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A message from Pastor Rex

Dear Saints.

It is November already! On Sunday we will celebrate All Saints Day. This is a day when we pause to remember those saints that have gone before us; both those who passed this year and those before them. For those who have passed this year we will light a candle and ring the bell as a sign of respect and love for them. In addition, the congregation is invited forward to light a candle for a loved one and to pause and let the light shine as the flame reaches upward. This is a time to stop and remember, to honor and respect, to sit in silence and reflect. It can be a hard day, it can be a good day, it can be both at the same time.

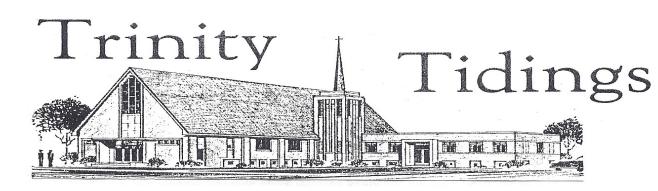
But know this, as we gather to remember and to honor, we also are here because we believe in the promises of God. Those promises that were made long ago and fulfilled through God's only Son, Jesus the Christ. Yes, through Christ's birth, death and resurrection we receive an inheritance beyond any other. Jesus takes on our sin. We come before Him with repentant hearts and our sins are forgiven. Today we rejoice because of the other promise fulfilled by Jesus, life eternal, life everlasting with the Saints of all times. The promise is that we will one day be reunited with our loved ones who have believed and gone before us. Death does not get the final say. Even though our bodies pass and return to the ground, our souls live on.

In a month filled with thankfulness, we should list these as our top two reasons to be thankful. Yes, we serve a big God who can handle all that we bring to the table: sin, shame, regret, doubt, self criticism, and fear of death. He handles them and He handles us with loving arms. He forgives us over and over again and looks forward to the day when He welcomes us into heaven with Him. Jesus has done the work. All we have to do is believe and have faith, which is too a gift from God.

So, fellow living saints of the light, be thankful this month for all the blessings that God has bestowed upon you this year. Hold your loved ones tight and lift each other up. Know that you can **Let Go and Let God** as He holds you in the palm of His hand.

Blessings,

Pastor Rick



WE ARE THANKFUL TO HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING MEMORIALS:

In Memory of Diane Cowdrey

Mark & Nancy Lunde
Morris & Jo Ann Saxerud
Orville & Beverly Tranby
Tim, Karen, Cortney Hornung

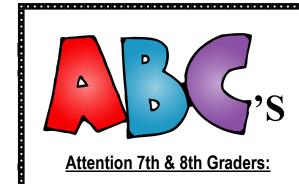


All memorials received are deposited to the Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Fund. These funds are used to pay for special projects as designated by the donor. Designations currently established are: Banners, Altar Guild, Pew Cushions, Music, Rock Garden, SAMs Program, Sunday School, Youth and Undesignated. Please indicate if you would like your memorial designated to one of these or another of your choice. Your giving in honor or memory of loved ones is greatly appreciated.



Please plan to stay after worship on November 21st to put up the Christmas decorations.

Thank you!



Affirmation of Baptism Classes Sundays **at 6pm** in the library

- ♦ Nov 7—Old Testament
- ♦ Nov 14—Old Testament
- Nov 21—Old Testament
- ♦ Dec 5—Old Testament

Gene & Rebecca Loge

THE TRINITY QUILTERS APPRECIATE THE FOLLOWING: In Memory of Bertha Gay Hoyt Curtis & Bebe McCardle In Memory of Diane Cowdrey Lois Johnson Gordon & Becky Knutson Linda Loge Trish Brager Lois Saxberg

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12. Pastor's Time

- The projector has not been working. Tricorne will be coming to check.
- The football season comes to an end on Friday, October 8. It has been a tough year with several injuries. He expressed his appreciation to the church for allowing him the opportunity to coach.
- Pastor Rick will be using vacation in November.
- He thanked the council for the good work and Courtney Urness for volunteering to serve as Education chair.
- 13. President's Remarks
- Bob thanked everyone for their work.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Anderson, Office Manager

Trinity Lutheran Church Council

Bob Schlotman—President
Jill Larson—Vice President
Scott Tranby—Treasurer
Courtney Urness —Education
Paige Hanson—Evangelism
Charles Olson—Property-Building
Scott Loge—Property-Grounds
Dane Mueller—Social & Fellowship
Karen Hornung—Stewardship
Nicky Wathne—Worship

Council meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month.



Our **2022 Offering Envelopes** are here. They will be available to pick up soon.
Thank you.

WHO IS THE MOST AWESOME PERSON TODAY?



TRINITY THANKS:

Please help us to use this space to thank others for their kindness, big or small.

- Thank you, Trinity Lutheran Church for your Noise Offering donation to the Cooperstown Golden Age Club.
- Thank you to everyone who donated to the Operation Christmas Child project. Your support is much appreciated! Look at all this stuff:



Submit your thank you wishes to the church office by phone or email: trinityofcooperstown@mlgc.com

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Edited Approved TLC Council Meeting Minutes • Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 7:00pm

Present: Pastor Rick, Bob Schlotman, Karen Hornung, Nicky Wathne, Jill Larson, Paige Hanson, Dane Mueller, Charlie Olson, Courtney Urness, Allison An-

Meeting was called to order by president, Bob Schlotman.

Devotions

1. Old Business

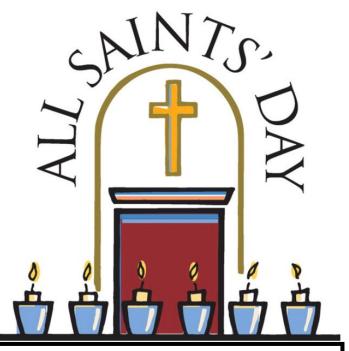
- Education Committee Courtney Urness has been 9 helping with Sunday School and is willing to serve as the Education Committee chairperson. Karen made a motion to appoint Courtney to the position, second by Dane. Motion carried.
- Portico Selection Paige made a motion to maintain the Gold+ plan for Pastor Rick, second by Charlie. Motion carried.
- 2. Office Manager's Report-Motion to approve the report by Jill, second by Paige. Motion carried.
- 3. Secretary's Report-Motion to approve the report by Karen, second by Dane. Motion carried.
- 4. Property/Building Committee Report
- Roger Schilke will meet with Charlie to check over the building heating system and fuel levels.
- Several light bulbs have been replaced in the church. Charlie continues to monitor the p-traps as they have been dry and smelly.
- 5. Property/Grounds Committee Report
- Scott will be organizing a Saturday crew for the landscaping on the east side of the church. He has the landscape fabric. Rock will be delivered by Ken Gilbertson.
- The outside A/C units will be cleaned.
- 6. Evangelism Committee Report
- Paige volunteered to work on a schedule for Coffee Fellowship servers.
- 7. Social & Fellowship Committee Report
- Dane suggested a brunch themed potluck to be held on November 7. This will be in conjunction with the packing of Operation Christmas Child
- 8. Stewardship Committee Report

- Karen has been contacted by Truley Trautman who is working with Quam-Plaisted-Cushman Funeral Home on a group concept dealing with grief. The group would meet one Sunday per month from 2-4pm for a game day. Karen requested council permission to use Bethany Hall. The funeral home would provide snacks. Karen also asked the council to designate a Noise Offering collection to be used for prizes for the game day. The council agreed to all.
- Karen presented options for the replacement of the library room divider. Samples will be ordered.
- **Education Report**
- Sunday School is going well. While it has been promoted as cross-generational, few adults have attended.
- Operation Christmas Child boxes will be packed on November 7th. They hope to have enough gifts to fill 12 boxes.
- 10. Worship Committee Report
- The committee will meet on October 13.
- Nicky requested council permission to hold the annual Arts Council Community Choir Concert at Trinity on December 5. The council agreed. Rehearsals will begin October 7. The group will use Bethany Hall

11. New Business

- The congregational survey was discussed. Bob requested permission to upgrade the survey to have a more detailed result through Survey Monkey. The upgrade would cost \$25. The council granted Bob permission to upgrade.
- The paving company working on the city street project will not be able to resurface our parking
- Continuing Ed Pastor Rick will be attending Pitchfork & Hay October 18-21. He will leave October 17. A Luther Seminary professor will be the featured speaker.
- 2022 budget the executive committee will meet to prepare the 2022 proposed budget. The congregational meeting to approve the budget will be November 21.
- GriefShare the video series led by Jill Larson will begin November 3, 6:30-8pm. The group will meet in the library.

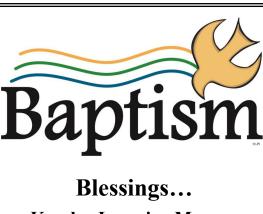
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Sunday, November 7, 2021

We remember all who have died in Christ in the past year and whose baptism is complete:

Joan Anderson, Marvin Myers, Gladys Odegaard, Diane Cowdrey, James Lura



Kensley Lorraine Monson

Daughter of Matt & Shawna Monson was baptized on October 10, 2021.

Kensley's sponsors are

Jeremy & Destiney Sandvik

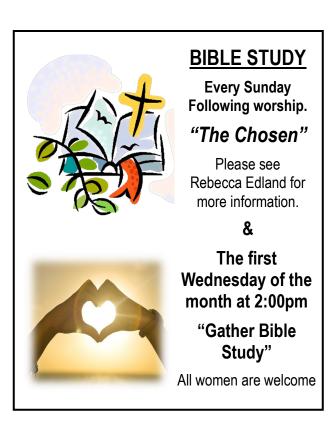
Welcome to our church family!





Affirmation of Baptism, October 31, 2021

(L-R) Kindle Carlson, Leah Saxberg, Emma McCullough, Tia McCardle, Jersey Gronneberg.



GRIEF SHARE

Grief recovery groups

GRIEFSHARE.ORG

Sessions on Wednesdays, 6:30-8PM

at Trinity Lutheran Church in

Cooperstown.

For more information call the church office at

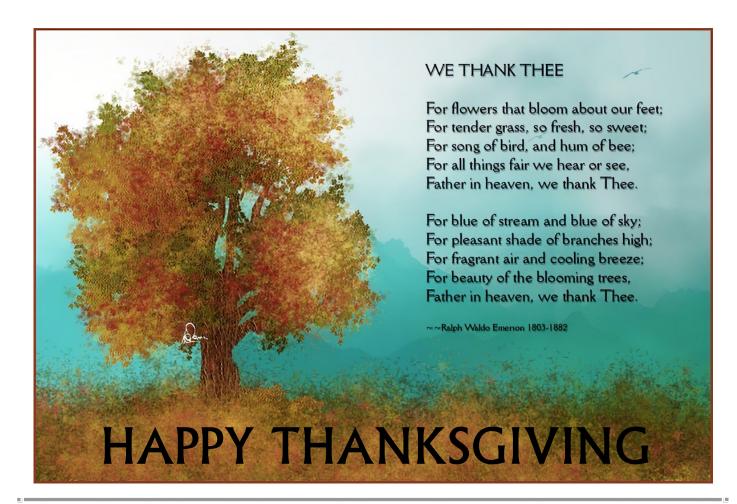
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or Jill Larson at 701-789-9468.











November 28th marks the beginning of the Advent Season!

Advent is the church season in which we concentrate on our hope for Jesus' renewing presence in our lives and our own readiness to welcome him into our lives and world. It is a time of hoping, waiting and reflecting before Christmas.

**PLEASE NOTE:

**We will be decorating our church for the season after worship on November 21st. Please help us to prepare our church home for Christmas!