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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

#### **Worship**

Sundays, 10 a.m. Holy Communion on first & third Sundays

#### **Sunday School**

Sept. 10th—May 19th 9-9:50 a.m. (PreK-gr.6)

#### **Bible Study**

Tuesdays: 10:30—11:30 a.m.

#### Pastor:

Rev. Diane Krumm Email: ptlc@bektel.com (701)840-7548

#### Office Manager:

Rochelle Triebold Hours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., M-Th Closed on Fridays

### <u>Treasurer/Expenses</u>:

Kaneia Kinney

#### **Offerings Secretary:**

Karen Magnuson

#### **Custodians:**

Jerry & Michelle Dahl

# Trinity Tidings



"...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made know to God." Philippians 4:6

Did St. Paul really mean "with thanksgiving" in every circumstance and in everything? Most of us tend to thank God for what we perceive to be blessings – such as food, home, friends, family, etc. St. Paul invites us to thank God for other things in our lives – perhaps things that did not feel so good at the time, that may have led to worries before relief came, and that may have forced us to look beyond ourselves.

In a way, we are being invited to thank God for being God. Instead of our focus being entirely on what we want or think we need, we acknowledge that God continually works for good in this world. There is a peace that comes when we are able to bring all our requests and thanksgivings to God, trusting that God will sort through them. It means that even when things are not going as we planned, God is still working in our lives to grant us blessings (even if sometimes these are, at first, blessings in disguise).

Thanksgiving Day is a great time to pause and remember our many blessings. Actually, every day, in all circumstances and in everything, it is a great time to thank God for being the Lord of our lives. May God bless your Thanksgiving celebrations and may we be bold to thank God in all circumstances of our lives.

In Christ, Pastor Diane Krumm



#### **IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:**

Family/Friends of: **Eleanor Anderson** (died 9/30; funeral @ TLC on 10/06), **Shirley Willson** (died 10/22; funeral @ TLC on 10/28), **Grace Hansen** (died 10/19; funeral @ TLC on 11/02); TLC Confirmands (Brenan. Mara, Carson, Kellen, Chloee, Georgia), Shirley Hoff, Bev Anderson, Ray McClaflin, Nicole Wieser, LeRoy Magnuson, Liz Hildebrand (Jeanne Wobbema's sis), Jessica (Carlblom) Kuska, Sandie (Dahl) Mielke (Jerry's sis), **Nicole Gordon** (Julie Yokom's niece/cancer), Chad Henningsgard; Others **in need/tragedies**; our SYNOD/Bishop Tessa *Moon-Leseth*; our **ELCA**/*Presiding Bishop Rev.* Elizabeth Eaton; our missionaries; militarywomen/men; Casa de Fe children's orphanage in Ecuador; Our Synod Partners: Central African Republic; PEACE (Israel, 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 5th.

Ioin us as we continue to thank GOD for:

Walt Fadness, Lorraine Olson, Larry Grooters, Inez McCrea, Harry Himmerich, DeLoris Krapu, Dennis Kuehne, Eleanor Anderson, Shirley Willson, & Grace Hansen.

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



Mission Breakfast for Casa de Fe Sunday, Nov. 12th 10:30 a.m—1:30 p.m.

TLC Dining room

Free-will offering proceeds benefit the orphans of Casa de Fe orphanage in Shell, Ecuador.



Come deck the church with Advent/ Christmas decor on **Tues.**, **Nov. 28th at 3:30 pm.** Come for whatever amount of time you are available to help!



## Saturday, Nov. 4th

Bake sale: 10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Luncheon: 11 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Menu: Baked potato bar, salad & dessert

Tickets: \$10 Ages 6 yrs & under: \$5 Want to buy someone a lunch?

Buy a coupon!

Pick up & delivery available from 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m. Call (701)845-3837.

Hosted by: Trinity Lutheran Church WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

## Gift Baskets & Christmas Decor



#### **Barnes County Ministerial**

Community Thanksgiving service

4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19th Congregational United Church of Christ 217 4th St. NW, Valley City

## "God's Work. Our Hands."

#### September 2023 Financial

Beginning balance (as of 9/01/23): \$-12,602.98 Income: \$22,231.93 Expenses: \$13,655.76 Ending balance (as of 9/30/23): \$-3,926.81

#### October 2023 Worship Attendance

Oct. 1: **53** Oct. 22: **51** Oct. 29: **78** 

Oct. 15: **43** 



November 19th cooking show featuring Marleen Pytik is postponed. More information will be available at a later date.



STION The Sunday school students will **EDUCATION** begin practicing our Christmas program Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. We only have 4 practices (Nov. 5, 19; Dec. 3, 10) before our performance. It will be VERY important for

your child to attend **ALL** four practices. Our Christmas program will take place on **Dec**. 17<sup>th</sup> during our worship service at 10:00 a.m. Please plan to attend and invite your friends/family!

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

Nov. 5, 19; Dec. 3, 10, 17 - Sunday school meets

Nov. 12, 26 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dec. 17: Christmas program during 10 a.m. Worship



#### Faith Kids Club

Grades 4-6 youth: 3:15-5 p.m.

\*Every Wednesday @ Faith Lutheran (\*will not meet 11/22)

Join us for snacks, games, & fun activities! Rides provided from Washington Elem. to Faith Lutheran; must register: ChristianedtIC@ bektel.com



#### FREE Senior High Lunch for gr. 10-12

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Every Monday (TLC assists third Monday) Come during your scheduled lunch time.

Senior High Youth Group (gr. 10-12) meets the 1st 4 3rd Wednesdays at Our Savior's Lutheran.



#### TLC Book Club: Tues., Nov. 7th

**5:30 p.m.:** discuss "Sold on a Monday" (please have the entire book read before meeting).



#### Schedule (gr. 7-9)

Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m. @ Our Savior's Lutheran Church (138 3rd St. NW, VC) Focus: "Old Testament" Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29: Class (Please note, there is NO class on 11/22)

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

On Oct. 18th, 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 over 900 pounds of food/paper items for the Barnes County Food Pantry! Great work!

Blessings on Brenan Anderson. Mara Crowe. Carson Johnson, Kellen Westman, Chloee Wieser, and Georgia Zaun



on their Affirmation of Baptism, which took place on Sunday, Oct. 29th, during Worship, with Pr. Diane Krumm.



#### **Creativity for a Cause: Arin Lutiker Benefit** Monday, Nov. 6th, 5-7 p.m. @ VC Eagles Club Taco Bar & Handmade items for sale



You are invited to support VCHS sophomore, Arin Lutiker & family, in a courageous battle against childhood cancer. Most recently, Arin underwent a leg amputation to remove a tumor & is now recovering from surgery. Arin is also a recipient of an upcoming Make-a-Wish experience.

It is Arin's belief that EVERYONE has a creative side just waiting to be celebrated! A variety of handmade items will be for sale with a few special pieces sold through silent auction. Items vary as widely as the creativity of their donors: needlework, pottery, woodworking, photography, jewelry, baking & more! If you would like to donate items for sale, please drop off your items to the VCHS Senior High office by Nov. 3rd @ 3:30 p.m. They can also be dropped off at the Eagles Club prior to 5 p.m. the day of the benefit.

Benefit hosted by Arin's Hi-Liner family.



The 2023 Community Thanksgiving Food basket event will be taking place again this year! **Basket** assembly is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 16th, 5:30-6:30 p.m. **at Faith Lutheran.** Volunteers of all age & abilities are needed to help assemble baskets. This is also a great service project option for Confirmation students (gr. 7-9).

The Thanksgiving baskets are for those living on income restrictions. Baskets are filled with items to prepare a traditional thanksgiving meal, and includes turkey. potatoes, vegetables, pie and more. If you or someone you know would like a basket, please call Faith Lutheran (845-4390) by Fri., Nov. 3rd. There is a limited quantity available.

Basket deliveries are scheduled for Friday, Nov. 17th at 5 p.m. Basket pick ups will begin at 5:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran.

This is a joint ministry of Faith Lutheran, Our Savior's Lutheran, and Trinity Lutheran Church. If you would like to make a monetary donation to offset the cost of making these food baskets, you may send your donation to Faith Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 606, Valley City (write "Thanksgiving Basket" in the memo), or drop off at TLC. Each basket costs around \$55, so any amount you donate is appreciated!

We are grateful to all who give of their time volunteering for this project or make monetary gifts so others may enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with their families!

#### Get involved with Refugee Resettlement with LIRS: Refugee Welcome teams:

- Gather furniture, kitchen items, toiletries, linens, & other household supplies for refugee families.
- Provide \$1,500 of financial support for rent & food.
- Set up an apartment: putting away items, making beds, putting in order homes for refugee arrival.

#### Welcome Home Baskets:

Gather necessary items for an apartment from a provided list (totaling about \$150) & bring to the LIRS office, to be used in a refugee home.

#### Donate through LIRS's Target Registry:

Items purchased are automatically shipped to LIRS to be used for a refugee family.

If interested in helping with any of the above, or if you have questions, please email Josh at imajeski@lirs.org.



#### October 2023 Memorials



In memory of **Eleanor Anderson** Given by Bruce & Amy Anderson, Bruce & Diane Kracht

**Christian Education** In memory of **Eleanor Anderson** Given by Jerry & Julie Yokom

Casa de Fe

In memory of Arlene Geisinger Given by Pat Beil & Bernie Walters



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

**Eleanor Anderson**, who died on September 30th in Fargo. Her funeral was at TLC on October 6th.

**Shirley Willson**, who died on October 22 in Fargo. Her funeral was at TLC on October 28th.

**Grace Hansen**, who died on October 19th in Valley City. Her funeral is at TLC on November 2nd.

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



## North Dakota

On Sunday, Oct. 22nd, Josh Majeski with LIRS (Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service) came and spoke to the congregation about what LIRS does, who it serves, and how we can help.

LIRS is committed to offering assistance and services to all in need and providing a safe haven for refugees, immigrants, and asylum seekers. Since 1939, 750,000 new neighbors have rebuilt their lives in the U.S. -- including refugees from Germany, Eastern Europe, Cuba, Afghanistan, Uganda, etc. With more than 1,000 partners and 50,000 volunteers, LIRS is dedicated to helping restore a sense of home.

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2023:

**Council President**: Linda Anderson **Vice President**: Kim Wittenberg **Secretary**: Jennifer Jenness

**Other members**: Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Bruce Anderson, Kathy Hoefs, Stan Flemmer

#### October 10, 2023 Council Highlights:

President Linda Anderson called the meeting to order. Pastor Diane led devotions. A letter from Pastor Ben Atchley of Hope Extended was read. The agenda and previous council minutes were approved. The treasurer's report was received. Pastor's Report was reviewed.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. Christian Education/Youth Jennifer Jenness: Our Savior's is hosting a youth group for 10-12<sup>th</sup> Graders on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month all area youth are welcome. Book Club will meet on November 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss "Sold on a Monday" by Kristina McMorris. The Sunday School Christmas Program will be on December 17<sup>th</sup> during worship time.
- 2. Endowment Russ Larson: Endowment covered the registration for two Trinity youth to go to Castaway Club. Two CD's matured which totaled approximately \$30,000. Two CD's were purchased and \$10,000 was transferred to a money market fund. The money market funds will be available to loan to the congregation's general fund if requested by council (interest rates would apply).
- 3. Global Missions/Outreach/Stewardship Linda Anderson/Gene Langemo: TLC will be delivering food backpacks to the schools in March 2024. A letter to congregation drafted.
- 4. Worship Kathy Hoefs: Six youth will be confirmed on October 29. People are needed for special music for Confirmation Sunday. All Saints Day is November 5<sup>th</sup> and will commemorate those who have died since last All Saints Day.
- 5. Women (WELCA) Kim Wittenberg reported on WELCA activities.
- 6. Property Stan Flemmer/Bruce Anderson/Gene Langemo:

Church Building: discussed the furnace line leak in basement and sanctuary carpet letting loose in spots.

Parsonage: discussed south side outside faucet leak.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Trinity is now insured with Dakota Insurance. New AED pads have been installed. Church Together Sunday will be rescheduled. Trinity will contract with ACB for snow removal services. A letter was approved to send to the congregation regarding Trinity's financial situation.

#### **NEW BUISNESS:**

In 2024, Trinity will be 140 years old.

The meeting was adjourned. Next council meeting will be November 14, at 6:30 p.m.

