

October 2016

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

In spite of the warm temperatures, the fall season is underway as our students have become entrenched in their learning and our farmers have begun reaping what they sowed earlier in the year. Pretty soon the leaves will be turning and before long Old Man Winter will once again bless us with an appearance. Hopefully not before the Husker game against the Minnesota Gophers on November 12<sup>th</sup> though! To show support (besides financial!) of our oldest daughter who started in at the University of Minnesota this fall, we bought a couple tickets to the game. For one day and one day only our household will be divided in allegiance...please forgive us! But that's a worry for next month.

This month we have a few exciting developments in our shared ministry. Recall that I agreed to lead the campus ministry down at Southeast Community College's Beatrice campus. A couple other local pastors and I will begin our weekly Bible studies in the campus cafeteria over the lunch break (11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.) on Wednesdays. Hopefully, these studies will lead to greater ministry opportunities with the students. What an exciting outreach to our surrounding community!

Speaking of Bible studies, I've been wanting over the last couple months to revitalize our own weekly Bible study. You'll notice that we made a couple changes that should help in this effort. First, the studies will begin being offered on Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Second, I have come up with some questions for each of this month's studies to help guide our discussion and allow for preparation. Please take the opportunity to reflect on each week's gospel text and the applicable questions. Between the men's study group, the Bible studies both here and at the SCC campus, and the evening confirmation class, Wednesdays have become a great day of learning!

I was contacted by the synod attorney a couple months ago and there are new mandatory revisions to our constitution that were made at the Churchwide Synod gathering over the summer. I've made copies of the revision and put them on the ledge in the lobby for your consideration. We will need to gather as a congregation to discuss the revisions (if needed) and ratify them into effect. Hopefully this can be done after Sunday service sometime this month.

Keep in mind that I will be gone for the synod's fall theological conference in Kearney from 10/17-10/19. We will close off the month celebrating Reformation Sunday (10/30) with another joint service with the Soap Creek congregation. I have been asked to give the message at Soap Creek so service will be held there at 10:15 a.m. Subsequently, our communion service will bump up to 10/23.

May the Lord continue to bless our shared ministry this month!

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

**Pastor's Report**  
**September 2016**

First and foremost, I want to specially thank all the teachers and musicians who stepped up to lead our Sunday school classes this year. It was such a delight to kick off the new year with a full staff and a lot of excitement in the air. I got the sense the kids really appreciated it too. Thank you, thank you, thank you! You provide an invaluable service for our congregation's youth.

Even though the Sunday school kickoff was a big highlight in the last month, the overall ministry seemed to swing back into gear. I was able to make 9 visits, lead 7 worship service including both chapel services at the Wilber Care Center and Good Samaritan Center, participate in 3 pastors' text studies, give an orientation and teach 2 confirmation classes, guide 2 Bible studies, and attend 3 committee meetings. I was blessed to officiate at 2 weddings this month—the Groathouse and Murray weddings. It was a good core group that helped with the “God's Work, Our Hands” project at the Teen Challenge site in Beatrice. I think we'll try to make it an annual tradition. Of course, it'll continue to be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of September so it should make for a busy day along with our Sunday school kickoff. Hopefully we can continue to serve alongside our sisters and brothers from neighboring congregations. It was great reconnecting with my 1<sup>st</sup> call colleagues for another triannual theological conference. I only need a couple more to fulfill the synod requirement but they allow one extra conference if wanted. I'll probably take advantage of this extra one next fall. All in all, a busy month keeping me on my feet. Let's pray for continued rich ministry.

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

# ***Trinity Lutheran Church Minutes***

August 17, 2016

## **I. Call to order**

Chairperson Brian Nelson called to order the regular meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church Council on August 17, 2016. Pastor Koos led the group in devotions. Members in attendance were Pastor Koos, Duane Wollenburg, Brian Nelson, Jane Stokebrand, Lois Wattjes, Joel Kaelin, and Randy Wollenburg. Jesse Gronemeier, and Adam Wollenburg.

## **II. Reports**

- a) Secretary's Report: A copy of the previous minutes was presented. It was moved by Lois and seconded by Adam that the minutes be approved as amended. Motion carried.
- b) Treasurer's Report: A copy of the monthly treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$18,029.59. There was a motion by Randy and a second by Jesse that the report be approved. The motion carried.
- c) Investments Report: The investment balance is \$36,794.40.
- d) Pastor's Report: See included report.
- e) Memorial Report: Balance of Memorial Fund to date is \$20,517.83.
- f) Suggestion Box: None submitted
- g) Committee Reports:
  - 1. Social Committee reported plans for a Tailgate party to be held at the Tri County football game August 26th.
  - 2. Worship Committee reported an updated schedule for music to begin this fall. The schedule is as follows: the first Sunday of the month will feature the Praise Choir; second Sunday will be Bell Choir; third Sunday will be Adult Choir, fourth Sunday will be Children's choir with no Children's Sermon that day, and if there is a fifth Sunday it will be Adult Choir.
  - 3. Parish Education and Youth Group Ministries reported that enough Sunday School teachers have volunteered to provide four groups of classes with two teachers per class. The combined classes are as follows: Preschool and Kindergarten; first, second and third; fourth, fifth and sixth; seventh and eighth. High school students are invited to assist in the Sunday School program. Confirmation orientation will be held September 7, 2016 with confirmation classes beginning September 14, 2016. Sunday School will resume on September 11, 2016. After discussion, council members decided to implement a regularly scheduled meeting of the Sunday School committee to be held the third Sunday of the month at 8:30 A.M. The first meeting will be September 18, 2016.
  - 4. Property Committee reported that the bathroom walls in the parsonage are yet to be completed.

## **III. Old Business**

- a) The God's Work, Our Hands project will be held on September 11, 2016 in cooperation with Holy Cross of Beatrice and American Lutheran of Filley churches. The project will be the "Teen Challenge" program. Representatives of that group will provide a temple talk to detail the program and explain needs.
- b) Following discussion, there was a motion by Duane and a second by Randy to allow the Worship Committee to purchase an electronic piano not to exceed \$ 3,300. That will be funded by the Memorial Fund.

#### IV. New Business

- (a) Following discussion regarding the installation of speakers in the chapel it was decided to investigate options for that project.
- (b) There was further discussion regarding siding for the unattached garage on the parsonage property, as well as, upkeep on the bricks on the sign in front of the church. The property committee will investigate those issues and report to the council.
- (c) Pastor Koos reported on the first Call Theological Conference to be held September 20th and 21<sup>st</sup> at Camp Carol Joy Holling. He also reported on the Synod Conference Meeting to be held at Kearney on October 17<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>.
- (d) Other new business included items found in the storage shed to include a Lectern from the old church as well as the Triune Symbol.

Adjournment: There was a motion by Joel and a second by Adam to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. In conclusion of the meeting, Pastor Koos led the group in praying the Lord's Prayer. The next council meeting will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 P.M. Communion Assistant for August is Duane Wollenburg.

Respectfully submitted,  
Secretary, Jane Stokebrand

# **Treasurer's Report August 31, 2016**

Balance as of 7/31/16		\$16,843.31
Income		\$9,612.60
Interest		\$1.31
Pastor's Salary	\$3,420.74	
Treasurer's Salary	\$199.75	
Secretary Salary	\$326.58	
Organist	\$450.00	
Custodial Salary	\$510.62	
Mileage	\$263.52	
Health Insurance	\$420.00	
Misc. Water Softener	\$27.00	
Bulletins	\$82.80	
Baptismal Supplies	\$18.50	
Postage & Freight	\$80.19	
Office Supplies	\$9.96	
Office Equipment	\$150.99	
Accountant Fees	\$25.00	
Village Utilities Church	\$695.87	
Village Utilities Parsonage	\$326.62	
Natural Gas Church	\$25.79	
Natural Gas Parsonage	\$28.11	
ELCA Benevolence	\$5,406.00	
Devotional Books	\$185.00	
NE Synod Assembly	\$284.89	
Telephone Church	\$160.04	
Telephone Parsonage	\$34.50	
Sunday School	\$119.94	
Confirmation	\$221.86	
Worship	\$39.00	
Church Maintenance	\$235.62	
Lawn & Landscape	\$473.57	
Repairs to the Parsonage	\$654.76	
Transfer to Benev. Savings	\$910.00	
Total Expenses:		\$15,787.22
Balance as of 8/31/16		\$10,670.00
Benevolence (Savings Account)		\$19,833.70
Sinking Fund (Savings Account)		\$422.02
Property Projects (Amount included in General Fund)		\$18,177.80
Continuing Education (Amount included in General Fund)		\$0.00 (-\$106.23)
Bank Balance 9/19/16	\$10,369.96	

# ***SERVICE LEADERS FOR OCTOBER***

DATE	SCRIPTURE READER	ACOLYTE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SET UP
				COMMUNION ASSISTANT
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Arlyn Parde	Mallory Chavez	Jack & Mary Garrison/ Tim & Pam Garrison	
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Lois Wattjes	Morgan Stokebrand	Jack & Mary Garrison/ Tim & Pam Garrison	
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Wollenburg	Tyson Baker	Jack & Mary Garrison/ Tim & Pam Garrison	
October 23 <sup>rd</sup>		Elsie Woerner	Jack & Mary Garrison/ Tim & Pam Garrison	Kenni Woerner & Karen Wollenburg
October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Dave Hicks	Kanin Baker	Jack & Mary Garrison/ Tim & Pam Garrison	

**HEAD USHER:** Tim Garrison

**USHERS:** Gary Niemeier, Delva Smith, Cooper Smith, Dominic Smith, Maddox Smith

**OUTREACH VISITATION:** Shalom Circle

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# OCTOBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>SYNOD CONFERENCE</b> 10/17 THROUGH 10/19						1
<b>2</b> Sunday School at 8:45 am Care-A-Lot at 8:45 am Adult Bible Study at 8:45 am Praise choir meets at 9 am <b>PRAISE SERVICE AT 10 AM</b> WELCA Board following service New member class meets 4 pm	<b>3</b> Tie Blankets for LWR 9 am to Noon.	<b>4</b> Area Pastors' Bible Study 10am	<b>5</b> Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible study with Pastor Koos at 8:30 am <b>Confirmation 6:30 pm</b> Worship Committee meets at 8:00 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am <b>WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM</b> New member class meets 4 pm	<b>10</b> Hope Circle meets at 9 am	<b>11</b> Area Pastors' Bible Study 10am	<b>12</b> Bible study with Pastor Koos at 8:30 am <b>Confirmation 6:30 pm</b> <b>Service Project #1</b> <b>Trash Clean-up</b>	<b>13</b> Good Samaritan Chapel Service 10:30 am	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am <b>WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM</b> <i>New Member Induction</i>	<b>17</b> Shalom Circle meets at 7 pm	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Men's Bible Study 6:30 am <b>Confirmation 6:30 pm</b> Church Council 8 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am <b>COMMUNION SERVICE AT 10 AM</b>	<b>24</b> Praise Choir at 5:30 pm <b>Newsletter articles are due</b>	<b>25</b> Area Pastors' Bible Study 10am	<b>26</b> Bible study with Pastor Koos at 8:30 am <b>Confirmation 6:30 pm</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> Sunday School meets 8:45 am Adult choir meets at 8:45 am Youth Group meets at 8:45 am <b>COMMUNITY SERVICE AT SOAP CREEK AT 10:15 AM</b>	<b>31 Happy Halloween</b> Praise Choir at 5:30 pm					

# October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2		3 Melissa Bartels	4 Brock McDougall	5 Mike Bergmeier	6 Shirlie Wollenburg	7
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9 Amy Bowman Amy Stokebrand	10 Colleen Mentel	11 Chris Woerner	12	13	14	15
16 Dale Friesen Eugene Wollenburg	17 Deb Johnson Jayden Thomsen Carson Rahe Eldon Stokebrand	18	19	20	21 Anna Wollenburg	22 Pam Garrison
23	24 Jackson Kirchoff Tricia Schuerman McKenzie Smith	25	26 Harold Malchow	27 Janice Buhr Braxton Karl	28 Paula Pieper Duane Wollenburg	29 Bryson Beerenstrauch Rylan Beerenstrauch Bryce Wollenburg Alexis Johnson
30 Brevin Damrow Galen Plihal	31					



# OFFICE HOURS

## OFFICE HOURS FOR PASTOR KOOS

Tuesday - Friday - 1pm to 5pm

8pm to 12am

Saturday - 1pm to 5pm

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*A sincere "Thank You" to my friends and church family at Trinity for the cards, visits, and phone calls since I have had my knee replacement. You have certainly brightened my days. I look forward to being back worshipping with you soon!--Alice Wollenburg*

Coming up on Reformation Sunday, October 30th, we'll be having a joint service with Soap Creek at Soap Creek at 10:15 am.

The annual DeWitt Fire department soup dinner will be held on Sunday October 2nd from 10:00-1:00 at the Dewitt Community Center. There will be homemade chili, vegetable and chicken noodle soup, sandwiches and desserts on the menu. As in the past we are asking ladies of the churches to provide desserts and they can be dropped off at the Community center after 8:00 on Sunday. Come join us for some good food and good conversation a free will offering will be accepted. Questions call Tim Garrison 402-683-4630.

## OFFICE HOURS FOR SECRETARY

Barb Nelson, Secretary

Summer Hours

Monday - 5pm to 6:30pm

Wednesday - 6:15pm to 7:15pm

Church email: [tlcdewitt209@gmail.com](mailto:tlcdewitt209@gmail.com)



Church Council will meet on Wednesday, October 19th 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.

October -- Shalom Circle

## WORSHIP & ATTENDANCE

8/28/16	74
9/4/16	55
9/11/16	130
9/18/16	101
9/25/16	117

## SEPTEMBER OFFERING

Date	General	Benev.	Property
8/28/16	2161.00	25.00	.00
9/4/16	1146.00	125.00	.00
9/11/16	1860.60	25.00	.00
9/18/16	1970.00	25.00	

Adult choir is resuming practice each Sunday morning at 8:45 am. We invite anyone who would like to join us, please come! We will be doing easy fun music this fall and are going to work on two cantata pieces for the Advent/Christmas season! Please consider this. We will be rehearsing through December and then take a break after Christmas until Lenten season!

### **FIRST GRADERS WHO RECEIVED BIBLES**

Sayber Hoesche  
Samantha Koos  
Landry Leuders  
Norah Morrissey  
Blake Pieper  
Mackenna Wollenburg

### **WELCA HIGHLIGHTS**

- \*\*Look for new shelves in the library.
- \*\*We will be boxing up items for Lutheran World Relief. Its will be delivered November 7th-10th.
- \*\*Advent Sunday will be November 27th.

### **WELCA OFFICERS FOR 2017.**

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Jessica Damrow  
**TREASURER:** Linda K Schuerman  
**MISSION GROWTH:** Pam Garrison  
**MISSION COMMUNITY:** Paula Pieper  
**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**  
Shirlie Wollenburg  
Kenni Woerner  
Darcy Pohlmann

The social committee has planned a day at the Community Players Theater to watch "Steel Magnolias" on Sunday, October 23rd. The tickets are \$15 in we get more than 20 people to sign up. Please sign up by October 2nd. The sign-up sheet is located in the church entry way.

## **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS 2016**

**SUPERINTENDENT** – Amber Koch

**ASSISTANT SUPT.** – Jana Muehling

**SECRETARY/TREASURER** – Darcy Baker

### **PRE K & KINDERGARTEN**

Jamie Beerenstrauch and Kenni Woerner

### **1st and 2nd GRADES**

Jana Muehling and Kim Gronemeyer

### **3rd and 4th GRADE**

Bobbi Scherling and Becky Kaelin

### **5TH and 6th GRADES**

Penny Holtmeier and Nicole Morrissey

### **Junior High/Confirmation Students**

Pastor Koos and Liz Poessnecker

### **YOUTH GROUP**

Kelly Smith

### **CARE-A-LOT**

Josi Hoesche and Cara Heller

### **MUSIC DIRECTORS**

Jan Dunn and Arlyce Albert

### **SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

Ashley Garrison  
Jackie Placek  
Reagan Brown



Hope Circle

September 12, 2016

Hope Circle met September 12th, 5 members present.

Analee was hostess, Sharon led the Bible Study from the book of Jonah "When God for gives the guilty."

Opening was "When summer bids farewell."

Action Committee report : No blankets were tied due to only 2 workers present, but the workroom was put in order to pack boxes in October for LWR.

WELCA Aug. board meeting was shared with members. Christmas plans were discussed.

Next meeting will be October 10th at Shirley's home.

Kathy has Bible Study. We closed with a special prayer from the Gather Magazine. The Lords Prayer "Recognizing God's Blessing."

Jean Placek

Sec./Treas

### ***REMEMBER ITEMS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY***

Tie blankets for LWR on Monday,  
October 3rd from 9 a.m. to noon

Our Tried and True Treasure for  
September and October is Elaine  
Erdmann. Please feel free to write on  
her poster located by the church bulletin  
board.



SHALOM CIRCLE met on Aug. 23 to serve "Warren'S Table" in Beatrice, Ne.

On SEPT. 19, we met at the church for our regular meeting.

Mission Action reported that our circle donated a FLOOD BUCKET for the disaster victims in Louisiana.

Karen thanked the women for helping donate the food for the Warren's Table and also for those who served it. She then gave us the WELCA news for the month and also the new officers for the WELCA board.

Our circle will have visitation for the month of Oct. and members voiced their shut-in's to visit. Circle Hymn Study and hostess sheet was sent around for member to sign.

Our Circle officers for the year are

Pres.-Liz

Sec/Treas. Shirlie

Mission Action-Connie

Mission Growth-Arlyce

Mission Community-Lois

Card Secretary-Linda K

DeWitt Firemen Soup Dinner Oct. 2. Desserts needed.

Joint Service at St. Paul's (Soap Creek) on Oct. 30, therefore our COMMUNION

SERVICE at TRINITY will be Oct. 23

PRAYER CONCERNS were given

Connie led the HYMN STUDY with "How Great Thou Art" and "What A Friend We Have

in Jesus" which the group sang. She also served as our hostess for the evening.

Our next meeting will be Oct. 17 with Linda K serving as HYMN STUDY leader and Pat as our hostess .

Sec/Trea.

Shirlie Wollenburg

**Portals of Prayer  
Devotional Books are  
located at the back of the  
church. Please help  
yourself to a copy.**



# WELCA

## CHURCH LIBRARY UPDATE

The library is currently being cleaned and updated. Thank you for your patience while this process is being done. WELCA has purchased new shelving for this purpose and books are being rearranged. There are tables in the entryway of older books and tapes, free for the taking, to clear out for updated items. Please take the time to browse thru.

WELCA

FREE BOOKS ....please take any and all of the books on the two tables in the entry. Also, look and the library at the new bookshelves! Thank you to the church for updating our old ones. The little bookshelves and some books for the Nursery - Kindergarten children are in the Nursery room.

Mary Garrison



Congratulations to Lonnie and Tina Groathouse and Brittany and Travis Murray on their marriages in September.

**New member classes will be held September 25th; October 2nd; and October 9th, all at 4 pm. New member induction will be held during the service on October 16th.**

**Bible study questions**  
**Wednesday 8:30-9:30 a.m.**  
**October 2016**

*October 5 (Luke 17:11-19)*

1. Where is Samaria in relation to Galilee and Jerusalem? (Check the back of your Bible for a map)
2. When had Jesus met with the lepers? Why were the lepers on the outskirts of the city (Numbers 5:2-3)? What do you think that this meant for their economic situation?
3. According to Old Testament law what were lepers required to do (Leviticus 13:45-46)? What would this have meant for their relationships with their family? Friends? Anyone? In what state of health do you think they would have been? In what state of cleanliness?
4. Have you ever been in a similar position as the lepers? How so? Have you ever ostracized someone? How are we to treat people who have been placed outside the norms of society (Luke 14:13; Galatians 2:10; James 2:5-6)?
5. How is the manner with which Jesus healed the lepers similar to our Christian walk (James 2:14-17)? Read Hebrews 11:1. How did the lepers practice this? When have you ever had to take a step of faith? What did that look like? What does following Christ in faith normally mean (Romans 12:1)?
6. What was it that the lepers had to do when Jesus told them to go to the temple? What did they say that showed their readiness to obey before even being asked? How might God be calling your family to take a step of faith together?
7. What does this passage teach us about a truly thankful heart? What is the Samaritan recognizing when he comes back to Jesus? What is an area of your life where you need to recognize God's work in your life? Are you grateful for the blessings of God?
8. How do you look at ungratefulness? Is there anything that you find yourself ungrateful about? Read Philippians 4:6-7. Why is it so necessary for us to be thankful in everything that we do? Why should we be thankful in all our circumstances?
9. Why is it hard to be grateful sometimes? How do our own preferences and expectations cause us to have an attitude of ungratefulness?
10. What does it mean to "walk by faith not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7)? Do we always see clearly the outcome? What does walking by faith require of us? What part of walking by faith is the hardest for you?

*October 12 (Luke 18:1-8)*

1. Did you have a parent or grandparents who would give into you when you asked for something? Do you remember what you would do to get them to say "yes?"
2. What does this story tell us about the widow's character? What does it tell us about the character of the judge?
3. When King David's son, Solomon, came to the throne of Israel, God came close to him and said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you" (1 Kings 3:5). If the Lord did that with you, what would you ask Him for?
4. Why did the judge change his mind?
5. Who are you in the story? What role in the story do you most closely identify with?
6. Where are you the judge?
7. Where are you the widow?
8. When are you in a position to grant justice?
9. Where in your life do you need justice?
10. What's worth being persistent about?

*October 19 (Luke 18:9-14)*

1. What are you really good at? What are you really terrible at? How do the things we do well and the things we do poorly make us feel?
2. How do you feel when someone else brags about something they do well?
3. What does it mean to be humble?
4. If you were in the temple, how would you feel about what the Pharisee was saying?
5. Why would it be acceptable for the Pharisee to talk about himself in this way? How do you think God feels about the Pharisee?
6. How would you feel about what the tax collector was saying? How do you think God feels about the tax collector?
7. When people talk about coming to church or accepting Jesus what do you think they expect of you?
8. Have you imagined God would never love you because of something you did in the past?
9. Did you know God loves even the worst person in the world and wants that person to come to him?
10. What in your life is holding you back from coming to God and asking him to change your life?

*October 26 (John 8:31-36)*

1. Think about truth. How would you define truth? How would the world around you define truth? What is the biggest difference between the way you and the world define truth, if any?
2. Can truth be changed over time? If something is true, is it always true? Why or why not?
3. Have you ever felt the bondage of sin in your life? What does freedom mean to you, in light of the bondage that sin brings?
4. Jesus is talking to the Jews who believed in him. What does Jesus say about what it takes to truly be his disciple?
5. How does a disciple of Jesus abide in his word? Does this take place by accident in the life of a Christian?
6. What does Jesus mean when he talks about knowing the truth? Is Jesus talking about academic knowledge (book learning) or is he talking about something else?
7. What are some ways you can abide in the words of Jesus this week? What blessings can come into your life as you abide in God's Word?
8. Where does ultimate freedom in life come from? What is the truth that gives ultimate freedom?
9. What comes to mind when you think about freedom? What came to mind when the Jews thought of freedom?
10. What does Jesus say about the power of sin and its ability to enslave?

## ***Keep in your Prayers***

### **SERVICEMEN**

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### **Additional Prayer requests for**

Please continue to keep these  
members in your prayers:

Hilda Kasl  
Priscilla Rene  
Roger Rahe-is residing at the  
Wilber Care Center.  
Kim Holtmeier-lung surgery  
on October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Richard Wollenburg  
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