

May 2017

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

It's hard to believe the program year is coming to an end this month. We're running so smoothly it almost seems a shame to have to shift into the summer tempo. I know, I know, we all need to take a break. But I want to offer a special thank you to all the volunteers who stepped up to make it another successful year: Sunday school superintendent/vice superintendent, Sunday school teachers, choir directors, Bible study leaders, parents, VBS helpers, and anyone else who felt they contributed in some way to the rich ministry here at Trinity. Well done, good and faithful servants! Our church relies heavily on your willingness to serve and we are all terribly grateful. So many people, young and old, benefit from your selfless service. Thank you!! I will look forward to serving with you again in the fall.

We will keep offering our monthly praise service on the first Sundays but we won't be introducing any new songs until the fall. We've heard the grumblings about some of the song choices over the last few months so we'll only be introducing new songs every other month. We also agreed to wait until the fall to offer another worship service in the evening, possibly on Saturdays or Sundays. We'll be determining the best times/resources for these services over the summer.

I'll try to keep offering the monthly adult bible studies throughout the summer depending on interest. Parents of students, remember to plan for the 3 big summer events: Vacation Bible School (06/19-06/23), Pine Ridge Mission Trip (06/25-06/30), and Summer Bible Camp (07/23-07/27). All three events will engage the elementary, middle school, and high school students so please don't forget to enroll them as soon as possible.

We might be shifting in tempo but this doesn't mean we are ceasing ministry for 4 months. The ministry keeps plugging away, day in and day out. This means the ministry here at Trinity needs your financial support to make it through the summer. Please, please, please consider setting up your financial giving through our new electronic giving capabilities. All you have to do is go to our church's website, [www.trinitylutherandewitt.com](http://www.trinitylutherandewitt.com), and click on the "offering" button on the home page and you will be directed to a secure enrollment screen. You can donate once or set up regular donations depending on what you feel comfortable with. It's very quick and easy and pain-free. Please, please, please...we need your help to keep the ministry alive through the slow, summer months!

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

**Pastor's Report**  
**April 2017**

Wrapping up the year always feels like a mad dash. All the "i"s are getting dotted and all the "t"s are getting crossed. Life around the congregation is no different. I think our midweek Lenten preaching series on the Lamb of God went over well. I was excited to teach 9 young members about communion and welcome them to the table for the first time. I'll be eager to start our 3-week new member class and welcome new members during service on May 14. Our Holy week services were received well, something every preacher hopes for each year. I even managed to open some theological windows that I'll be interested to explore next year.

Otherwise, it has been a strong month of ministry. I was able to make 14 visits, participate in 3 text studies and 1 men's bible studies, teach 5 bible studies, 1 Sunday school class, 4 confirmation classes, 1 adult study, and 4 first communion classes, lead 13 worship service including both chapel services, 1 Lenten service, Holy Week services, and 1 evening service at Holy Cross Lutheran in Beatrice, preside at 1 funeral (Schmohr), attend an all-day class on disaster preparedness, an all-day retreat for Nebraska Lutheran Campus Ministry, and my monthly oblate retreat at the priory in Schuyler. Oh, and I led a praise choir rehearsal...not bad for 1 month's ministry!! God has blessed us with some rich ministry that I feel privileged to be a part of. Thank you!

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

# ***Trinity Lutheran Church Minutes***

February 15, 2017

## **I. Call to order**

Chairperson Duane Wollenburg called to order the regular meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church Council on February 15, 2017. Pastor Koos led the group in devotions. Members in attendance were Pastor Koos, Duane Wollenburg, Lois Wattjes, Joel Kaelin, Brian Scherling, Yvonne Rahe, Byron Beerenstrauch, Cody Wollenburg, and Amy Stokebrand

## **Reports**

- a) Secretary's Report: A copy of the previous minutes was read. Yvonne made a motion and it was seconded by Byron that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.
- b) Treasurer's Report: A copy of the monthly treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$22,086.04 as of January 31, 2017. The available cash balance is \$13,676.85. Yvonne made a motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Joel. Motion carried.
- c) Investments Report: no report was given.
- d) Pastor's Report: See included report.
- e) Memorial Report: The memorial balance is reported to be \$17,455.75 as of January 31, 2017.
- f) Suggestion Box: There was a letter submitted that 1) the policy should be changed that each letter must be signed that is included in the suggestion box to get more suggestions made. The council values everyone's opinions and we want to hear everyone's concerns but we still need to have each letter signed. The council will not publish the person's name so all parishioners should feel that they can let us know their concerns. 2) there were concerns about members transferring out of the church and the council discussed.
- g) Committee Reports:
  - 1. Social Committee reported that the next event will be the card party on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2. Worship Committee met on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. They suggested that the church could purchase Catechism Books to give out to each household to focus on the upcoming Reformation Sunday. Lois made motion and Yvonne seconded. Motion carried. Pastor has a schedule to focus on the preaching of the Catechism for the next 10 months. He will take the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month to focus on these teachings: March-10 Commandments, part 1, April-10 Commandments, part 2, May-Apostles' Creed, June-Lord's Prayer, July-Baptism, August-Lord's Supper, September-Confession/Forgiveness, October-Blessings. Praise Choir will now do a new song every 3 months instead of every month. Pastor Cathy Burchett and Mary Garrison will be holding the Lenten services. The teachings will be: Week 1-"Behold, the Lamb of God", Week 2-The Lamb who Takes our Place", Week 3-"The Lamb Who Redeems Us From Slavery", Week 4-"The Passover Lamb of Whom We Partake", Week 5-"The Triumphant Lamb We Worship". The Communion Class will be starting on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-5:00pm for the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders. Discussion was had about starting Saturday evening services. Pastor will send out in the next newsletter if there is any interest in Saturday evening services and if so, what times and frequency.
  - 3. Evangelical Committee. Lois will determine with Pastor what this committee would focus on.
  - 4. Parish Education: No report
  - 5. Youth Group: In June the youth group will be going to Pine Ridge with First Trinity Lutheran Church and the Methodist church youth groups. The group is asking the church to pay \$146 of the \$296 total per child towards this trip. The council would like to know how many are committed to going and if they will be doing a fundraiser to help. Brian

made a motion to table the discussion until the next meeting. Byron seconded it. Motion carried.

6. Property Committee: Darcy Baker purchased the TV for the Youth Group room and needs help to get that attached to the wall. Brian will look into it.

## **II. Old Business**

- a) The Council discussed the three applicants for the Church Secretary position. After much discussion, the council voted on Jenn Uher for the position.

## **III. New Business**

- (a) Tom Koch cannot usher in December when he was assigned. Duane said he would rework the schedule.
- (b) Pastor reported that the confirmation class will be going to a conference in Omaha on Feb. 17 & 18<sup>th</sup>. Four confirmands will be going with Pastor and Kerri Thornburg.
- (c) Pastor asked to get his Microsoft Office License renewed for the next year for \$70.
- (d) Pastor reported that last month when he said that our Constitution needed revisions, he was mistaken, it was the Synod's Constitution and not ours, so we are fine.
- (e) Pastor reported that he had talked to Pastor Travis in Wilber about the e-giving thru Thrivent. Pastor Travis reported that it works very well in their church. A motion was made to go ahead and have Pastor signup for this program if the administrative fees not exceed \$300 yearly. Yvonne made the motion and Byron seconded it. Motion carried.
- (f) Pastor reported that he would like to take the confirmation class to summer camp at Carol Joy Holling. It would be July 23-27. It was agreed the church would pay \$100 towards the registration fee and each confirmand would be responsible for the rest.
- (g) Brian made a motion to give \$6000 to the Lutheran Student Center that was pledged from the Anniversary Fund. Cody seconded it and motion was carried.
- (h) It was suggested that reviews be done for all the paid positions and an executive committee will be established to address this.

Adjournment: There was a motion by Brian and a second by Cody to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. In conclusion of the meeting, Pastor Koos led the group in praying the Lord's Prayer.

Church Council Secretary, Amy Stokebrand

**Bible Study Questions**  
**Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.**  
**May 2017**

*05-03-17 John 10:1-10*

1. What is the good shepherd's relationship like with the sheep?
2. Why do you think Jesus compares us to sheep?
3. What do we learn about Jesus' character and his passion through this teaching?
4. Who are the robbers, who are the sheep and who is the shepherd? What is so offensive to those listening about Jesus' characterizations?
5. What negative behaviors have you observed in people that help you understand how we can be like sheep? What is the one key characteristic of sheep that makes them a perfect metaphor for people?
6. If in this metaphor the Jewish religious authorities are the "robbers," what are they stealing? What does the Good Shepherd bring that they cannot or will not offer?
7. Jesus confronts the people listening to him with this truth: the sheep willfully, gladly follow the true shepherd. On a scale, with 1 being that someone is dragging you, and 10 being that you gladly follow the Shepherd's voice, what number are you?
8. Jesus proclaims in v.10 that he comes to give life "more abundantly" How would you define a life filled with abundance?
9. What would change for you if you admitted you are a sheep? If you know you are a sheep, are you following the true Shepherd?
10. Are there things that you do that you separate from your life of following Jesus? What are they? What are you seeking in them that you do not want Jesus to interfere with you?

*05-10-17 John 14:1-14*

1. Why were the disciples troubled in heart?
2. What did he promise the disciples? What hope does this promise give?
3. What does Christ mean when He says that He is preparing a place for us? What difference does it make to believe this promise?
4. Why is Jesus the only way? Why is Jesus the truth? What are some characteristics of truth?
5. What does it mean that Jesus is the life?
6. What promise does Jesus make to anyone who has faith?
7. How can one do greater things than Jesus?
8. Christ tells us that He will give us anything we ask of Him in His name. Anything? What is important about how we ask?
9. Why should the disciples (and we) be happy that Christ is returning to the Father?
10. When you imagine heaven, what comes to mind? In what ways is your imagination about heaven limited?

*05-17-17 John 14:15-21*

1. What is Jesus attempting to do here?
2. The Word "*Paraklete*" (paraklaton) is hard to define in English. Most English versions define the term "Helper" (NASB, ESV, NKJV), "Counselor" (NIV, HCSB), "Comforter" (KJV), or "Advocate" (NET, NRSV, NLT). What is your definition for the Holy Spirit?
3. What did Jesus mean when He said that He would send "another" helper?
4. What does Spirit of Truth mean?
5. Who makes up "the world?" Why can't the world receive or know the Spirit of truth?

6. What does it mean to have the Holy Spirit?
7. In the first century world, what would it mean for someone to be left as an orphan? What does it mean that Jesus tells his disciples that he won't leave them as orphans?
8. Why is it important to obey?
9. How are obedience and love related?
10. The person who keeps these commands, loves Jesus and is loved in return. What does love confirm? Why is it so important to God?

*05-24-17 John 17:1-11*

1. Why do you think Jesus prayed this prayer out loud?
2. Jesus looked to heaven as he prayed, why?
3. Jesus says his "hour" had come. What did He mean by this?
4. Jesus asks only one thing for Himself. What is it? What do you think this means? In what way would each one glorify the other?
5. Could Jesus glorify Himself?
6. How will God the Father glorify the Son's humanity?
7. What do you believe Jesus means by "glorify" the Father?
8. What is eternal life? Is it only survival of the righteous soul after death?
9. What danger did the disciples face now that Jesus would no longer be with them?
10. What are the 8 things that Jesus states in the prayer that he has accomplished while on earth? Is there a common theme or idea in these 8 accomplishments listed by Jesus?

*05-31-17 John 7:37-39*

1. What day did Jesus make the proclamation in John 7:37-39? What was the significance of that day?
2. Why don't people recognize their thirsts? Why is this so bad?
3. What soul thirsts do you know of people around you? Do you have any?
4. What are the two things Jesus tells people to do in order to quench their spiritual thirsts?
5. Is coming to Jesus and coming to church the same? Why or why not? What then does 'come to Me' mean?
6. What does 'drink' describe? How can we allow the Holy Spirit make a bigger impact on our lives?
7. Does the baptism of the Holy Spirit come at a different time than when the believer gets the Holy Spirit at salvation? What do these verses say about this?
8. List three symbols for the Holy Spirit and what they stand for.
9. What is significant about the use of 'river' to describe the Spirit's work in our lives?
10. Why is it that Christians seem to have dry thirsty lives when they should be like abounding rivers?

Treasurer's Report March 31, 2017			
Bank Balance as of 2/28/17			\$9,188.58
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	
Offerings	\$5,191.07		
Other	\$5,000.14		
Total Income			\$10,191.21
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	
Pastor's Salary	\$3,420.74		
Treasurer's Salary	\$199.75		
Secretary Salary	\$349.47		
Organist	\$300.00		
Custodial Salary	\$510.62		
Mileage	\$630.23		
Health Insurance (HSA)	\$210.00		
Water Softener Reimbursement (R/O)	\$81.00		
Water Supplies (Culligan)	\$70.16		
Postage & Freight	\$106.28		
Office Supplies	\$129.95		
Office Equipment	\$150.99		
Accountant Fees	\$105.00		
Village Utilities Church	\$184.08		
Village Utilities Parsonage	\$176.74		
Natural Gas Church	\$693.50		
Natural Gas Parsonage	\$116.12		
Benev. Transfer	\$917.00		
Devotional Books	\$150.00		
Telephone Church	\$159.70		
Telephone Parsonage	\$103.50		
Confirmation	\$176.48		
Continuing Education	\$179.18		
Worship	\$107.72		
Church Maintenance	\$89.70		
Total Expenses			\$9,317.91
Previous Months Checks that Cleared			\$6,538.96
Available Cash as of 3/31/17			\$3,522.92
Outstanding Checks			
Reconciled to Balance on Bank Statement 3/31/17			\$3,522.92
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Account Balance</u>
Other Accounts:			
Benevolence (Savings Account)	\$1,002.48	\$0.00	\$4,054.92
Capital Improvement Fund (Savings Account)	\$2.74	5,000.00	\$17,139.89



# ***SERVICE LEADERS FOR MAY***

DATE	SCRIPTURE READER	ACOLYTE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SET UP
				COMMUNION ASSISTANT
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Nelson	Mallory Chavez	Marvin & Lois Zimmerman/ Jack & Kathy Holtmeier	
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Stokebrand	Elsie Woerner	Marvin & Lois Zimmerman/ Jack & Kathy Holtmeier	
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tim Garrison	Morgan Stokebrand	Marvin & Lois Zimmerman/ Jack & Kathy Holtmeier	
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Liz Poessnecker	Logan Brown	Marvin & Lois Zimmerman/ Jack & Kathy Holtmeier	Jamie Beerenstrauch & Julie Koch

**HEAD USHER:** Doug Damkroger

**USHERS:** Jim Essman, Drey Heller, Bob Schwan, Dean Thernes, Kyle Thernes, Tanner Baker

**OUTREACH VISITATION:** Service List #4

Current Service Group: Service Group #4 (Liz Poessnecker & Marvin/Linda Schuerman)

*Congratulations Graduates!*

*I Have Taught Thee in the Way of Wisdom;*

*I Have Led Thee in Right Paths*

*Proverbs 4:11*

*Happy Mother's Day!*

*Her Children Rise Up & Call Her Blessed*

*Proverbs 31:28*



# OFFICE HOURS

## OFFICE HOURS FOR PASTOR KOOS

Tuesday - Friday  
1pm to 5pm & 8pm to 12am  
Saturday - 1pm to 5pm

Sean Koos, Pastor  
Church Office # 683-3225  
Parsonage # 683-2425  
Cell Phone #402-806-6878  
Email: [pastorkoos@gmail.com](mailto:pastorkoos@gmail.com)

## OFFICE HOURS FOR SECRETARY

Jenn Uher, Secretary  
Monday - 5pm to 6:30 pm  
Wednesday - 5pm to 6:30 pm  
(Updated hours will be posted on door)  
Church email: [tlcdewitt209@gmail.com](mailto:tlcdewitt209@gmail.com)



Church Council will meet on  
Wednesday, May 17th at 8pm



## *OUTREACH VISITATION*

All members of the Congregation will be asked to remember the home bound and those in need of visitation during your month assigned. Service List Leaders and Circle Chairperson are responsible for contacting facilities to set up visitation dates and/or times for playing bingo or other planned activities.

MAY--Service List #4

**Worship Committee meeting** will be held on  
Wednesday, May 3 at 5:30 pm.

## **ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC**

**GIVING** - Trinity Lutheran wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. Direct Debit Giving is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. Credit & Debit Card Giving allows you to make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card. Online Giving allows you to go to [www.trinitylutherandewitt.com](http://www.trinitylutherandewitt.com) at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving! Questions? Ask myself or Jenn Uher.

Thanks! - Pastor Koos

## **WORSHIP & ATTENDANCE**

3/26/17	80
4/2/17	119
4/9/17	110
4/13/17	145
4/14/17	49
4/16/17	40
4/16/17	197

## **APRIL OFFERING**

DATE	GENERAL	BENEV.	PROPERTY
3/26/17	923.00		
4/2/17	2445.25	50.00	
4/9/17	4976.19	25.00	
4/13/17	909.00		
4/16/17	135.00		
4/16/17	3203.00	10.00	

# MAY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>May 7th is the Last Day of Sunday School!</b>	<b>1</b> Tie Blankets for LWR at 9 am	<b>2</b> Pastor Text Study at 10 am	<b>3</b> Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Committee meets at 5:30 pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7 Honoring our Graduates</b> Care-a-lot meets at 8:45 am Adult Study Group 8:45 am SS Teacher Apprec. Breakfast Praise Choir meets at 9 am Praise Service at 10 am WELCA Meeting after Service New Member class at 4 pm	<b>8</b> Hope Circle at 9 am	<b>9</b> Pastor Text Study at 10 am	<b>10</b> Bible Study 8:30 am	<b>11</b> Service at Good Samaritan 10:30 am	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14 Happy Mother's Day</b> Adult Choir meets 8:45 am Worship Service at 10 am <i>Welcome new members during the service with reception following</i>	<b>15</b> Shalom Circle meets at 7:00 pm	<b>16</b> Pastor Text Study at 10 am	<b>17</b> Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible Study 8:30 am Service at Wilber Care Center 10 am Church Council 8pm	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Adult Choir meets at 8:45 am Episcopal Service 9:00 am Worship Service at 10 am	<b>22</b> Newsletter articles are due	<b>23</b> Pastor Text Study at 10 am	<b>24</b> Bible Study at 8:30 am	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> Adult Choir meets at 8:45 am Communion Service at 10 am	<b>29</b> Praise Choir Meets at 5:30 pm	<b>30</b> Pastor Text Study at 10 am	<b>31</b> Bible Study at 8:30 am			

# May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Creo Klasek	2 James Kerns Alex Tietjen	3 Johanna Scherling	4 Cooper Smith Craig Wollenburg	5 Drew Garrison Teran Koch Mark Roesler Jill Strouf	6 Jake McCain
7 Curt Schuerman	8 Joshua Muehling	9	10 Marvin Schuerman	11	12 Suzanne Hinzman Doug Schwan	13 Cory Rahe
14	15	16 Penny Holtmeier Leonard Saathoff Jenell Koch	17	18 Tanner Baker Tayden Gronemeyer Becky Kaelin	19	20
21 Wendy Barnts Shelby Parker Joshua Scherling	22	23	24 Chase Barnts Darcy Pohlman	25 Steve Klostemeier Randy Wollenburg	26 Angie Baker Jackie Placek	27
28 Travis Garrison	29 Brad Garrison Nicole Morrissey	30	31 Lindley Stejskal			

**NEW MEMBER CLASSES will be held  
April 23rd, 30th and May 7th at 4:00pm.**

Sunday, April 30 we will be celebrating Barb Nelson's many years of service at Trinity Lutheran. Please join us at 9:00 am in the fellowship hall for coffee & goodies as we honor Barb. From all of us at Trinity Lutheran - THANK YOU BARB!!

**Baskets of Promise items are needed... nail clippers, towels and soap. Thanks to all who donated so far – we currently have 47 kits!**

Hope Circle will meet at the church on Monday, May 8th at 9 am. Shirley will be the hostess and lead the bible study. Call Shirley at 402-683-3120 if any questions. The box for Bingo prizes is in the Fellowship hall.

**Sunday School Parents:**

Just a reminder that the kids are participating in the worship services. Children's sermons are held every Sunday except for communion Sunday. On the 2nd Sunday of the month, they ring bells and on the 4th Sunday of the month they sing a song or two that they have been working on in opening.. Please let your kids participate in these activities.

May 7th will be the last day of Sunday School!

**VBS 2017 is tentatively being planned for June 19-23 at Trinity Lutheran Church. Leaders and helpers are needed! Contact Jana Muehling at 402-683-5220 to volunteer or for more information.**

Our **Tried and True Treasure for May through July is Anna Wollenburg.** Please feel free to write on her poster located by the church bulletin board.

**Youth Group Mission Trip** - Delva & Kelly Smith, our youth leaders, are planning a mission trip for our youth between June 25-30. They will be submersing the youth in the Native American culture at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. As you can imagine, the cost/youth is reasonable for a week long trip and 9 of our youth are interested in attending. Please consider offering a special gift in support. ~ Pastor Koos

**Adult choir** resumed practicing on Sunday mornings at 8:45 am. We invite anyone who would like to join us in praising God in song to come.

**Lutheran Men in Mission - May**

This month we continue our Men's Bible Study in Maturing in Christ: Called to Discipleship. It was chose in part to go along with our celebration of the Reformation 500 years ago. We will continue to meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's of each month from 6:30-7:00AM. We are always looking for more to join our diverse group of any age or Bible knowledge. Here are this month's topics:

May 3 – Topic 3 “Kingdom Priorities” Luke 14:15-24 (Parable of the great banquet) & Romans 12:1-8 (Using your gifts)

April 17 – Topic 4 “Quiet Time” Mark 1:29-39 (Jesus: A person of prayer) & Matthew 6: 1-18 (The Lord's Prayer)

As always coffee and snacks are provided. We still have 6 books donated to us by Christ Lutheran in Pickrell available for use.

## Hope

Hope Circle met on Monday, April 10, 2017, with 6 members and one visitor (Helen Michels) present. Sharon was hostess.

Shirley opened the meeting. We discussed the items given for Baskets of Promise. Shirley stated we were short of nail clippers and combs to complete the 50 kits we had hoped for. We may try to get more of these kits completed before sending them off.

Shirley attended the WELCA Board meeting yesterday and reported on it. There will be a Farmers Market again this year on July 1st, but since the bank will have a breakfast we will not have the coffee and donuts this year.

The offering at World Day of Prayer was \$132.

Kathy attended the Spring Gathering at Pickrell on March 18th. She said part of the offering received will go for a drug and rehabilitation program in Beatrice.

Sharon state that since April is our visitation month she sent Easter cards to all of our shut-ins.

Shirley stated she went to a number of garage sales the past several months and has accumulated lots of blankets and layette items for Lutheran World Relief.

The meeting was closed.

Shirley led our Bible Study entitled "For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free," based on passages from Galatians.

Our next meeting will be held on May 8th. Shirley will lead the Bible study and will be hostess.

(cont'd above)

In June we plan to go to the Wilber Care center to play Bingo with the residents there.

We closed with a prayer.

Jean Placek

Sec./Treas.

## Shalom

Shalom Circle met on April 17 with 6 members present

Minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

NO MISSION GROWTH REPORT.

MISSION ACTION: Layettes for Lutheran World Relief were discussed.

WELCA NEWS was given.

Farmers Market will again be held: July 1 from 9am-noon bring items for Summer Camp Food Security Project - among items are canned fruits & vegetables, pasta, pasta sauce & peanut butter.

Prayer Concerns were given.

Liz gave our Hymn Study "Safe In The Arms of Jesus" and "Lord Speak to Me".

Our next meeting will be May 15 with Eunice leading our Bible Study and serving as our hostess.

Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Secretary/Treas.

Shirley Wollenburg

## **WELCA HIGHLIGHTS**

\*\*\* We will be doing the Farmer's market at the DeWitt 4th of July Celebration on July 1st. This will run from 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Rahe building uptown. Watch for upcoming flyers....

# Keep In Your Prayers

## **SERVICEMEN**

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## **ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please continue to keep these  
members in your prayers:

Arlyn Parde & Alice Wollenburg

Richard Wollenburg  
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Anna Wollenburg  
Wilber Care Center  
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Wilber, NE 68465

Elaine Erdmann  
Wilber Care Center  
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George Scherling  
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# MAKER FUN FACTORY

(This is this year's theme for VBS)

I'm so excited about this year's VBS program. This year the program will embrace the past with the present life of our children and telling them how important they are in God's life. We will have an Imagination Station, Game Makers, Snack Factory, KidVid Cinema, and Bible Discovery every day.

This year the VBS will be during the week of June 19-23, which is right around the corner! The time has not been set yet until I know who will be helping me with the program and what time works best for them. So please sign up your child (ren) before May 7, 2017. Please use this last year's grade (2016-2017).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Shirt size</u>
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We are also needing Leaders and helpers during this week, male or female, it doesn't matter. In order to be a helper you must have gone through confirmation. This year we will be having grades Pre-K, 1-2, 3-4, and 5-6<sup>th</sup>. Please indicate what grade that you would be willing to teach or help with.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Shirt Size</u>
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We are asking for a \$10 donation to help with some of the cost. This will include a t-shirt and other items they will be able to take home. If you have any other questions, please feel free to call me after 4:30pm M-F. Please return the sheets to me or the office.

Thank you,

Jana Muehling  
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Sunday School Director