

Pastor's Report  
Congregation Council  
November 2018

## Highlights:

- Continue to work with Garden Team as they prepare for next year's CSA ministry
- Continue to work with my mentees
- Premarital counseling is going well
- Continue to work with Bishop on the Synodically Authorized Ministry taskforce
- Served as the preacher and worship leader for the NW Conference
- Elected NW Conference Treasurer
- Presided over the baptism of Julia and Rhyse Evenson and Gene Smith
- Met with a potential new member
- Attended the First Call Theological Education meeting
- Participated in the DEC food packing
- Provided a time of orientation for a confirmation student and his mentor
- Preached at the DEC Thanksgiving Service
- Engaged in a week of continuing education

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## Parish Administrator Report

Weekly Sunday Attendance

October 7 – 52

October 14 – 61

October 21 – 64

October 28 – 69

I did some fall decorating during the week in narthex and sanctuary. On Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> after worship I helped with more fall decorating along with volunteers from Trinity.

Did formatting, printing, and folding of Thanksgiving bulletins for DEC's service at Trinity.

Trinity's Advent Kindness Calendar 2018. After I found an idea online, Pastor and I decided that we wanted to try it for this year's Advent season. I created the custom calendar for Trinity. There is a paper version and I will also be scheduling daily posts on Facebook for the calendar.

Worked with TLCW on the Thankoffering worship service.

Respectively submitted,

Shannon Brown

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## Christian Education

The Christmas program is coming up quickly. Practices have gone terrific and the kids are learning the music for their song. We will have a full dress rehearsal on December 2<sup>nd</sup> during Sunday school.

Immediately following the program we will be having the kids Christmas party during the Sunday school hour.

The coloring contest using the ELCA Good Gifts global barnyard coloring book is going very well. Soon there will be many pictures of piglets hanging downstairs. The judging will be done on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Of course all the kids will be winners.

The kids have brought in enough offering as of November 18<sup>th</sup> that they have purchased their first piglet for a community in need!

Days off for Christmas break are December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

In December we will be holding another children's book fair. We receive 10 books to display but there are many more that can be purchased. They make great Christmas gifts. The 10 books we display we may keep. I have a little library set up downstairs and all the books in it were books we received holding previous book fairs.

We are nearing the half way point of the Sunday school year and I am so grateful for all of the teachers who share their time and talents. Next time you see one of them give them a high five!

Pre-K is Jamie Stewart

Our FISH leaders are Melissa Lowery, Sara Tunak, Jill Proctor, Aleda Lee, Debbie Preston, Kimberly Schuldt and Dawn Hendon.

Confirmation-Pastor Pat and Shannon Brown

Your friend in Christ,

Wendy Tunak

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## **November 2018 Pastoral Care**

Distributed home communion to a member residing in Medina and her husband and visited with another member at Medina.

Distributed home communion to a member who was home bound with broken shoulder and took over soup and casserole.

Provided rides to two members for Sunday worship.

Visited three residents at Medina with Paula through Caring Hearts.

Followed up with phone calls to nine members.

Provided transportation to a non-member for her two cataract surgeries who heard about our Caring Hearts.

Provided treats for Euchre November 13th. 14 area residents joined in the fun with two new players from Lake Summerset.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Beksell  
11/23/18

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## **Evangelism Team Report for November 2018**

Meeting was rescheduled until December 2nd giving more time for team members to come with ideas for planning the New Member Orientation, January 6th after worship.

Sharon did meet with Pastor Pat to discuss topics to be covered. The orientation will be opened up for current members wanting a refresher.

Topics to be covered are a brief history of our congregation, Lutheran beliefs and worship, what the new member can expect from Trinity and the importance of their giving and service through our ministries.

An idea of inviting area residents to come and learn about Trinity Lutheran was mentioned. This could possible be advertised in The Volunteer and would entail two or three sessions based on the attendees commitment to attend. This is just in the "possibility" realm and I would like to hear the council's feedback on doing something like this in the future. More participants would need to be recruited.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Beksell  
November 23, 2018

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### **Audio Visual Media Committee Report**

**Members: Chris DeSchepper, Kiley DeSchepper, Louise Owen, Jerry Lindvall, Coltin Rau**  
**Monthly Report September/October 2018**

1. The team continues to prepare and operate the AV equipment for Sunday services.
2. A hand held microphone and receiver went dead so we have replaced it with another unit Funds were

saved to cover the costs from the AV account. .

### **Budget/Finance Team**

Monthly Report: September/ October 2018

Members: Jerry Lindvall, chair. Liaison: Bill Konigsfeld

The team will need to meet in November prepare the 2019 budget. I have received budget suggestions from most teams. It would be helpful for the new treasurer to attend and transition to lead that process.

**TMM**

September/October

report.

TMM met November 10 for a breakfast at Lakeside for fellowship and to honor our vets. Next meeting will be a breakfast, New Year celebration and plan meeting January 12 at church, 9:30 a.m.



**1. Meeting held Oktober 24**

**2. Oktoberfest.** The team reviewed the event to make suggestions for any changes if we plan a 2019 fest/

**3. 55/50 drawing changes.** Set up a separate for selling tickets. One drawing at 6:30, and you do not have to be present.

**4. Questions raised:**

Need sign by desserts so people see where to pick them up.

Next year prepare for 250 guests. Offer boxed wine, 1 red and 1 white. Charge \$4 per glass. Need to order 6 oz plastic glasses for that.

Judds will contact band to reserve them for next year. We will need to plan to cover the \$300 cost for their performance. Prepare youth room as a back up stage if weather turns nasty. Also set up seating in that room for overflow. Have a speaker inside for people to hear music if band outside. Larry will talk to band to see if they can provide one or if we need to. Need two food thermometers, sanitizing, alcohol wipes, individual packets. Need to buy two solid, stainless chafing dishes. Mike will check on finding a good price. Assign pastor as host to mingle with guests. Try to increase space between tables and west wall for better movement for staff. Buy divided plates. Buy good spoon holders to hold serving spoons for chafing dishes. Buy liner for crock pots for easier cleaning. Offer free kids meal with paying adult as very few kids attended. Offer coffee? Will decide later

**5. Recommend depositing \$900 to general fund and \$585.18 to TEP for garage seed money Next meeting:** April 11, 2018, 6:30 p.m. at church. New members welcome.