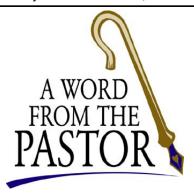
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August 2022





"We always thank God for all of you and pray for you constantly. As we pray to our God and Father about you, we think of your faithful work, your loving deeds, and the enduring hope you have because of our Lord Jesus Christ."

- 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 -

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As my first day at Trinity draws to a close, my heart is filled with deep gratitude. I am overwhelmed by the incredible welcome I received – the smiles, words of encouragement, gifts, and treats ... the guidance, stories, and laughter. Change is often hard and finding your way in a new community takes time. Know that your hospitality is greatly appreciated and your care for me and my family has made (and is making) this transition much more manageable. Thank you for the energy and intentionality with which you have received us!

I cannot wait to get to know more of you. I am anxious to hear about who you are, how God has been working in your lives, and how that has made a difference for you. In this, I ask for your patience and grace, as I do my best to remember names, stories, and connections. It will take some time, but I will get there.

I am excited and grateful for this opportunity to walk alongside you in ministry. I look forward to listening, praying, and discerning with you, as we pay attention to the movement of the Holy Spirit and imagine how God might be calling us to participate in the work he is doing in this time and place. Trust that God is up to something awesome in and through the people of Trinity and be open to the ways the Spirit might be nudging you to jump in.

God's Peace.

Pastor Steve

#### **Director of Faith Formation Hired**



The church council would like to formally announce the hiring of Deacon Koren Lindley as the new director of faith formation. Deacon Koren will start at Trinity on August 22nd. Please help us welcome her and the rest of the Lindley family to Trinity.

# 60s+ Dining Delivery

Trinity is scheduled to deliver 60s+ Dining in August. There are five routes, Monday–Friday. Each day the food can be picked up by 11:00 at the ICAP Head Start Building alley. It takes around 20 minutes to deliver the meals on a route. People who are willing to help can stop in the office and sign up for a route or call the office and let the staff know.

# **DSU Athlete Feed**

Our church is hosting the football and volleyball teams from Dakota State University for supper on Friday, August 12. You have been invited to sign up to contribute to this service event. Please use the link below to view the online sign up sheet, which closes on Monday, August 8. Please contact Becky Brown 605.270.2160 if you have any questions. Thank you for your support in making this event a success! It really means a lot to the student athletes of DSU!

https://www.signupgenius.com/ qo/10C0D49AFAA28A2FFC34-dsusupper

# **June 5 Special Congregational Meeting Minutes**

Trinity Lutheran Church Special Congregational Meeting June 5, 2022 10:45 a.m.

The special meeting of the congregation was called to vote to extend a letter of call to Pastor Steven Lindley. Copies of the agenda, the letter of call and the definition of compensation, benefits, and responsibilities of the pastor were distributed prior to the meeting.

President Danny Brown called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. and declared a quorum was present.

Pastor Hansen offered an opening prayer.

Motion by Gayla Lemme, seconded by Pat Engebretson, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

The following rules were adopted:

Please extend courtesy to all when speaking at the microphones.

Unless otherwise determined by a majority vote of the assembly, all speeches during discussion shall be limited to two minutes.

A speaker on one side of the question shall be followed by a speaker on the other side.

The Call of the Meeting was read.

President Danny Brown read information about Pastor Lindley from his portfolio.

Motion by Jennifer Briggs, seconded by Becky Brown, to extend a letter of call to Pastor Steven Lindley including the definition of compensation, benefits, and responsibilities of the pastor. President Danny Brown reported that the letter of call is a standard form from the South Dakota Synod and is the congregation's agreement with the pastor. Compensation is also based on South Dakota Synod guidelines. The agreement will be pro-rated to the actual period of the agreement.

President Danny Brown appointed Lora Ersland, Ron Jorgensen, and Jennifer Briggs as tellers for the vote. Voting is by written ballot and passage requires two-thirds in favor. All confirmed members are eligible to vote.

The results of the vote were 98 in favor of the motion, 2 against the motion, and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Virginia Lemme, seconded by Kurt Christiansen. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Sabbe, secretary

# **Financial Response**

January-June 2022

Income: \$164,941.87
Expense: \$186,849.67
Net Loss: (\$21,907.80)
Transferred from savings: \$54,068.73
Net Income: \$32,160.93

Complete financial records are available for review in the church office. Thank you for your financial contributions!



#### Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped with activities for Dairy Queen's Miracle Treat Day on July 28!

Your help was greatly appreciated!

# **June 2022 Council Meeting Minutes**

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting June 14, 2022 7:00 p.m.

President Danny Brown called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and led the members in reciting Trinity's mission statement.

Members present: Pastor Bob Hansen, Deacon Suzanne Hansen, President Danny Brown, Vicepresident Wade Briggs, Secretary Nancy Sabbe

Deacons: Jim Iverson, Lora Ersland, Brianna Routier, Becky Brown, Virginia Lemme

Trustees: Dana Hoff, Ron Jorgensen Parish Education: Carli Nighbert

Absent and excused: Corey Strom Tim Walburg, Kristin Morse, Jennifer Briggs, Lori Schultz

Wade Briggs led the devotions.

Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Ron Jorgensen, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Brianna Routier, to approve the minutes of the May 10 and June 5 meetings as printed. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

The report shows that offerings to the general fund are \$26,000 ahead of the same period in 2021, however we are still drawing on savings to meet expenses. Trinity has a credit of \$200,000 for its credit card fraud case. Motion by Ron Jorgensen, seconded by Dana Hoff, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** 

Pastor Bob Hansen:

As of May 31, the MIF loan has a remaining balance of \$70,802,33. Less the donations received in June—\$17,993.09—and the money currently held in the account for the loan payment—\$42,760.00—leaves a balance of \$10,109.24. He recommended paying the balance of the MIF loan with an internal loan from the Cornerstone Fund. Motion by Jim Iverson, seconded by Wade Briggs, to authorize the payment of \$10,109.24 from the Cornerstone Fund with the provision that the Cornerstone Fund be reimbursed with the first I Am In money received. Motion carried.

Presented two options for the transition to the new pastor.

#1. He and Deacon Suzanne would take the last Sunday in June and the first Sunday in July off. Their last Sunday at Trinity would be July 10, and they would be reimbursed for two weeks of vacation.

#2. He and Deacon Suzanne would continue through the end of July and receive two extra weeks of salary.

The Board of Deacons recommend that the council approve the second option offered by Pastor Hansen. Motion by Jim Iverson to accept option 2. Seconded by Brianna Routier. Motion carried.

Inquired as to location of AEDs in the church. Ron Jorgensen will check on the availability of units.

President Danny Brown:

Received a message from Pastor Lindley regarding a meeting of Lutheran Men in Mission. The meeting will be October 7-9 at Ashland, Nebraska. Trinity men are encouraged to attend.

Mills Property Management forwarded information about affordable housing available in Madison.

Vice-president Briggs:

Will report during business.

Trustees: Report by Dana Hoff

Steve Millage is experimenting with the software for the digital sign. It is compatible on Deacon Suzanne's computer. Still working on this.

There are two quotes for new flooring for the kitchen. The quotes were from Montgomery's and Specialty Floor Coverings. The budget has allocated \$5,000 for this project. Will seek additional quote from Kolorworks.

Pastor Bob has created a form to be used for recording the weekly offerings accurately.

Parish Education: Report by Carli Nighbert

Four Trinity youth will be going to Pine Ridge on a mission trip July 10–16.

St. John's Lutheran is opening their day camp to elementary age children from Trinity.

Kris Morse is working on a vacation Bible school experience for preschool children.

Katie Abraham will serve as the Sunday School superintendent.

Valerie Wilkens is the new member of the Board of Parish Education. Her area of concentration is middle school youth and confirmation.

The preschool is seeking a parttime helper.

Deacons: Report by Jim Iverson

The 80th birthday party will be celebrated July 11 at 2:00 p.m.

Considering a new membership directory in 2023.

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# **August**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday		
Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays Home Communion on the 3rd Sunday	01	<ul> <li>10:00AM-11:00AM Staff Meeting: Church Office</li> <li>1:00PM-4:00PM Quilting: Fellowship Hall</li> <li>5:30PM-6:30PM LSS MRT Group: Room 18</li> </ul>		
9:30AM-10:30AM Summer Worship: Sanctuary     10:30AM-11:30AM Summer Fellowship Coffee Hour: Fellowship Hall     12:00PM-1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM	08	10:00AM-11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office     12:00PM-1:00PM Finance Meeting : Zoom     1:00PM-4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall     5:00PM-6:00PM Precouncil Executives' Meeting : Fellowship Hall     5:30PM-6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18     6:30PM-7:00PM Parish Education Board Meeting : Youth Room; Deacons' Board Meeting : Fireside Room; Trustees' Board Meeting : Fellowship Hall     7:00PM-9:00PM Council Meeting : Fellowship Hall		
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# 2022

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	• 6:30PM-7:30PM Webelo Den Meeting : Fireside Room	Men's Group Bible Study	<ul> <li>9:30AM-10:30AM Music Directors' Meeting: Fireside Room</li> <li>10:45AM-11:45AM</li> <li>Eagle Scout Meeting: Fellowship Hall</li> <li>5:00PM-6:00PM Fellowship Potluck Meal: Fellowship Hall</li> <li>6:00PM-7:00PM Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion: Fellowship Hall</li> </ul>
10	11	12	13
	on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–7:30PM Webelo Den Meeting : Fireside Room	• 6:30AM-7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study • 4:00PM-9:00PM DSU Athlete Feed : Fellowship Hall	
17	18	19	20
	• 1:00PM-3:00PM Coffee Time	• 6:30AM-7:30AM Men's Group Bible	20
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	• 1:00PM-3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall	• 6:30AM-7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	j
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## **Council Minutes Continued**

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Brianna Routier prepared a brochure introducing Pastor Steven Lindley.

Virginia Lemme has competed repairs to the Celebration hymnals. There will be a bill for the replacement pages.

There will be an appreciation celebration for Pastor Bob and Deacon Suzanne on Sunday, July 31.

The installation of Pastor Lindley is planned for August 28.

Jim Iverson will lead services on July 2 and 3.

Council members are asked to assist with coffee hour on July 31 and August 28.

#### **BUSINESS:**

President Danny Brown has discussed Trinity's position of Director of Faith Formation with Pastor Renae (SD Synod Office). Deacon Koren Lindley is interested in a position, and Trinity has two options to consider if we choose to go forward.

Option 1: Call process because Koren is rostered clergy—restart the call committee, refresh the ministry site profile. This will require a congregational meeting and two thirds of members present must vote in favor of hiring.

Option 2: Contract—may be entered into by council without congregational meeting. It is an option for both rostered clergy and lay people.



We welcome anyone to place flowers on the altar any week. Maybe you have a celebration like a birthday, anniversary, birth of a baby, memorial, baptism, etc. that you would like to share with us. Feel free to place flowers on the altar and let the church office know what the event is so we can announce it and celebrate with you! There is a gold vase at the back of the altar if you would want to use that, but it is not necessary. Thank you!

The Board of Parish Education wants to be involved in the hiring process. It was suggested that the Board of Parish Education be empowered to interview and recommend a candidate. Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Virginia Lemme, to empower the Board of Parish Education and the Executive Committee to interview candidates and issue a contract temporarily without call for a Director of Faith Formation. Motion carried.

Vice-president Wade Briggs reported on the meeting of the Trinity Foundation which included review and updating of the Foundation's policies. Two funds have been added to the Foundation—Rasmussen Organ Maintenance Endowment Fund and Ellsworth Building Maintenance Endowment Fund. The Trustees' Fund was eliminated. The Cornerstone Fund is by definition the Trustees' Fund. Motion by Wade Briggs, seconded by Jim Iverson, to accept the Foundation Policy as updated and amended. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.

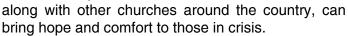
Meeting closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Sabbe Secretary

## **Mission Kits**

Each fall Trinity sends quilts and kits to the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) headquarters in St. Paul, MN. From there, these items are sent to places all over the world to people in great need. The quilts and kits we send,



We are all invited to help collect items for Personal Care Kits. Bags with supply lists attached are in the narthex for you to take home and fill. For each kit, the items needed are: 1 light-medium weight bath towel (dark color preferred), 3 bars of soap, 1 tooth-brush, 1 sturdy comb and a nail clippers.

Please return your filled bags to the church by Sunday, September 11, 2022 or any time before. There is a bin marked "Mission Kits" in the narthex for your donations. Thank you!

#### **Updates from Our Missionary in Cameroon**

July 18, 2022

Dear friends and sponsors,

As the saying goes, "All good things come to an end." And so it is that my missionary service in Cameroon is approaching the end. It is a bittersweet time of "lasts" and good-byes, perhaps best captured in photos. [See photos and complete letter on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.]

So perhaps you are asking, what is next for us? Good question! This much we know: We will be leaving Cameroon on August 8 and moving to Saint Paul, Minnesota, where we have found a house to rent. I will be looking for a call to a congregation (probably an interim call to start with) and Eric will be looking for work. David and Etienne will be enrolled in the neighborhood elementary school, and Schekina will probably be doing an internship before going back to college to finish her bachelor's degree. We would be most grateful for your continued prayers during this time of transition!

It is true that all good things must one day come to an end. But by the grace of God an ending is also a new beginning. For the moment, we look forward to seeing where God is leading us and how we can best serve God's mission in the United States.

Finally, I need to say once more how profoundly grateful I am for your faithful financial support all these years, for your prayers, your encouragement, your cards and gifts, and for the warm welcome extended to my family and me when we have been able to visit on home assignment. Truly, you have blessed us, and your support has blessed our brothers and sisters in Christ in Cameroon. I hope and pray that your support of the ELCA's global mission work will continue.

God bless you all!

+ Grace and peace +

Elisabeth (with Eric, Schekina, David, and Etienne)

# Worship Service Broadcasts

Trinity's Sunday worship services are available for livestreaming on our YouTube channel. You can locate Trinity's YouTube broadcasts at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChJnM7Q5qrov8sKctyvJrA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChJnM7Q5qrov8sKctyvJrA</a>. Don't forget to subscribe to the channel and click the bell to get notifications of new videos.

You may listen to the radio broadcast of Sunday worship on KJAM 1390 AM at noon (12:00 p.m.) on Sundays.

# **Membership Information**

Is your info. up-to-date?

Have you moved? Did you disconnect your land-line? Did you change your e-mail address? Did you get married? Did you have a baby? Did you get a divorce? Do you wonder why the church has not been connecting with you? Please notify the church office when you have an address change, e-mail change, marital status change, etc. or update the information on your Realm account.

# **Worship Assistant Volunteers**

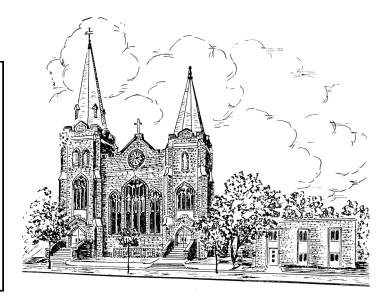
We are in need of volunteers to take care of the various aspects of worship. To volunteer, please contact the church office at 256-2771 or officemanager@tlcmadison.com. You may also use the sign-up sheet located in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you.

# Offering Envelopes

Would you like to receive offering envelopes? Contact the church office, and we will arrange to get them to you.

## Save the Planet

Did you know that communion cups are recyclable? The paper cups with the drawing of a coffee cup on them are also recyclable. Recycling bins are located throughout the building for your convenience.





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# **Financial Giving Options**

- Checks can be mailed to the church.
- Credit cards can be processed in the church office.
- The church website (<u>www.tlcmadison.com</u>) allows for one-time or recurring donations using a checking/ savings account or a credit/debit card.
- The Electronic Giving option through Vanco can also be initialized by filling out an application form in the church office.
- If you should have questions with any of these options or would like to discuss which one is the best option for you, please call Alex at the church office at 605-256-2771.

#### **Mission of the Month**

The August Mission of the Month is "The Gathering," United Methodist Church. Every Monday from 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m., local organizations provide the meals and serve the meals out of the north door at the church. Trinity is assigned one Monday in August. Last year, members from the Board of Deacons served over 190 meals.

Gifts may be designated on offering envelopes to Mission of the Month Fund.

# **Food Pantry**

The Lake County Food Pantry mission of the month for August is cereal. Diapers and baby wipes are also requested.

# **Congregational Information**

Deaths: Ronald Campbell on April 23

Baptisms: none Weddings: none

# **Help Wanted**

Trinity Lutheran Church has a job opening for a wedding coordinator. Contact the church office if interested.

# SEE YOU IN CHURCH