lang and Tom Kneeland

In case of inclement weather, announcements about Trinity's worship service cancellations will be found on Trinity's website, Facebook page and on the KEYC television station .



Sign up in the office for Text Alert! for your cell phone. You may also sign up for a phone call; just fill out the sheet on the table in the narthex and send the form to the church office.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

LENT

March 4th - 5:45-6:45 Lenten Supper hosted by the Youth. (Taco bar & rootbeer floats-free will offering)

7 pm Lenten Worship at Trinity Truman

March 11th—7 pm Lenten Worship at Madelia

March 18th - 5:45-6:45 Lenten Supper hosted by the Youth. (Scalloped potatoes and ham, bread-free will offering)

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WELCA NEWS

Our February meeting was scheduled for the seventeenth but because of the heavy snow that fell that afternoon we postponed our meeting until the next day. At least the weather has not caused us to cancel our quilting days this year!

In January we tied 39 quilts. Thank you to Geri Peterson for bringing fifteen quilts ready to tie. We are always ready to welcome new people to come and join us. If you can tie a knot we would welcome you. Not only do we have a noon meal but we have goodies both morning and afternoon.

We were given a pattern for making some neat walker bags which we plan to give to the nursing homes in Truman and Madelia. We will find a time to get together to work on them.

After the Living Meadows Auxiliary meeting in March we will have a list of food and workers we need to furnish for the Spring Festival in Madelia. The Spring Festival will be held on April 14.

The Watonwan conference Spring Gathering will be April 25. The program will be given by a group of people from New Ulm who went on a mission trip to the Mexican border

in February. It will be very interesting. All of our Trinity women are invited.

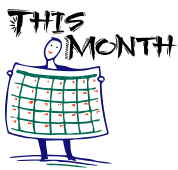
Please add Don & Sandy Meyer to Working Division B in your WELCA handbook.

Our last quilting days will be March 30 & 31. If you know of any organizations that could use quilts, please let us know.



**Trinity Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Summary Report
January 31, 2020**

Checking Account Balance	\$ 7,652
Savings Account Balance	\$ 80,259
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 127
December:	
General Fund Income	\$ 7,632
General Fund Expenses (12,000 on roof)	\$ 21,371
Net Loss	\$ 13,739
February:	
Cash available	\$ 7,652
Bills to pay	\$ 8,425
Cash short	773
Savings Account:	
Building Funds	\$ 8,308
Building Fund Interest	\$
Roof Fund	\$ 54,229
Lent	\$ 1,244
Christmas Offering	\$ 1,463
Thanksgiving	\$ 213
Sunday School	\$ 675
Camper Scholarships	\$ 1,133
Mission/Ministries	\$ 1,975
General Fund	\$ 19,020
Total	\$ 84,260
Office Admin's list of payables	<u>\$ 7,725</u>
Estimate mileage & Cell phone For Madelia	\$ 700
	\$ 8,425



April 2020						
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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
<p>1 <u>Communion</u></p> <p> First Sunday IN LENT</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1:30 Martha at Barb S.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5 NO GIFT (Spring Break)</p> <p>5:45-6:45 Lenten Supper</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Worship</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9 am Open Bible Study At the church</p>	<p>6</p> <p></p>	<p>7</p> <p></p>
<p>8 <u>Communion</u></p> <p> Second Sunday IN LENT</p>	<p>9</p> <p> "LORD, I BELIEVE." JOHN 9:38</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>GIFT School 2-5:30</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Worship (M)</p> <p>7:30 Church council mtg.</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p> Third Sunday IN LENT</p> <p>Conf-U class 12:15-3 pm at Madelia</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>GIFT School 2-5:30</p> <p>5:45-6:45 Lenten Supper</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Worship (T)</p>	<p>19</p> <p></p>	<p>20</p> <p></p> <p>Pat Jones</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Scrapbooking</p>
<p>22</p> <p> Fourth Sunday IN LENT</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>GIFT School 2-5:30</p> <p>7 pm Lenten Worship (M)</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Mike Heckman marries Paula Kester at Trinity</p> <p></p>
<p>29</p> <p> Fifth Sunday IN LENT</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9 am Messenger assembly</p> <p></p> <p>9 am Quilting Days</p>	<p>31</p>	<p><u>Worship Schedule</u></p> <p>SUNDAY Worship 10:30 AM</p> <p>GIFT SCHOOL Wednesday's</p>	<p><u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <p>Mon-8:00-11:00</p> <p>Wed-8-11 & 1-4</p> <p>Fri-7:00-10:00</p>	<p><u>Pastor Krista's Office Hours</u></p> <p>Tuesday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p> <p>Friday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p>	<p></p> <p>Easter's Coming! April 12th</p>

DON'T SETTLE

*For most of us, the great danger is not that we will renounce our faith.

*It is that we will become so distracted and rushed and preoccupied that we will settle for a mediocre version of it.

*We will just skim our lives instead of actually living them.

—John Ortberg, *The Life You've Always Wanted*



25th Annual Festival of Music
Sunday, March 8th, 2020 at 2:00 PM

Hosted by Grace Lutheran Church
300 S Grant Street, Fairmont MN

We invite you to come and enjoy music presented
by area church choirs & musicians



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

Prayers Vi Benoy, Ardene Miller and Monty Selnes. Be present with your Spirit, Lord, and lead us to be your presence to all. Amen.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF AREA CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES...

Foster parents are greatly needed in Martin County! As a foster care provider, you have the opportunity to provide love, guidance, support, and stability to children while they work with their case managers and birth parents to try and resolve current difficulties in their lives.

Applicants must be 21 years of age or older and able to pass a background study; they can be married or single and can either own or rent their home.

For more information, contact Jen Nelson, Licensor Human Services of Faribault and Martin counties. 507-526-3265 or jen.nelson@fmchs.com



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$23,501.30

Hy-Vee-\$140,857.99

Gas & Pharmacy receipts also count

***Please don't cut off the receipts--the amounts are getting cut off and making them useless.*

BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Carter Werner	3	4 Dan & Nikki Smith (14 years)	5 Kim Hastad Luke Kester	6 	7 Brytni Drevlow Dawn Fedder
8 	9 Tallin Cook	10 Tom Dodge	11 Sandy Meyer	12 Tom Kneeland	13	14 Muriel Druck  90th BIRTHDAY Justin Kelley
15 Mary Lou Hoppe (85 years)  Happy Birthday!	16 Jordan Penkaty	17 Ashlyn Cook Chris Hyndman	18	19  Spring	20 Colby Brudellie Jerry Teig (84 years)	21 Julie Brudellie Chloe Hartman Jerome & Laurie Wille (39 years)
22 Carson Hastad Karen Nickerson	23	24	25 Don & Kathy Wilkening (53 years) 	26 Darrell Buhmann (83 years) MiKayla Carlson	27	28 Dan & Denise Janssen (21 years) 
29 Donna Kotewa	30 Darin Carlson Don & Sandy Meyer (35 years) Maurice Hoppe (92 years)	31 				



LENTEN MEALS
by the Youth

The Trinity Youth Group will again be serving the Lenten Meals before our Wednesday Lenten Worship Services from 5:45-6:45 pm - (free will offering)



March 4 –Taco bar and rootbeer floats

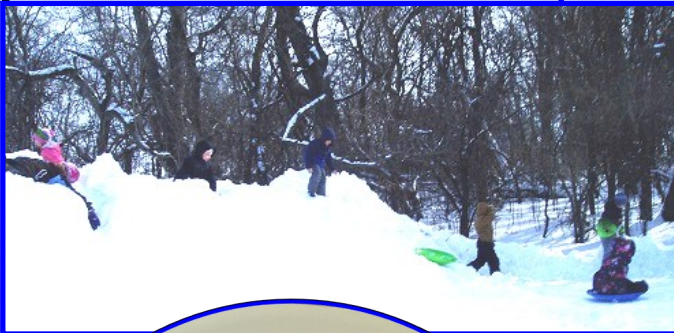
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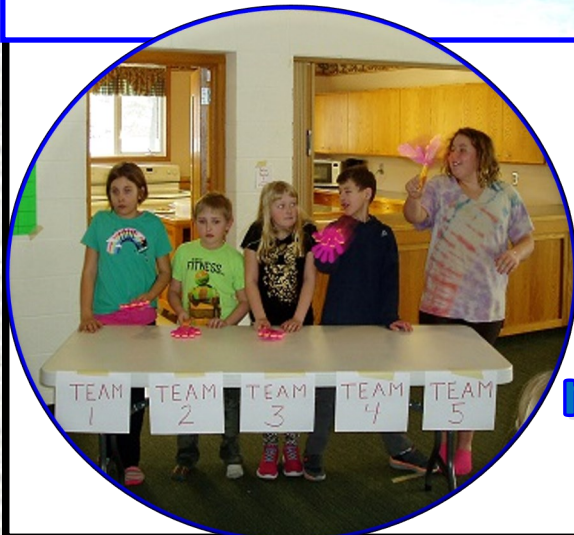
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Growing in Faith Together



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THE MESSENGER

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March 2020

God's Blessings to:



“Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, always bring your own sunshine.”
—Anthony J. D’Angelo

MARCH

2020



TRINITY WORSHIP-10:30 AM
CHURCH SCHOOL- Wednesday's
(2 pm after school until 5:30 pm. 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, & 1-4 pm
Friday-7:00-10:00 am

PASTOR KRISTA'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday—9:00-1:00 pm
Friday—9:00—1:00 pm

~Please call Pastor on her cell if you need to contact her any other time of the week. If she doesn't answer, leave a message and she will call you right back~