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



Dear Trinity Family,

We are definitely in the midst of the hustle and bustle of fall, school is in full swing, farmers are busy in the fields, and every Wednesday evening our church is full of over 40 young people. It is always fun for me to encounter Trinity people who haven't experienced GIFT who stop in on Wednesday afternoon. The re-occurring comment is something like, "Wow there is a lot of energy here!" A lot of energy there is. It is a joy to see so many kids stream off the bus at 2:10 and watch them interact with each other, the adults gathered, and God's word. I am grateful for these children and youth, the numerous adults that volunteer time, those who bring snack and the ability to provide a space for us all to gather.

My November letter is once again about GRATITUDE. In the busy-ness of fall or our lives in general it is important to stop and give thanks. My beloved congregation, we have many things to be thankful for. November is also the kick off of our Stewardship Campaign. I am grateful for the hands that make this possible every year, the Stewardship Committee, the torch bearers, and YOU.

As you receive your packet, in addition to the traditional items of the packet, a sheet of paper that highlights a few of the many things your congregation has been able to do in the past year. I give thanks for all the hands that have been engaged in ministry of the past year and the hearts that have been touched. We are a blessed people! We have many things to give thanks for: a beautiful building, a caring community, and a God that abundantly lavishes us with love, mercy, grace, and so many blessings.

As you contemplate your pledge for the upcoming year, I encourage you take time to list your blessings... spend some time in prayer giving thanks to God for your blessings in your life, for your church, and our community. As you make your pledge, may I remind you that we are blessed to be a blessing.

I give thanks to you for your faithful giving to Trinity. For it is through your gifts that the ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church is able to be a vital and vibrant part of the kingdom of God. My God continue to bless you today and always.

Grateful for you!

Pastor Krista



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 October 9, 2019

Present: Nikki Smith, Teresa Zaharia, Arlene Peterson, Brenda Hansen, Duane Heckman, Dallas Wegner, Clayton Duncanson, Laurie Wille, Heather Tonkin, Pastor Krista, Cathy Sorenson
 Heather called the meeting to order at 7:30. The secretary's report was approved as read. Clayton presented the treasurer's report. There is \$3630 in the checking account and \$73,941 in the savings account. We had a net loss of \$2565 for the month of September.

BOARD REPORTS:

Stewardship--Arlene reported that the committee has met twice and has organized the Pony Express campaign. The packets will be handed out on Nov. 3 and they hope the campaign will be completed by November 17.

Lay Ministry--There will be 3 baptisms in just a few weeks. Medallions have been engraved and given to the families. The committee continues to send out cards.

Church properties--The committee continues to meet and they hope to get at least three written quotes on new shingles. After the type of shingle is decided, the committee would like

to buy them now to avoid rising costs. Motion carried to approve Brad Nickerson as insurance representative/contact for the claim of the roof.

Christian education--GIFT has been averaging over 40 kids. The group is younger and therefore more volunteers are needed. There is no GIFT on October 16 because of MEA. On October 30 the group will be going to Heartland Senior Living and will sing and hand out treats to the residents. The Manor has also been invited. A letter will be sent out to bigger businesses asking for donations for this community outreach program. There will be a Christmas program in December. A light meal will be served to the families and the program will follow.

Youth--On October 26 the group will be going to Northern Frights in Garden City. They will serve the election night supper on November 5 and go to an Agape concert in St. James on November 6.

Worship--The committee has ordered 7 new banners. A new embosser has also been bought for Brenda. A bi-annual organ agreement/repair contract for a cost of \$268 was approved. There was also discussion about replacing speakers in the balcony. The one-time cost will be \$860. WELCA will be asked to pay for it.

Pastor Krista--Heather, Clayton, and Pastor Krista were in Marshall attending the Cultivating Generous Congregations workshop. Several good ideas/information were obtained. The Helmuth Fedder funeral will be on October 11.

OLD BUSINESS--approval was granted for the go-ahead with the TV's in the sanctuary

NEW BUSINESS--It was decided that we approve the \$40 fee to be in the 2020 Martin County Visitor and Relocation Guide. Also approved was that we buy a ELW Simplified

keyboard accompaniment edition for Tanner. The cost is \$60.

Cathy Sorenson
secretary



**On November 3rd we will
kick off our annual
Stewardship Drive**

**We will be doing the pony
express. Please keep the
packets moving along to the
next person on the list.**

**The Torchbearer's Breakfast in
the fellowship hall will be held
on Nov. 3rd at 9:45 am.
Spouses are invited to attend**



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
November 3-All Saints	<i>Elijah at Mount Carmel and fire from heaven</i>	1 Kings 18:17-18, 20-39. Mark 9:2-4
November 10-Pent 22 (Thankoffering)	<i>God's Beloved Children</i>	Hosea 11:1-19 Mark 10:13-14
November 17-Pent. 23	<i>Israel God's Vineyard</i>	Isaiah 5:1-7, 11:1-5 Mark 12:1-3
November 24-Christ the King Sunday	<i>Songs & Scripture from the seasons of the church</i>	

NOVEMBER LAY MINISTRY

TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM

WEDNESDAY GIFT SCHOOL— Every Wednesday from 2 until 5:30 pm.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:

November 3, 10 & 27

COMMUNION SERVERS:

11/3— Mark Durkee

11/10—Donna Kotewa

11/27—Yvonne Noorlun-Thanksgiving Eve)

LAY READERS:

11/3—Margaret Durkee

11/10—Jan Ringeisen
(Thankoffering)

11/17—LeAnn Maloney

11/24—Mike Taylor

11/27—Barb Shoen (Thanksgiving Eve)

CHURCH EVENTS

November 3rd

All Saints Sunday

November 10

Thankoffering Sunday

NOVEMBER USHERS:

*Brad Nickerson *(volunteers are appreciated to help usher in November)

Special dates

- All Saints' Day, November 1, 2019
- Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 3, 2019
- Veterans Day, November 11, 2019
- Christ the King Sunday, November 24, 2019
- Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2019



THANKOFFERING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Look for your WELCA offering envelope in your mailbox at church.

You may also bring non-perishable food items for Heaven's Table Food shelf





WELCA NEWS

Thankoffering Sunday will be November 10th. Many years ago boxes were handed out in which we were to put change in whenever we were thankful for Something but mostly we just wrote checks for the thankoffering. Watch for envelopes in your mailbox in which you can put your offering. Food and other donations

Food Shelf for Heaven's Table Food Shelf will also be received that day.



Two funerals were held in November. Division B served at Helmuth Fedder's funeral and Division C served Janice Buhman's. We thank both divisions and all the extra people who helped with the serving.

Connie Selnes and Barb Shoen went to the Watonwan Conference Fall Gathering at First Lutheran in St. James on October 5th. The speaker was very interesting. The decision was made to eliminate the fall gathering and have just one in April.

Chairpersons needed

We are still looking for chairman for the cookie walk, which will be on December 7. The chairman do not need to be participants of the WELCA meetings! This is the second of our two fundraisers. Please consider volunteering.

Thank you to whomever donated the box of school supplies for the school kits.

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Treasurer's Summary Report
September 30, 2019**

Checking Account Balance	\$ 3,630
Savings Account Balance	\$73, 941
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 194

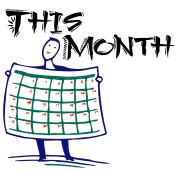
September:	
General Fund Income	\$ 6,512
General Fund Expenses	\$ 9,227
Net Loss	<u>(\$2,565)</u>

October:	
Cash available	\$ 3,630
Bills to pay	\$ 8,387
Cash Short	<u>(\$4,757)</u>

Savings Account:	
Building Funds	\$ 8,017
Building Fund Interest	\$ 94
Roof Fund	\$44,107
Lent	\$ 1,300
Christmas Offering	\$ 1,028
Thanksgiving	\$ 101
Sunday School	\$ 675
Camper Scholarships	\$ 1,133
Mission/Ministries	\$ 1,975
General Fund	<u>\$15,510</u>
Total	\$ 73,940

Office Admin's list of payables	\$7,787
Estimate mileage & Cell phone for Madelia	<u>\$ 600</u>
	\$ 8,387





November 2019

December 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p><u>Worship Schedule</u></p> <p>SUNDAY Worship 10:30 AM</p> <p>GIFT SCHOOL Wednesday's 2-5:30 PM</p>	<p><u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <p>Mon-8:00-11:00 Wed-8-11 & 1-4 Fri-7:00-11:00</p>	<p><u>Pastor Krista's Office Hours</u></p> <p>Tuesday: 9:00-1:00 pm Friday: 9:00-1:00 pm</p>			1	2
<p>3 <u>Communion</u></p> <p>All Saints Sunday</p> <p>Stewardship Drive begins</p> <p>Torchbearer mtg at 9:45 am</p>	4	5	6	7	8	9
<p>10 <u>Communion</u></p> <p> Thank Offering Sunday</p> <p>GIFT Kids sing at worship</p> <p>Pastor gone after worship</p>	<p>11 Veterans Day</p> 	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p>NO Conf-U this month</p> <p>Stewardship drive ends</p>			<p>GIFT 2-5:30</p>		<p>Middle School Youth Retreat in Willmar</p>	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<p> CHRIST THE KING</p>		<p>9 am Messenger assembly</p> 	<p>Thanksgiving Eve Worship at 6:30 pm in Truman</p> 	<p> Thanksgiving</p>	<p> OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>Mark your calendars for the Cookie Walk on December 7 from 8-10 am</p>

NEWS

From Our Parish

NEW ADDRESS: Mary Lehr has moved to the manor and her new address is:

**402 N 4th Ave E. Apt. #102
Truman, MN 56088**



Thank you to all who sent cards, memorials or helped in any way after the death of Helmuth, our husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, your kindness and sympathy is greatly appreciated.

Families of Helmuth (Junior) Fedder



Bible Presentation was held at worship at Trinity on October 27.

These students received a bible:

Gabriell Greier and Jackson Hastad



Our sympathy to Doris Fedder and family on the death of her husband, Helmuth, who passed away on October 6th. His funeral was held on Friday, October 11th at Trinity Lutheran.

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Deepest sympathy to Darrell Buhmann and family on the death of his wife Janice, who passed away on October 19. Her funeral was held on Friday, October 25 at Trinity Lutheran.



Prayers

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

**Vi Benoy, Ardene Miller
Doris Fedder & family and
Darrell Buhmann & family.**

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

BAPTISMS

Olivia Jean Tonkin was born on May 20, 2019 in Fairmont, MN. She was baptized on October 6, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran. Her parents are Josh & Heather Tonkin. Olivia's sponsors are Melissa Malakowsky and Derek & Erin Debates.

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Copeland James Erdmann was born on September 10, 2019 in Rochester, MN. Copeland was baptized on October 20, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran. His mother is Ann Erdmann. Copeland's sponsors are his Great aunt and uncle, Carol & Harry Halvorson and family friend, Jodi Graplar.

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Lily Kathlene Detloff was born in Mankato, MN on April 29, 2019. She will be baptized on November 3rd at Trinity Lutheran. Her parents are April & Cary Detloff. Lily's sponsors are Jeff Berhow and Lucy Paredes.



UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:

Fareway-\$17,450.47

Hy-Vee-\$119,884.79

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



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

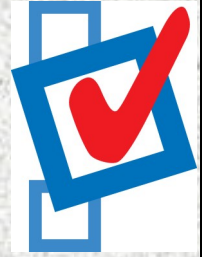
		<p>We're thankful for you!</p>			<p>1 Gabby Greier</p> <p>Danny Lang</p> <p>Daylight-Saving Time Ends</p>	2
<p>3</p> <p>Called to Be Saints</p>	<p>4 Ross Ringeisen</p>	<p>5 Amber Nickerson</p> <p>Vern Quade</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Dan Klassen</p> <p>Wayne Maloney</p> <p>Sue Michalke</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Jake Ebert</p> <p>Doug Schwanz</p>	<p>11</p> <p>PAYING TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 Nicole Maloney-Ebert</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 Shawn Wiederhoeft</p>
<p>17 Cathy Sorenson</p> <p>Ove & Deb Oren (46 years)</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 Carson Peters</p>	<p>22 Dale & Cindy Wiederhoeft (44 years)</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 Josh Tonkin</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 Reese Ebert</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>29 Karen Kneeland</p>	<p>30</p>



ELECTION DAY SOUP SUPPER

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

5:30-7:30 PM



The Trinity Youth Group is hosting a Soup Supper which includes Chili and homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, plus peanut butter or egg salad sandwiches, a beverage and bars are included

Free will Offering

PROMOTE our congregation in the community and SUPPORT our Youth!

T-shirts and Sweatshirts
designed inspired by Trinity Youth...
designed by Trinity Truman's own
Emily Zaharia.



Colors available maroon or gray

Cost:

T-shirt \$ 15

Crewneck Sweatshirt \$20

Hoodie Sweatshirt \$25

Sizes

Child Sizes - XS- L

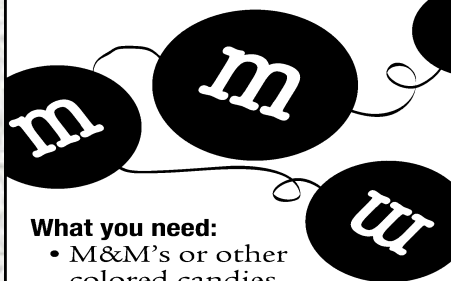
Adult S-4XL (2xl-4xl add \$3)

Sales are
thru
Nov. 20th



GRATITUDE game

Start a fun tradition by playing this game on Thanksgiving.



What you need:

- M&M's or other colored candies
- A bowl
- The list below (adapt the colors, as needed)

Red: a need God has provided for

Orange: a gift you've received

Yellow: something you've recently learned

Green: something in nature

Blue: a special memory

Brown: someone you love

What you do:

1. One at a time, people pick a candy and share what they're thankful for (according to the color).
2. Pass the bowl around and continue reflecting on God's goodness until all the candy is gone!



A feast of praise

Throughout the Bible, God's people give thanks and praise for his goodness.



Directions: Draw lines to match the scriptures (all NIV) with the correct speaker.

"I thank my God every time I remember you." Philipians 1:3 Hannah

"My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47 David

"He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him." Exodus 15:2 Mary

"My heart rejoices in the LORD." 1 Samuel 2:1 Paul

"I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30 Moses

Answers: Philipians 1:3, Paul; Luke 1:46-47, Mary; Exodus 15:2, Moses; 1 Samuel 2:1, Hannah; Psalm 69:30, David



+Christian Symbol+

Alpha & Omega

Alpha and omega are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. As John of Patmos greets the seven churches in Asia, he writes: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, 'who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty'" (Revelation 1:8, NIV).

"The Alpha and the Omega" is a metaphor that points to God's eternal nature.



THE MESSENGER

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November 2019

God's Blessings to:

At Trinity-Truman
Thanksgiving Eve
Worship Service 6:30 pm

*"What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of
difference you want to make."*

—Jane Goodall



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 Sun-
day'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-7:00-11:00 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~