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TRINITY CONNECTION

APRIL 7, 2023

Dear Beloved of Trinity,

As I write this, it is sunny outside yet still a little cold. With warmer temps predicted for this weekend and next week, it gives us a glimpse of something good on the horizon. I think we all could use a break from the snow and cold.

Today is Good Friday. The day we recognize the great sacrifice our Lord Jesus made on our behalf. It is a dark day as we are drawn into the story. But death is not the end of the story, it leads to a new beginning. Jesus has risen and we are Easter people! Life is born from death. I love seeing new life from the dormant trees and bushes in our yard. At our home in Minnesota, I had a spring flower bulb garden. I anxiously looked for a small green shoot to emerge from the snow. I love the special green color of the new grass and new leaves of Spring. I'm not sure technically what color that is but Crayola cleverly names it "spring green". The first recorded use of spring green as a color name was in 1766 so it is not a new idea. People have been observing the brilliance of that first green color of spring for many centuries.

New life brings renewed energy and perspective. Spring is the time when many ambitious people get to cleaning their house top to bottom. It is a time to dust the cobwebs and open the windows, allowing fresh currents of air to blow through the house.

Our faith life often needs a spring cleaning, a re-energizing. It can be a time when we clean out the complacency of our lives. Let it be a time to dust off our Bibles and open them up to allow the Holy Spirit to blow through us like a fresh breeze. New life will emerge. Love will sprout and grow. I guarantee that you will be renewed in faith and service to others. Where there is new life, there is hope. How will you welcome the newness of spring?

He is risen!

Deacon Christie

Church Calendar

Tuesday, April 11

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast
8:30 am: Preschool (3 & 4 year olds)
11:15 am: Meals on Wheels Delivery

Wednesday, April 12

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K)
5:45 pm: Band Rehearsal
6:30 pm: Worship
7:15 pm: KFC-All, Confirmation, High School Youth,

Thursday, April 13

8:30 am: Preschool (3 & 4 year olds)
11:15 am: Meals on Wheels Delivery
5:30 pm: TOPS

Friday, April 14

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K)

Sunday, April 16

8:00 am: Worship
9:15 am: Coffee and Cookies, Adult Bible Study, Sunday School, 2nd grade milestone
10:30 am: Worship (online and in person);

Monday, April 17

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K)
11:15 am: Meals on Wheels Delivery
7:00 pm: Spring Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, April 18

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast
8:30 am: Preschool (3 & 4 year olds)
11:15 am: Meals on Wheels Delivery

Upcoming Important Dates

April 29: Trinity Auction and Dinner
May 4: Food to you, the mobile food pantry
May 5: Date Night Daycare
May 6: Faith in Action Spring Pot Planting Workshop

Attendance

Wednesday, March 29

6:30 pm: 273

Sunday, April 2

8:00 am: 87 10:30 am: 368

Church Finances

Week of April 2, 2023

Total Operating Cost: \$13,205
Actual Total Giving: \$11,657
Difference of: - \$ 1,548

Year to Date

Total Operating Cost: \$184,870
Actual Total Giving: \$147,140
Difference of: - \$37,730

April Globe Offering \$326

Total operating cost represents all expenses including staff costs, benevolences, supplies, outreach, and our mortgage payment. If you have questions regarding the budget, please contact Margaret Larsen at 605-351-8561.

Ways to Give

Online Giving: www.teatrinity.org Click "GIVE"

Text Giving: (605) 777-7223

Envelopes: In-person or Mail to the church

April Globe Offering

FOOD TO YOU, THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Prayer Requests

- Sonia Ensz ▪ Darla Otten
- Ken Kahl ▪Greg Myrmoe
- Ray Kelly ▪ Dorothy Fritz
- Melva Hilmoe's brother & Sarah Hilmoe's uncle Fred Tidemann
- Michael Schmidt's uncle Larry Schmidt
- Jami Atkin's dad Kevin Roth
- Gordon & Dorothy Fritz's son Carl & daughter Margaret
- Delmer Otten's mom, Delores Otten
- Delores Wells' brother & brother-in-law, Roy Wells & Jerry Boellaard
- Amy Kuhnert's family member, Jeremy Josephson
- Rick and Lois Munzke's nephew, Chris Munzke
- Shirley Oltmann's sister, Linda Goulet
- Dick and Alma Gor's son-in-law, Keith Bossman
- Larry Panning & Jo Garner's sister-in-law, Pam Panning
- Maria Campbell's mother & Bonnie Wolthuis' sister, Ellen Krell
- Sherry Olson's sister, Dawn Hartmann

Sunday Mornings Adult Bible Study

Every Sunday Morning

9:15 am

in the Connections Room

Please join us for this great opportunity to get to know your bible as well as meet new people. All are welcome to join us, no signup is needed!

Milestone Ministry

2nd Grade Milestone-The 10 Commandments

Sunday, April 16, 9:15 am—Lesson #1

Sunday, April 23, 9:15 am - Lesson #2

Celebration: Sunday, April 30

at 8:00 or 10:30 am or

Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 pm

Join Deacon Christie and learn about the 10 commandments and what they mean.

7th Grade Milestone-Honoring My Body

Wednesday, April 19, 9:15 am - Lesson

Celebration:

Sunday, April 23 at 8:00 or 10:30 am

Join Deacon Christie as we will talk about abstinence, body image and safe social media practices. We also ask that parents also attend this very important session.!

12th Grade Milestone-Graduation—Moving On

Celebration:

Sunday, May 14 at 8:00 or 10:30 am

Reception: 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall

Join us as we celebrate our seniors in a time of fellowship and recognition during worship.



WELCA Bible Study

Thursday, April 20

1:30 pm

in the Fellowship Hall

Join us as we study "The Ten Commandments: Sanctity of life and love. All are welcome!

Trinity Lutheran Church
Auction &
Fundraiser!



Auction and Fundraiser

Saturday, April 29

5:30 pm Meal

6:30 pm Auction

in the Fellowship Hall

The Church Council is excited to host this annual event. Proceeds will benefit the Under This Roof Campaign! Free will donation meal. Evening Festivities Include: Mystery Item Auction, Dessert Race & Ticket Raffle Drawing. Tickets: \$1 per ticket or \$20 for 25 tickets. Cash, check or credit card accepted. If you are interested in donating Baked Goods to be auctioned off, contact the church office.

Vacation Bible School Registration now open!

Trinity Vacation Bible School

June 5 - 8, 2023

5:15 pm (optional meal)

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Join us for a fun filled 4 days that will launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. Mark your calendar as you don't want to miss this week of fun!



Confirmation Camps

Shetek - Mini Camp - 7th - 9th graders

July 5 -7, 2023

Registration Code: "tea"

Klein Ranch

June 25 - 30, 2023

Attention confirmation students parents, have you sign up to attend bible camp yet? It is a great faith building experience. All students attending are eligible for a \$100 scholarship from Trinity's Youth and Family Board. Contact the church office or Deacon Christie with questions or for more information,

April Food Pantry Donation: Macaroni & Cheese

Due to the raising cost of food the Food Pantry has seen an increase in clients in the past few months. We are featuring a monthly collection item. Feel free to pick up an extra item or two when out shopping to help those in need! In the month of April we will be collecting macaroni and cheese helper. Donations can be dropped off in the Gathering Space. If you have questions or would like to make a monetary donation, please contact the church office or call Ruth at 605-321-7325.



Under This Roof Update

Goal: \$100,000

Amount Raised: \$58,015

Good news! A generous donor has offered a matching gift challenge for the Under this Roof Campaign. **From now until Mother's Day, May 14, all gifts up to a total of \$21,000 will be matched dollar for dollar.** Whether you give a gift of \$10, \$100, \$1000, or more, that gift will double. Since we have raised over \$58,000 toward our \$100,000 campaign goal, fulfilling this matching gift challenge would allow us to celebrate the completion of this stewardship project in time for the start of the spring building season. Please consider making a gift.

To donate, contact the church office.

Palm Sunday at Trinity never disappoints, the Sunday School youth and preschool did a great job singing!



Trinity Preschool had fun at their Easter egg hunt and party!

