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TRINITY CONNECTION

JUNE 23, 2023

Dear beloved of Trinity,

We continue in our Bridges: Our Work in the World sermon series. This week we will take a closer look at Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR), an organization which helps share God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by natural disasters. It is a program that I have personal involvement with as an EF4 tornado ripped through our former town. LDR set up an office in our church the day after and stayed to help us set up a Long Term



Recovery Team, which I served on for 2 years following the tornado. On Sunday, we will learn more about our role in teaming with LDR. We are part of something bigger than ourselves and it's exciting.

I currently serve on our Synod Council which oversees the ministry of our Synod, which is the whole state of South Dakota. It is exciting to be a part of the inner workings of our Synod as we journey together in Christ. The hard work of all our members is evident when we reviewed our 2022 celebrations. I want to share some of the highlights with you.

- 1. A new start congregation began in Scotland, SD
- 2. Began exploration for 2 new potential church plants with Box Elder and Shepherd's Table in Sioux Falls.
- 3. Walked with the 30 people who are in various stages of candidacy for ministry.
- 4. Received 9 new first call candidates
- 5. Ensured that nearly every congregation has a called minister, interim minister, Synod Authorized Minister or lay leader to care for God's people.
- 6. Distributed 37 disaster recovery micro-grants (\$18,000) to congregations in need of repairs or relief after natural disasters. Beaver Valley, (former pastor Greg Johnson's church) received \$22,000 from Lutheran Disaster Response and \$10,000 from the Synod)
- 7. Hosted Spring and Fall Theological Continuing Education Conferences for ministers.
- 8. Created a new staff position including a Rural Ministry Liaison to journey with rural ministry sites.

We are a vibrant church in Tea but we also part of a greater church. I give God thanks for our work in the world and I give God thanks for you as we serve together in Christ.

In faith,

Deacon Christie

Church Calendar

Summer Office Hours

8:30 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Thursday

8:30 am - Noon Friday

Tuesday, June 27

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast

9:30 am: Blood Pressure Screening

10:00 am: Over 55 Meeting and Potluck Lunch

Thursday, June 29

11:15 am: Meals on Wheels Delivery

5:30 pm: TOPS

Sunday, July 2

8:30am: Coffee and Cookies

9:00 am: Worship (online and in person)

Tuesday, July 4

Church office closed due to the holiday

Upcoming Important Dates

July 23-29: High School Mission Trip - Wausau, WI

July 26-27: Preschool Rummage Sale

Attendance

Sunday, June 18

9:00 am: 156

Church Finances

Week of June 18, 2023

Total Operating Cost: \$13,205

Actual Total Giving: \$13,537

Difference of: -\$ 332

Year to Date

Total Operating Cost: \$330,125

Actual Total Giving: \$212,432

Difference of: \$117,693

June Globe Offering \$617

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

June Globe Offering

THE BANQUET

Prayer Requests

- Linda Stucky
- Deanna Anderson and baby, Henry James
- Sharon Nelson
- 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 Josephsont
- Larry Panning & Jo Garner's sister-in-law, Pam Panning
- Micki Slykhuis' cousin, Ryan Guthmiller
- Sympathy to Stan and Shirley Oltmann in the death of Shriley's sister, Linda Goulet



Over 55 Group

Tuesday, June 27
9:30 am—Blood Pressure Screening
10:00 am—Meeting and Potluck Lunch
in the Fellowship Hall

Join us for fellowship a short meeting, a presentation by Dr. Lowery come and giving us a update on what's going on in the Tea Area Schools, a devotion and a potluck lunch! All are welcome.

Quilters Group

Wednesday, July 5 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall Quilters

Join us as we continue to work on putting together more quilts together for Lutheran World Relief. No sewing or quilting experience is necessary. All are welcome

Preschool Rummage Sale

Wednesday, July 26 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

Thursday, July 27 7:30 am - 1:00 pm



We are now accepting donations of new or gently used items including toys, small housewares, men's, women's, kid's and baby clothing. *No appliances please.*

Donations can be dropped off at the church during business hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm and Friday 8:30 am - noon. Please check in with the office prior to dropping off your donations.

2023—2024 Sunday School Registration and Volunteer Signup

It isn't too soon to signup for next year, 2023-2024 Sunday School!

- Sunday mornings between worship services (9:15 10:15 am)
- First day of Sunday School is Celebration Sunday, August 20th
 Sunday School Ages: Pre-K to 4th grade

We are also looking for volunteers of all kinds: classroom teachers, music leaders, occasional volunteers and junior teachers!

Call the church office to register or learn more at 605-498-2343!

2023—2024 Kids For Christ (KFC) Registration

Kids for Christ (KFC)
Wednesday evenings
7:15—8:15 pm
following 6:30 pm worship

2023-2024 KFC Registration is now open! KFC (Kids for Christ) Youth Group meets on Wednesday evenings during the school year - alternating 5th grade one week and 6th grade the next week. These early middle school years can be challenging for kids to navigate. KFC offers an opportunity for them to come together to learn how to grow their relationship with God, learn how to grow their relationships with each other, and we have some fun along the way. We also provide various music, service projects, and volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

Call the church office to register or learn more at 605-498-2343!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered during Teapot Days 2023!

Trinity was well represented this past weekend at Teapot Days and special thanks to all of you!

Thank you to all who volunteered at the CommuniTEA picnic, participated in the parade, picked up trash at the end of the parade, helped at the booth in the park and those that served pie and ice cream at the Lions Pork Feed! It was a fun weekend of service to our community!

June Food Pantry Donation: Muffin Mix and Cookies (non-bakery)

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 June we will be collecting muffin mix and cookies (non bakery) fruit. 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.

Teapot Days 2023!















