April 2021

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From the Pastor's pen

Dear friends.

John 11:25-26: Lazarus has died and on the way to his tomb Jesus says to his sister, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" And she said 'yes'.

We want to declare 'yes, I believe', but sometimes it's hard to be bold. We hide our faith in silence. Maybe it's easier that way, maybe we are afraid of not having the right answers or using the 'right' words or being ridiculed. And yes, there are times to hold our tongue, to be silent. But do not fear the moments when we need to be heard declaring faith in Jesus. Be as bold as the first woman who declared it to the disciples - He is Risen!

Peter denied knowing Jesus three times in one night. And he mournfully regretted ever doing this. But praise be to Jesus Christ – our Lord forgives us. And like Peter, we get up, and we carry on living our faith, until the day of His return.

Openly declare, openly believe – Jesus is Lord. The grave did not keep him down. He lives. And so shall we!!

The Joy of the Lord,

Pastor Terri

Personal Note: I will be gone a week in April. If you contact me and do not receive a reply. check in with the church office. I could be by a pool, in the shade of an umbrella, enjoying a cool beverage with my daughter. 🙉

Stewardship Moment

Not sure what to do with that egg carton? Suggestion: Cut off top & use bottom to store condiment bottles upside down in fridge.

Electronic Giving

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you do other monthly drafts? We offer electronic giving for those who wish to have contributions transferred electronically to the church's account. Authorization forms are in the kiosk located in the narthex or call Amy (564-7920) and a form can be mailed to you.

Gift of food reminder for Easter

Please bring non-perishable food items with you on Easter and help keep our local food pantry stocked. There is a place in the narthex to leave items. Thank you!

A-F County Market receipts wanted

The **TLCW receives 3.2%** for each dollar spent! This helps with funding for items such as:

- * Scholarships
- * Bibles for our youth
- * Kitchen supplies
- * LWR Kit supplies
- * Devotion booklets *Camperships

Please place receipts in the narthex or in the outside info box.

Devotion booklets

Daily devotion booklets (large & regular print) are free of charge and can be found in the narthex or outside in the info box.

Weekly email devotions

Email Amy at: churchoffice@arkdaletlc.org to be added to our weekly devotion group and receive an inspiring devotion!

Thursday service

Call Amy in the office (564-7920) and reserve a seat to attend the Thursday worship service. It begins at 10am, masks are required, one hymn is sung and only ten seats are available, a reservation is needed!

Online worship service

Visit our website at: arkdaletlc.org and feel free to view worship service from home until you feel comfortable returning to in-person worship.

Small ways to financial help the church that add up fast as a group

*Sponsor a weekly worship service for \$15. (Sign-up is in the narthex)

- *Turn in A-F County Market receipts.
- *Designate your **Thrivent Choice** dollars to the church.
- *Designate your **Kwik Trip** rewards dollars to the church.
- *Shop smile.amazon.com and choose us as your charity to receive dollars.
- *Turn in your **aluminum cans** to the trailer by the church garage.
- *Go to **shopwithscrip.com**, choose "join a program", enter code: **9DC6CD657619L**, purchase gift cards for places you already shop, we receive a % of that purchase (Ecards are available instantly, actual cards are sent here, these get ordered the 2nd Monday of each month).

April Volunteer Schedules

Snow shoveling

05th Ray Groskinsky & Tom Guzman

12th Tom Bougie & John Pavelec

19th Glenn Quinnell & Hank Sauer 26th Terry Hatlevig & John Stormoen Garbage: Les Kirchner

Food Pantry: Monica Wallendal

Altar Guild: Darlene Hovorka & Sandy Pheiffer

Acolyte/Lector schedule

8:00 am 10:15 am

04th Myles Nawrot/Kurt Mikolite
11th Nancy Hansen/Mike Kuss
18th Myles Nawrot/George Goltz
25th Nancy Hansen/Ed Heideman
Ashtin Quinnell/Krista Pavelec
Cody Hendricksen/Krista Pavelec
Matthew Pavelec/Garret Gould

Baby Care Kits 2021

Our goal at Trinity Lutheran is to adopt 35 girls & 35 boys, ages 6 to 24 months through World Relief. Bringing a baby into the world can be a difficult & scary event for a mother living in poverty. As a group of Christians we can put Gods love in action by providing basic needs for parents to care for their babies.-

Here are the numbers for each item that we need per kit. Have a family meeting and decide which items and amount you can donate.

140 - 2 Cotton T-shirts (no onesies)

140 - 2 long or short sleeved PJ'S (without feet)

70 - 1 sweatshirt or jacket w/hood, or sweater w/baby cap

140 - 2 pair of socks Crew style (size 6 to 12 or 18 to 24 months)

70 - 1 hand towel (dark color preferred)

140 - 2 bath size (4 oz. bars) of Ivory soap (in original wrapping)

*** IVA Circle will make 140 receiving blankets

***Myrna Baumel has used her Thrivent Seed money to purchase 31 packs of baby Cloth diapers

*** 140 diaper pins donated by Sharon Guzman

Your items or monetary donations can be left on the Baby Kit table in the Narthex. Please sign the adoption tablet with your donation. We will be collecting items the month of April. Thank you for bursting into action to help adopt our 70 babies.

Penny Russ

Trivia answers – all are D

April happenings...

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship	7:00 pm Good Friday Worship	3
4-Easter 8 & 10:15 Worship Reservations needed	6:00 pm Property Committee meeting	8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	7	5:30 pm Council meeting	9	9:00 am church yard clean-up
8 & 10:15 Worship 9:15 Education	12	8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	14	15	16	17
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Unapproved Council Meeting Minutes — March 4, 2021- 5:30—6:15 p.m.

Present: Kathy Cappel, Derek Pavelec, Ken Bork, Pastor Terri, Monica Wallendal, Garret Gould, Danna Peterson, Meagan Grabarski, Marge Edwards, and Anne Gibault. Special Guest: Glenn Quinnell. Welcome Garret Gould!!! **Excused:** Becky Craig.

Meeting Called to Order by Ken Bork at 5:30 p.m.

Pastor's Report:

Shut-In Visits since the last meeting: Visited all those who were welcome to visits

At the Altar: none; At the Font: one; At Rest: One person at rest

Other: Easter cards are ready to go, 388 followers of our church Facebook page, continuing to post church videos on YouTube and Facebook

Treasurer's Report:

Went through report. This is the first month that the General Fund and Building Account are all in one location. Expenses for each continue to be listed line by line as it was before. Motion to Approve: Meagan/Kathy

Secretary's Report: Shared out last month's report. Motion to Approve: Marge/Danna

Set the Next Meeting Date: Next meeting is Thursday, April 8, at 5:30 p.m.

New Business:

Noted that General Account and Building Account are merged in the checking register. Reviewed budgeted building projects for the upcoming year with Glenn Quinnell from the Property Committee attending.

Memorial Ideas for Contributions: Glenn Quinnell

There is a list that Amy has in the office with a few ideas. No one is quite sure where the list came from. Add to our next meeting's agenda to review the list, add projects, highlight projects, etc. that could be worked on with the intent of bringing the list to the congregation in May at the Biannual Meeting.

Services: Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Worship at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Reservations required for Easter Local Benevolence: Adams Sheriff's Office seeking \$100 to help provide child safety and drug education materials partnering with the National Child Safety Council Motion: Garret/Meagan

Noted that we don't have our check for our local benevolences yet. Pastor Terri will look into it.

Endowment Committee

Per Bylaws—Endowment Committee Records are to be audited each year. Need a committee to do that

Mike Kuss and Mary Jo Meyer's terms will be up in May. Mary will stay on. We will need another person on Endowment. Richard Grabarski and Kris Peterson are willing to be on the committee.

Council Member Terms and Nominations

Kathy Cappel's term is up in May-will need a replacement

Derek Pavelec's term is up in May—will stay on

Becky Craig's term is up in May

Anne Gibault's term is up in 2022

Everyone will look to find someone who would be on Council *continued on next page*

Other Reports:

Education Ministry: Sunday School and Confirmation continue. Confirmation is a lively bunch of students. Sunday School students have a small but mighty group that meets in person

Outreach—nothing to report

Property Committee—continuing with projects around the church

Worship Ministry—planned Easter services

TLCW-

Endowment Committee—looking for people to be on the committee

Motion to Adjourn at 6:15 Kathy/Meagan

Closed with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Anne Gibault

Thank you snow shovelers!

Thank you to the following people that kept our entrances safe this past winter: Tom Bougie, George Goltz, Ray Groskinsky, Tom Guzman, Terry Hatlevig, John Pavelec, Glenn Quinnell, Hank Sauer and John Stormoen.

Spring clean-up

Come one, come all! The official date for the church spring yard clean-up is **April 10th** at 9am. If you want to help a different day, stop by at your convenience. Looking at cleaning out the flower beds, picking up fallen limbs/sticks & moving sod back in place from the snowplow.

Engraved Bricks

There are order forms in the narthex or one can be mailed to you to purchase an engraved brick. These bricks continue to get placed in the steeple garden. A great way to honor a loved one or event such as a wedding anniversary, baptism, confirmation, etc. A 4"x8" brick is \$50 and a 8"x8" brick is \$100. Please turn orders into the office by **May 20th**.

2021 ELCA Youth Gathering POSTPONED

The 2021 Minneapolis, MN gathering has been postponed. The new date is July 24-28, 2022.

Holy Humor

A substitute organist had been brought in at the last minute. The Pastor gave her a copy of the service, but relayed "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances." During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected, and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner." And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

KFC – Kids For Christ

- **★Confirmation**: No classes on Wednesdays, April 7th and 14th.
- **★No Sunday school or Confirmation** on Easter Sunday, April 4th.
- **★Don't forget** to pick up Sunday school lessons for home if not attending in-person.
- **★5th & 6th graders** will be helping 'the Rabbit' hide eggs for Easter Sun. on Palm Sun. the 28th.
- **★Bible Verse**: Isaiah 40:11 "He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them **CLOSE** to his heart."
- ★ Activity: Clothespins glued to each other are close. God is that close to us every day, even if we can't see Jesus. He is always in our hearts. Project: clothespin trivet. Need clothespins, glue gun and glue sticks, paint or markers and newspaper. Layout pins in desired pattern on newspaper. Plug in glue gun and begin gluing them together, (hint if there is an option, use 'hot' temperature glue sticks) when finished- paint, stain or color them with markers. [Great Mother's Day gift.] ③
- **★Table Talk:** Do you feel God close to you? Do you like knowing Jesus is always here for us?
- **★Bedtime Prayer:** Dear Jesus, when it thunders and the lightning flashes in the sky -you are there. When I am hurt you are there for me. When I am lonely there you are again. Thank you for being here with me. Amen.

Bible Moment: Easter Trivia (answers on the back page of the newsletter)

- 1. On which day do we mourn Jesus' death?
- A. Pentecost B. Maundy Thursday C. Easter D. Good Friday
- **2.** Why are eggs associated with Easter?
- A. decorate-able eatable B. it's inexpensive C. it rolls like the stone that covered the tomb
- D. it's a symbol of new life
- **3.** What day in Lent traditionally is for pancakes?
- A. Maundy Thursday B. Good Friday C. Ash Wednesday D. Shrove Tuesday
- **4.** Which bread is associated with Easter?
- A. biscuits B. bagels C. banana bread D. hot cross buns
- **5.** The term Easter came from:
- A. Jesus 'earnest' love for us B. from 'east' old Latin for 'dawn' C. inspired by name of the goddess Eostre D. possibly B and/or C
- **6.** The day we celebrate an empty tomb:
- A. Maundy Thursday B. Pentecost C. Good Friday D. Easter
- 7. According to John 20, which disciple stepped into the tomb first?
- A. Job B. Daniel C. Judas D. Peter
- **8.** According to *Mark 16* who were the first to step into the empty tomb?
- A. the disciples B. the soldiers C. the Easter bunny D. the women
- **9.** On what holiday do we remember Jesus' last meal?
- A. Easter B. Good Friday C. Pentecost D. Maundy Thursday
- **10.** Which part of the chocolate Easter bunny do most kids eat first?
- A. the tail B. the face C. the broken pieces D. the bunny's ears