

## February 2019

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### From the Pastor's Pen

Dear friends,

The sling is off and I am able to drive again. Thanks again to all who helped me on this part of my journey and for all your prayers, rides and cards!! I truly value your care and support.

Did you know there are 3 types of love: brotherly or friendship love, romantic love and the Love of God. But did you know there are 5 languages of love? Gary Chapman in a 1995 book, "The Five Love Languages: How to Express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate" says they are: Gifts, spending Quality Time, Words of Affirmation (oh I like that color on you... saying 'I love you') Acts of Service (doing things for them like making their favorite cookies) and Physical Touch (hug).

It's something to think about and can aid in communication. Most of us use one or two of these more than the others, but it is also helpful to help us understand others as they express their warm thoughts towards us. Such as a spouse may not say 'I love you' very often, but will bring home your favorite chocolates or will maybe take out the trash without being asked. So it is good to know what our own love language is and that of others around us.

Christ expressed his love for others with these languages as well:

Gifts: Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.' John 14:27

Quality Time: Many times Jesus is with his disciples and answering their questions?

Words of Affirmation: Jesus said, 'So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.' Matt.10:31

Acts of Service: Think about the cross.



Physical Touch: He touched the blind man's eyes, held the hand of Jairus' daughter as he brought her back to life.

Think on this – Jesus speaks to us love – in every language.

*Joy,  
Pastor Terri*

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**Lent—Lent Begins March 6<sup>th</sup>** with Ash Wednesday. Sunday mornings will feature a sermon series on the 'Sermon on the Mount'. Wednesday Lenten worship services, 7:00 pm, will feature a candlelight meditative Taise' style worship.

**Unapproved Council Minutes—January 3, 2019—5:30—7:20 p.m.**

Present: Mary DeMunck, Tom Guzman, Kathy Cappel, Becky Craig, Monica Wallendal, Derek Pavelec, Anne Gibault, Ken Bork, and Pastor Terri. Excused: Rick Searing and Marty Hillert.

Vice President Ken Bork called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Pastor Terri's Report**

Opening Devotion—Commit to the Lord and He will establish your plans. We will commit to the Lord's work tonight.

Visits—none in December due to Pastor's inability to drive. People did get a letter in advance letting them know Pastor was having surgery and would not be able to visit. Everyone was called to keep in contact and all shut-ins received a Christmas card.

At the Altar—two weddings are penciled in

At the Font—one baptism in December

At Rest—two funerals in December

At the Book—Adult Bible Study continues and is going well. Studying James

Other—Pastor is working from home. She hopes to return to the office on January 14, 2019. It will depend on her doctor's recommendation for driving. Her therapist says she is doing very well.

**Treasurer's Report**

Read and discussed. Tom made the motion to approve/Mary seconded.

**Secretary's Report: Review of the November Council Meeting Minutes**

Kathy made the motion to approve/Derek seconded

Next Council Meeting Date set for Feb. 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

**Policy Manual Discussion--Tabled**

**Insurance Quote Update**

Amy contacted Lutheran Trust, provided the church information and they will have a quote available on 2/1/19.

**LED Bulbs**

Glen was able to purchase 30 LED light bulbs for the fellowship hall with a rebate on the bulbs. Tom motion to approve purchase of bulbs Kathy seconded.

**2019 Budget Review**

Reviewed and discussed

**Other Reports:**

\*Education Ministry-Christmas program went well; Back to Sunday School; Confirmation on schedule

\*Outreach—will report later

\*Property Committee meets on January 14

\*Worship Committee meets on January 15

\*TLCW—continuing to work on the kitchen remodel

\*Audit Committee—Meets on 1/4/19

\*Motion made to adjourn at 7:20 by Kathy/Tom seconded.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer—Respectfully Submitted, Anne Gibault—Secretary

**If you can't assist when scheduled, please find your own replacement and call the office with the changes by 12 pm Wednesday. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of service. 608-564-7920**

**February 3rd --8:00 am**

Ushers: Carl Anderson/Lloyd Hovorka  
Liturgist: Karen Soley  
Lector: Mike Kuss  
Greeters: Randy & Mary DeMunck  
Acolyte: Megan Craig  
Com. Brs: Kathy Kuss & Darlene Hovorka

**February 10th --8:00 am**

Ushers: Ray Groskinsky/Rich Wachholz  
Liturgist: Meagan Grabarski  
Lector: Ruth Check  
Greeters: Carl Anderson  
Acolyte: Mayson Nawrot  
Com. Brs: Joe & Myrna Baumel

**February 17th --8:00 am**

Ushers: Randy & Mary DeMunck  
Liturgist: Mike Kuss  
Lector: Lloyd Waller  
Greeters: Ray & Karen Groskinsky  
Acolyte: Eli Olson  
Com. Brs: Ray & Karen Groskinsky

**February 24th --8:00 am**

Ushers: John Stormoen/Lloyd Hovorka  
Liturgist: Paul Brown  
Lector: Sandy Pheiffer  
Greeters: Charles & Helen Anderson  
Acolyte: Myles Nawrot  
Com. Brs: Ruth Check & Penny Ross

**TLCW Meeting**

Ladies mark your calendar for Sunday, **February 10th** at 11:15 am. The TLCW will hold their annual meeting with a pot-luck luncheon. Remember, if you are a member of Trinity, you are a member of TLCW!

**Stewardship Moment**

Suggestion: Pay bills online to save paper and postage.

**February 3rd --10:15 am**

Ushers: John & Derek Pavelec  
Comm. Assist.: Liana Glavin  
Lector: Erin Pease  
Greeters: Bryan & Sydney Quinnell  
Acolyte: Matthew Pavelec  
Com. Brs: Barb Bennett & Becky Pease

**February 10th --10:15 am**

Ushers: Steve & Danna Peterson  
Comm. Assist.: Roxie Irey  
Lector: Debbie Hagen  
Greeters: Roxie & Morgan Irey  
Acolyte: Matthew & Amber Schiefer  
Com. Brs: Becky & Kelly Oleson

**February 17th --10:15 am**

Ushers: Garret Gould & Hank Sauer  
Comm. Assist.: Sydney Quinnell  
Lector: Kari Banovec  
Greeters: Hank & Nancy Sauer  
Acolyte: Robert Irey  
Com. Brs: Debbie Hagen/Hailey Diemert

**February 24th --10:15 am**

Ushers: Glenn & Bryan Quinnell  
Comm. Assist.: Kari Banovec  
Lector: Aiden Gould  
Greeters: Roxie & Morgan Irey  
Acolyte: Cody Hendricksen  
Com. Brs: Roxie Irey & Becky Pease

**Workshop by "Be Healthy" Adams County**

From 5:30-6:30 pm at the A-F Elementary school during free lighted schoolhouse dinner: **February 4th**, Losing weight & keeping it off; **February 18th**, Healthy eating as a lifestyle. All are welcome to attend.

### From the ELCA Bishop

Dear Siblings in Christ,

As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we are freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly and serve joyfully. As communities of Jesus that nurture life changing relationships with God, one another and the world, we are confident about who we are in Christ and what God is calling us to do. Whether worshiping wherever two or more are gathered, engaging in lively conversations about faith, or rolling up our sleeves and getting to work, we strive to share God's grace and love in Christ for all people and creation. This reflects the vitality we find in Jesus Christ, our own spiritual life and our desire to participate in what God is doing today.

Within each community of Jesus there are leaders who strive to model an attitude of servanthood, trustworthiness, humility, patience and listening first while striving to work with others in healthy ways. These leaders teach all ages, motivate believers, build consensus, share a vision, discern direction and facilitate action. Their attention is focused on growing disciples who are sent into their daily life to love and serve others as friends, neighbors, parents, citizens and workers. Together we recognize the importance of growing disciples and multiplying leaders who serve inside your congregation and beyond your walls.

As our congregations plan their work for the coming year and how to use the resources God has entrusted to them, I invite you all to think about the relationships that bring you vitality and the leaders you nurture for God's mission in the world. While you make many decisions, remember you are not alone. We are all partners in sharing the gospel. Together, by God's grace, we can do what God is calling us to. May you go forth to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God.

Serving together in Christ's name,

**The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton**

**Presiding Bishop Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

### Faith In Action

Faith in Action of Adams County is an interfaith volunteer care giving program, bringing together volunteers from many faiths to work together to care for their neighbors who have long-term health needs. FAAC volunteers come from churches, synagogues, mosques and other houses of worship, as well as the community at large. Volunteers help those in need by providing non-medical assistance with tasks such as: picking up a few groceries or running errands; providing rides to the doctor; friendly visiting (talking and listening); reading or helping to pay bills.

With this volunteer assistance, members of the community who have long-term health needs can maintain their independence as long as possible. The mission of Faith in Action of Adams county is to provide a faith based community program of interfaith volunteers to help with daily activities of the elderly, physically disabled, mentally challenged, young families and/or chronically mentally ill of Adams County with long term health needs in order to maintain their independence and quality of life in their place of residence for as long as possible, and to build a network of friends and neighbors to establish a strong sense of community and volunteerism.

**If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Faith in Action at 339-0504.**

### KFC – Kids For Christ

«**Pizza sales** start and are due Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

«**Rock-A-Thon** for 7 graders and up - is Friday, March 1, 6-11pm.

«**Sunday School** youth will start working on music for the spring Youth Led Worship.

«**Bible Verse:** Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

«**Activity:** Make a paper hug. Need paper, glue, marker... Make a large heart. Paint red if desired. Make a smiley face on it. Take 2 strips of paper and fold accordion style. Glue one end on left and one on right of the heart for arms. Cut out 2 smaller hearts and glue on as hands. Now find someone who needs a hug.

«**Table Talk:** Make a list of all the things you love. What are the top 3 that you could not live without.

«**Bedtime Prayer:** Dear Jesus, you are wonderful and you love me. Help me show love to all those that you love. Amen.

\***Bible Trivia:** Which one of these animals is not mentioned in the bible? Bat, Chameleon, Elephant, Unicorn? Answer below.

### February reminders

**Altar Guild:** Lloyd & Darlene Hovorka and Marge Edwards

**Garbage Duty:** Hank Sauer

**Food Pantry Run:** John Stormoen

**Fellowship:** Not until kitchen remodel is complete

**Snow Shoveling:** **04th:** Hank Sauer & Steve Peterson; **11th:** Ray Groskinsky & Tom Guzman  
**18th:** Ed Heideman & John Pavelec; **25th:** Glenn Quinnell & John Stormoen

### A-F County Market Receipts Wanted!

In celebration of 30 years in business, A-F County Market will donate **3%** for each dollar spent this year! **Please keep placing current receipts (Jan. 1—June 1st)** in the box in the Narthex or mail them directly to the church. Money raised help support TLCW scholarships, camperships, Bible giveaways, kitchen upkeep, LWR Kits & more!

### WHAT MATTERS - Stay Connected To Synod Happenings, News, & Events!

Grow in your faith and leadership! Stay connected to exciting events and stories of our faith in action in our synod! To sign up for synod news, please email Assistant to the Bishop for Media, Communications & Leadership Development, Deacon Vicki Hanrahan at [vickih@scsw-elca.org](mailto:vickih@scsw-elca.org) to be added to "What Matters."

**Thank you-A special thank you** to the following individuals that came and helped with some demolition work on the kitchen January 7th. Doreen Olson, Jeff Chase, Penny Ross, Al Hendricksen, Glenn Quinnell, Tom Guzman, Ray Groskinsky and Carl Anderson. Your efforts saved the church some money on this project.

**Trivia Answers:** The elephant isn't named. The bat is in Lev. 11:19; the unicorn in Dan.8:5; the chameleon in Lev.11:30.