Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

With the harvest almost complete and the holidays around the corner, it is a good time to reflect on all the blessings we received in the last year. I know that my family and I received a great blessing in the opportunity to serve our Trinity congregation. We went into the year knowing we had been assigned to the Nebraska synod but Nebraska is a big state with many subcultures. There are so many possible ministries to get plugged into!

The waiting and praying continued until finally the synod office steered us to Trinity. The dialogue began and within a few months my family and I were moving down here to start a new life and ministry. Even in those first conversations I could tell that Trinity is a special community with generous members and exciting ministry opportunities.

In the 5 months that I have served here, I've gotten to know many of you and have been a part of some pretty exciting ministries. The outreach to our shut-in community has been enriching and growing. I've scheduled regular monthly visits with each of the shut-ins and I was invited to begin leading a chapel service each month at the Good Samaritan Center in Beatrice. Our new and improved website has been helpful in reaching this community as well. The Sunday worship service has been trying some new styles with the introduction of a new liturgy setting and a Praise Choir. The confirmation class and Youth group have been fruitful with a new curriculum and large participation. We've partnered in two worship services with the Soap Creek congregation with more partnerships to come.

What a generous community we are, eager to participate in a number over exciting ministries!! What a blessing it has been to serve such a community! I am reminded of the apostle Paul giving thanks to the Philippians and Thessalonians when I think about our Trinity congregation. Thank you all for welcoming me and my family into this community. I pray our shared ministry continues to be as joyous and fruitful in the years ahead as it has been in the last 5 months. In Paul's words, I "continuously" give thanks for you all and may you each have a blessed Thanksgiving this year!

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos



OFFICE HOURS FOR PASTOR KOOS

Tuesday - 1pm to 5pm Wednesday & Thursday - 8:30am to 5pm Friday & Saturday - 8:30am to Noon

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

OFFICE HOURS FOR SECRETARY

Barb Nelson, Secretary
Monday & Wednesday - 5pm to 6:30pm
Church email: tlcdewitt209@gmail.com



Church Council will meet on Wednesday, November 19th at 8pm.

OUTREACH VISITATION



All members of the Congregation will be asked to remember the home bound and those in need of visiation 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.

November -- Service List #4

Need a ride?

At Trinity Lutheran Church, our Outreach Committee provides a means of transportation for all who are in need and desire to come to worship in God's House. Please request it at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Our contact information:

Jan Dunn (402-683-4010)
Bev Plihal (402-683-6475)
Kathy Stokebrand
(402-683-5625)

Cheryl Tesar (402-683-5385)

To add your name and phone number to the list of drivers, get in touch with a Committee member.

Thanks!



Loose Offering on Sunday,
December 6th will go for Childrens
Christmas Candy Sacks

MORATE STATES OF MICH

9/28/14	130
10/5/14	126
10/12/14	144
10/19/14	85
10/26/14	179

OCTOBER OFFERING

Date	General	Benev.	Property
9/28/14	2648.95	25.00	17.00
10/5/14	1599.00	100.00	17.00
10/12/14	2301.25	65.00	17.00
10/19/14	1736.00	25.00	27.00

Trinity Lutheran Church

October 22, 2014

Present: Pastor Koos, Tim Garrison, Jessi Damrow, Larry Pieper.

There was no formal meeting for the month of October due to meeting attendance.

A few of the council members met but nothing was able to be voted on.

Treasurer's report as of 10/15/14 was \$24,999.26

Pastor: Reported he will start doing services at the Good Samaritan Chapel in Beatrice on the 2^{nd} Thursday of each month. Community Service will be held 10/26/14.

Tim made the correction of the roof warranty should be 20 years and not 10 years as it was last reported.

Old Business:

The Church website is up and running, new pictures have been uploaded.

Video System: Tim is waiting on a 2nd bid to come in this week.

New Business:

Candy sack offering will be the 1st Sunday in December pending council approval.

Communion Assistant for October 26, 2014 will be Chris Woerner.

The next meeting will be November 19th 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Jessi Damrow

Secretary

Treasurer's Report October 15, 2014

Balance as of 9/17/14		\$23,036.87
Income Interest		\$10,023.72 \$2.43
Pastor's Salary	\$2,778.66	
Secretary Wages	\$345.45	
Organist	\$300.00	
Custodial Salary	\$495.76	
Treasurer's Salary	\$193.94	
Mileage	\$311.80	
Health Insurance	\$210.00	
Misc. Water Softener	\$25.00	
Postage & Freight	\$58.88	
Office Supplies	\$46.31	
Copies from Copy Machine	\$157.89	
Office Equipment	\$150.99	
Village Utilities Church	\$308.26	
Village Utilities Parsonage	\$294.84	
Natural Gas Church	\$49.68	
Natural Gas Parsonage	\$39.12	
Miscellaneous	\$369.98	
Telephone Church	\$118.43	
Telephone Parsonage	\$34.50	
Choir	\$154.79	
Church Maintenance	\$471.06	
Lawn & Landscape	\$145.00	
Repairs to Parsonage	\$93.42	
Transfer to Benev. Savings	\$910.00	
Total Expenses:		\$8,063.76
Balance as of 10/15/14		\$24,999.26
Benevolence (Savings Account)		\$10,264.30
Sinking Fund (Savings Account)		\$6,502.17
Property Projects (Amount included in Ger	neral Fund)	\$12,117.05
Continuing Education (Amount included in	General Fund)	\$898.33
		4555.00

SERVICE LEADERS FOR DOVEMBER

DATE	SCRIPTURE READER	ACOLYTE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SET UP COMMUNION ASSISTANT
November 2 nd	Liz Poessnecker	Logan Brown	Dan & Cheryl Tesar/ Elaine Erdmann	
November 9 th	Sarah Roesler	Drew Garrison	Dan & Cheryl Tesar/ Elaine Erdmann	
November 16 th	Bev Plihal	Morgan Stokebrand	Dan & Cheryl Tesar/ Elaine Erdmann	
November 23 rd	Mike Holtmeier	Kynlee Uher	Dan & Cheryl Tesar/ Elaine Erdmann	
November 30 th	Arlyn Parde	Drey Heller	Dan & Cheryl Tesar/ Elaine Erdmann	Shari Pieper/Eunice Mahloch Chuck Holtmeier

Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 23rd at 4 pm at the St. Augustine Episcopal Church

HEAD USHER: Doug Stokebrand

USHERS: Cooper Smith, Delva Smith, Brent Rahe, Larry Pieper, Nate Morrissey

OUTREACH VISITATION: Service List #4

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.

Psalm 126:3

We will have S.S. Christmas Program Practices on the following dates: (during Sunday School) Nov. 23rd Nov. 30th Dec. 7th Dec. 14th Dec. 21st - Program a) 5pm (followed by Potlack)

Dec. 28th - NO Sunday School

NOVEMBER 2014 Tue Wed

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2 All Saints Sunday Sunday School meets 8:45 am Care A Lot meets at 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am Youth Group meets at 8:45 am WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM	Tie Blankets for LWR 9 am to Noon Everyone Welcome	Worship Com- mittee meets at 6:30 pm	5 Confirmation meets at 6:30 pm	6 Bible study at 10 am Mission Coordinators at 7 pm	4	ω
9 Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am Youth Group meets at 8:45 am WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM	10 Hope Circle meets at 9 am	11	12 Confirmation meets at 6:30 pm	Good Samaritan worship 10:30 am Communion Outreach at 7 pm	14	15
16 Sunday School meets 8:45 am Episcopal service 9 am THANKOFFERING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM	17 Shalom Circle meets at 7 pm	18	19 Confirmation meets at 6:30 pm Church Council meets at 8 pm	20 Bible study at 10 am	21	22
Adult choir meets at 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am Parent's Bible study at 8:45 am WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM Praise Choir Practice at 11 am Thanksgiving service 4 pm at the Episcopal Church	24 Newsletter articles due	25	26 No confirmation	27 God's Blessings on this Thanksgiving Day. Give Thanks to the Lord always	28	29
30 Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM Praise Choir Practice at 11 am			Baptisms will be celebrated on November 9th and 23rd during the worship service.			

November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						I Roberta Aden Jamie Beerenstrauch
2 Steve Klostermeier	3	Jim Miller Elsie Woerner	Priscilla Koch Christa Holtmeier Amber Koch	9	L	8 Troy McCain
6	10 Ervin Beerenstrauch Vic Schuerman	11 Velda Jensen	12 Cindy Wollenburg Maddox Smith	13	14 Karli Scherling	15
16 Cayden Kropp Bennett Reck	Dean Thernes Morgan Stokebrand Samantha Koos	18 Celena Chavez	19 Cody Wollenburg	20 Harold Aden Madison Kirchoff	21	22 Ron Wollenburg Baylon Klostermeier
23 Natalie Wollenburg Mary Holtmeier	24	25	26 Brian Rahe Karen (Mike) Rahe	27 Mike Rahe	28	29
30 Kristi Rahe Kerri Thornburg						



Hope Circle

October 13, 2014

Hope Circle met Monday, October 13, 2014, at Shirley's home with 7 members present. Shirley was hostess.

Our Bible study was titled "We Are Called", based on Isaiah 6:1-13, Luke 5:1-11, and Acts 9. Kathy was our Bible Study Leader.

Shirley opened our meeting. Treasurer's Report was given.

Shirley stated we will tie blankets for the last time this year on Monday, November 3rd.

Ingathering will be from November 3rd through November 7th at First Lutheran Church in Lincoln.

Reformation Sunday is October 26th. Blankets will be put on the pews for the service that Sunday, and there will be a potluck after the service. The annual Halloween Parade for the children will be at 3:00 p.m. that afternoon.

November 2nd will be All Saints Day, and November 30th will be the Advent Celebration.

Our next meeting will be on November 10th. Shirley will lead the Bible Study, and Kathy will be hostess.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jean Placek

Sec./Treas.



Shalom Circle met on Oct. 20

No committee reports were given

Discussion on possible ADVENT SUNDAY activities were discussed.

Liz has made a baby prayer shawl for Grant Jaynes who has been hospitalized for quite some time.

Prayer Concerns were given

We watched Chapters 12-13-14 DVD on the book of Matthew

Our next meeting will be Nov. 17 with Jan Dunn giving the Lesson starting on Chapter 15 of the book of Matthew and also serving as our hostess.

Our officers for 2015 are

Chair Person-Karen

Sec/Treas. Shirlie

Mission Growth-Arlyce

Mission Action-Bev

Mission Community-Liz

Card Secretary-Lois

Meeting Adjourned

Sec/Treas. Shirlie Wollenburg

6 people tied 11 quilts on October 6th. Thanks to all who helped. Our last time to tie blankets for this year will be on Monday, November 3rd 9 a.m. to noon.

WELCA Board Meeting Minutes

10/05/2014

WELCA Board met on Sunday, October 5th, 2014. Present were Amy Stokebrand, Jan Dunn, Shirley Saathoff, Penny Holtmeier and Bobbie Scherling, Connie Scherling and Wanda Slama. Meeting was called to order by Amy.

Secretary's Report the minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Penny reported a balance of \$4,450.54.

Mission Growth: Jan hopes that the Praise Band brings growth to our Church.

Mission Action: Lutheran World Relief is the 1st week in November. Pam will get the blankets boxed up and delivered to Lincoln.

Mission Community: Thank Offering Service is to be November 16th.

New Business:

Advent Celebration is November 30th – How would we like to celebrate this year?

We have done rolls/coffee and displayed various themes of Christmas

An idea of displaying Christmas Bells was mentioned.

Next meeting is November 2nd

Meeting was adjourned Bobbie Scherling

Welca Secretary

Advent......sounds so far away but it is on **November 30th**!! Trinity WELCA is inviting everyone to an Advent celebration before services that morning for coffee, rolls, cookies and fellowship. Our theme this year will be bells. More details will be forthcoming in the bulletins but please place **November 30th** on your calendars. Thank you!

Keep in your Prayers

SERVICEMEN

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Evelyn Yost Heritage Care Center 909 17th Street Fairbury, NE 68352



Additional Prayer requests for

Please keep the following families in your prayers as they mourn the passing of family members.

Please continue to keep these members in your prayers:

Grant Jaynes (Marvin & Lois Zimmerman's grandson)



2014 ANNUAL HOLIDAY APPEAL



Community Pantry & Emergency Services, Inc

Located at St John Lutheran Church

Phone: 402-223-5306

GIVE FROM THE HEART

BASICS: Pancake flour/Syrup

Spaghetti/Spaghetti Sauce

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Saltine/Graham Crackers

All Soups-Chicken Noodle/Tomato

Chunky/Cream Soups

Jell-o/Pudding

Canned Meats/Tuna

Noodles/Vegetable Oil

Hambuger/Tuna Helper

Laundry/Dish Detergent

Shampoo/Conditioner

Flour/Sugar

NICE EXTRAS: Catsup, Mustard,

Mayonnaise, Cake Mix/

Frosting

SHORTAGE ITEMS: Canned Peaches

Pears, Applesauce,

Pineapple

Fruit Cocktail

Hot/Cold Cereal

Toilet Paper/Paper Towels

Healthy Kids Snacks

INSTRUCTIONS

Place the items in the attached bag. 2. Place bag outside door by 10 A.M. on Saturday,
 Nov 15th 3. Bags will be collected beginning at 10 A.M. 4. If your sack is not picked up,
 please call 402-223-5268 5. Outside Beatrice - Please bring sacks to St John basement
 anytime, located at 701 N 6th St

2014 SPONSORS

We sincerely appreciate all of the businesses and organizations, too numerous to mention, in sponsoring this year's holiday appeal!!!

Our heartfelt thanks to all the youth groups and volunteers who work to make our appeal a success and to "YOU" for "Giving from your Hearts" to those in need this harvest season!!

\$\$\$ GIFTS ARE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE COMMUNITY PANTRY