

Congregation Council
Pastor's Report
July 2018

Highlights:

- The National Youth Gathering was a resounding success...I appreciate the support of leadership as this experience is transforming!
- I appreciate the vacation time although I was sad the family of Bessie chose to have her funeral while I was gone. I had hoped they would agree to do it that Monday of my vacation week so I could preside. Regardless, it went well and we owe a debt of gratitude to Pr. Tom Eckstrand who preach as well as Sharon Beksel and Shannon who oversaw the details in my absence. Please do join me in thanking them!
- The CSA box distribution continues to go well and we are getting very good feedback.
- We are starting to prepare for the fall start-up.
- I have contacted confirmation parents to make them aware of changes for this coming year.
- The dedication service to mark the 40th anniversary of the building is finished and communication with Bishop on his role is on-going. Pot-luck prep continues.

Parish Administrator Report

Weekly Sunday Attendance

June 3 – 63

June 10 – 50

June 17 – 44

June 24 – 65

Made a bulletin for Bessie Fehr's funeral. Came in on Saturday morning to open offices for Sharon and Pr. Tom.

Trinity received our student's information from Project Education India. I have been creating a display with a monthly sponsorship sheet. This will soon be put on an easel in narthex.

Shannon Brown

Council Notes

July 2018

I am currently working on Rally Day plans. The date is set for September 16th. We have done the carnival/picnic theme for 3 years so I am changing it up this year.

I'm also creating the 2018-19 curriculum schedules for the teachers, the yearly calendar and youth Sunday schedule. There will be changes coming since we have 4 of our Sunday school kids who go to stay with their other parent every other weekend which makes the Sunday school class size smaller that Sunday. The education team and I will decide how to handle the smaller classes if we don't have more kids register.

Your friend in Christ,

Wendy

July 2018 Pastoral Care

Hospital visit at FHN with communion

Opened and closed church for funeral, greeted family and answered questions for staff from Walkers Mortuary and Pastor Tom, lit candles and set out communion. Participated in funeral reading poem and lessons.

Visited two members in Medina and a home visit

Sent two "thinking of you" notes to members

Phone calls to two members and messages to four members updating prayer needs

Attended weekly Balance class on Monday afternoons and led exercises one week when instructor had last minute family emergency.

Delivered prayer shawl to a visitor to our congregation whose husband recently died.

Sharon Beksel

July 2018 Evangelism

Our last minute idea of participating in the Fourth of July parade was fun and a success! Seven of us participated in the parade. For the first year with only a week of advertising, we collected one and half shopping carts full of supplies and collected \$18 towards supplies. The pictures of the Blessing Boxes and posters were saved for next year. We are planning on this being an annual event.

We had a short meeting after worship, July 15th. We will be putting together ideas for a new members' orientation class. Discussed having sponsors who would "walk alongside" new members making them feel

welcome, answering questions and inviting to activities. We welcome your input for the New Members' class. Please contact me with your thoughts.

We will feature one family each month in the Traveler.

Our next team meeting is August 19th.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Beksel

Audio Visual Media Committee Report

Members: Chris DeSchepper, Kiley DeSchepper, Louise Owen, Jerry Lindvall, Coltin Rau
Monthly Report June 2018

1. The team continues to prepare and operate the AV equipment for Sunday services.
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Budget/Finance Team

Monthly Report: June 2018

Members: Jerry Lindvall, chair. Liaison: Bill Konigsfeld

Second quarter reports have been sent for Christian Ed, Worship, and Building & Grounds.

TMM

Dates for our future events:



The July 14 annual hot dog roast was cancelled due to rain

September 9 TMM breakfast and God's Work Our Hands event



1. **The June 1-2 Route 75 Garage Sale. Proceeds totaled \$1,500, council approved \$500 for TEP seed money and \$1,000 for the general fund. TEP members agreed to try another sale next year.**
 2. **Next meeting scheduled for July 19 & Aug. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at church. New members welcome. These meetings will relate to plans for the Oktoberfest. Permits, advertisement, insurance, and Thrivent cards need to in place beginning of August. Oktoberfest is September 29 from 4 to 7 pm. Put the date on your calendar.**
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Worship Team Meeting

Council Report
June 25, 2018

Present: Shannon Brown, Chair; Louise Owen, Audio Visual & Recorder; Mary Nuss; Pr. Pat Esker
Mary Jane Koch, Choir Director

FYI: no meeting in May

After a prayer from Pastor Pat, Shannon opened discussion at 11:09 a.m.

Feedback on Pentecost Worship:

~~May 20 - having members “speaking in tongues” - was interesting, may repeat in future.

Location of readers - spaced across Altar area or stand in place in the pews.

Maybe practice one time to pace readings to end a little more closely.

~~Easter Worship Time Survey - Shannon reported of those who responded, most did not specify a preference, that time did not make a difference. Only a few did say time was important to them.

**Tabled until January 2019. Easter is on the 21, 2019 so will make announcements when people may know of their Easter plans when time will make a difference. A suggestion of changing to 8 a.m. but this was not considered an option, will keep at 9 a.m.

Upcoming Services:

~~40th Anniversary of Building Dedication will be August 5 with guest, Bishop Clements -

**Mary will write articles for the May *Traveler* regarding the Dedicated Service and potluck. She will repeat articles for July *Traveler* with additional details.

Send and or put articles in *Traveler*/bulletin “Homecoming” invitations.

~~Tone Chime Choir will not be playing, not enough participants.

~~Was told 175th Anniversary Fund is now called Anniversary Fund. With that in mind, perhaps ask

Council if some of those monies could be spent on a meat (*suggested Italian Beef or Pulled Pork*) at potluck.

**Will have signup for salads and desserts or paper products,

~~ Flower (*Fresh or silk*) and Summer Music - signup sheets still on Bulletin Board - a reminder in *Traveler*

Upcoming Ideas and Comments:

~~Gluten-Free Communion wafers - discussed if there may be a need. These wafers are very costly and decided if this option was needed, buy a loaf of gluten-free bread and keep in freezer until needed.

~~Asked 175th Anniversary chair what were plans for this celebration. Nothing set except for October 20, 2019 worship with Bishop.

Next Team Meeting - Monday, July 16, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. We adjourned at 11:55.

Worship Team Recorder,
Louise Owen

Worship Team

July 16, 2018

Notes from Meeting

Quilts will be blessed at July 22 service. These are laps quilts for Medina and ‘blankies’ for Voices.

For August 5 service – choir will sing I Love Your Kingdom Lord. Mary will bake bread. Potluck is scheduled – hot dogs from postponed TMM event will be served as well as Italian Beef. If the Bishop cannot stay for meal we will prepare a ‘to go’ meal for him. Shannon is doing centerpieces.

Mary will see about scanning photos of building construction and dedication to show as power point presentation.

Christmas Eve service is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. It is on a Monday.

Discussed different space for hanging acolyte robes. Mary will talk to Lyle about something with a rod for hanging robes. Will use current pegs for cinctures.

Mary Nuss
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**Trinity Lutheran Church Women -
July 2018 Council Report**

~~President asked if audit was finished, because had not heard. Bill Konigsfeld found the books to be in good order. Thanks to past 4-year Women's Board Treasurer and to Bill.

**Motion/passed to donate \$150 from Camp Fund for the Lutheran Partnership 2019. One-time donation.

~~Root Beer Floats Sundays will be July 29 and August 26 with donations to the 175th Anniversary Fund. Hopefully this team can use these seed monies when they start this celebration. We have such fun in our past anniversary celebrations so this one will be also.

**School supplies are coming in but more are expected as school opening gets closer and more sales are advertised. We are hoping the members will keep the school supply list that was inserted in bulletin as a handy reminder.

**Dawn agreed to coordinate 2018 Pie Make for October festival at LOMC. She will start making announcements for fruit (that can be frozen, like rhubarb, strawberries, blueberries, etc.) and aluminum pie plates. A Thrivent Action card will be requested. Having more time to set Pie Make is good but will coordinate with TEP for freezer space.

~~The 2018 Women's Christmas Party will be planned and hosted by the Women's Board.

**Continued discussion of disbanding or restructuring the Trinity Women's group. At the August 13 (week later than normal) the board members will suggest which model and/or disbanding current form which would be presented to the women at the September General Meeting.

~~Disbanding would be such a loss of revenue for the church and other areas of mission, both inside and outside our walls. Although, we do anticipate members' ingenuity and coming together to raise monies if necessary.

We welcome any input.

Louise Owen
2018 Trinity Women's Board President

Mission and Social Concerns Team

The July 4th service was held on the 4th at 10:00 a.m. in the Durand school cafeteria. We had about 69 people in attendance. There were some glitches with people that didn't make it that were in the program, but Fr Bergschneider and Pr. Lee filled in the open spots without difficulty. The message, the music, gun salute, etc was wonderful as always.....that's what it is all about!!

Trinity Caring Hearts will meet on August 7th at 9:00am in the library. We did get a new member to join our group, but unfortunately, we have also had a recent resignation from our team.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Rau

Trinity Lutheran Church Funds Report

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Totals for Period: 06/01/2018 to 06/30/2018

Fund # Description Amount

10 General Fund 13,151.47

11 World Hunger 160.00

12 Mission:Benevolence / NISynod 15.00

13 Missionary 15.00

14 Sunday School / VBS 20.00

17 Pass Thru 1,025.12

21 Mortgage 2,065.00

30 Improvement Fund 433.00

40 Memorial Fund 50.00

Grand Total 16,934.59
