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### **Worship**

Sundays  
 10 am

### **Sunday School**

Sept.—May  
 9-9:45 am

### **Bible Study**

Tuesdays: 10:30—11:30 am

### **Pastor:**

Rev. JoAnne Moeller  
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Karen Magnuson

### **Custodians:**

Jerry & Michelle Dahl

# Trinity “Tidings”



Greetings “Trinity” folk,

Some of you know I enjoy noting who has written the words and tunes of the myriad songs we sing in Worship. I marvel that some of them have lived for hundreds of years, and others even thousands (chants, the Psalms—the Hebrew hymnal). Do you think any of them ever dreamed their creations would live so long and feed so many....?!

As we observe the “4<sup>th</sup> of July” and sing some of those favorite songs, I find it interesting to learn the story behind “America, the Beautiful”:

**Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929)** wrote the verses after a trip to the World's Fair/Chicago in 1893 with other Wellesley College professors while on their way to teach summer school in Colorado. They decided to visit Pike's Peak in the Rocky Mountains, hiring a prairie wagon but had to leave the wagon and ride a mule to the top.

“I was very tired. But when I saw the view, I felt great joy. All the wonder of America seemed displayed there....It was then and there that the opening lines of the hymn floated into my mind.” Her verses stayed in a notebook for years, but she found them again and submitted them for a hymnal, which was first printed **July 4, 1895**.

The tune, written by **Samuel A. Ward** in 1882, originally for a hymn entitled “O Mother Dear, Jerusalem”...is said to have been jotted on the cuff of his shirt while crossing the New York harbor at Coney Island, in memory of his daughter.

“America, the Beautiful” has been beloved ever since those words and tune were blended, I suspect. And whether we have traveled near or far or not at all, the images created by Katharine and carried by Samuel's melody have a way of bringing us into a place of beauty and peace.

In the midst of these troubled times and places, may the beauties of God's creation—in this beloved Country and beyond—bring you pause to rest and delight and be renewed in God's wonders and goodness.

God keep you (there)!

Pastor JoAnne

## IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:



JOE JONGEWARD (ankle surgery, 7/07),  
CHAD HENNINGSGARD (surgery, 7/07),  
Family/Friends of SHELA WITTENBERG  
(died 6/15; Mandan), F/F of GLADYS  
RATZLAFF (died on 6/21; VC); CAROLYN  
SCHLENOGT, JASMINE HANSEN (brkn  
leg/Carolyn's grdtr), MADONNA BACHER-  
SLACK (foot surgery), MARGARET HEISE,  
GERRY SCHAEFER, HERB HOFF; MARLENE  
BISCHOFF (SCC); GALE "BUZZ" EGGERT;  
**Coronavirus Public Leaders & Medical/CDC/  
WHO/1st Responders/Essentials; Business  
Owners/Workers & Unemployed; Families/  
Parents & Teachers/Admin.; Farmers/  
Laborers/Food Supply; Our PUBLIC LEAD-  
ERS (Nat'l, State, Communities); Others in  
Need** (all struggling because of coronavirus, near  
& far; those recovering from tragedies/ disas-  
ters/accidents/conflict/violence; those who  
flee/live with fear, danger, abuse; refugees/  
homeless/hungry/thirsty at borders and in our  
communities/nation/world); **SYNOD/Interim  
Bishop Larry Wohlrabe; our ELCA /Presiding  
Bishop Rev. Elizabeth Eaton; our missionar-  
ies; military men/women; OUR SYNOD  
PARTNERS: Central African Rep./Alaska;  
PEACE (in U.S./violent rioting)**



...that **TLC Church Council**  
met the end of June and  
decided to continue as we are  
with **no in-person Worship/  
activities at the church for the month of  
JULY**, respecting the health and safety of  
our elders and all members (Council will meet  
later in July to determine what August holds);  
Thank you, Council members for your care  
and to all for your patience/safe distancing!

...**"Proclaim,"** our **10:30-11 a.m. Sunday  
Worship** radio broadcast on KOVC 1490 AM,  
which we share with Faith Lutheran Church/  
VCity, will continue with the pastor-schedule  
we tried in June: Pr. JoAnne and Pr. Jolene  
(Faith Lutheran Church) will take turns leading  
**"Proclaim" worship every other Sunday**  
from now on, rather than every other  
month...and we like that!

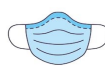
...**July/Aug./Sept. "Christ in Our Home"**  
**devotional** copies (large/regular print available)  
have arrived at TLC's office—please call/  
stop by or request a delivery copy and keep  
**"devoting"!** (Continued in next column...)

...TLC Council welcomes your ideas/suggestions  
for what to do with the "retired" (old) **Trinity  
Sanctuary lights**; please contact a Council mem-  
ber or Pastor JoAnne with your suggestions in  
the next month or two...Thanks!!

...our **END Synod Assembly** has been changed to  
a "virtual" assembly, **August 14-16**; Sherri/Al  
Adams/Pr. JoAnne will be "virtually attending."



...**RWBC "Quilts & More" Auction** at Red  
Willow Bible Camp (RWBC)/Binford on  
Sun., **Aug. 30**; more information will be  
available on the RWBC website and TLC's  
Facebook/website. **Raffle tickets (\$5/  
each)** are available in the church office if you  
would like a chance to win a lovely **queen-sized  
quilt**—call to reserve one.



...that **free facemasks** are still being  
provided for you by our TLC **"Mask-  
eteers"** (aka Patty Beil, Sue Martin, Linda Westby,  
Pat Beil "thanks!" gals), who have sewn hundreds  
for us and others; please **choose one/two** masks  
from the basket near the TLC office, **OR call  
Patty at 845-1797 for a home delivery.**



...**"Who's In the News?!"** these days  
from TLC: **JoAnn Korf** (retired after 29  
years @ Sr. Center/VC—thanks, JoAnn!),  
**Harold Pross** (Veteran photo/U.S.Army-  
Korean War), **John Hill** (Museum news/25 years ago  
— gas station ownership change), **Lucas Compson-  
Lorenz, Peyton Olson, Sean Buck, Tessa Kin-  
ney, Paige Lindgren, Abby Schnaidt (Gr. 8/7  
Honor Roll), Mya Anderson, Lexi Triebold, Pey-  
ton Zaun, Jalyynn Anderson, Emma Langemo,  
Autumn McGough, Maddy Langemo, Drew Zaun,  
Brooklyn Triebold, Max Magnuson (Gr. 9-12 Hon-  
or Roll)!** And we're proud of you, too!

...**YOU are loved?! WELL, NOW YOU DO!!!** 😊

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

### May 2020 Financials

Beginning Balance (as of 5/01):	\$19,367.82
Income:	\$12,614.07
Expenses:	\$11,457.29
Ending Balance (as of 5/31):	\$20,524.60
(*Includes \$20,000 transfer 12/2019)	

**"Thank You"** to those of you who have dropped off or  
mailed your offering to the church.



Trinity Lutheran Church  
WELCØ cordially invites  
you to a

## "Tea Party"

Wed., July 15th, 2020

1:00-3:30 p.m. @ VCSU

Præsident's House

230 Viking Drive SW, Valley City

All TLC ladies invited!  
Come dressed in your best!!

Please RSVP TLC office by 7/06

(ph#: 845-3837 or by email:

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**Summer Meal pick-up** for  
students of VCPS will be  
continued ALL summer  
long, May 26 to Aug. 14th

(excluding July 3rd)!! Pick up or drive-thru  
service, no ID or paperwork required; chil-  
dren need not be present.

**Mondays-Fridays at:**

11-11:15 a.m.— Jeff. School & City Pk

11:30-11:45 a.m.—Washington & St.

Kate's Schools

12-12:15 p.m.— Hirschberger Park

12-12:30 p.m.— Jr/Sr High School

**\*\*1 lunch & 1 breakfast provided per child.**

**Meals will NOT be consumed on site.\*\***



**90th Birthday Open House**  
for

**Shirley Koslofsky**

**Saturday, July 25th**

**1:30-3:30 p.m.**

**VC Eagles Club/lower level**

Please respect social distancing  
guidelines.



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

**Shela Wittenberg**, who died on June 15th in Mandan,  
ND. Her funeral was held on June 26th in VC.

**Gladys Ratzlaff**, who died on June 21st in VC. Her  
funeral was held on June 27th in VC.

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

## June 2020 Memorials

### GENERAL FUND

In memory of **Dennis Maresh**  
Given by Bernie & Edna Elsner

In memory of **John Beil**  
Given by Bruce & Diane Kracht

### MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **John Beil**  
Given by Pamela Burchill, John & Sandra Froelich,  
LeRoy & Karen Magnuson

### RADIO MINISTRY

In memory of **John Beil**  
Given by Brian & Karen Enge, Tom & Karen Overn

### CASA DE FE

In memory of **John Beil**  
Given by Gerald & Julie Yokom, Woody & Rose Wendt,  
Craig & Michelle Larson

### ALTAR GUILD

In memory of **John Beil**  
Given by Brad & Marsha Moen

**THANK YOU** to the following  
TLC members who helped deliver  
Meals on Wheels for June:

**Jeanne Wobbema, Joie Heck-  
man, Susan Smith, Marleen Pytlik, Barb Kauk,  
Sharon Anundson, Patty Beil, Patti & Danni  
Angeles, Gayle Hoff, Bernie & Edna Elsner  
and Becky Compson family.**



**You're Invited to a Graduate Open House**

honoring TLC member

**Alexis Joy Triebold**

on Sunday, July 19th

2-5 p.m. @ Chautauqua Pk/VC

(Lexi will be available from 1:30-2 p.m. for  
Drive-by "Congrats" outside the pavilion  
building, for those that don't feel comforta-  
ble attending the open house)

Lexi graduated from VCHS on  
June 11th.





## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS 2020:

**Council President:** Diane Kracht    **Council Vice Pres.:** Randy Ladbury    **Secretary:** Linda Anderson  
**Other members:** Jennifer Jenness, Russell Larson, Gene Langemo, Patti Angeles, Rodney Moore, Linda Westby

### MAY 2020 CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

**Meeting held, MAY 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.**  
(social distanced/masks @ TLC Dining Room)

**Present:** Diane Kracht, Randy Ladbury, Rodney Moore, Patti Angeles, Linda Anderson, Jennifer Jenness, Russ Larson, Pastor JoAnne

**Absent:** Gene Langemo, Patti Angeles, Kaneia Kinney/Treasurer

**Called to Order** by Pres., Diane Kracht

**Pastor's Report re April 2020:**

Pastoral Visits: 200 visits: 2 (ph) hospital, 8 (safe/sidewalk) homes, 0 Care Center, 30/palms-34 (safely) at Church, 108 phone/follow-up, 18 other;

#### New Business:

--MSC (Russ/Rodney) Not renew bulk mailing permit for newsletter (will email and real-mail those needed, with copies at church).

MSC (Rodney/Randy) Adjourn; Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: June 25, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.

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### JUNE 2020 CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

**Meeting held, JUNE 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.**  
(social distanced/masks @ TLC Dining Room)

**Present:** Diane Kracht, Randy Ladbury, Rodney Moore, Patti Angeles, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Kaneia Kinney/Treasurer

Pastor JoAnne

**Absent:** Linda Anderson, Jennifer Jenness, Linda Westby

**Called to Order** by Pres., Diane Kracht

**Pastor's Report re May 2020:**

Pastoral Visits: 183 visits: 6 (ph) hospital, 3 (safe/sidewalk) homes, 2 (Facetime) Care Center, 40 (safely) at Church, 113 phone/follow-up, 19 other;

#### Old Business:

--Council welcomes ideas/suggestions from TLC members re what to do with "retired" Sanctuary lights.

#### New Business:

--MSC (Russ/Patti) Give \$200 for Synod Assembly Offering IF there is an Offering collected for the Assembly this year.

--MSC (Randy/Gene) Continue as we are (Facebook Live/"Proclaim") with no in-person Worship/activities at Trinity through July; will revisit at July meeting re August.

MSC (Rodney/Gene) Adjourn; Lord's Prayer.

NEXT MEETING: July 23, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.