



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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



Dear Trinity Siblings in Christ,

As we enter into fall, I am mindful of the unrest, uncertainty, and unknowns that we face. Many are entering into the fall not refreshed and ready to go but many are experiencing fatigue from the pandemics we are facing. Yes, I said pandemics plural. We are not only facing the pandemic of Covid-19 of which we are very aware but we are also facing the pandemic of hatred. As Christians, we are called to witness to God's love, mercy, and grace. At times this is exhausting and discouraging but I would like to share with you a bible verse and prayer that is keeping me grounded during this time.

It is one I am sure you have heard me quote before. This verse I learned at a very young age from my grandmother.

### Phillipians 4:4-9

Rejoice[c] in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, beloved,[e] whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about[f] these things. 9 Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

And the prayer has been a source of grounding for me in the last few months.

### SERENITY PRAYER

*[composed by theologian and ethicist Reinhold Niebuhr, 1892-1971]*

**God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed,  
Courage to change the things which should be changed,  
and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.**

**Living one day at a time,  
Enjoying one moment at a time,  
Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace,  
Taking, as Jesus did,  
This sinful world as we know it,  
Not as we would have it,  
Trusting that YOU will make all things right,  
If we surrender to YOUR will,  
So that we may be reasonably happy in this life,  
And supremely happy with YOU forever in the next. Amen.**

Beloved people of God, in the days, weeks, months ahead I encourage you to "Let your gentleness be known to everyone trusting that God is with us and for us and will get us through this life and into the next.

*Pastor Krista*

## TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

President: Heather Tonkin  
Vice President: Yvonne Noorlun  
Secretary: Kathy Wilkening  
Treasurer: Clayton Duncanson  
Christian Ed: Nikki Smith  
Ch Properties: Dallas Wegner  
Stewardship: Rhonda Bonk  
Lay Ministry: Laurie Wille  
Worship: Jan Ringeisen  
Youth: Teresa Zaharia  
Pastor Krista

### Trinity Lutheran Council Meeting 7:45 Wednesday July 8, 2020

**Members present:** Pastor Krista Strum, Rhonda Bonk, Kathy Wilkening, Heather Tonkin, Yvonne Noorlun, Clayton Duncanson, Dallas Wegner.

**Secretary:** The secretary's report was accepted as read with the correction of the month of June not May.

**Treasure:** \$16,549 in checking and \$32,027 in savings was approved with the corrections.

**Properties:** It was decided to pay Fairmont Roofing in full now that the entryway roof has been repaired. The SE door sweep is fixed, bushes trimmed, some trees trimmed with more soon, rocks will be put under the cross. The cross will be painted when the weather permits and mowing has been done every week.

**Pastor Krista:** Will continue with drive in service at Truman. The time will stay at

10:30 in Truman and Facebook will stay at the 8:30 time slot until further notice. Still in planning stage for preparedness on future services. Confirmation will be in small groups or Zoom. Total of 5 students. Has not been able to deliver Home Care Packages due to Covid-19 issues.

**OLD BUSINESS:** VBS has been canceled for 2020.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Frig in kitchen is not cooling.

Pastor will be on vacation from August 10 to 23.

Dallas has a estimate for painting the windows of \$600 - \$700 from Tim Bartels. Motion carried to have him paint the windows in the \$600 to \$700 range.

Adjourn was at 8:25 pm.  
 Submitted by Secretary,  
 Kathy Wilkening.

### Trinity Lutheran Council Meeting 7:45 pm Wednesday August 12, 2020

**Members present:** Pastor Krista Strum, Rhonda Bonk, Kathy Wilkening, Heather Tonkin, Yvonne Noorlun, Clayton Duncanson, Dallas Wegner, Nikki Smith, Teresa Zaharia, Laurie Wille, Duane Heckman  
**Secretary Report:** was accepted as read.

**Treasures Report:** Checking \$12,845 Savings \$22,811.

**Stewardship:** Rhonda expressed concern with the Pony Express package for pledges do to covid-19. Many different ideas are being considered.

**Lay Ministry:** Laurie is sending out cards. Needing to purchase more

stamps. Thrivent and WELCA maybe able to help purchase stamps.

**Properties:** Dallas said more trimming will be done. A member of the church has offered to donate rocks for the cross planter. Duane said Wayne Wiederhoeft is willing to plow snow again this winter. Dallas motioned that Wayne Wiederhoeft remove snow for Trinity at the same rate as previous years. Duane second. Next year the street in front of church will be Chip Sealed. All tree branches need to be at least 10 to 12 above the ground. Yvonne motioned to have Duane get bids for removal for tree branches and Teresa seconded. Christian Ed: GIFT is suspended. Many ideas are forming for the kids like gift bags, reading stories on Zoom or Face Book.

**Pastor Strum:** All 3 TV are now working. Laurie will send a Thank You card to repair men from Best Buy. Working on Covid Preparedness. Plans for social distancing and taping off pews for funerals.

There are 5 confirmation kids in 4 different school systems. Linda Carlson requested all Sunday services be on Wednesday night instead of or as well of Sunday morning. August 16-23 pastor will be on vacation. Karen Koeder and Pastor Rebecca Sullivan will preach in Pastor Krista's absence.

Pastor will attend a Suicide Prevention Class August 25-26.

God's Work Our Hands Sunday is September 13.

Soon all schools will open. Please pray for all students, teachers and all other workers to stay safe.

Adjournment was at 8:25 pm.

Submitted by Treasurer  
 Kathy Wilkening

# WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/ Calendar yr	THEME	BIBICAL TEXT	GOSPEL
Sept. 6 (Pent 14)	<i>Reconciliation in the community of faith</i>	Ps 119:33-40	Matt 18:15-20
Sept. 13 (Pent 15)	<i>A parable of forgiveness in the community of faith</i>	Ps 103:[1-7] 8-13	Matt 18:21-35
Sept. 20 (Pent 16)	<i>The parable of the vineyard workers</i>	Ps 145:1-8	Matt 20-1:16
Sept. 27 (Pent 27)	<i>A parable of doing God's will</i>	Ps 25:1-9	Matt 21:23-32

## SEPTEMBER LAY MINISTRY

### TRINITY

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:  
**WORSHIP TIME: 10:30 AM**  
 (Rain dates-Wednesday's at 7:00 pm)

COMMUNION SCHEDULE:  
 September 6 & 13

COMMUNION SERVERS:  
 9/6-Clayton Duncanson  
 9/13-Carol Hastad

LAY LEADERS:  
 9/6-Clayton Duncanson  
 9/13-Sandy Meyer  
 9/20-Dave Sorenson  
 9/27-Margaret Durkee

SEPTEMBER USHERS:  
 \*Dean Gulbranson, Brian Nickerson and Ross Ringesen

***GIFT SCHOOL IS SUSPENDED...***  
*Check back for other learning opportunities*

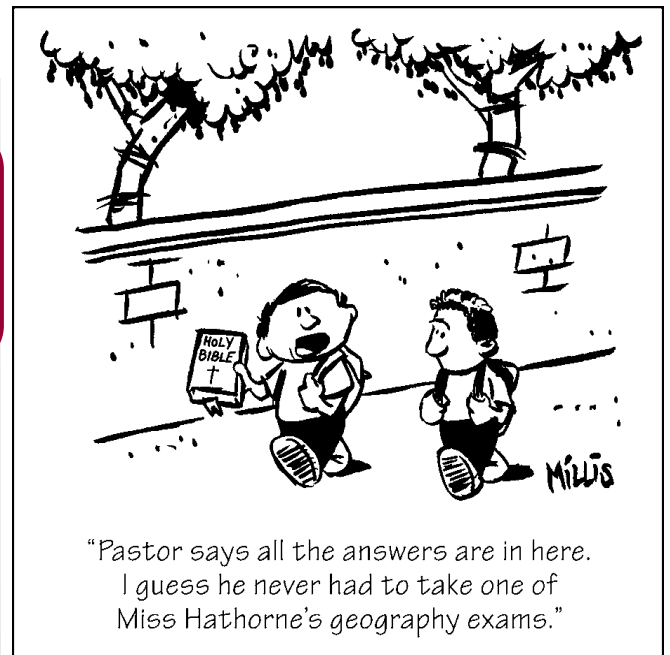
**REMINDER!**  
 We will still have **FB Online Worship at 8:45 AM**

**DRIVE-UP**  
 Worship will be here Sunday's at **10:30 am** in the north parking lot

Rain days will be Wednesday's at **7 pm**

~The Drive-Up worship will be a casual service while in your vehicle~

~There will be Social distancing guidelines~



**Trinity Lawn Care for September**

**Aug-31-Sept. 5 –Wayne M. & Nicole E.**  
**Sept. 6-12—Vern Quade**  
**Sept. 13-19—Duane H. & Steve G.**  
**Sept. 20-26—Duke Drevlow**  
**Sept. 27-Oct. 3—Mike Wiederhoeft**





## WELCA NEWS

We had a WELCA meeting in August with nine members present. Because of COVID-19 restrictions there was no report from the nursing home in Madelia. Though we were unable to help with Bingo at Heartland Senior Living (Truman) for the same reason, Cathy did bring bingo prizes for the two times we would have helped.

There are 30 school kits packed and ready to be taken to the World Relief warehouse in the cities. Kathy Wilkening volunteered to do this. We do have 21 more bags that are made but will wait until next year to fill them.

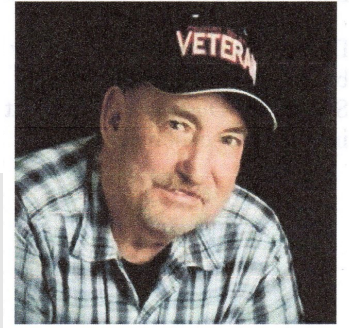
There are some quilts that still need to be sewn around. Then they will go to CADA in Mankato and social services in Martin County. Kathy has taken ten to the sheriff's department and five to CADA in Fairmont.

The refrigerator in the kitchen quit working so a new one has been purchased.



We want to thank Kathy, Arlene P. and Sandy for assisting with the lunch after Danny's funeral. Also, thanks for all the facemasks that have been made. Thanks to LuElla for purchasing and delivering Easter gifts for our members who are over the age of 90.

*With Sympathy*



Our deepest sympathy to Marianne Lang and family on the passing of her husband, Danny.

Danny Lang passed away on July 26th at his home in Truman. The funeral was held on Friday, July 31st at Trinity Lutheran Church with military honors. A private burial was held at Ridgelawn Memorial park.

Danny was affectionately know as the "Starburst Man" as his generous spirit loved giving the little candies out to many for the price of a smile on their face.



**Art Stough has moved to a new apartment. His new address is:  
850 Goldfinch St. Apt. 323  
Fairmont, MN 56031**

**Chuck Nord has moved to a different apartment. His new address is:  
850 Goldfinch St. Apt. 322  
Fairmont, MN 56031**



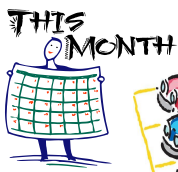
**UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:**

**Fareway-\$31,339.39**

**Hy-Vee-\$15,071.21**

*Keep those receipts coming!!*

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



**Drive Up Worship**  
 Sunday's at 10:30 am  
 Trinity's north parking lot



October 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
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	31

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

<p><b>Sunday Worship</b>            Rain-out days will be the following <b>Wednesday at 7 pm</b></p>	<p><u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u>            Mon-8:00-11:00            Wed-8-11 &amp; 1-4            Fri-8:00-11:00</p>	<p>1  <u>Pastor Krista's Office Hours</u>  <b>Tuesday:</b>            9:00-1:00 pm  <b>Friday:</b>            9:00-1:00 pm</p>	<p>2  <b>GIFT SCHOOL HAS BEEN SUSPENDED</b>            Check back for other learning opportunities</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4  <b>YOUR GIVING MATTERS!</b></p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6 <u>Communion</u>            FB online at 8:30 AM            Drive-Up Worship Time at 10:30            Confirmation mtg at 1 pm in Madelia</p>	<p>7              Church Office is closed</p>	<p>8              Back-to-School</p>	<p>9            7:30 pm Church Council mtg.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11              WE WILL NEVER FORGET            PATRIOT DAY</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 <u>Communion</u>  <b>Gods Work Our Hands Sunday</b>            FB online at 8:30 AM            Drive-Up Worship Time at 10:30</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18            Newsletter              DEADLINE!</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20            FB online at 8:30 AM            Drive-Up Worship Time at 10:30 AM</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22              First Day of Autumn</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27            FB online at 8:30 AM            Drive-Up Worship Time at 10:30 AM</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>			

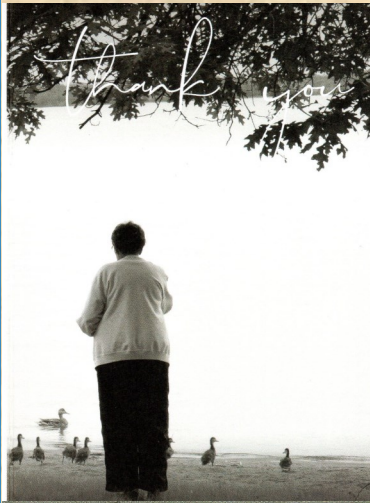
# NEWS

From Our Parish

With our  
Sympathy



Deepest Sympathy to Art Stough and family on the death of his wife, Norma. She passed away on June 30th . A private family funeral was held on July 8, 2020. A Drive-by visitation was held for the public afterwards.



Pictured to the left is Norma feeding the ducks at one of her last summer family vacations...notice the mother duck with 8 ducklings (signifying her 8 grandsons whom she was so very proud of)

Your thoughtfulness with a card kind word food for the family, plant, flowers, or memorial gift during this difficult time made coping so much easier..

Our greatest thanks!

Art Stough  
Tom & Barb Stough & Boys  
Scott and Vincent Stough & family  
LeAnn & Jeff Maloney & Boys



Prayers

We remember in our prayers...all who face catastrophic illness, surgery, and bindings of all kinds as well as the homebound: **Ardene Miller, Marianne Lang & family, Art Stough & family, Jerry Teig and family, and LuElla Kautz & family.**

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

## Drive-Up Worship



Our heartfelt sympathy to Jerry Teig and family on the death of his daughter, Tanya Teig who passed away on

August 13 at her home in Plymouth, MN. A private family funeral was held at Trinity Lutheran Church on August 19th. Burial was at Ridgelawn Memorial Cemetery.



In Sympathy

Our sympathy to the LuElla Kautz family on the death of her brother, Leslie Schock who passed away in mid-July at the age of 71 years. He lived in California.

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Treasurer's Summary Report  
July 31, 2020

Checking Account	\$ 12,845
Savings Account Balance	\$ 22,811
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 232
July:	
General Fund Income	\$10,517
General Fund Expenses	<u>\$21,304</u>
Loss	(\$10,788)
Aug:	
Cash available	\$12,845
Bills to pay	<u>\$ 6,719</u>
Cash long.	\$ 6,126
Savings Account:	
Building Funds	\$ 8,308
Building Fund Interest	\$ 69
Roof Fund	\$ 3,128.
Lent	\$ 1,472
Christmas Offering	\$ 1,463
Thanksgiving	\$ 213
Sunday School	\$ 484
Camper Scholarships	\$ 1,133
Mission/Ministries	\$ 1,975
Gift	\$ 875
General Fund	<u>\$13,688</u>
Total	\$22,811
Brenda's list of payables	\$ 6,319
For Madelia	<u>\$ 400</u>
	\$ 6,719



**Lutheran  
Social Service**  
of Minnesota



**Heartland**  
SENIOR LIVING

TRUMAN

## LSS Meals on Wheels

LSS of Minnesota in partnership with  
Heartland Senior Living in Truman  
are announcing the start of  
Meals on Wheels in Truman  
beginning August 3rd

**Call 507-776-2031 - ask for Holly  
for more information or  
sign up for the program!**







MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals help older adults maintain good health & remain living at home.  
Through LSS Meals on Wheels, a part of the national Meals on Wheels network,  
we provide hot, nutritious meals paired with  
a friendly visit and safety check for Minnesotans aged 60 and older.

BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

# SEPTEMBER

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 ...preserve my life according to your word. Psalm 119:37, NIV		1 Steve & Vanessa Graham (36 years) 	2	3 Rick Davis	4 Duke & Carolyn Drevlow (27 years)	5
6 Tammy Wokasch	7 Jackson Maloney 	8	9 Marcy Pettersen	10 Copeland Erdmann	11 <u>Patriot Day</u> Kashia Moon Dan Smith	12
13 	14	15 Deb Nickerson Janice Wiederhoeft Jeff & LeAnn Maloney (36 years)	16 Margaret Durkee James & Brenda Hansen (27 years)	17	18 Linnea Huss	19 Eugene Butler
20 Zachary Hansen Aubree Heenan	21 Jordan Selnes	22 	23	24 <b>Jan Warrington (82)</b>	25 Ava Taylor	26 Tim & Mindy Cook (22 years) <b>Josh &amp; Heather Tonkin (5 years)</b>
27 JoAnn Quade	28 <b>Mary Lehr (94 years)</b>  David & Teresa Zupfer (29 years)	29 Rhonda Bonk Barry Pettersen	30			



# Puzzle!

Using the code, fill in the blanks to discover what we should do each day.

**CODE**

A 1 B	F 2 G	K 3 L	O 4 R	U 5 V
D E	H I	M N	S T	W Y

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[1] [3] [1]    [3] [2] [4] [4] [1] [3]

[2] [4] [4]    [2] [4] [1]

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[3] [3] [4] [5]    [4] [2] [1] [4]

”  
 [2]    [1] [3]    [2] [4] [1]

Answer: Talk to God and listen for God. "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

## Bible Quiz

Which of these was not one of the 10 plagues God brought against Egypt to persuade Pharaoh to let the Hebrew people go?

- A. an abundance of frogs
- B. the Nile River turned to blood
- C. the collapse of the pyramids
- D. thick darkness



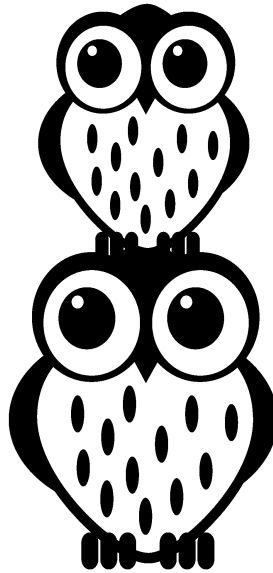
Answer: C (See Exodus 7:14-12:32.)



# WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.



- school    \_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_
- paper    \_ \_ ○ \_
- wisdom    \_ \_ \_ ○ \_
- read    \_ \_ \_ \_ ○
- play    \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- learn    ○ \_ \_ \_ \_
- grow    \_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_ \_
- pencils    \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- pray    \_ \_ ○ \_ \_
- art    \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- student    \_ \_ \_ \_ ○ \_ \_
- kids    \_ \_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_
- apple    \_ \_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_

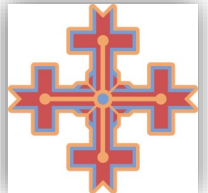
“... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be \_\_\_\_\_ and successful.”

**JOSHUA 1:8, NIV**

Answer: apple, art, grow, kids, learn, paper, pencils, play, pray, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous

## +Christian Symbol+

### Cross Crosslet



This cross is formed of four smaller Latin crosses joined at their overlapping bases. The cross as a whole represents the spreading of the gospel to the four corners of the earth. This cross is often used in connection with missions.



# THE MESSENGER

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## SEPTEMBER 2020

God's Blessings to:

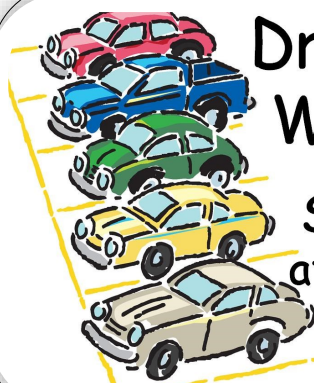


*"Youth is the gift of nature, but age is a work of art."*

—Stanislaw Jerzy Lec

# SEPTEMBER 2020

Welcome  
Worship with us



Drive Up  
Worship

Sunday's  
at 10:30 am

Trinity's north  
parking lot

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-8:00-11:00 am  
Wednesday- 8-11 & 1-4 pm  
Friday-8:00-11:00 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~