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Trinity Lutheran Church Executive Council Minutes June 8, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m. by Mike Thuener. Pastor Hafeman opened by citing passages from Matthew and a prayer.

Quorum was established. Present at the meeting were Pastor Hafeman, Mike Thuener, Cheri Carsten, Elaine Jecminek, Dan Jecminek, Kristen Meritt, Linda Klipp & Gary Klipp.

Minutes of the May 11 Executive Council meeting were approved.

<u>Treasurer</u> Cheri advised we are at 92% of budget for income and expenses. The treasurer's report was approved.

Board Reports

The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries

1. Gary indicated that for students in confirmation, there will be a parent/student/elder coalition. There will be an outing wherein elders will outline expectations for students.

The Board of Property Ministries

- 1. Dan reported property issues that have been resolved, e.g. the refrigerator in the fellowship hall, etc.
- 2. A bid has been received from a contractor for the parking lot chip-seal needed. The school lot is in the most need at this time.
- 3. Painting will be done in the daycare room on Saturday, June 29. Volunteers are needed, along with paint brushes, rollers, etc. Paint has been purchased.
- 4. Florescent lights in the school gym need replaced. Dan will work with Kevin Knief on this issue.
- 5. Additional new fencing with posts has been completed for the expanded daycare playground.

The Board of Education Ministries

1. Linda advised that the school is working on staffing.

The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries

1. Kristin indicated that cash flow is adequate. We are optimistic that the Prolific online giving format will soon be on our website.

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None

New Business:

None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

The meeting closed with prayer by Gary Klipp. The next meeting of the Executive Council will be held on July 13 at 8:30 a.m.

GOD WROTE THE BOOK ON LOVE

Submitted by Larry Whitney Pastoral Assistant

"For God so loved Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up." (John 3:16, 14)

How do we show love for God? We can't see him. We know he's there, but we don't have that face-to-face relationship with him that would allow us to exhibit our love for him in the way we can for family or friends.

It helps first to identify just what kind of love we're talking about. If we want to know what love is and how to show it, we should ask God, because "God is love," the bible says. He is the author of love.

And not being content with merely lecturing the world on the subject of love, he put his love into action. He sent us love in the form of his own Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus loves us with more than just a friendship kind of love, although he certainly is our friend. To help us understand his love for us, Scripture calls him the bridegroom and the church his bride.

Jesus' love is more than a feeling or emotion. His is the "doing" kind of love. Jesus loved us and died for us before we ever learned the first lesson on love. We became Christians, not because we loved God, but because God first loved us. His love prompted him to take steps toward our salvation before we even knew we needed saving.

Already in Moses' day God revealed his plans for our salvation in some striking ways. When, for example, the Israelites were dying in the desert after being bitten by poisonous snakes, Moses, at God' bidding, lifted up a bronze serpent for them to look at and be cured. Their looking didn't save them. It was the power of God's promise associated with their looking.

This Old Testament episode was a preview of how God in love would one day let his Son be lifted up on a cross and how that Son's death would be the remedy for all sin. We must look to Calvary for eternal life. Just as the Israelite was saved with a look, so the sinner is saved by looking to Jesus.

We call that the great exchange, when God substituted his Son's life for us sinners. Isaiah 53 tells the whole story: "Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows . . . the Lord laid on

him the iniquity of us all." God had one perfect Son. He was willing to give the one and only Son, that he might one day have a whole kingdom of sons and daughters.

Through faith in Christ we are God's children, and God finds many ways to show his love for us. We are dear to him. When we are feeling worthless and blue, remember that God loved us so much that he sacrificed his only begotten Son to redeem us.

Lavuy a. Whitney Pastoral Assistant





Remembering Our Homebound Members

The following members of our church are currently either living at home or in a care facility and have limited capability of joining their church family at worship.

Please remember them with prayers and perhaps by sending them a card.

- *Lois Bliss -Garden Square
- *Melanie Davis Home
- *Rachel Einspahr Home
- *Richard & Mildred Ewald -Home
- *Margaret Anne Hilst -Bonell
- *Jack & Caryle Kassahn -Home
- *Herman Kiel Home
- *Charlene Kontz -Bonell
- *Wilbert Lutz -Home
- *Carolyn Martin Summit -Bonell
- *Ruth McGhghy Bonell Towers
- *Zona Oft Someren Glen

- *Redonda Patton Bonell Towers
- *Elfrieda Schlager Garden Square
- *Lanny Schlange Home
- *Bernice Schooler -Home
- *Dave Schonek -Home
- *Rich Schrader -Fairacres Manor
- *Vera Schum Someren Glen
- *Joye Shafer Centennial Healthcare
- *Virgil Troester Bonell Towers
- *Rosalie Wacker Life Care
- *Letha Witt -with Family

REMEMBER THE FOOD BANK

ALL YEAR ROUND

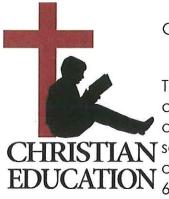


- CANNED VEGETABLES
- CANNED FRUIT
- BOXED POTATOES
- CANNED HAMS
- GIFT CARDS



In 2019, Trinity Lutheran Church donated 250 pounds of food to the Weld County Food Bank. Place your donations in the basket provided in the Church Narthex. Thank you.

"A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor." Proverbs 22:9



Greetings Trinity Family!

The middle of June brought us to Vacation Bible School a Miraculous Mission! VBS was a wonderful, busy week! The Bible accounts of God creating the universe, God promising Abraham a CHRISTIAN savior, the birth of Jesus, the resurrection, and the ascension were told EDUCATION again to the children with activities, games, crafts, and snacks. Over 60 children heard the good news every day that Jesus saves the world! A big thank you goes out to all of those who helped, either during the week or behind the scenes before the event! Next year's theme has been announced to be "Rainforest Explorers" and the outer space-themed week looks to be just as fun!

National Youth Gathering 2019, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Two of our young ladies in the senior high youth group will be attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering this month! They will be blessed to interact with 25,000+ other young people in worship, Bible study, conference-style speakers, service projects, and a Spirit-led week focused on the Lord and all He has done for us. Please keep us in your prayers as we are out of town from July 10 – July 15.

Other Items for Your Calendar:

Saturday, July 6: Youth Spaghetti Dinner 5:30 – 7:30 pm Please help us with one more fundraiser before we attend the National Youth Gathering! Plates will be a freewill donation.

Angela Erickson,

Director of Christian Education "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." 2 Corinthians 12:9

Moms Bible



Calling All Moms! Join us for a summer treat: God's Word for the moms and a play date for the kids all at one place and time!

Sandborn Park at II am.

All moms and their kiddos are welcome to join this group for a Bible Study designed to give moms a boost in their daily lives with Christ. Bring a picnic lunch and let the kids play in the summer sunshine.



YOU are INVITED! Join Us on Sunday, August 11th for



Back-to-School Barbeque and Open House

Congregation members, teachers and school families, please join us to kick off the new school year that begins on August 14th.

Watch for more details in next month's newsletter!

Opportunities to Help with Fundraising!

Saturday, July 20th -

Pork-Chop-On-A-Stick at the Greeley Old Time Farm Show East of Greeley on the South side of Highway 34, adjacent to the Greeley RV park. (810 E 28th St.)





Saturday, July 27th & Sunday, July 28th
Pork-Chop-On-A-Stick at the Greeley Arts Picnic at Lincoln
Park in Downtown Greeley.

Celebrate the Arts Picnic's 40th birthday!

Help needed for Pork-Chop-On-A-Stick Events include:

Grillers, Servers, and Cashiers. If you can help, call Kyle Erickson at 830-832-3912. If you can't help by working in the booth, come on down to the event and buy pork chops at our Trinity booth!



Early Childhood News

While the elementary classes take a break for the summer, we still have an early childhood summer session going. We have one class of preschool-aged students. Our staff members are rotating classroom duties so everyone gets a vacation. We have special activities from the library and Amazing Athletes. We have chapel each Thursday morning. Much of June was devoted to learning about bugs, plus we attended Vacation Bible School. So far it's about having fun and learning — which is what preschool is all about.

Mrs. Mary and I had the privilege of attending the annual Early Childhood Conference at Concordia-Nebraska in June. The focus

was how STEM (science/technology/engineering/math) has changed to STEAM by adding in an art component. We learned a lot about process art and were able to try lots of art activities from Discount School Supplies. To implement these ideas with our students, we have created a list of items to collect. On the list below, there are items that are "free" – things you may have around the house that you maybe don't

need anymore - and items you could pick up at Walmart, Dollar Store or Hobby Lobby. If you would like to contribute, but don't want to shop, we could also use gift cards to Walgreens (where we print our pictures for projects), Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Walmart or Amazon. You can purchase these in the Scrip office on Sundays and just let Connie Mapes know to send it over to the school for early childhood.



Support our School!

FREE ITEMS: egg cartons (including styrofoam ones), Styrofoam deli trays, yarn (the heavier the better, we don't need any of the thin yarn used for baby items), material scraps, wiki tape or colored masking tape, cloth ribbon (we already have a lot of paper curling ribbon), clothespins, buttons, baby food jars, paper towel tubes (we cannot use the ones from toilet paper).

LOW-COST ITEMS TO BUY: funnels (metal or plastic), Crayola markers (regular or thin-line, any color combinations, we would love a couple sets of the multi-cultural colors), colored pencils, dry erase markers, Sharpie permanent markers, 3x5 index cards, pool noodles, craft pompoms, pipe cleaners, bags of googly eyes, paper plates (the cheap ones work the best for art), cotton balls, craft sticks (both the regular size and the wide ones that look like tongue depressors), scotch tape refills (we have dispensers).

The early childhood center is closed for summer break the week of July I. When we return, there will be a box by the school bulletin board at the church entrance labeled "Early Childhood Steam". You can leave your free and shopping items in the box.

Our childcare room received a fresh coat of paint on June 29. Through the Weld County Early Childhood Council program, we received an area rug for all three early childhood rooms. We are also looking at replacing some of the vertical blinds; the grant we hoped for last spring fell through, but monies from the Scrip Program, thanks to Rick and Connie Mapes, have been dedicated to the project. Fence posts are in and we continue work on adding a sandbox to the playground. We hope to have everything looking fresh when the new school year begins August 14 and for our upcoming Colorado Shines rating in the spring of 2020.

Thank you for your continued support of our early childhood ministry at Trinity.

Gwen

Director of Early Childhood Education





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Summer is finally here!
Sunshine and rain showers
make everything grow.
However, there is one thing
that really struggles to grow in
the summer and that's the
offerings in the offering plate.

Without the school tuition income during the summer (which is between \$15,000 to \$20,000 per month), it is a challenge take care of all our payroll and other operating costs that run year round. We always manage to pay the bills, but we have to draw on our savings to do that.

Please prayerfully consider dropping a little extra in the offering plate on summer Sundays. If you are enjoying a summer vacation, or have a busy summer schedule, please remember us and either mail a check or make it up when you return. We hope to soon have a donate feature on our website to make it even easier. This is *OUR* church and *OUR* church needs *OUR* help! Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

Note from the Editor: It is interesting to me how the human mind works, this intricate marvel that God created. I find it especially intriguing that I can hear a sound, smell a fragrance, or see something and my mind instantly transports me to a different time and place in my life. It can be something I haven't thought of for years and suddenly it is like that memory is happening here and now. A few days ago I was driving home and there beside me was a pickup truck full of hay bales. Instantly my mind took me back to a hot summer day in a hay field on my family farm. I loved being on the tractor, moving hay. It was a great place to talk to God, to sing praises to Him, and since I was a teenager, ask for His guidance with boyfriends. I cherished that one-on-one time with God. As time went on, marriage, jobs, children all came along and life got busier and busier. Time with God became less of a conversation and more like a 'to do' list. 'God, I need to get the kids to school and to work on time. God, do this, fix that.' Not a time, I confess, when I put God first, and yet He was always there. Life is still busy, but I find myself enjoying that one-on-one time with God again, having a closer more intimate relationship, seeking Him with all my heart. My devotions this month have me making my way through the Psalms. Reading the 'conversations' of the psalmist, particularly David's, reminds me of those summer days on the tractor, just me and God. There is a deep yearning in my heart to hear God's voice, to walk with Him, to feel His loving arms around me. Everyday I spend as much time with Him as possible, morning, noon, and night. I no longer listen to the radio on my way to work, instead I spend that time humbly asking God to guide me through the day, to be present with me, to put His words in my mouth when I speak. When I lay my head down at night, I thank Him for the blessings He has given me this day. May you have a summer filled with stimulating conversations with our Lord and Savior. May the memories that transport you be memories of God's love for you, always. "I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High." Psalm 9:1-2

JULY



I-Virginia Reiter

6-Margaret Stanley

7-James Roohr

9 -Larry Lohmann II

II-Chelsea Lambert

11-Larry Lohmann

12 -Courtney Darco

12 - Drew Durdy

13 –Johanna Jackson

14 -Brenda Schmidt

14 - Tanner Schmidt

15 -Bret Schmidt

16 -Luke Anderson

16 – Jason Dietrich

16 -Luke Kunze

17 – Jeff Leschinsky

18-Alvie Rothe

18-Richard Schrader

21-Doug Holgerson

21 - Ken Manweiler

21 - Kristen Meritt

24 -Terry Colegrove

24 – Andrea Cooper

24 – Diana Leschinsky

24 – Katelynn Meritt

24 -Doug Schmidt

25 – Mckenzie Korf

25- Kim Morrison

25 - Ronald Nester

28 - Cathy Kruger

28 – Tamera Mayo

30 - Makenna Whitney

& Anniversaries

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Clint & Angie Serl –22 yrs.

Greg & Lindy Hafeman –24 yrs.

Kenneth & Pamela Clavir –30 yrs.

Les & Kathy Durdy - 35 yrs.

Paul & Beth Jackson —42 yrs.

Carl & Margaret Langley —43 yrs.

(If we missed your special day, please let the office know.)

In Loving Memory

Elsa Mae Reynolds

Born 11-30-1940 Díed 5-14-2019

Oliver Knaub

Born 1-21-1925 Díed 5-16-2019



ALTAR FLOWER

~Schedule~

Please sign up to bring flowers. The chart is on the wall by door to the old church office or call the church office, 330-2485.

July 7

Doug & Candy Reed

July 14

Bret & Brenda Schmidt

July 21

Bob & Carolyn Cowherd In Memory of Bryce

July 28

Available



Michael Patrick Sweet

(Son of Chris & Jen Hoff) Born 11-12-2004 Baptized 5-22-2019

Gibson Klepper

(Son of Keith Klepper & Tara Padilla)
Born 9-20-2013
Baptized 6-2-2019

Kody Kash Schmidt

(Son of Tyler & Brooke Schmidt) Born 10-1-2016 Baptized 6-9-2019

Kennedy Kay Schmidt

(Daughter of Tyler & Brooke Schmidt)
Born 2-2-2018
Baptized 6-9-2019

~Attendance~

May 5	Early - 125	Late –62
May 12	Early -135	Late -55
May 19	Early-114	Late-130
May 26	Early-114	Late-35
June 2	Early-130	Late-47
June 9	Early-110	Late-50
June 16	Early-152	Late-44

Ministry Assistants—July Schedule

July 7

Elders - 8:00 am - John Kruger; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers -Virtus Einspahr

Sound –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video -8:00 am Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Ron McNutt

Scripture -8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Brenda Schmidt

Organist -Sharon Lessman

Security -8:00 am Jay Salberg; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

July 14*

Elders -8:00 am Brian Anderson & Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers -Ron Gemaehlich

Sound -8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Marlo Wacker

Video -8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Chad Kaspar

Scripture -8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist - Sharon Lessman

Security -8:00 am Oren Nero; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

July 21

Elders - 8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers -Bret Schmidt

Sound – 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video - 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture -8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Kyle Erickson

Organist- Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

July 28*

Elders –8:00 am Mike Thuener & Dan Jecminek; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers -Bob Cowherd

Sound -8:00 am Marlo Kaspar; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video -8:00 am Rochelle Wacker; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture – 8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist- Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am John Kruger; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

*Communion

Ministry assistants are always needed in each of the above areas. If you are interested in serving, please call the following people.

> Elders - Gary Klipp, 351-8172 Ushers - Ken Einspahr, 454-1626 Sound/Video - Dan Swanson, 351-8815





Trinity office	28 Communion B:00am Traditional Svc 9:00am 9:20am SS/Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary	21 8:00am Traditional Svc 9:20am SS/Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary	14 Communion YOUTH GATHERING 8:00am Traditional Svc. 9:20am SS/Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary	7 8:00am Traditional Svc. 9:20am SS/Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary	Jun 30	SUNDAY	July 2019
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	30	23	16 1:30pm Mission Circle	9	2	TUESDAY	
1	31 5:00pm Prayer Service	24 5:00pm Small Group 5:00pm Prayer Service	17 5.00pm Prayer Service	10 5:00pm Prayer Service 5:00pm Small Group	3 5:00pm Prayer Service	WEDNESDAY	
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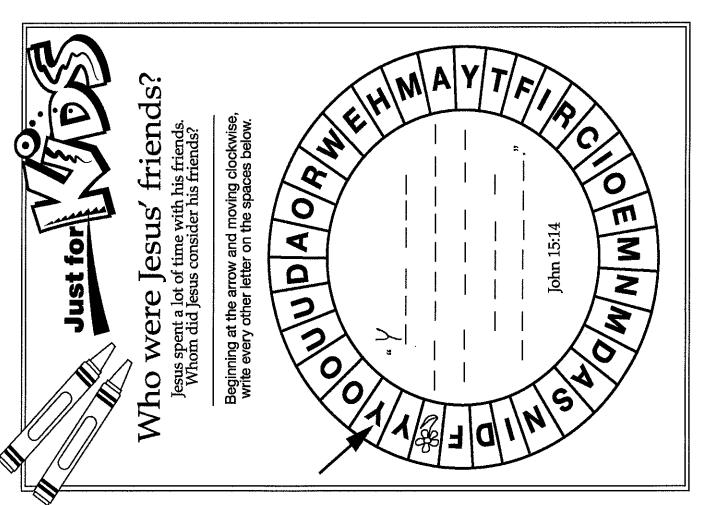
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Worship Services

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Adult Bible Classes Sunday School - 9:20 am



Answer: You are my friends if you do what I command