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

<u>Worship</u> Sundays, 10 a.m.

Sunday School Oct. 19th—May 23rd 9-9:45 a.m.

Bible Study Tuesdays: 10:30—11:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Diane Krumm Email: ptlc@bektel.com

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# Trinity "Tidings"



Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. Exodus 16:4

I have a saying: "God provides manna for the day. Look for the manna." It reminds me that God's blessings are all around. The tricky part is to look with the eyes of faith and embrace them with a thankful heart – which is easier said that done as the Israelites have shown us.

Thousands of years ago, when the Israelites were slaves in Egypt, God heard their cries for help. God sent Moses to speak to Pharaoh. God sent 10 plagues to convince Pharaoh to let God's people go. God parted the waters of the Red Sea so the Israelites could escape Pharoah's army. Still, as they journeyed to the Promise Land, the people complained and doubted God's plan for them.

I'm glad their stories and struggles are in the Bible. I see myself and others in them. Sometimes we get stuck – remembering how things used to be in the "good, old days" or comparing ourselves with others who seem to have more. It can be easy to take things and people for granted. Our eyes can be blind to our blessings, and our heart cold to gratitude. Like the Israelites in the wilderness, God's Spirit must constantly work to inspire faith in us.

In Exodus 16, the Israelites were afraid they would starve to death – so afraid that they considered returning to Egypt and slavery. But God provided them with a flaky substance that covered the ground like frost. When the people saw it, they asked "What is it?" – which in Hebrew is "Manna?" Their question has become the word used for God's blessings that sustain us.

From that story, I came up with the saying: "God provides manna for the day. Look for the manna." It reminds me that God will provide – God will show up. And it reminds me to look with the eyes of faith – to see beyond what is on the surface and see that God is at work. Some days, God's blessings aren't fancy or flashing, but they are there. They are always there, and they are enough for the day. Tomorrow I will again need to look and trust that God will provide for that day. And he does; he always does.

As we approach Thanksgiving Day, may we be reminded to look for and give thanks for the manna God provides to us each day.

> In Christ, Pastor Diane Krumm

## IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

Family/Friends of Gloria Becker (died 10/15, funeral @ TLC on 10/22); Marge Besette, Joe Jongeward, Jan Pearson, Chad Henningsgard; **Others in need/tragedies**; our SYNOD/*Bishop Tessa Moon-Leseth*; our **ELCA**/*Presiding Bishop Rev. Elizabeth Eaton*; our missionaries; militarywomen/men (Steve Frizzelle); **Casa de Fe children's orphanage in Ecuador**; **Our Synod Partners: Central African Republic**; **PEACE (Syria,** *Iraq, Afghanistan, Ukraine*)

## "FOR ALL THE SAINTS..."

We will remember, by name and lighting a candle, those Trinity "Saints" & others who "have died and gone before us" this past year,



as we gather for Worship @ 10 a.m. on **All Saints Sunday, November 6th.** 

Join us as we continue to thank GOD for: Marlene Bischoff, Jane Huber, Howard "Denny" Plecity, Elaine Dahl, Robert Pearson, Marjorie Eggert, Leland "Lee" Samson, Mary Berg, James Arneson, and Gloria Becker.

... and other family members and friends you "name" and continue to hold in your hearts.



Thank you to everyone who made the Installation Service and the 30th Anniversary of my ordination a wonderful day. Thank you to those who participated in the installation litur-

gy: Randy Ladbury, Kathy Hoefs, Rochelle Triebold, Tracey Zaun, and Pastor Brad Skogen (Associate with the Bishop for Congregational Leadership & Transitions, EaND Synod). Thank you to the Sunday School students and teachers for the "PASTOR" cheer. Thank you for all the delicious food at the potluck and the anniversary cake. I could not have asked for a better day!

Paraphrasing Paul from Philippians 1: "I thank God for all of you and for your partnership in the gospel. And I pray that your love may continue to overflow with knowledge, insight, and the grace of God."



Many thanks to Bruce Kracht for trimming back the perennials around the church & parsonage areas this fall!



For your information (FYI), the cell phone number for Trinity's pastor is (701)840-7548, and the pastor's email

address is ptlc@bektel.com. Pr. Diane now makes use of these. You may need to change the contact information on your phone from Pr. JoAnne (or Pr. Robert) to Pr. Diane to reflect this.





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## September 2022 Financial

Beginning balance (as of 9/01/22):	\$1	6,009.01
Income:	\$	7,729.70
Expenses:	\$1	8,079.32
Ending balance (as of 9/30/22):	\$	5,659.39

## October 2022 Worship Attendance

Oct. 2: <b>49</b>	Oct. 23: 52
Oct. 9: <b>57</b>	Oct. 30: <b>97</b>
Oct. 16: <b>65</b>	



**N** The Sunday school students will begin practicing our Christmas program Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. We only have 4 practices (**Nov. 6, 20; Dec**. **4**, **11**) before our performance. It will be **VERY** important for

your child to attend **ALL** four practices. Our Christmas program will take place on **Dec**. 11<sup>th</sup> during our worship service at 10:00 a.m. Please plan to attend and invite your friends/family!

IMPORTANT DATES: Nov. 6, 20 - Sunday school meets Nov. 13, 27 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL Nov. 20 - TLC FAMILY SKATE NIGHT (see below)

Submitted by Rebecca Westman, Christian Ed chair



TLC Family Skate Night PreK-grade 6 youth Sun., Nov. 20th, 6-8 p.m. VC Optimist Rollerskating



Bring your family to the VC Rec Center to skate, and Christian Ed will pay your way! Come have fun & fellowship with other TLC families!

## Faith Kids Club

Grades 4-6 youth: 3:10-5 p.m. \*Every Wednesday @ Faith Lutheran Church (\*will not meet 11/23) Join us for snacks, games, & fun activities! Rides provided from Washington Elem. to Faith Lutheran; must register: ChristianedtIC@ bektel.Com



## FREE Senior High Lunch

Grades 9-12 @ Our Savior's Luth. Church Every Monday (TLC assists third Monday) Gr. 9 @ 11:15 a.m.; Gr. 10-12 @ 12:15 p.m.



Come to Trinity Lutheran on Sunday, Nov. 20, for a celebration of all things Lutheran. Rhonda Knodle (VC local) and her sisters, Claudette Carlson and Jan Bakke, are at it again. They will be donning their Sunday best and giving their unique

perspective on Lutherans and life as "The Sisters". The program begins at 2 p.m. and "a little lunch" will be served afterwards. A free-will offering will be received with the proceeds given to Abused Persons Outreach Center of Valley City. This event is open to the public - so bring a friend or two, even if they are not Lutheran!



Come deck the church with Advent/Christmas decor on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd at 3:30 pm Come for whatever amount of time you are

available to help!



# <u>Schedule (gr. 7-9)</u>

Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. @ Our Savior's Lutheran Church (138 3rd St. NW, VC) Focus: "Lutheran Heritage & Church Basics" Nov. 2. 9. 16: Class (Please note, there is NO class on 11/23) Nov. 30: Community Action Night (TBA)

Just a reminder to check the Remind app for any group reminders/notices, including cancellations.

On Oct. 19th, TLC confirmation students (along with OSLC & Faith students), and TLC adult helpers (Pr. Diane, Nicole O., Rebecca W.) went door to door in the VC community and collected 750 pounds of food/paper items for the Barnes County Food Pantry! Great work!

**Blessings** on Sean Buck, Tessa Kinney,

Paige Lind-

tism, which



took place on Sunday, Oct. 30th, during Worship, with Pr. Diane Krumm. Thank you to Diane Kracht and Amy Anderson for mentoring this group last year!



**MEN'S** STUDY GROUP there is interest in starting a Men's Bible Study at Trinity. She would appreciate your input. What time and day works

best for you? Would you like to focus on a particular book of the Bible or a theme? We would wait until after the holidays to start — possibly mid-January. Contact her if you are interested and share your ideas. 701-840-7548.



Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe Sunday, Nov. 13th 10:30 a.m—1:30 p.m.

TLC Dining room (serving egg bake) Free-will offering proceeds benefit the orphans of Casa de Fe orphanage in Shell. Ecuador.



## **Eastern ND ELCA Synod Events:**

Wed., Nov. 9th, 3:30-5 p.m. *Lutheran Advocacy 101*: What does it mean to be people of faith and engage in the public square? How does our Lutheran perspective inform this engagement? How do we do advocacy as people of faith? Lutheran Public Policy leaders & public officials will join via Zoom or Facebook Live for a conversation and time of learning: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81913004068

## 2nd Sundays at 7 p.m.

Faithful Conversations: Oftentimes conversations can be hard because we don't share the same language! Creating a shared vocabulary can help us talk together around topics that can divide us. Join for conversation and learning around a particular topic, with a focus on defining terms and learning from those in that field. Via Zoom or Facebook Live: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82364054362 Monthly topics: Nov. 13: Hunger & Poverty

Dec. 11: Homelessness Jan. 8: LGBTQIA+ Feb. 12: Immigration

March 12: Anti-racism

April 16: Climate change (3rd Sun.)



As we make our ThankOfferings this month, we share in a tradition that goes back to the 1800's when it seemed that there was not enough money to carry out the work of the church, the women would take action. Gathering in groups called "cent" or "mite" societies,

each woman would set aside offerings at home throughout the year in thanksgiving for blessings received. On occasion, the women would come together as we do this month, joining their offerings together to support ministry of many kinds.

When Women of the ELCA was formed over 30 years ago, we committed to continue this tradition of giving in gratitude for blessings. Each year, in thousands of congregations, ThankOfferings are given to support the life-changing ministries of Women of the ELCA. Together, we do more than we could ever do apart. In gratitude for all God has given to us, and with hope for all that is to come, the women of Trinity invite ALL people to participate on Sunday, Nov. 20th, with offerings of Thankfulness. Blue ThankOffering envelopes will be distributed in the Nov. 13th & 20th bulletins, or you can pick one up at the TLC office. If you prefer to give online, go to: https://community.elca.org/welca. These monies will be sent to Church-wide to support the ministries of WELCA.



# October 2022 Memorials



Pew Cushions/Memorial Fund In memory of Margie Eggert Given by Chad & Michelle Vollmers, Marv Monroe, Chad & Tracey Zaun family

> In memory of Karen Leadbetter Given by Bernard & Edna Elsner

In memory of **Bonnie Wieck** Given by Bernard & Edna Elsner

In memory of Gloria Becker Given by Jerry & Julie Yokom, Dennis & Sharon Anundson

> Casa de Fe In memory of Margie Eggert Given by Pat Beil & Bernie Walters

Altar Guild In memory of Margie Eggert Given by Tom & Karen Overn, Marsha & Brad Moen, Jerry & Julie Yokom, Ethel Heckman

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

*Gloria Becker*, who died on Saturday, Oct. 15th in Valley City. Her funeral was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Valley City on Saturday, Oct. 22nd.

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



# Grief during the Holidays

Nov. 3rd, 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m. (online)

<sup>EY</sup> The holidays are a time of giving thanks, joy and laughter. For people who are grieving, the holidays often bring a mixture of emotions and feelings. Suffering the loss of a loved one is difficult any time of the year, but the holiday season can intensify feelings of loss. This class will enable attendees to identify and learn how to manage the emotions that can surface when grieving during the holidays. This virtual class is free and open to the public. Registration is required by one day prior to the class date. Call (701)237-4629 to register.

Bake, Lefse, & Quilt Sale Our Savior's Lutheran Church, VC Saturday, Nov. 19—8:30—11 a.m. Breads, Candies, Goodies of all kinds! **Olivewood Carvings for sale!** Coffee, juice & rolls will be served. Proceeds to benefit designated WELCA Missions.

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2022:

Council President: Diane KrachtVice President: Randy LadburySecretary: Linda AndersonOther members: Jennifer Jenness, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Rodney Moore, Bruce Anderson, Kim Wittenberg

#### October 11, 2022 COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

Present:Diane Kracht, Pastor Diane, Kaneia Kinney, Linda Anderson, Randy Ladbury, Rodney Moore, Gene Langemo,<br/>Kim Wittenberg, Jennifer Jenness.Absent:Russ Larson, Bruce Anderson

#### I. CALL TO ORDER – Diane Kracht

**II. DEVOTION / PRAYER –** Pastor Diane, Psalm 121

**III. CORRESPONDENCE –** Church Wide Assembly

IV. AGENDA REVIEW/ADDITIONS – Linda made a motion to approve Agenda; seconded by Gene, approved by Council.
V. MINUTES of Last Meeting – Rodney made a motion to approve September minutes; seconded by Jennifer, approved by Council.

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

VII. PASTOR'S REPORT - see report

#### VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Christian Education & Youth—Rodney Moore/Diane K.: Confirmation started September 14<sup>th</sup>, TLC along with Our Saviors and Faith Lutheran churches together. Book club to start again October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:30pm. Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> will be a Halloween Bash for grades K-6. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> will be our SS Christmas program during regular worship.
- 2. **Endowment**—Randy Ladbury: Next meeting is in December.
- 3. **Global Missions**—Jennifer Jenness; nothing at this time.
- 4. **Outreach**—Diane K. & Gene Langemo: TLC will deliver food boxes for the Backpack Program in March; volunteers will be needed to help.
- 5. **Property**—Russ Larson, Gene L. & Bruce Anderson: The carpet in the sanctuary needs to be re-glued in some areas. Diane to get in touch with Scott Magnuson. Faucet in the bathtub upstairs at the parsonage needs repairs. Hoses outside need to be rolled up and gutters cleaned.
- 6. **Stewardship**—Linda Anderson: Nothing at this time.
- 7. **Worship-Music**—Diane K.: Met Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> and will again on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. A request to have a projector and screen setup at worship to follow along with the service and music is being put on hold. It is not financially feasible at this time as we would need a new projector, computer, and license for printing. Also there is not a person to type things in and run it on Sunday morning. Thank offering will be on November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. **WELCA (Women of ELCA)**—Kim Wittenberg: The Fall Festival is on November 5<sup>th</sup> this year. Rose Wendt, Jeannie Wobbema, Sue Martin, and Margaret Heise attended the convention in Medina. Donation of \$300 was given to Lutheran Immigration Refugee Services.

#### IX. OLD BUSINESS:

A. There are 2 old ceiling lights from sanctuary left, if anyone is interested in making a donation they can have.

#### X. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

- A. Jennifer made a motion to accept Sean Buck, Tessa Kinney, Paige Lindgren, Payton Lindgren, and Teagan Zaun into adult membership; seconded by Rodney, approved by Council.
- B. Membership transferred in: Beverly Anderson, from Our Savior's Lutheran Church, VC.
- C. Nov. 20th celebration: Church Basement Ladies program starting at 2 p.m. with a free-will offering going towards Abused Persons Outreach Center (APOC).
- D. Sound System: Jason Anderson is getting a bid for a new sound system. Our current system is old, and someone is offering to pay half for a new one. The other half could be paid with money from Memorial fund. It has been put on hold for now.
- E. Jennifer made a motion to pay \$400 from the Memorial fund to Barnes County Community Assistance Fund; seconded by Rodney, approved by Council.
- F. Community Thanksgiving Day service to be held at First Baptist Church in VC at 4 p.m.

**XI.** Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 p.m.

**XII.** A motion was made by Rodney to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gene; approved by Council. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

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