

## Dear friends in Christ at Trinity Lutheran Church,

What a joy it is to be able to greet one another in the name of the Risen Christ! The Easter message is the very foundation of our Christian hope and is central to our life together. The celebration of Easter is always at the center of our worship life and this is especially true for the Sundays of the Easter Season. The Easter celebration is never just one day but continues for the Sundays between Easter Sunday and Pentecost. I encourage all of the members of Trinity to join in the ongoing celebration of Easter for the whole of the Easter Season.

The last verse of the hymn, "Thine is the Glory" reflects this Easter hope:

No more we doubt thee,  
Glorious Prince of life;  
Life is nought without thee;  
Aid us in our strife;  
Make us more than conqu'rors,  
Through thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe through Jordan  
To thy home above.

Thine is the Glory,  
Risen conqu'ring Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won!

Every Sunday morning is a celebration of Easter!

**CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

## SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES

Trinity can have two male and two female lay delegates to the South Dakota Synod Assembly, June 3-4 which will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls. If you are interested in being a delegate, contact President Dan Brown or the church office.

## SUMMER WORSHIP

The summer worship schedule will begin on Memorial Day weekend, May 29. There will be one worship service each Sunday beginning at 9:30 am. The summer schedule will continue through Labor Day weekend.

## MAY – A MONTH TO REMEMBER AND GIVE THANKS

Memorial Weekend is a time to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for the defense of our country. It is also a time to remember loved ones who have died and our remembering and giving thanks takes different forms. Visiting the graves and placing flowers on the graves of loved ones is a common practice and I hope you take time to reflect on the loved ones who had an impact on your life.

## GIVE A LEGACY GIFT TO REMEMBER A LOVED ONE

The church council has designated the month of May to encourage making a principal only donation to the "I Am In" capital campaign in memory or honor of loved ones that have had an impact on your life of faith.

As I write this article, the Call Committee will be meeting with the council to present the name of candidate for consideration of a call to be the new pastor for Trinity Lutheran. I cannot emphasize enough how important it will be to reduce the debt of the capital campaign as low as possible before a new pastor comes. More information will be given but I encourage you to be as generous as you can.

In Christ,  
Pastor Hansen



On April 24, Trinity’s high school seniors received their quilts made by the Trinity Piecemakers.



**Pastoral Candidate  
Meet & Greet  
Sunday, May 22nd**

The Call Committee and Church Council invite you to come meet our pastoral candidate. Pastor Steven Lindley is currently serving at American Lutheran Church in Ashland, Nebraska. Pastor Steve and his wife, Koren, have four children and will be attending services with us on Sunday, May 22. Please take the opportunity to visit with Pastor Steve and his family during coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall on May 22, 9:45–10:45 a.m. and/or come for some food and fellowship after the second service 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to get to know our candidate and ask him questions! Help us greet Pastor Steve and his family with our TLC hospitality!

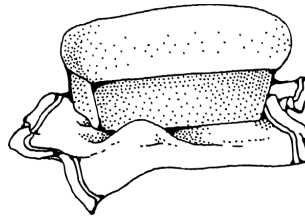
**Financial Response**

January–March 2022

Income:	\$84,981.37
Expense:	\$93,135.83
Net Loss:	(\$ 8,154.46)
Transferred from savings:	\$ 25,307.76
Net Income:	\$17,153.30

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

**Bread Bakers Needed**



Each month, a volunteer is needed to prepare the homemade bread that is used for our communion services that month. A recipe is provided. Once the bread is baked and cut up

for serving, it is placed in a sealed bag and dated for the service it is prepared for, and put into the kitchen refrigerator. We are in need of a few more volunteers to sign up for 1–2 month period of service. If you would be willing to serve Trinity, please contact either Jim Iverson, Deacon for Sacraments and Services, at 256-4323 or Lisa Gale in the church office at 256-2771. Thanks to all who have offered to enrich our worship services in such a special way!



**Collect Your Cookers**

Are you missing your slow cooker? Check the kitchen counter to see if yours was left at church after the Lenten soup suppers.

## March 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting  
March 8, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

President Danny Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led the council in reciting Trinity's mission statement.

Members present were Pastor Bob Hansen, Deacon Suzanne Hansen, President Danny Brown, and secretary Nancy Sabbe

Deacons: Jim Iverson, Brianna Routier, Lora Erslund, Becky Brown

Trustees: Dana Hoff, Corey Strom, Ron Jorgensen, Tim Walburg

Parish Education: Lori Schultz

Absent and excused were Wade Briggs, Kristin Morse, Jennifer Briggs, Carli Nighbert, Virginia Lemme

Nancy Sabbe led the devotions.

The agenda was amended to include an item regarding the W. Tommeraasen estate. Motion by Lori Schultz, seconded by Becky Brown, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim Walburg, seconded by Brianna Routier, to approve the minutes of the February 15 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

The financial report was reviewed. Motion by Becky Brown, seconded by Lora Erslund, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

### REPORTS

Pastor Bob Hansen

- The Wi-Fi in the church office does not work well. The router is an older model and may require an upgrade. He was advised to check with InfoTech about new equipment.
- Trinity's constitution has not been updated since 2017 and does not include the 2019 changes to the model constitution. Updates will be necessary.
- Ash Wednesday service went well. The sixth graders did a good job.
- Trinity's permanent record book has not been updated since 2009. He will continue to work with office staff to update the book.
- Account #1510.17 Excess Care Funds is in the Pastor's discretionary funds. Pastor Hansen proposed giving \$1000 to a local family to assist with medical expenses. Motion by Jim Iverson, seconded by Lori Schultz, to provide that assistance. Motion carried.

- Recommended that anyone interested in providing assistance for Ukrainian refugees contribute money to the ELCA Disaster Response and designate the gift to the Eastern Europe Crisis Fund.
- He and Deacon Suzanne will be gone May 15 and 22 and the month of July.

Deacon Suzanne

- Deferred her report to the Board of Parish Education.

President Danny Brown

- Thanked for council members for their help on Sunday when Pastor was recognized for 50 years as a pastor.
- Reminded council members to sign up to open and close the church on Sunday mornings.
- The sale of the church car is progressing.

Board of Trustees—Dana Hoff reported

- Joel Brick has worked on the LED sign board and will get it ready to use.

Parish Education—Lori Schultz reported

- The board has reviewed and reassigned the duties of members:
  - Continuing education—Lori Schultz
  - Preschool—Carli Nighbert
  - Elementary Education—Kristin Morse
  - Youth Ministry—Jennifer Briggs
  - Confirmation—open

- 17 third through fifth graders are registered for first communion instruction.
- Senior Sunday is April 24. There are 17 seniors.
- Easter sunrise service will begin at 7:00 a.m. Youth are responsible for the service and the breakfast from 8:00–9:00.
- Looking for a mission-oriented project to replace the National Youth Gathering. A mission trip to Pine Ridge is being considered.
- The Sunday School curriculum under consideration is being used at First Lutheran in Sioux Falls.

Becky Brown noted that there are two openings on the council—trustee for stewardship and parish education for confirmation and suggested that Council members actively seek potential members.

President Danny Brown reported that it will be necessary to appoint someone to the governing board of Bethel Home. The previous appointee has a conflict of interest.

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# May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p>01</p> <p>8:45AM–9:45AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)            10:00AM–10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour &amp; Open Forum Discussion (Fellowship Hall)            10:00AM–10:45AM Last Day of Sunday School (Sunday School Rooms)            11:00AM–12:00PM Celebration Worship w/ Waldman Baptisms (Sanctuary)            12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM</p>	<p>02</p> <p>6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. (Youth Room)            7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p>03</p> <p>10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting (Church Office)            1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting (Fellowship Hall)            5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group (Room 18)</p>
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<p>22</p> <p>8:45AM–9:45AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)            10:00AM–10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour &amp; Meet and Greet w/Pr. Steven Lindley &amp; Family (Fellowship Hall)            11:00AM–12:00PM Celebration Worship (Sanctuary)            12:00PM–1:00PM Food &amp; Fellowship w/Pr. Steven Lindley &amp; Family (Fellowship Hall)            12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM            7:00PM–8:00PM Mary Hunter Piano Studio Recital (Sanctuary)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. (Youth Room)            7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting (Church Office)            1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting (Fellowship Hall)            5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group (Room 18)</p>
<p>29</p> <p>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</p>	<p>30 <i>Memorial Day</i></p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>31</p> <p>10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting (Church Office)            10:30AM–6:00PM Organ Tuning (Sanctuary)            1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting (Fellowship Hall)            5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group (Room 18)</p>

# 2022

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>04</p> <p>4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                      5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)                      5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                      6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)                      6:30PM–7:00PM High School Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)                      7:00PM–8:00PM HS Youth Group (Youth Room)</p>	<p>05</p> <p>Last Day of T/R Preschool                      1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays (Fellowship Hall)                      6:30PM–7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting (Fireside Room)</p>	<p>06</p> <p>Last Day of M/W/F Preschool                      6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study (Zoom)</p>	<p>07</p> <p>12:00PM–4:00PM Roger &amp; Ethel Dover Funeral Reception (Fellowship Hall)                      5:00PM–6:00PM Fellowship Potluck Meal (Fellowship Hall)                      6:00PM–7:00PM Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p>11</p> <p>4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                      5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)                      5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                      6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)                      6:30PM–7:00PM High School Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays (Fellowship Hall)                      6:30PM–7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting (Fireside Room)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study (Zoom)</p>	
<p>18</p> <p>5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)                      5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                      6:30PM–7:00PM High School Choir Rehearsal (Fireside Room)                      6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study (Zoom)</p>	
<p>25</p>	<p>26 <i>Ascension of Our Lord</i></p> <p>1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study (Zoom)</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays                      Home Communion on the 3rd Sunday</p>			

## Council Minutes Continued

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Board of Deacons—Jim Iverson reported

- Lenten services are being broadcast.
- Advertisements for Holy Week and Easter have been prepared.
- There will be no coffee hour on Easter Sunday.
- Donations to ELCA Refugee Relief may be made through the regular offering. Donations must be identified by writing Ukraine on the envelope or check.
- Beginning in March, we will return to using bread for communion. Jennifer Briggs will bake bread for communion through May. Beginning in June, Lisa will schedule bakers.

### BUSINESS

Motion by Corey Strom, seconded by Lora Erslund, to redeem the Mission Term Investment CD 21067 and apply the funds to the MIF Construction Loan on condition funds are treated as an internal loan from the Parsonage Fund, whereby the Church will pay interest only on the loan at a rate of 4% per annum (a rate greater than the interest the CD is earning) until the MIF Construction Loan is paid in full. At such time, the Church will reinvest the principal of the housing allowance fund loan in an MIF Term Investment. Interest payments on the housing allowance fund loan shall be paid annually from the I Am In Campaign and deposited in the Trinity Lutheran General Fund to be used to offset housing allowance obligations. Motion carried.

Tim Walburg will check with the court for specifics of the Tommeraasen Estate and any restrictions on the use of the funds currently held at Edward Jones.

Motion to adjourn by Tim Walburg. Seconded by Lora Erslund. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Sabbe, Secretary

*Serve the*  
**LORD**  
*with*  
**GLADNESS**



### 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!

### NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

#### *Recent Memorial Gifts*

#### **In Memory of Joe Thompson**

Marv and Sandy Rhode  
Myron and Clara Downs  
Jon and Mary Hunter

#### **In Memory of Galen Crosby**

Elaine Struwe  
Jon and Mary Hunter

#### **In Memory of Donald Hohwier**

Marv and Sandy Rhode



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

## From the Bishop's Desk

Dear SD Synod,

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

Driving across the state I can see that we are pretty dry. I pray for rain and moisture to water our parched lands. I also lift up prayers for our ranchers and farmers. It's not only the land that is parched, but spirits can run dry too. You may remember that in the very first months of my term you were invited to a farm summit in Mitchell SD. We shared in the joys and challenges of farming and ranching, learned about resources, and were assured that God's always close at hand. At the same time of the farm summit, I also collaborated with Lutheran Social Services in SD. We partnered to offer Mental Health First Aid training to our leaders so that they can learn about the first signs of distress. But we also developed a web-based tool called Psychological First Aid. It is designed with your neighbor in mind. You can take this web-based training at your pace and at your time. It strives to equip you with what you need to read early warning signs of mental health issues, and gives you tools to be a good neighbor to your neighbor. Please watch for the link to come your way soon via our synod's e-news. If you currently do not receive the e-news, please sign up at [www.sdsynod.org](http://www.sdsynod.org).

Last but not least, many ask about how to best support the Ukrainian refugees. At this time your monetary gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) or Lutheran World Relief (LWR) are the best help you can provide as they aid relief efforts on the ground. Our ministry partner LSS is in close communication with the federal government to see how to best assist refugees that will find their way to the United States. Watch your e-news for regular updates.

Journeying with you,  
 Bishop Constanze Hagmaier

2022  
**imagine**  
 South Dakota Synod Assembly

**Dare to *Imagine* at this year's Synod Assembly!**

**The South Dakota Synod Assembly  
 is coming up!  
 June 3–4, 2022 in-person at Our Savior's  
 Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls.**

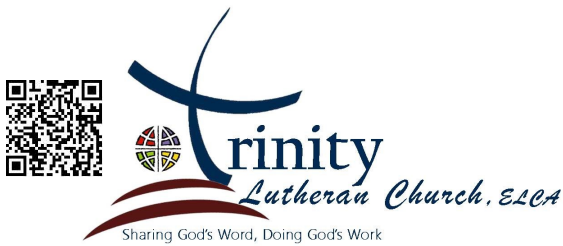
**Voting Members, Displayers, and Visitors can  
 now register at [sdsynod.org/assembly](http://sdsynod.org/assembly). The  
 deadline to register is May 19, 2022.**

**Keynote Speaker: Peggy Hahn, LEAD  
 Churchwide Representative: Rev. Keith Fry  
 Guest Musicians: Glocal**

## Winter, Spring, Winter, Spring...

Hopefully, when you read this it will be Spring! We all need spring, maybe this year more than others. When I was farming spring was the time of new beginnings, working in the field and smelling the newly stirred soil was always great. Planting and then waiting for the seeds to sprout and come forth, however, this was also a stressful time until the rows of young plants could be seen. With the new growth comes renewed hope. The same can be said for our rural congregations, we are living out our various calls within our churches, but when we face times of transition there is fear of the unknown. Rural ministry is very important and vital to our communities; the Bishop and the Synod know that and will walk with you in times of transition. Change in our rural areas and within rural congregations can be times of stress but know that you are not alone. The Holy Spirit is at work! Rural ministry and the way that ministry is done may look different than you are used to but that doesn't mean the ministry will suffer but rather that it has renewed hope.

Pr. Alan  
 Rural Ministry Liaison



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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 ([www.tlcmadison.com](http://www.tlcmadison.com)) 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 256-2771.

### Mission of the Month

The May Mission of the Month is St. Dysmas, Sioux Falls & Springfield, which offers worship to men in the penitentiary, led by Rev. Wayne Gallipo, who said one man told him "I received justice for what I had done; what I need is mercy."

*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 May is canned soup.

### Congregational Information

**Deaths:** none

**Baptisms:** Bowen Johnson on April 3

**Weddings:** none

### Help Wanted

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