

THE MESSENGER

A PUBLICATION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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



Greetings Friends and Neighbors!

Time flies, they say. Time flies, we experience!! September is a time for the people of God, specifically the people of Trinity Lutheran,

family and friends to gather. Yes, throughout the summer we have gathered; some in the sanctuary, some with family, some while traveling, camping, attending sports events, participating in sports and recreational activities/hobbies, and in the back yard (fighting off heat/humidity, dodging raindrops, and swatting mosquitoes!

But September—just the sound of it, and the rhythm of life points to a time for more intentional gathering: at school, school sporting events, and for WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP and the gathering of children/youth for the GIFT and CONFIRMATION on specific Wednesday during the months.

We gather. We gather in order to “go out”, into our daily life and be God’s people in all the various roles, places and vocations we are called into. This includes: being a student, being a teacher, being a volunteer, being on a committee, serving on a board (both at church and in other settings), being a retiree or a referee, being a driver or a baker, being a nurse or a coach, being parents, and being children or

young adult. All gather, or are welcomed in—then we go out!

We gather. As the refrains from the hymn (“*Here is this Place*” ELW 532/WOV 718 (Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950 Text © 1982 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.)) states

“Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our
name.” (refrain vs 1)

My prayer for all of you, all of us, is to be awakened, to here the call to be intentional, now that summer is over, and gather. God’s grace and peace be with you as
we.....

Gather

Returning Thanks for all good gifts.

Affirming our identity as Baptized Children of God.

Ttelling the story of God’s love for us!

Hearing the healing words of forgiveness!

Encouraging those around us!

Remembering the promises: forgiveness of sins, salvation, and eternal life.

Thanks be to God!

Pastor Carol

COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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
August 14, 2024

Members Present: Kathy Wilkening, Josh Tonkin, Cathy Sorenson, Ashley Parish, Nikki Smith, Margaret Durkee, Mark Durkee

Devotion: Ashley Parrish
Secretary's report: Kathy Wilkening- Cathy motioned to accept as read and Margaret second.

Treasurer's Report: Nikki Smith- Margaret motioned to accept as read and Cathy second.

Pastors Report: Pastor Carol- Internment for Art Stough. Continue with home visitation, phone calls, and office visits. Thinking about lay ministry training opportunities for Trinity members, leading worship, liturgy singers, home visitation. Working with Laurie Sherman on Confirmation material and possible Jan R to instruct 3 & 4

graders on Holy Communion instructions.

Stewardship: None

Lay Ministry/Evangelism: None

Church Properties: Mark Durkee- The team is mowing the grass and trimming. The south door has been sticking and Mark will take a look at the door.

Christian Ed/ GIFT: Ashley Parrish- Truman Days rummage sale made over \$1000. Thank you to all the volunteer help and donations. Handed out flyers at the Graf park for VBS. VBS had 17 kids to learn about water in the bible with songs, bible verses, treasure hunt, crafts and many water games. GIFT received a check from Profinium Bank for their "Non Profit Give Back Program" for \$1,304. In November the youth will be attending Confirmation Retreat at Shetek Bible Camp. The first GIFT program will be September 18.

Youth: None

Worship: Cathy Sorenson- July 28 Laurie Wille conducted the worship service in Pastors absents. A huge thank you to Laurie for leading our worship service. September 8 is God's Hands Our Work. If anyone knows of a need please contact Cathy. August 25 Pastor Carol and Pastor Jon will exchange services.

OLD BUSINESS:

A committee will be set up for

the Dad's Waffle Breakfast for Truman days. It will no longer be the responsibility of the vice president. Anyone interested in signing up for the Truman Days breakfast committee should contact Kathy Wilkening. Carpets will be cleaned August 22 by CleanRite ChemDry, Kris Voss for \$890.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mark made a motion to pay \$90 for Pastor Carol registration to attend the ELCA Fall Theological Conference in October and Cathy second.

Call Committee should meet soon to continue to search for a new pastor. Nikki motioned to adjourn at 8:05 and Mark second.

Submitted by Secretary
 Kathy Wilkening



Treasurer's Summary Report As of July 31, 2024

Checking Account Bal.	\$68,346
Savings Account Bal.	\$55,717
JULY:	
General Fund Income	\$ 5,423
General Fund Expenses	\$ 6,721
Net short	\$(1,298)
AUGUST:	
Cash Available	\$ 68,346
Bills to pay	\$ 8,555
Cash long	\$59,791

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER/YOUTH DIRECTOR

SCRIPTURE READINGS

DATE/ CALENDAR YEAR	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
September 1-Pentecost 15	Deut. 4:1-2, 6-9	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
September 8-Pentecost 16 (God's Work Our Hands)	Isaiah 35:4-7a	James 2:1-10[11-13] 14-17	Mark 7:24-37
September 15-Pentecost 17	Isaiah 50:4-9a	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38
September 22-Pentecost 18	Jeremiah 11:18-20	James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37
September 29-Hymn Sing	Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50



Youth Director Newsletter for September

I hope everyone enjoyed their summer! As usual, it seemed to go by too fast! We had a campfire for the youth. We played yard games, roasted hot dogs, made smores, and had some good conversations. The GIFT rummage sale was once again a success! I am blown away by the support and help that I received. Whether you shopped with us, donated items, baked bars or cookies, helped set up, helped pack up, or volunteered your time to help those days...you are amazing, and I am SO thankful!

We had 17 kids at VBS this year! We had a great time learning about water in the bible!

I am excited for a new school year as it brings many new activities! We will be continuing the GIFT program for kids in kindergarten and up. The program goes September through May and will be the **1st and 3rd Wednesday** of the month, **unless there is no school**. The first GIFT is September 18th!

I wanted to add that there will be an opportunity for the youth in 7th-9th grade who have either been confirmed or will be confirmed to attend the Confirmation Retreat at Shetek Bible Camp on November 1-2. Parents, please let me know if your child would like to attend.

Thank you! Ashley Parish Youth Director 507-829-9741

Events:

September 18th 2:15pm-5:30pm 1st GIFT of the school year!





WELCA News

At our August WELCA meeting we decided to make 15 school kits. We have enough notebooks now but these items needed:

- 14 pencil sharpeners
- 14 rulers, marked with both inches and Centimeters
- 14 scissors
- 6 - 2 ½ inch erasers

If you purchase any of these items please put them in the quilting room and mark on the clipboard the number purchased. We did not set a deadline but I am thinking October 1 would be good.

Sandy Meyer was voted in as our new treasurer after she had volunteered.



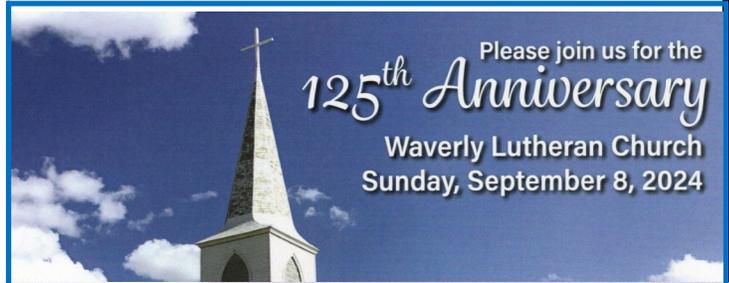
We need to give away our quilts before we start working again in the new year. If you know of any place that could use quilts, please let us know.

The profit from the salad luncheon was \$1,478, part of which will pay for the carpet cleaning. We also feel that we should order the part for the coffee maker that will need replacing soon.

We appreciate all those who help us whether you are an active WELCA member or not.

Barb Shoen

COMMUNITY NEWS



Please join us for the
125th Anniversary

Waverly Lutheran Church
Sunday, September 8, 2024

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Sunday, September 8, 2024

- 9:30 Coffee, donuts and fellowship.
- 10:30 Worship service with communion.
- 12:00 Lunch
Social time, children's activities,
Pictures, history in Chapel.
- 2:30 Vesper service



Auction

An Auction of Penny Ritters precious items and also her home will take place on September 14 at the Truman Community Building. The family would like volunteers to help them move some of the items on Thursday & Friday before the auction. Please contact Robert Ritter at 218-568-4820.

UPDATE ON THE GROCERY RECEIPTS:



Fareway-\$69,510.96

Hy-Vee-\$55,910.15

Keep those receipts coming!!

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

LAWN MOWING FOR SEPT.

9/1-9/7 –Mike Wiederhoeft

9/8-9/14-Vern Quade

9/15-9/21-Monty Selnes

9/22-9/28-Mark Durkee

9/29-10/5-Dennis & Pam Rode



October 2024						
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
1 <u>Communion</u> WORSHIP SCHEDULE Service at 10 am on Sunday's Streaming live on FB	2 Happy LABOR DAY Church office closed for the holiday	3 	4 	5 September Acolytes 9/1-Alaina K & Sophia C. 9/8-Taelynn & Gage M. 9/15-Jackson Hastad 9/22-Mariel & Callie P. 9/29-Jackson Hastad	6	7 Kim & Weston Baby Shower for Easton Toothaker at Church of Christ at 9:30 am
8 	9	10 Community coffee hour 8:30-10 am	11 Confirmation Begins 4-5:30 7 pm Church Council Mtg.	12	13	14 Auction for Penny Ritter Residence and precious Items.
15 <u>Communion</u>	16	17 Community coffee hour 8:30-10 am	18 First GIFT Class from 2:15-5:30	19	20 Newsletter DEADLINE!	21
22 	23	24 Community coffee hour 8:30-10 am	25 Conf. class at 4-5:30 pm	26	27	28 Funeral for Pr Penny Ritter at Trinity 12 am Visitation is a 10 am until the service
29 HYMN SING Hymn sing w/ Pr. Rebecca	30	<u>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</u> Mon- 8-11 Wed-8-11, 1-4 Fri- 8- 11	<u>Pastor Carol Office Hours</u> Mon 10-12 Wed 10-12 <i>Call her to contact any other times.</i>	<u>September Lay Readers</u> 9/1-Clayton 9/8-Allison K 9/15-Dan K 9/22-Donna K 9/29-Laurie W	<u>Sept. Comm Servers</u> 9/1-Mark D 9/15-Ross R.	<u>September Ushers</u> Ross Ringeisen & Chris Mosloski

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH

With Sympathy

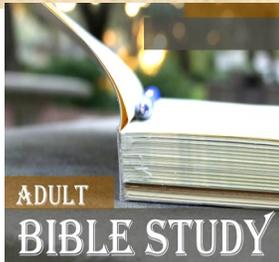


Our sympathy to the family of Penny Ritter. She passed away on August 19, 2024 in Mapleton, MN. Her funeral will be held here at Trinity Lutheran on Saturday, September 28th, 2024. Visitation will be held from 10:30 am until the time of the service at 12 noon. She filled in as our Pastor at Trinity from Nov 15, 2020 until February 12, 2023. She will forever be cherished here at Trinity



Living Meadows Auxiliary is looking for donations to help supply Living Meadows Mini General Store with items not offered by the nursing home. The residents are able to shop using the fake money they earn.

Some suggested items are:
Special toothpaste, mouthwash, fragrant lotions, creams, food not offered (PB crackers, cheese crackers, chips, packets of cookies or crackers) Sugar free items (gum, candy, hard candy, etc...) Room décor, jewelry, yarn, soacks, clothes, clothes 3X-4X. Items can be dropped off at Trinity. Robin Miller will take them to Living Meadows. Your donations are greatly appreciated. ♥



Adult Education
Will begin in October
First gathering is
October 6 at 9:00 am.

There are still some really nice salad bowls and pans in the kitchen from the June Salad Luncheon. Please take them back home!



Marlene Breitbarth has a new address: 402 N 4th Ave E. Apt. #112. Truman, MN 56088

Norm Anderson has also moved into a new room.

Lakeview Methodist Home
610 Summit Dr. Room #124 (green pod)
Fairmont, MN 56031



Thank you to Profinium Bank in Truman for their "Non-Profit Give Back Program". Our GIFT Program received a check for \$1,304. (pictured above is Garrett Schock handing Trinity's Youth Director-Ashley Parish the check and Rachel Elder also of Profinium.



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

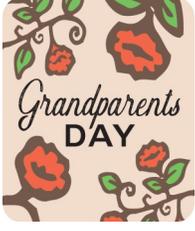
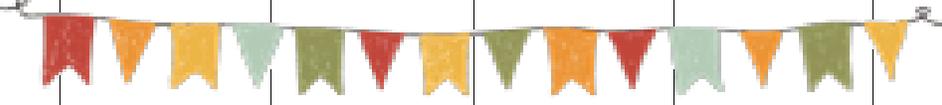
Jerry Teig, Norm & Marilyn Anderson, Linnea Huss, Lois Lloyd's daughter-Amy, Dan Strausser, Marlene Breitbarth, Judy Doble (Gail) and the family of Penny Ritter.

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 Steve & Vanessa Graham (40 years) 	2  Labor Day	3 Rick Davis	4 Duke & Carolyn Drevlow (31 years)	5	6 Tammy Wokasch	7 Jackson Maloney
8  Grandparents DAY	9 Marcy Pettersen Teresa & Jeff Hall (1 year)	10 Copeland Erdmann	11 Kashia Moon Dan Smith  WE WILL NEVER FORGET PATRIOT DAY	12	13 Felix Forbrook	14 Cameron Forbrook
15 Deb Nickerson Janice Wiederhoeft Jeff & LeAnn Maloney (40 years)	16 Margaret Durkee Jim & Brenda Hansen (31 years)	17	18 Linnea Huss	19	20 Zachary Hansen Aubree Heenan	21 Landon Schnieder Jordan Selnes
22  fall	23	24 Jan Warrington (86 years) 	25	26 Josh & Heather Tonkin (9 years) Tim & Mindy Cook (26 years)	27 JoAnn Quade	28 David & Teresa Zupfer (33 years)
29 Rhonda Bonk	30 					

GIFT



Growing in Faith Together

GIFT stands for **Growing In Faith Together**.
It's a **FREE** after school program where
students can learn about the bible, eat, play,
and have fun.

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church in Truman

When: **FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH**
(during the school year)

Classes begin on September 18th!

Who: All school ages!

Transportation: Participants will be able to ride the bus
from school to Trinity.

Questions? call: Ashley Parish 507-829-9741



COMMUNITY

EVENTS



Trinity Lutheran has coffee hour every Tuesday from 8:30—10:00 am. Everyone from the community can attend!

You are invited to a Baby Shower for Easton Toothaker son of Weston & Kim



Saturday, Sept. 7th 9:30 AM at The Truman Church of Christ 401 W Ciro St, Truman, MN 56088 Easton is registered at: Target & Walmart

Lewisville Area Volunteer Fire Fighting Company is hosting their Annual Burger Bash!

Sunday September 8th, 2024 From 10:30-1 P.M. at the Lewisville Fire Hall

Menu: Burgers, Potato Salad, Chips and Cookies!

- Free will donation
- To go orders available
- Proceeds for purchasing equipment

Lewisville Legion Auxiliary Chicken Supper

Sunday September 22nd, 2024 Serving 5pm -6:30pm



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SEPTEMBER 2024

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