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

Worship
 Sundays
 10 am

Sunday School
 Sept. 12th—May 23rd
 9-9:45 am

Bible Study
 Tuesdays: 10:30—11:30 am

Office Staff:
 Rochelle Triebold
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 Hours: 9 am-3 pm, M-Th

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 Karen Magnuson

Custodians:
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Trinity "Tidings"



Greetings "Trinity" folk,
 Surprise surprise, I'm (almost?!) at a loss for
 words right now...because these last weeks
 and months have been filled with heartwarming,
 memorable, tear-tapping moments.

And I thank you for all of them: the cards, the flowers, the "Last Supper" (which ended far better than Jesus', and I'm glad!), the Retirement Open House—and especially to "Missy" Diane for all of her planning and wonderful décor, and her helpers as well—the smiles, the tears, the well wishes, the hugs, and the warm words. When I am fully moved to Watertown SD (100-28th Avenue SE, #300, Watertown, SD 57201), then I will enjoy your cards and memories all over (and likely get teary all over again, too!).

THANK YOU for these last seven years, and allowing my "creative juices" to flow! GOD helped us do good fun faithful caring things together for the sake of all GOD loves... and I'm even more grateful for that!

Yes, I shall miss you...singing and praying and laughing and caring and growing and trusting with you. And, yes, I shall still hold you in my heart and in my prayers.... For now, "GOD go with you; go with GOD!"

Gratefully & With Love, Pastor JoAnne



Greetings Trinity,

This is a difficult transition for Trinity with Pr. JoAnne retiring. We will miss her leadership, her compassion, her pastoral care, and especially her singing. We thank her for her faithful service to Trinity these last 7 years.

Just a quick update of where we are at with searching for a pastor. Shar Gumke, from the synod, was here and visited with council. There are several steps that we need to take. First we need to say good-bye to Pastor JoAnne, which we did with a wonderful last supper and Open House. Next, we need to have a forum in which we discuss the congregation expectations, dreams, and accomplishments. We will have this forum on September 26 after church services with Shar Gumke. My hope is that many of you will attend and share your thoughts. Then we need to form a transition team made up of 3 or 4 members to write the Ministry Site Profile (Profile of Trinity). After all of this is accomplished and submitted to the synod, we will form a Call Committee, which council will appoint with a cross-section of our congregation.

As you can see, there are many steps in the process.

I am confident that we can accomplish all of these with everyone's help. Please ask any question you might have about this process, and I will try to answer them.

Our Mission is "Love God...Love Others"
 Diane Kracht
 Council President

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

Pr. JoAnne & TLC Council/Congregation;
Family/Friends of MARCELLA RICHMAN (died 7/29), F/F of VELVA KEENE (died 8/17), F/F of GALE "BUZZ" EGGERT (died 8/22), F/F of DARELL BERG (DIED 8/26), F/F of JANETTE STROPNICKY (Karen Kobbervig's sis/Grand Forks); CHAD HENNINGSGARD, BETTY USSATIS; MICK PYTLIK (Marleen's son), KATE LEHR (Pat Beil's grdnce); Fire-fighters/Disaster Response; Coronavirus Public Leaders & Medical/CDC/WHO/1st Responders/Essentials; Our PUBLIC LEADERS (Nat'l/State/Communities); Others in Need (all struggling because of coronavirus); those recovering from tragedies/disasters; those who flee/live with fear, danger, abuse; refugees/homeless/hungry/thirsty at borders; SYNOD/Bishop Tessa Moon Leiseth/our ELCA Presiding Bishop Rev. Elizabeth Eaton; our missionaries; military men/women; CASA DE FE; OUR SYNOD PARTNERS: Central Afr. Rep./Alaska; PEACE



...things are "fall"ing into place for our **Fall doings at Trinity:** Worship... Sunday School...Confirmation...Call process preps...and more, so "stay tuned" for updates in the next weeks and months!

...**RALLY SUNDAY**...**"GOD's Work. Our Hands."** is September 12th, and YOU are invited to wear your **TLC GOLD t-shirt** (or any gold/black attire); if you don't have one and want one, please check with Rochelle/office as some gold tees are still available (various sizes)!

...**SUNDAY SCHOOL** begins Sept. 12th @ 9 a.m.
...AND...**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** (Gr.7-8/Gr. 9) begin Sept. 15th @ 3:30 p.m.,...ready or not, here we do go!!

...you CAN RECYCLE small batteries (AA, AAA, 9v, etc./in box on window sill) as well as **cardboards and paper and newspapers and magazines/catalogs and aluminum cans and tin cans and plastics and telephone books**—**PLEASE DO recycle** and help our landfills not fill up so much...and help our earth get happier—take them all to the handy clean VCity recycling center!

...**"Who's In the News?"** from TLC recently? Check out the bulletin board by the offices: TESSA KINNEY/BROOKLYN TRIEBOLD (Dance Team), COLLIN COMPSON/GEORGIA ZAUN (Summer Youth Basketball Camp), BENTLEY WIESER/JAXON BAUMGARTNER/ZANDER COMPSON (Summer Travel Baseball). **Woo hoo! We celebrate you, too! Keep up the good "doings"!**

...that YOU are dearly loved?! WELL, NOW YOU DO!

Submitted by Pr. JoAnne Moeller

TLC COUNCIL MEMBERS 2021:

Council President: Diane Kracht

Vice Pres.: Randy Ladbury

Secretary: Linda Anderson

Other members: Jennifer Jenness, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Patti Angeles, Rodney Moore, Linda Westby

August 2021 COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS:

Meeting held August 12, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

Present: Diane Kracht, Rodney Moore, Linda Anderson, Russ Larson, Jennifer Jenness, Randy Ladbury, Kaneia Kinney/Treasurer, Pastor JoAnne, *Shar Gumke/Associate with Bishop-Synod
Absent: Linda Westby, Patti Angeles, Gene Langemo

Called to Order by Pres., Diane Kracht.

Devotion by Pastor JoAnne Ps. 121/St.Ch.

*Shar Gumke presented helpful guides for the transition pieces ahead (supply pastors/Sunday worship, interim pastor, TLC's 'Ministry Site Profile', forming a Call Committee, calling a new pastor); she will meet with us again as requested in the process.

Pastor's Report: 1 Funeral/Committal (Herb Hoff), JULY Pastoral Visits: 107 (2 Hospital, 4 Home, 5 Care Center, 56 @ TLC, 17 Ph/Followup, 23 Other); "NOOMA @ Noon" on Wednesdays (3-6 people attending)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chr.Educ.: S.S. begins 9/12 "Rally Sunday" (still need 2 teachers); Amy A./Diane K. volunteered to teach Fall Confirmation classes.

Property: roof leak is repaired; City informed low tree branches need trimming; will start fund for new pew cushions; seek volunteer to tend to ongoing watering/landscape cares.

OLD BUSINESS:

--Linda A./Diane K. will work on job descriptions for Custodial and new Maintenance positions; any repair/maintenance needs are to be requested/submitted through the church office.

NEW BUSINESS:

--To consider funding collaborating on youth events with Our Savior's/Faith Lutheran.
--Short/Long-term Planning: per Shar Gumke's guides and assistance/timeline.

MSC (Rodney/Jennifer) Adjourn meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Thu., Sep. 9, 6:30 p.m.

Closed with Charleston re-reading & The Lord's Prayer.





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

The Christian Education committee is excited to get back to Sunday School! Sunday school will begin **September 12, 2021**. If you would like your child (PreK - 6th grade) to join us on Sunday mornings please register them using the following link: <https://form.jotform.com/212157249240046> We look forward to our time together!

This year we will be partnering with Faith Lutheran to expand our youth activities for PreK-12th grade. Please watch this newsletter and your email for exciting opportunities.

TLC/Faith Kids Club is for 4th-6th graders. They will meet after school beginning September 1st. Students will be picked up at Washington Elementary and brought to Faith Lutheran for fun, fellowship, service projects, and growing in Christ. If you are interested in joining us, please contact the Christian Ed committee using the email below.

ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis - July 24-28, 2022. Youth who are in 8th-12th grade at the time of registration (Fall 2021) are eligible to attend. If we register by November 21, 2021 the cost will be \$350. Please let us know if you are interested in attending the gathering.

Contact information: christianedtcl@bektel.com
Christian Education Committee

Confirmation Corner — September 2021

Parents, info letters will be given out at first confirmation class with class expectations.

Confirmation class schedule for Wednesdays,
3:30-5 p.m./Basement dining room

Sept. 15: grade 9

Sept. 22: grades 7 & 8 (1 p.m. due to early school dismissal)

Sept. 29: grade 9



A big hip-hip-horray for Trinity Lutheran! Thank you to our congregation, the Valley City community and surrounding area who helped make our annual rummage sale a huge success, **raising a record \$6,740.17** to benefit the children at Casa de Fe orphanage! This is a record amount raised! The totals previously raised were: \$4,603.24 (2018), \$4,796.68 (2019), and \$701.45 (Covid 2020).

We are grateful for the 50+ workers who helped out with this event! Whether you donated, gave of your energy throughout the 8 days—from set up to working during the sale, to clean up, or enjoyed mouth-watering goodies put out by the kitchen crew—YOU are much appreciated! We hope you found special treasures as you shopped as well.

The TLC Mission Team



**TLC's Fall Stewardship:
Needed: Lutheran World Relief
School Kit items**
Please drop off NEW items by
9/30/21 to TLC Gath. 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.



The Eastern ND Women of the ELCA Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at Park River Bible Camp in Park River, ND. The main speaker will be Kevin Wallevand (news journalist with WDAY), speaking on "Immigration and Children in Crisis." If you are interested in attending, please inform TLC member, Jeanne Wobbema (ph. #: 230-8745) as soon as possible. TLC's car pool will be departing VC on Sept. 17th, due to the distance, and staying overnight at a hotel.

"Thank you" to those who came down to the TLC WELCA food booth during Crazy Days and purchased a bite to eat. Also, "thanks!" to those working the booth that hot day!

The next WELCA meeting at Trinity will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 21st, at noon. All ladies of TLC are welcome & encouraged to attend!

We are looking for quilts to showcase in the office hallway (quilt rack on left side of library doorway/across from pastor office). If you have one (or two) that you could borrow us for a month (twin size or smaller work best), please contact the church office (email: trinitylutheranvc@bektel.com or 845-3837). Thanks!



REMEMBER: A "FREE RIDE" ...to Trinity Lutheran is ready and waiting for your call! The Sr. Transit bus will deliver you to/from TLC for Worship or other gatherings/events at no cost to you.



Call the Sr. Center (845-4300) as usual, and just tell them to put it on our "Trinity Lutheran tab"! Now there IS such a thing as "A FREE RIDE" ...to Trinity, at least!!

August 2021 Memorials

GENERAL FUND

In memory of **Marcella Richman**
Given by Bernie & Edna Elsner

In memory of **Luella Tenpas**
Given by Bernie & Edna Elsner

In memory of **Arlie Anundson**
Given by Mary Etta Moore

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Chad & Tracey Zaun family, Bernie & Edna Elsner, Russ & Pat Larson

MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **Marcella Richman**
Given by Frances Yokom

In memory of **Julius Reiten**
Given by Mary Etta Moore

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Jerry & Julie Yokom

PEW CUSHIONS

In memory of **Marcella Richman**
Given by Pr. JoAnne Moeller, Mabel Noot, Shawn & Kim Wittenberg

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Pr. JoAnne Moeller, Dennis & Sharon Anundson, Bruce & Diane Kracht

In memory of **Janette Stropnick** (Karen Kobbervig's sis)
Given by Pr. JoAnne Moeller

In memory of **Velva Keene**
Given by Pr. JoAnne Moeller

WELCA

In memory of **Herb Hoff**
Given by John & Susan Triebold, Mary Etta Moore

In memory of **Leon Pytlik**
Given by Mary Etta Moore

In memory of **Marcella Richman**
Given by Woody & Rose Wendt

ALTAR GUILD

In memory of **Gerald Pierson** (Vicki's & JoAnn's uncle)
Given by Vicki Zinck Metcalf & JoAnn Adams

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Mike & Vicki Metcalf

QUILTERS

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Sue Martin

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In memory of **Gale "Buzz" Eggert**
Given by Roger & Rochelle Triebold family

BUILDING FUND

In memory of **Marcella Richman**
Given by Carol Olson

In memory of **Norm Pederson**
Given by Mary Etta Moore



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

Marcella Richman, who died on July 29, 2021, in Bemidji, MN. Her funeral was held at Trinity on Aug. 4th.

Velva Keene, who died on Aug. 17th, 2021 in Ariz. Her funeral will be held at Trinity on Sept. 3rd.

Gale "Buzz" Eggert, who died on Aug. 22nd, 2021, in Valley City. His funeral was held at Trinity on Fri., Aug. 27th.

Darell Berg, who died on Aug. 26, 2021, in Valley City. His funeral will be held at Trinity on Sept. 1.

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

"Thank you" to the following TLC members who

delivered Meals on Wheels in August: **Jeanne Wobbema, Susan Smith, Bernie & Edna Elsner, Vicki Metcalf, Kim Wittenberg, Westman family, Tracey Zaun & family, Gary & Bernadette Botner, and Kaneia Kinney family.** Our next delivery date is 9/18. If able to help, please contact us: email: trinitylutheranvc@bektel.com.



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July 2021 Financial

Beg. Balance (as of 7/01/21): \$31,419.86
Income: \$15,224.00
Expenses: \$14,511.43
End Balance: \$32,132.43

**Includes PPP loan*

August 2021

Worship Attendance

Aug. 1: **43**
Aug. 8: **36**
Aug. 15: **48**
Aug. 22: **70**
Aug. 29: **92**



On Sunday, Aug. 22nd, we celebrated the baptism of **Millie June Carblom**, daughter of Cody & Taylor Carblom. Godparent is Kacey Peterson. Millie joins siblings Landon and Jensen. *We welcome Millie into the Body of Christ!*