



August 2022

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**Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America**
God's work. Our hands.

Worship

Sundays, 10 a.m.

Sunday School

Will resume this fall.
9-9:45 a.m.

Bible Study

Tuesdays: 10:30—11:30 am

Interim Pastor:

Rev. Robert Franek
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Rochelle Triebold
Hours: 9 am-3 pm, Tu-Th
Closed on Fridays

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Kaneia Kinney

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Karen Magnuson

Custodians:

Jerry & Michelle Dahl

Trinity Tidings

For as long as I can remember I have always been proud to be part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Growing up not being a sports fan or having strong brand loyalty to a particular product, I found great joy in being part of team ELCA and was thrilled when I finally found a cream denim shirt with the ELCA logo on it during my seminary years.

In college when I first began regularly using email, one of the first mailings I signed-up for were the press releases from the ELCA communications office that highlighted the work of the Conference of Bishops, the Church Council, statements by the Presiding Bishop, and other churchwide ministries. From my small congregation in Cheyenne, Wyoming, to the campus of Concordia College in Moorhead, to Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa, to all the congregations I have served, I have always felt a strong connection to the ministry of the whole church, from ecumenical dialogues and global mission to the development of social statements and worship resources.

I have participated in the process for the development of several social statements over the past two decades and was passionately interested in the *Renewing Worship* process that led to the publication of *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* in the fall of 2006 (my last year of seminary).

I had my first experience at a churchwide assembly in Denver in August 1999. Living in Cheyenne at the time I was able to volunteer for a day and be an usher at an evening worship service. I followed the work of following churchwide assemblies online until I was able to attend the 2009 assembly in Minneapolis as a visitor. Since then, I have attended three other churchwide assemblies in 2011 (Orlando), 2013 (Pittsburgh), and 2019 (Milwaukee). The 2013 assembly was especially exciting as my dad and I were both there from our respective synods as voting members. I was a visitor in 2011 and 2019.

I am always moved to see the work our church does better together and celebrate the many ministries that are being done by our church for the sake of the gospel across the country and with ecumenical and inter-faith partners.

From August 8-12 our churchwide expression will gather in assembly under the theme: *Embody the Word* in Columbus, Ohio. About twenty people from the Eastern North Dakota Synod will join over 900 other voting members from across the whole church.

Several business items are on the agenda for the week including the election of a new Vice President, attending to changes to the constitution, adopting a budget, and addressing issues raised at synod assemblies for the churchwide assembly to consider in the form of memorial resolutions. The assembly begins with a recognition of the 35th anniversary of the Constituting Convention that formed the ELCA and will include reports from church leaders and ministry partners throughout the week.

Please pray for our church leaders, voting members, and all who attend to our church's mission and ministry during this triennial churchwide assembly.

Let us pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and its members who gather this week in its Churchwide Assembly. Inspire the celebration of God's varied works throughout the church. Instill your peace in the midst of the work you have called us to and the deliberations that will take place. Shape the work of the church according to your will for the whole world. Amen.

Pr. Robert Franek

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS: *Family/Friends of Margie Eggert* (died 7/26; funeral @ TLC on 7/29); *Jan Eggert, Mya Eggert, Sharon Anundson* (8/04 hip surgery), *Chad Henningsgard, Ronnie Whetzel* (cancer; Diane Kracht's brother in TX), *Cindy Schaefer, Kate Lehr* (Pat Beil's grandniece); **our country & public leaders; Casa de Fe orphanage (Ecuador); Others in need/ tragedies;** our SYNOD / *Bishop Tessa Moon-Leseth*; our **ELCA/ Presiding Bishop Rev. Elizabeth Eaton**; our missionaries; military men/women; **OUR SYNOD PARTNERS: Central African Republic/Alaska; PEACE (Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Ukraine)**



Our prayers and sympathy are extended to the family & friends of:

Marjorie "Margie" Eggert, who died on July 26th in Fargo, ND. Her funeral was held at Trinity on July 29th.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."
Matthew 5: 4



New banners on display at Trinity!

We have 4 new banners currently on display in the sanctuary at Trinity. You'll find the 2 green ones currently hanging at the front, above the organ and clavinova. Green is the liturgical color for the season of Pentecost, which we are currently in. The 2 yellow floral banners are hanging on either side of the pews towards the back. Thank you to those who financially contributed towards this purchase!

July 2022 Memorials

PEW CUSHIONS/MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **Robert "Bob" Pearson**
Given by John & Sandra Froelich, Shirley Willson, Roger & Rochelle Triebold family, Tom & Karen Overn, Shawn & Kim Wittenberg, Leif & Rosalind Ravnaas, Kathy & Donald Clark, Marjorie Eggert, Cheri Ashfeld, Gerald & Julie Yokom, Frances Yokom, Bernie & Edna Elsner,

In memory of **Leon Pytlik**
Given by Leif & Rosalind Ravnaas

In memory of **Roger Lundmard**
Given by Bernie & Edna Elsner

In memory of **Ron Trapp**
Given by Bernie & Edna Elsner

In memory of **Ken Swanson**
Given by Frances Yokom

WELCA

In memory of **Lois Reardon** (Margaret Heise's sis)
Given by Frances Yokom

ALTAR GUILD

In memory of **Robert "Bob" Pearson**
Given by Mike & Vicki Metcalf

In memory of **Leon Pytlik**
Given by Mike & Vicki Metcalf

CASA de FE

In memory of **Robert "Bob" Pearson**
Given by Arlys Netland, Marleen Pytlik, Patty Beil, Sue Martin

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June 2022 Financial

Beg. Balance (as of 6/01/22): \$23,686.36
Income: \$ 6,584.20
Expenses: \$12,302.23
End Balance (as of 6/30/22): \$17,968.33

July 2022 Worship Attendance

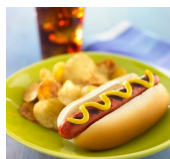
July 3: 48 July 24: 50
July 10: 39 July 31: 47
July 17: 52



WELCA Bake & Pasta Sale
Sunday, Aug. 28th
(free-will offering)

Also...
Yard Party on TLC lawn
following Worship

TLC WELCA will be selling hot dogs, chips, & soda!





**August
2022**

The Christian Education Committee is currently in the planning stages for the upcoming Sunday School year. We are still in need of teachers and substitute teachers. If you are interested in volunteering your time & talents, please contact the committee: christianedtlc@bektel.com

TLC Families please watch your email for Sunday School registration forms to be emailed out by the week of Aug. 8th. We ask that you complete the forms promptly so that we may plan for the year. Also, if anyone knows someone looking for a Sunday School home please have them contact us. christianedtlc@bektel.com

Submitted by Rebecca Westman

—Youth Mission trip 2022—

Carson Johnson, Kellen Westman, & Rebecca Westman (adult chaperone) participated in a Youth Trip to Minneapolis on July 18-20 with youth from Our Saviors and Faith Lutheran.

We were able to spend our first afternoon at Valley Fair and a few hours on Tuesday at Como Zoo/Como Pool. The remainder of our trip was spent doing hours of service.

We volunteered at Feed Our Starving Children twice. The first time we worked with additional volunteers to pack 30,240 meals which will feed 82 kids for an entire year. The second time we were able to attend a mobile packing event at Target Field. With over 290 volunteers we packed enough meals to feed 225 children for an entire year. We also volunteered at Global Health Ministries. While here, we packed hospital gowns, sorted medical supplies, sorted medical kits into usable items that would normally be thrown away and packed/labeled them to be sent to partners in Africa. Our final stop was the Neighborhood Church in Fargo to drop off the cereal and mac-n-cheese donations to refill their in-house food pantry. In addition, we were able to help distribute food to over 200 families for their pop-up food pantry and do some cleaning of their church.

Thank you for your generous donations of food and \$274 that we could share with our service partners.

Rebecca Westman

(Pictures from this trip are posted on our Facebook page, Trinity Lutheran Church of Valley City)



**Sunday, Aug. 14th
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

TLC Dining room

(free-will offering to benefit the Casa de Fe orphanage in Ecuador)

All are welcome!!



**for CASA DE FE
(orphanage in Shell, Ecuador)**

**Friday, Aug. 19th &
Saturday, Aug. 20th
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
@ TLC dining room**

Something for everyone!!

Rolls/coffee, walking tacos/bars will be for sale!

(Items **not** accepted are: adult clothing, large/small appliances, TVs, or computers. If you have furniture to donate, contact Pat Beil (490-2339) to view/accept for sale.

of the
Women ELCA

Eastern ND Synod WELCA

2022 Annual Meeting

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022

English Lutheran Church, Medina, ND

9:30 a.m. (8:30-9:15 am registration)



Keynote speaker: Deb Wald, Fgo Singer, song writer, poet & spiritual advisor. Member of Hope Lutheran Church/Fargo & Golden Oldies Musical group

In kind Offerings to LIRS



**Needed: Lutheran World Relief
School Kit items**

**Please drop off NEW items by
9/30/22 to TLC Gathering Area**

Items needed are: Backpack (drawstring cloth), ruler, blue/black pens (no gel), blunt-end scissors, notebooks, #2 pencils w/eraser, 16 - or 24-count crayons, eraser (2 1/2" size), pencil sharpener.

*Please do NOT donate items with these symbols:
religious, military (including flag or camouflage), or group
names/messages.*

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2022:

Council President: Diane Kracht

Vice Pres.: Randy Ladbury

Secretary: Linda Anderson

Other members: Jennifer Jenness, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Rodney Moore, Bruce Anderson, Kim Wittenberg

July 2022 COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

Present: Diane Kracht, Kaneia Kinney, Linda Anderson, Rodney Moore, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Kim Wittenberg, Jennifer Jenness, Bruce Anderson

Absent: Randy Ladbury



I. CALL TO ORDER – Diane Kracht

II. DEVOTION / PRAYER – Diane Kracht

III. CORRESPONDENCE – Thank You notes were received from Lexi Triebold and Peyton Zaun for the scholarships they received from the Wilhemeina Erickson Scholarship Fund.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW / ADDITIONS – Rodney made a motion to approve the Agenda; seconded by Gene, approved by Council.

V. MINUTES of Last Meeting – Rodney made a motion to approve the June minutes; seconded by Bruce, approved by Council.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT – Linda made a motion to approve the June Treasurer's report; seconded by Jennifer, approved by Council.

VII. PASTOR'S REPORT – on vacation – no report

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Christian Education & Youth/Rodney Moore: Evening book club - 15 people are signed up. VBS – 10 kids from TLC attended.
2. Endowment/Randy Ladbury: nothing to report.
3. Global Missions/Jennifer: Casa de Fe breakfasts are on again.
4. Outreach/Diane & Gene: nothing at this time.
5. Property/Russ, Gene & Bruce: Lawn has been sprayed, pew cushions are done, the front porch on the parsonage has been fixed, the parsonage sewer was cleaned out on July 5th, the water heater in the church basement has been looked at.
6. Stewardship/Linda A.: nothing at this time.
7. Worship-Music/Diane: A worship committee has been formed. Pastor Robert is on vacation this week.
8. WELCA (Women of ELCA)/Kim Wittenberg: \$200 was sent to Campus United; taco-in-a-bag will be served at VC Crazy Daze. WELCA will do coffee hour once a month.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Discuss the compensation package for new prospective pastor. Russ made a motion to accept. Seconded by Rodney. Approved by council.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. On August 7th we will have a congregational meeting to vote to offer a call and to accept the compensation package.
- B. Pastor Robert's last day will be August 21st.

XI. Next meeting will be August 9th, 2022 at 6:30pm.

XII. A motion was made by Rodney to adjourn meeting, seconded by Bruce; approved by Council.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.