

Trinity Lutheran Church

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August 2022 From the Pastor's Pen

Dear friends,

I was thinking about habits that help us remain healthy, spiritually healthy, & it begins with our attitudes.

First – Give Thanks! If I can find something to give God thanks for even on my worst day, I will be happier, more optimistic, and more inclined to help others. As part of this look for at least one good thing about the people around you. Make it habit to start the day and end the day with a word of gratitude to the Lord.

Secondly – Be satisfied; come to peace with your decisions. No one situation is perfect. Sometimes there just isn't always one right choice. Pray. Seek another's advice as needed. And then make the best choices that feel are best for your life, and for your family, and then be at peace with it; God works within and through our choices. And in knowing this, be at peace with the results. This is hard, I know. Maybe a mantra could be "It will be ok. What God wants for me is already on its way."

John 16:33, 'I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.'

May the Peace of the Lord be with You,

Pastor Terri

My thanks to Ruth Check & Garret Gould for leading worship while I was away last month!

Great News!!!

We are the newest Senior Lunch Meal Site with ADRC! Wednesdays, starting August 10th. Over 60? Come and dine. **To reserve your meal Call #608-339-4251** and let them know you'd like to eat at **TRINITY**. Meals will be served 11:30-12:30. Our Kitchen door will be open at 10am.

Thank you!!

A huge thank you to everyone that donated supplies and worked the TLCW Brat Fry at the A-F County Market making it a success! Funds raised help fund scholarships, camperships, Bible giveaways, kitchen supplies and so much more!

Acolyte/Lector 9:00 am

07th: Ashtin Q./Rick S.
14th: Molly B./Krista P.
21st: Brayden H./Garret G.
28th: Ryan O./Kari B.

Garbage run: Steve P.

Food Pantry run: Penny R.

Altar Guild: Dana H./Edith W.

Lawn mowing

01st: Tom G. & Ray G.
08th: Glenn & Peggy Q.
15th: Greg & Terri S.
22nd: Steve & Kris P.
29th: Brian & Donna O.

If you can't assist when scheduled, please find someone to trade with!

Watering flowers

01st: Lloyd & Darlene H.
08th: Tom & Sharon G.
15th: Gary & Karen M.
22nd: Terri S.
29th: Donna O.

Holy Humor

How did Joseph make his coffee?
Hebrew-ed it.
How do pastors like their orange juice?
With pulp-it.

Thank you to Brian Olson for power washing the entrances!

The church could use a gently used wheelbarrow to keep on hand in the garage. Please let the office know if you

Please help the TLCW stock their food pantry shopping cart with canned items such as tuna, veggies, or fruit. The Women of Arkdale Trinity Lutheran, along with the Adams County Food Pantry folks, are very appreciative of all donations.

Stewardship Moment

Scammers are out there and want your money. It is not rude to just hand up or to delete an e-mail of a scam. It is wise and protects the gifts God has blessed us with. Outsmart them. Be aware of these 5 common tricks:

Phishing emails (emails 'casted out' to see which of us they can catch) can contain scare tactics, or fear of imminent danger. [*Your loved one needs money right now or else*].

Speare phishing uses personalization in the email to make it appear legitimate.

Spoofing uses an email or website that looks familiar to make you think you're interacting with someone you already know and trust.

Vishing and Smishing use phone calls or text messages instead of emails.

Pretexting creates a story to gain your trust and can use multiple emails or texts.

1 Peter 5:8 'Keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour.'

Whale of a Tale! One night VBS event for ages 4+ Wednesday, August 3rd 6:00 — 7:30 pm

Help Wanted!

Are you interested in having a positive impact in a child's life?

We are in need of Sunday school teachers and a Confirmation teacher!

If interested, please contact Pastor Terri at 608-564-7920 or pastor@arkdaletlc.org

August happenings.....

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2 8:30 Quilting 4:30 Bible Study	3 5:15 Serv. 6-7:30 VBS Night	4	5	6	7 9:00 Service 10:00 TLCW meeting
8 5:30 Council meeting	9 8:30 Quilting 4:30 Bible Study	10 11:30 ADRC meal 5:15 Serv.	11	12	13	14 11:00 Service & Potluck Picnic
15 9:00 News-letter Articles Due	16 8:30 Quilting 10:00 Worship meeting 4:30 Bible Study	17 11:30 ADRC meal 5:15 Serv.	18	19	20	21 9:00 Service
22	23 8:30 Quilting 4:30 Bible Study	24 11:30 ADRC meal 5:15 Serv. 6:00 Choir	25	26	27	28 9:00 Service & Backpack blessing
29	30 8:30 Quilting 4:30 Bible Study	31 11:30 ADRC meal 5:15 Serv. 6:00 Choir	Wednes-day service is a mask required service!			Don't forget to bring your cans for our youth!

Ramp Hill Update

The ramp hill committee met in July with architect Mark Schmidt to review his site plan. This plan shows an ariel view indicating we are within 1,000 feet of the lake. This means we will need County and Town permit approval which will not be a problem and was anticipated. It also indicates the square footage of the church building including the fellowship hall is 9,292'. We have a large building!

Our current fund is at **\$11,604** after we made a \$1,600 down payment to the architect. **We have received over half of the survey one time gift commitments and some of the monthly commitments.** We anticipate other commitments are coming. Thank you to each of you that have sent gifts for this project. We encourage others to help us move forward towards hopefully starting in the spring of 2023.

Thank you again, The Landscape committee

100 School Kits Challenge for Lutheran World Relief!

Help educate children around the world by donating supplies for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) school kits! Donations of items or money will be accepted through September 30th. The TLCW group will provide the backpacks, please take as many from the narthex as you wish and fill them with the following items:

- ***Four** 70-sheet notebooks, wide or college ruled paper, about 8"x10-1/2", no loose leaf
- ***One** 30-centimeter ruler, or one with both centimeters and inches
- ***One** pencil sharpener
- ***One** pair BLUNT scissors (no pointed tips)
- ***One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
- ***One** 2-1/2" eraser
- ***Five** unsharpened #2 pencils w/ erasers
- ***Five** black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

Simply purchase any number of the above items & place in the contribution box in the narthex. **Monetary donations can be mailed directly to** Terri Soley, TLCW Treasurer, 1771 State Hwy 21, Arkdale, WI 54613. Make check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and write school kits on the memo line. **Remember, the goal is 100 kits!**

Worship & Potluck in the Park

Congregational Worship & Potluck at the

Lion's Roche-A-Cri Park

Sunday August 14th!

Worship is at 11am [no 9am service]

Potluck to follow

Hotdogs, coffee & juice provided.

Be ready to play lawn games — Softball anyone?

Unapproved Council Minutes July 11, 2022

Present: Pastor Terri, Garret Gould, Kris Peterson, Ken Bork, Derek Pavelec, Marge Edwards, Danna Peterson, Mike Willis, Sandy Willis **Excused:** Meagan Grabarski

Also present: Gary Meunier, Donna Richards, Sarah Manning

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Garret Gould at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: Agenda was approved as amended to include public participation after devotions and item 6 on Action was moved to follow public participation, Motion by Danna, second by Marge, carried.

Opening devotion was from I Corinthians and we were asked to recall times that we as family or group were brought together by a common goal.

Public Participation: Gary Meunier brought our attention to the condition of the parking area. He noted that repairs are needed soon to prevent further decline. He offered his assistance in getting some bids locally and working with the committee. This will be referred to the proper committee for their next meeting. Money was budgeted in the 2022 budget.

6. Senior Meal Site: Donna Richard and Sarah Manning from ADRC would like to start the Senior Meal program at Trinity on August 10 and continue to offer meals every Wednesday. They explained how this is funded, how it is operated and how they hope to grow participation in this area. This was approved by the Council prior to Covid 19 shut downs. We wish them success and hope this provides a great need for our area.

Review June 2022 Council Minutes: Ken moved to approve the minutes, second by Derek. Carried.

Review June 2022 Treasurer Report and Budget: Motion to approve by Marge, second by Ken. Carried.

Pastor report:

Shut in visits: 7, scheduled visits: 5; At Rest: 1 Memorial: 1; No baptisms; At the Altar: 1 and Pastor attended one not here; Other: Pastor reviewed list of those who hadn't worshipped in 3 months, or more, sent 2 post cards, 25 miss you letters and made a few contacts. Pastor will be gone 7/13 – 7/17 and 7/31.

Action Items:

Next Council Meeting will be August 8, 2022

Local Benevolence Balance is still \$700.00 – no action or requests

Tailgate Raffle: Date has been set for October 16 after Church service – one service at 9:00 that Sunday. Tasks for the event will be set at next meeting.

Wednesday masked service: Pastor has talked to people – they wish to keep it and Pastor is okay to continue.

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KFC – Kids For Christ

★**A Whale of A Tale** - KID's One-Night-Event, **Wednesday, August 3rd 6-7:30pm.**
Call Pastor to volunteer. Who did swallow Jonah?

★**Bible Verse:** Jonah 1:17 "The LORD provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights."

★**Activity:** Origami Whale. Instructions in narthex.

★**Table Talk:** What is the biggest fish in the ocean? (Whale shark) What is the biggest Whale in the ocean? (Blue whale) What is your favorite?

★**Bedtime Prayer:** Good Lord, thank you for the ocean views and whales of blue. Thank you for wondrous zoos and yes – I love you! Amen.

★**WIN a Backpack!** Register for Sunday School to enter a drawing for a free kids backpack by August 10th. Drawing is Sunday Aug. 14 at the 11am Worship in the park (potluck following). Backpack blessing Sunday is Aug. 28th

★**Sunday School Starts:** September 11th at 9:15.

★**Special THANK YOU** to everyone who bought pizzas, ate our spaghetti, and gave money for the fundraisers!! We went in June to see the Ark replica in Kentucky and worked at the Matthew 25 Ministries (an international humanitarian aid and disaster relief organization). It was a great week and we learned so much and had great fun!!
The Trinity Youth Group.

Bible Moment

Seven disciples' names are hidden in the following sentences. Can you find them?

1. I can't stop for this, I'm on a schedule!
2. If you get in a jam, escape to Philippi.
3. Matt hewed the tree with one blow of his ax.
4. For a pet, Erica chose a calico cat.
5. Be kind and rewind. 😊
6. Johnnycakes are her specialty.

Simon, James, Phillip, Matthew, Peter, Andrew, John.

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Zoom: we will continue for 2023. Cost is \$158.15/year

Senior Meal Site: this item was moved to earlier in meeting.

Trinity is turning 175: Garret will get some history, etc. and report next month.

Reports:

Education Ministry: VBS is a 1 night event on August 3, 2022, 6:00 – 7:30p.m., theme will be "Whale of a Tale" with activities and a blow up whale!

Outreach: Susie will be sending Halloween and Christmas cards in Oct. & Dec. Exploring the idea of participating in the Parade of Trees at the hospital.

Property Committee: Minutes attached

Worship Committee: The hymnals are all back in the pews. Question was raised about returning to the rail for communion. Answer: committee is not ready to do it at this time.

TLCW: will be meeting August 7 after worship.

Endowment: nothing new to report

Landscape Committee: Architect will have drawings and info at their meeting on 7/21 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted in His service, Sandy Willis, Sec.

It's Choir Time Again!!

Wednesday August 24 at 6:00 pm will be the organizational meeting for Choir. Voices are needed to help fill up and round out our sound, so please don't be shy!! No auditions required and anyone HS age and up is welcome to join in! No experience needed.

Until we meet, I don't know what voices we'll have and what music might suit. My initial plan, which could change, is for choir to sing live at the 8:00 service on Rally Day, September 11th and share the beautiful song *Harbour*. I am hoping and praying that we can move forward from that point and provide live anthems for the 8:00 Sunday services.

But...first we have to see who comes forward in joyful song!!

Questions?? Just ask Sandy Pheiffer and I'll do my best to answer them.

Lutherdale Bible Camp Fest Quilt Auction

August 13th, 9-3pm. Free admission/parking. There will be a silent auction, food concessions, baked goods, fabric sale, crafts, pontoon rides, & a gift gallery. Location is N7891 U.S. Hwy 12, Elkhorn. Proceeds make sure no child is turned away from attending camp for financial reasons.