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Dear friends in Christ at Trinity Lutheran Church,

CHANGE AND TRANSITION

Trinity Lutheran has been in a season between an ending and a new beginning during the interim period. The future is uncertain, we just do not know what the future will be, but change will be part of your future and I hope you will be willing to embrace that change. Rev. Steve Lindley will be the new pastor, starting in August, and with him comes the hope and promise of a new beginning. Change, transition, ending and beginning are at the center of your life together during this time.

By letting go of what once was, we let ourselves be led by God who is drawing us forward and into our future. This is an exciting time to be the church if we are willing to work through the change and transition. Take the time to discover the next the chapter in the life of Trinity Lutheran.

The church council voted to pay off the MIF loan for church renovation project. This will eliminate the nearly \$7,000.00 per month debt retirement payment. Please note that this will not mean that the congregation is debt free, \$100,000.00 was borrowed from the housing allowance CD's and \$6,000.00 will be borrowed from the cornerstone fund which means that any interest paid will stay in the church general fund.

SUPPORT THE GENERAL FUND

With the Mission Investment loan paid off, I encourage the congregation to concentrate on fully funding the general fund. The 2022 budget showed that funding the budget would require transferring from savings each month to balance the budget. It is important to note that because Suzanne and I were ³/₄ time and did not receive pension and health insurance because we are retired, the compensation package for Pastor Lindley is more than the compensation for Suzanne and me. This why it will be so important to focus on fully funding the general fund as Trinity moves into the future.

Deacon Suzanne and I will conclude our interim ministry with you on July 31 and are grateful for the opportunity to serve you during this interim period. Even though we were with you longer than we thought we hope our time together has helped to prepare you to embrace the future with hope and promise.

WELCOME TO PASTOR LINDLEY & FAMILY

As you prepare to welcome Pastor Lindley and his family to Trinity and the Madison community you will have the opportunity to plan for mission and ministry together. I like the following definition of planning –

PLANNING IS DETERMINING...

WHERE we are going...
WHAT we are trying to do...
HOW we are going to do it...
WHO is going to do it...
WHEN it is going to be done...
WHY we are doing it.

Planning is always an ongoing process that helps give us a sense of vision and give our understanding of mission a direction. May God be with you as you prepare for this new chapter in the life and ministry of Trinity.

TAKE TIME FOR YOUR FAMILY

The summer is one third over and I hope that all families will take time for summer relaxation and perhaps a vacation trip together. Vacations can be a very meaningful way for family renewal.

In Christ, Pastor Hansen

July 2022

April 28 Special Church Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church
Special Church Council Meeting
April 28, 2022
7:00 p.m.

President Danny Brown called the special meeting of the Church Council and the Call Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the group in reciting Trinity's mission statement.

Vice-president Wade Briggs led the devotions.

Council members present: President Danny Brown, Vice-president Wade Briggs, Lori Schultz, Jennifer Briggs, Carli Nighbert, Ron Jorgensen, Dana Hoff, Nancy Sabbe, Becky Brown, Jim Iverson, Brianna Routier, Virginia Lemme, Lora Ersland, Tim Walberg. Kristin Morse joined the meeting remotely.

Call committee members present: Rob Thuringer, Marie Millage, Stacey Riedel, Malory Schultz.

Motion by Jennifer Briggs, seconded by Lori Schultz, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

President Danny Brown called on Rob Thuringer for the report of the Call Committee.

Rob Thuringer reported that the Call Committee is following the call process from the South Dakota Synod. At this point in the process, the Committee is

Financial Response

January-May 2022

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Income:	\$145,887.24
Expense:	<u>\$159,758.03</u>
Net Loss:	(\$ 13,870.80)
Transferred from savings:	<u>\$ 46,916.02</u>
Net Income:	\$ 33,045.23

Complete financial records are available for review in the church office. Thank you for your financial contributions! recommending Reverend Steven Lindley as a candidate for the position of Trinity's pastor. Pastor Lindley is currently serving American Lutheran Church in Ashland, Nebraska. The ministry is Pastor Steve's second career. He and his wife, Coren, have four children. Coren is a deacon serving a congregation in Omaha. Pastor Lindley has served the American Lutheran Church for five years. He feels that he has accomplished what he can there and is seeking a position with a congregation that will be a good fit for his particular skills.

Jim Iverson commended the work of the Call Committee.

Motion by Becky Brown to move forward with calling Pastor Lindley. Seconded by Lora Ersland. Discussion of the process and Pastor Lindley's candidacy followed. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim Walberg, seconded by Virginia Lemme, to empower the Call Committee to make arrangements to bring Pastor Lindley to Trinity for a meet and greet with the Council and congregation as soon as possible. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Tim Walberg. Seconded by Becky Brown. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Sabbe, secretary



Camperships Available

The Board of Education has decided to provide a campership of \$200 for everyone attending a camp this year. Please contact the church office for details.

May 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting May 10, 2022 7:00 p.m.

President Danny Brown called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

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

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

Trustees: Dana Hoff, Ron Jorgensen

Parish Education: Kristin Morse, Carli Nighbert, Lori Schultz

Absent and excused: Brianna Routier, Tim Walburg, Corey Strom, Jennifer Briggs

Vice-president Wade Briggs led the devotions.

The members recited the mission statement.

Motion by Jim Iverson, seconded by Becky Brown to approve the printed agenda with the following additions: further work on the membership list, parsonage CDs, schedule a meet and greet with Pastor Lindley and family, schedule a special of the congregation, consider the compensation package for Pastor Lindley, account 1505.00 interest earned. Motion carried.

Motion by Lori Schultz, seconded by Lora Ersland, to approve the minutes of April 12, 2022, as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Lori Schultz, seconded by Jim Iverson to approve the minutes of the special meeting of April 28, 2022, as printed. Motion carried.

The Financial Report included:

- Fraud has been detected on one of the credit cards. It has been reported.
- Expenses continue to exceed income.
- Expenditures for minor building repairs are more than anticipated because of the installation of LED lights.

Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Lori Schultz, to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Pastor Hansen

 The deadline to register delegates for the synod assembly is May 19. Danny Brown and Jim Iverson will attend. Wade Briggs and Becky Brown may also attend.

- He and Deacon Suzanne will be gone May 15 and 22.
- Suggested using one of the Sunday School rooms to store worship supplies.
- Estimates that he has made 1200 birthday phone calls and has added the appropriate information on Realm.

Deacon Suzanne

- Reminded members of volunteer opportunities President Danny Brown:
- The schedule for opening and closing the church is on Google docs. He thanked members for helping with this task.
- Katie Nelson will attend council meetings when the council needs her input.

Vice-president Wade Briggs:

- Attended a meeting of the Trinity Foundation. Distributions were made. Beth Delzer was elected President. Tom Farrell will serve as treasurer. Board of Parish Education—Kristin Morse
- Senior Sunday was celebrated April 24. 17 seniors were honored.
- Sunday School concluded on May 1 with a Sundae Sunday event.
- A planning session for summer ministry will be held in the next few weeks.
- TLC preschool teacher, Beth Himley, has signed her contract for the 2022-2023 school year.
- Youth mission trip is planned for July 10-17. Youth will travel to Pine Ridge and participate in an immersion experience.

Board of Deacons—Jim Iverson

- The 80th birthday celebration is scheduled for July 18. Lora Ersland will head this project.
- Loafer schedule is complete through June 2023.
- Pulpit supply has been arranged for May 15 and 22. Jim Iverson will lead the Saturday evening service on June 4.
- Suggested that a Sundae Sunday event be part of Rally Sunday.
- Who is responsible for the Easter garden? Board of Trustees—Dana Hoff
- The front doors have been repaired.
- A used printer has been purchased from Century Business Products for \$180 plus \$16/month for ink and any repairs.
- Scotty is getting bids for repairs to the kitchen flooring.

July

		July
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sun- days Home Communion on the 3rd Sunday		
03	04 Independence Day	05
 9:30AM-10:30AM Summer Worship : Sanctuary 10:30AM-11:30AM Summer Fellow- ship Coffee Hour : Fellowship Hall 12:00PM-1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 		 10:00AM-11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office 1:00PM-4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall 5:30PM-6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18
10	11	12
 9:30AM-10:30AM Summer Worship : Sanctuary 10:30AM-11:30AM Summer Fellow- ship Coffee Hour : Fellowship Hall 12:00PM-1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	Fellowship Hall	 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 Trustees' Board Meeting : Fellowship Hall ; Deacons' Board Meeting : Fireside Room ; Parish Education Board Meeting : Youth Room 7:00PM-9:00PM Council Meeting : Fellowship Hall
17	18	19
 9:30AM–10:30AM Summer Worship : Sanctuary 10:30AM–11:30AM Summer Fellow- ship Coffee Hour : Fellowship Hall 12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	Meeting : Fellowship Hall	 9:30AM–11:00AM Mary Circle : Fellowship Hall 10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office 1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall 5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18 7:00PM–8:00PM Martha/Naomi Circle : Fellowship Hall
24	25	26
 9:30AM-10:30AM Summer Worship : Sanctuary 10:30AM-11:30AM Summer Fellow- ship Coffee Hour : Fellowship Hall 12:00PM-1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 		 10:00AM-11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office 1:00PM-4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall 5:30PM-6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18
31		
 9:30AM-10:30AM Summer Worship : Sanctuary 10:30AM-11:30AM Summer Fellow- ship Coffee Hour : Fellowship Hall 12:00PM-1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 		

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		Men's Group Bible Study	 5:00PM-6:00PM Fellowship Potluck Meal : Fellowship Hall 6:00PM-7:00PM Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion : Fellowship Hall
06	07	08	09
	on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall	• 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	
13	14	15	16
	• 1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall	• 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	
20	21	22	23
		• 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	
27	28	29	30
		• 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	

Council Minutes Continued

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- Recommend that the CDs in the parsonage fund be cashed out with a 1.5% penalty and the proceeds be applied to the principal of the MIF loan.
- The Trustees have elected to close the Tommerassen Estate account currently held by Edward Jones and to apply the proceeds to the principal of the MIF loan. Motion to support the recommendation of the Trustees made by Jim Iverson. Seconded by Kristin Morse. Motion carried.
- The kitchen cupboards are secure, but will try to add additional anchors.

BUSINESS

Membership list: There are 1015 baptized members on the Realm database as of January 2022. Pastor Bob's phone calls are providing up-to-date information. He recommends that we continue to check and up-date the list.

Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Wade Briggs, to cash out the housing fund CDs and apply those funds to the principal of the MIF loan. This will be considered an internal loan to be repaid at 4% interest, and there will be a line item in the budget under long-term liability for the total amount. Motion carried.

Pastor Bob recommended restructuring the debt of the I Am In campaign and suggested that in addition to the money gained from the housing fund CDs and

Bethel Golf Outing

What: 16th Annual Bethel Lutheran Home Golf Outing When: Friday, July 29 Registration opens at 11:00 a.m. Shotgun start at 12 noon Where: Madison Golf and Country Club Registration details: \$400/team, \$100/individual Registration includes: After-round meal, 2 mulligans/person, raffle tickets

To register or for more information contact Jona: jonas@bethelcommunity.com

605-427-2195

Funds raised directly impact the residents of the Bethel Community through purchases of specialized equipment that make their lives safer and more comfortable. Tommerassen Estate, the council consider using \$45,000 from the Cornerstone Account and \$25,000 already in the I Am In account to further pay down the principal of the MIF loan.

Motion by Jim Iverson, seconded by Ron Jorgensen, to call a special meeting of the congregation to approve a letter of call to Pastor Steve Lindley. The meeting will be held Sunday, June 5, immediately following the 9:30 service. Motion carried.

Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Lora Ersland, authorizing the Executive Committee to negotiate a compensation package with Pastor Lindley. Motion carried.

Motion by Kristin Morse, seconded by Carli Nighbert, to plan meet and greet opportunities for May 21 and 22. The call committee and church council will meet with Pastor Steve and his family on May 21 (potluck at 7:00 p.m.). The family will also be available following services on Sunday morning. Motion carried.

Motion by Lora Ersland, seconded by Virginia Lemme, authorizing the deposit of accumulated interest in account 1505.00 into the undesignated general fund going forward. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Jim Iverson. Seconded by Wade Briggs.

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,



along with other churches around the country, can bring hope and comfort to those in crisis.

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 toothbrush, 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!

South Dakota Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.

From the Bishop's Desk

Dear South Dakota Synod,

Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

Thank you for your participation in the 2022 South Dakota Synod Assembly. Together we imagined ministry in our time and space. If you missed this year's assembly, please talk to your pastor, deacon, and voting members. They will be able to share with you about the manifold ways we were church together for almost two days. It is my hope that you will find rest throughout the summer months before ministry gears back up for Fall and Winter activities.

Journeying with you in Christ, Rev. Constanze Hagmaier Bishop of the SD Synod

On the Road Again-or off-could be both!

Once again, I have the pleasure to hop in my truck and head out to visit another of the great congregations in the South Dakota Synod. In the churches that I have been, 13 so far, one thing is happening in all of them; even though the people may not see it, the Holy Spirit is at work in and through the people, congregation and community! What fun it is for me to point this out to the good folks that I visit with. You see, at times of stress and fear, both of which are present for churches in transition, they don't see the positive mission that is going on right in their midst. So, if you are one of the congregations in transition at this time just know that you are not alone, Jesus is walking with you! The Bishop and synod staff care about you and we too walk with you as you continue to spread the Gospel of Jesus in your homes, churches and communities.

Blessings to you all, Pr. Alan Blankenfeld Rural Ministry Liaison for the SD Synod

A Special Recipe from the *Trinity Lutheran* Church Sunday School Cookbook

Take one cup of faith and spread generously through each lovely day God has given you. Add one package of hope to every good idea and thank God for giving you graces you need. Take two cups of charity, sift all around to your friends, neighbors, anyone you have found. Bake for a lifetime and ice with love, and you have the recipe for Heaven above.

Membership Information Is your info. up-to-date?

Have you moved? Did you disconnect your landline? 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 <u>of-ficemanager@tlcmadison.com</u>. You may also use the sign-up sheet located in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you.

Worship Service Broadcasts

Trinity's Sunday worship services are available for livestreaming on our YouTube channel. You can locate Trinity's YouTube broadcasts at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UChJnM7Q5qrov8sKctyvJ_rA</u>. 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.



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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 July Mission of the Month is the Salvation Army Shoe Project, Madison. In 2021, children were each provided with a voucher for a new pair of shoes through Scheels in Sioux Falls. This year, it is planned that Runnings will be the local business accepting vouchers for school children this fall.

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 July is shampoo. Diapers and baby wipes are also requested.

Congregational Information

Deaths: none 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