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TRINITY CONNECTION

APRIL 21, 2023

Dear beloved of Trinity,

A fundamental tenant of our Lutheran tradition is worship. We gather as people of God to give our thanks and praise for all he has done for us. We gather to hear the word spoken and proclaimed. We gather to lift our voices in song.

Psalm 150:6 says, "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." There are over 100 Bible verses about worshiping the Lord. We were made to worship him.

Worship practices take on many different forms, even among Lutheran churches. Worship reflects different patterns, different pieties and different experiences. Even though there are those differences, there is a basic pattern of worship set for us over 500 years ago. Martin Luther thought it was important that we follow a pattern of gathering, word, meal and sending. We still use that pattern today.

Casey Bullis, our 5/6th grade leader for KFC, believes it is important for our young students to learn about the importance of worship. She spends time teaching them and preparing them to lead a worship service. I am privileged to be able to help in that process and teach them the elements of worship. Our students learn about the order of worship, and why we confess right at the beginning. They learn about sharing if the peace...ask one of them about how they used to share the peace. They learn how to read the lessons, how to be an usher, how to write prayers, how to create a PowerPoint. I am so proud of them and how seriously they took these roles.

This coming Sunday, they will put into action all they've learned and will lead the 10:30 worship service. Mike Bullis has graciously volunteered many hours to put a worship band together. They have rehearsed and are ready to share their talents.

How blessed we are to have so many kids willing to learn and to lead. I invite you to come (or watch on-line) to worship this Sunday.

I personally want to thank the Bullis family and our 5/6th graders and for the mutual ministry we share.

In faith.

Deacon Christie

Church Calendar

Tuesday, April 25

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast

8:30 am: Preschool (3 & 4 year olds) 9:30 am: Blood Pressure Screening

10:00 am: Over 55 Meeting, Presentation & Lunch

Wednesday, April 26

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K) 5:45 pm: Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm: Worship, 7th Grade Milestone Celebration

7:15 pm: KFC-5th Grade, Confirmation, High

School Youth

Thursday, April 27

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

5:30 pm: TOPS

Friday, April 28

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K)

Saturday, April 29

5:30 pm: Auction Meal

6:30 pm: Auction and Fundraiser

Sunday, April 30

8:00 am: Worship, 2nd Grade Milestone

Celebration

9:15 am: Coffee and Cookies, Adult Bible

Study, Sunday School

10:30 am: Worship (online and in person);

7th Grade Milestone Celebration

Monday, May 1

8:30 am: Preschool (Pre-K)

7:00 pm: Spring Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, May 2

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast

8:30 am: Preschool (3 & 4 year olds)

6:30 pm: Tea Area Community Garden Meeting

7:30 pm: Executive Committee Meeting

Upcoming Important Dates

May 4: Food to you, the mobile food pantry

May 5: Date Night Daycare

May 6: Spring Pot Planting Workshop

April Globe Offering

FOOD TO YOU, THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Attendance

Wednesday, April 12: 6:30 pm: 28

Sunday, April 9

8:00 am: 81 10:30 am: 168

Church Finances

Week of April 12, 2023

Total Operating Cost: \$13,205

Actual Total Giving: \$11,239

Difference of: -\$ 1,966

Year to Date

Total Operating Cost: \$211,280

Actual Total Giving: \$169,783

Difference of: -\$41,497

April Globe Offering \$572

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

Prayer Requests

•Sonia Ensz • 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

•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

•Wayne Talley's cousin, Reena

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!

Over 55

Tuesday, April 25
9:30 am Blood Pressure Screening
10:00 am Meeting, Presentation and Potluck Lunch
in the Fellowship Hall

Join us for fellowship a short meeting, a presentation by the Siouxland Heritage Museum on Early Churches in Sioux Falls, a devotion and a potluck lunch! All are welcome.



Milestone Ministry

2nd Grade Milestone-The 10 Commandments
Celebration:
Sunday, April 30

at 8:00 or 10:30 am or Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 pm 7th Grade Milestone-Honoring My Body Celebration: Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30 pm

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.



Auction and Fundraiser

Saturday, April 29 5:30 pm Meal 6:30 pm Auction in the Fellowship Hall

Silent Auction
Now until Wednesday, April 26
Bidding closes at 7:30 pm
in the Gathering Space

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.

Can't make the auction but still want to participate? Have you seen Trinity's silent auction table? In conjunction with Church Council's auction, they added a silent auction that has 4 awesome gifts that you can bid on now: Splash Bark Party Package by SDK - 1 hour session, \$100 Hang Nail Salon Gift Certificate, Augustana Football Tickets - 4 reserved tickets, 1 Large Boneless Ham For more information, 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! Call the church to signup or to volunteer!



Tea Area Community Garden Meeting

Tuesday, May 2 6:30 pm in the Gathering Space Cost: \$10 per plot

Spring is almost here, so it's time to start thinking about gardening. Please join us for our yearly meeting! For those of you new to the garden, the meeting is used to go over the guidelines and assign plot locations. There are 84 6' x 6' foot plots divided by 3' paths. There will be a wider main path running east to west 2 plots from the north side of the garden this year. Each individual gardener's plots will be contiguous so you may plant in the paths between your plots. The maximum number of plots per gardener is 6 or 8 (depending upon the total number of plots needed to assure each gardener gets a garden). Payment of the plot is due the evening of the meeting. Call the church office to signup for a plot!

First Wednesday Men's Bible Study

First Wednesday of the Month Wednesday, May 3 7:15—8:15 pm in the Connections Room

Attention Men, this is our final Wednesday Men's Bible Study. Pastor Tom will be hosting a "First Wednesday Men's Bible Study". Whether this is the first Bible Study you've ever attended, or you just want to know a little more about the Bible and get to meet some new people, feel free to check this out.

Volunteers Needed: Food to You, the Mobile Food Pantry

Thursday, May 4
4:15 pm - 7:30 pm or 5:10 - 7:30 pm
East Side Church
1300 E 10th St, Sioux Falls, SD (use north door)

Grab your friends and join us as for at the Food To You - the Mobile Food Pantry! This organization is our April Globe Offering recipient and is part of the Charis Ministry Partners. We hope you are able to join us for this great service project opportunity!! Call the church to signup!

Fundraiser for the Mission Trip: Date Night Daycare

Friday, May 5
6:00 - 10:00 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
\$10 Donation suggested per child
Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 3

Back by popular demand! Enjoy a night out and support Trinity's Youth! All proceeds will go toward the youth attending this summer's mission trip to Wausau, WI. We welcome kids ages 1-12 year olds. Pizza & hot dogs will be provided from 6:30-7:00 pm. Contact the church office for more information or to signup.

Faith in Action: Spring Pot Plating Workshop

Sunday, May 7
11:45 am
Luther Lounge
Please register by May 1

Cost: \$34



Want to make a beautiful pot to give someone for Mothers day, a spring birthday or I just love flowers gift? A local greenhouse employee will be offering a small group class, you will learn to plant a very nice patio pot that will thrive in the sun all summer long with a little bit of care. Call the church for more information and to signup!

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,

Anderson's Celebrating 50 years!

Saturday, April 29
Open House 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Dance: 7:00 pm
Tea Legion Hall

Steve and Ruth Anderson will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on April 29th.

All are welcome!

Greetings can also be sent to the couple at: Steve and Ruth Anderson, 27482 467th Ave, Lennox, SD 57039

Thank you for donating winter gear this past season!

A special thank you from the Board of Outreach to all those that donated winter gear this past fall and through the winter! Your donations helped provide winter clothing to our Food Pantry clients, students in need at Tea Area School District and many Tea community members.

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 fee 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: \$75,391

Matching Gift Challenge

Amount Raised + Match Amount

\$8,688 + \$8,688 = \$17,376

Good news! A generous donor has offered a matching gift challenge for the Under this Roof Campaign. From Easter 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.

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Tea Area Food Distribution. We served over 120 families this month!







