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Hymn of the Month “Come, Share the Spirit” ACS #1045

Come, share the Spirit, god has called us to ventures in the life of faith, to bring good tidings to the needy, to tell of victory over death. Christ speaks and all of life is new; God’s word is pure and it is true.

Come, let us tell the gospel story, how God has given us new birth and raises us to live for others, to speak good news throughout the earth. Christ speaks and life is come again. Good news, good news for everyone!

We Pray For

We pray for Kenny Stroman; Barb Kunkel; Carla Boggs; Barb Allner; Diane Riediger; Bill Nagel; Ed Kunkel; those in addictions/recovery; all who are grieving; victims of extreme weather and natural disasters, violence and domestic abuse.

For those battling cancer: Jayme Webb –breast cancer.

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From the Pastor

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Summer is here. That is rather weird to say with the number of 90 degree days we have already experienced. Summer is just beginning, but last week felt like August. If you want to read something crazy, New Hampshire and Maine had a dusting of snow over the weekend. Summer brings with it all sorts of changes. Schedules and routines change. Our time is spent differently.

Yesterday morning, Sunday, May 31st, I was sitting outside before worship. Two different people mentioned that I looked relaxed and that they wish that they could do that. I am going to be honest, most of the time I feel pretty busy. Most of the time that busyness feels like it is just busyness for busyness's sake. As a culture, we tend to view busyness as a badge of honor. We talk about exhaustion as though it is a mark of success or a measure of how important we are.

Last year, I read an article telling pastor to stop being busy. The as a pastor we need to be countercultural by demonstrating good stewardship of our time and ourselves. Taking time to relax, rest, and prioritize what really matters. The article reminded pastors to use our vacation time and weekly remember the sabbath, to have a day of rest. I am not very good at either, if you haven't noticed. Which in many ways means that I am a bad example.

This summer though, I will be taking two weeks off (at least). The first will be this month. Kymberly and I will be traveling to see my parents and one of my brothers. In August, Kymberly and I will be going to Shalom Hills Farm in Windom, MN for a week of retreat, "Holden Pilgrimage on the Prairie." Due to substantial damage to the Holden Village Retreat Center in Washington state, Holden is coming to the Midwest to Shalom Hills. The week will be a combination of Shalom's retreat traditions and Holden.

This summer I encourage you to find time to rest, relax, take time to prioritize family, friends, and the world around you.

Our first Sunday of June, we will meet at the park. Worship will begin at 10:30am with a potluck to follow. This is the last activity for Movable Days. Make sure to invite friends, family, and community members to worship with us that morning (any Sunday this is a good thing to do).

From the Pastor

June is also a month in which we are going to try starting a Bible Study after church. There is never going to be a perfect time to start. So we might as well just start and figure it out as we go. Sundays, after the worship is done, we will gather to talk about the readings we heard that day. Some Sundays, those that have something after worship (council meetings or whatever) we will likely not meet. There are Sundays that I won't be present due to travel or vacation, we can figure out if folks want to lead the study, or there won't be one. But we will start and see what happens.

With the summer comes new activities in our lives. If you or your children have events. Let me know. I will try to make it to some. I can't make it to everything. This first week of June looks like I will be at quite a few softball and baseball games. If you can get me calendars that would be amazingly helpful. Now is also the time to start telling me about activities that are projected for the fall so that I can make lists of events to look for throughout the summer and coming school year.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Ed

Birthdays

1 - Jacob Brosamle
 Jada Brosamle
 Bill Sparr
3 - Alex Robley
4 - Easton Dimmitt
5 - Cheyenne Peterson
 Madison Peterson
6 - Kim DeWitt
7 - Lisa Brosamle
9 - Chad Hayes
 Ryker Koehler
10 - Brielle Goble
11 - Brandon Meyer
13 - Chris Stamm
14 - Hanna Monahan
17 - Dirk Brosamle
18 - Greg Brandt
20 - Amos Brosamle
22 - Kendall Riediger
 Kayleeeann Green
23 - Jaycee Koehn
 Jewel Smith
24 - Gloria Healy
 Joyce Sanderson
27 - Rebecca Brockhaus
28 - Addison Ploen
 Jeremiah Ploen
30 - Michelle Willer

Anniversaries

3 - Blake & Sadie Stratton (2023)
6 - Tom & Ruth Chartier (1970)
9 - Roy & Kassondra Dimmitt (2018)
 John & Mary Malm (1968)
11 - Trevor & Mary Alfredson (2011)
 Randy & Sherry Beaver (1977)
14 - Dave & Gloria Healy (1975)
 John & Jeani Ringkob (2008)
15 - Kim & Steve Steffen (1991)
16 - Shannon & Adam Nelson (2007)
17 - Walt & Barb Allner (1960)
21 - Randy & Marcia Kuehl (1969)
28 - Kenneth & JoAnn Jahn (1963)

June Worship Assistants

Organist: Ruth Chartier
Altar Guild: Janna Brandt & Jan Stroman
Scripture Reader: Diane Dreves
Offertory Accountants: Dave & Patti
Christiansen
Tech Assistant: Jill & Casey Stratton

May Events

Celebrating the Graduates

On Sunday, May 10 we honored our high school graduates during worship. Following worship there was a small reception with cake in the basement where the graduates were able to share their future plans. Special thanks to the fellowship committee for providing and serving the cake.

Spring Cleaning Kickoff

On Sunday, May 30th from 8:00-12:00 many members of Trinity Lutheran came to the church to complete some spring cleaning. A lot was accomplished, specifically in the sanctuary, basement and kitchen. There is still lots to be done though, so your help would still be appreciated whenever it is convenient for you!

A big thank you to everyone who came and cleaned!

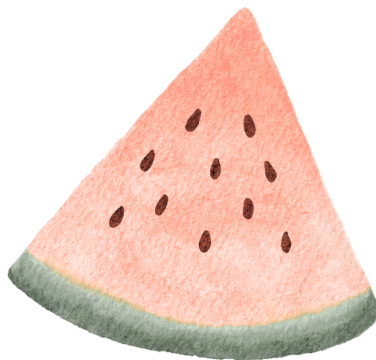


WORSHIP AT THE MAIN ST PARK

WITH TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

10:30 AM



WITH A POTLUCK TO FOLLOW
ALL ARE WELCOME!

TLC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2026

Present: Deb Wilcke, Cindy Ploen, John Ringkob, Pastor Ed, Blake Stratton, Jill Stratton, Cody Christiansen, Lindsay Green, Lynn Morgan, Nick Wahlberg, Sonia Locke, Peggy Hopp, Denny Bain

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:20 AM by President Blake Stratton.

Opening: Pastor Ed led a prayer.

Pastor's Report

Announce:

- Synod / ELCA updates

- Synod Assembly - April 17-18 in Sergeant Bluff - Jill and Casey, and Pastor Ed are registered. The Trust Fund agreed to pay \$1000 for the Assembly offering.

ELCA Youth Gathering - June 28 - July 2, 2027 - "Imagine More"

We have 2 confirmed "yes" to attend; will meet with them to start planning.

- Additional announcements

- Midweek Lenten Services Recap

- Merville Days (Worship at the Park) 10:30AM on June 7th. Potluck to follow

- Sundae on a Sunday is April 26th

Discuss/Follow-Up:

● Church building / Parsonage

- Parsonage Roof Update -Roof was completed on March 26th. We owe them \$5, 410.00. The Memorial Fund has some money to provide. How much should we request from them? See motion made in the Decide section.

- Lawn Care/Garden- Don't think EPS has been here. A quote was requested from Jay-Lan.

● Women's Group Update- Meeting was held April 8th for interest and contact information.

● Church Directory Update

● Graduation Recognition - May 10th; inviting 8 graduates

● Spring Cleaning (after Kidzone) Saturday May 30th 8AM-12PM

• Admin Assistant Day is April 22nd (See motion made in the Decide section)

• Community Service Day at WC is April 24th.

• Church Instagram - connect with the church Facebook. Possible way to reach younger generations.

Council permission granted.

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Decide:

- Motion made by Denny, seconded by John, to request \$1,000 from the Memorial Fund for the parsonage roof and have the General Fund cover the remaining balance. The motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Cindy, seconded by Sonia, to use General Fund, not to exceed \$75, to purchase a gift for Sadie. 12 voted in favor of the motion with Blake abstaining from the vote.
- Motion made by John, seconded by Denny, to approve March Council Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Pastor Ed, seconded by Sonia, to approve the March Treasurer's Report. The motion passed unanimously.
- The May Council Meeting is set for May 3, following worship.

Looking Ahead:

- Elevator Inspections??

Adjourn: Motion made by Cindy, seconded by Denny, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:08AM.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Stratton, Council Secretary

JUNE 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Council Meeting 6:00 PM	4	5	6
7 Worship at the Park 10:30 AM	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				