

June 2018

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

This month is kicking off with an exciting event in our synod that you may or may not be aware of—the election of a bishop. Bishop Maas' 6-year term has come to an end and churches around the state must decide on whether to re-elect him for another term or transfer the responsibility to someone new. One might say I have a particular bias as Bishop Maas presided at my ordination four years ago. But I have also seen his leadership in managing and providing vision to the synod. The other 64 ELCA synods have also seen his leadership and consider us lucky to have him. I ask our congregation to hold our synod delegate and me in prayer as we discern the leadership for the next 6 years at our annual synod gathering during the first weekend.

The delegate and I will be back in time to celebrate the adventures from this year's VBS during service that first Sunday. Thank you to Josi and all those who helped make the program such a success. Our kids are grateful for the exciting activities and creative lessons. The service presentation invariably reflects their gratitude. Thank you!

Please keep the youth group and I in your prayers as we head down to Kansas City on the 4th to visit the amusement park, Worlds of Fun. It's been a few years since I've been on a roller coaster so hopefully my bodily constitution will allow for it with minimal complaint.

I'm planning on taking a vacation the last week of the month. We've scheduled another hymn fest for the last Sunday and bumped up the communion service to the 3rd Sunday. My wife and I are getting away WITHOUT children, a first in our 9 years of marriage. God has blessed us with wonderful children but boy, they're exhausting!

Otherwise, we continue with our 4-week preaching series on the Ten Commandments and will close out the month starting a new series on 1 John. Hope to see you in service if not elsewhere.

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

Pastor's Report
May 2018

I feel we finished out the program year strong. It was great confirming 6 of our youth (Kanin, Jurgen, Morgan, Mallory, Jack, and Logan) and honoring 9 of our senior graduates (Cooper, Griffin, Chase, Logunn, Bonnie Jo, Celena, Shae, Philip, and Jaime) during worship services. I am confident they will all go on to lead lives of service to God and neighbor and I pray they won't forget to pop in and visit their Trinity church family from time to time. I will continue to hold them in prayer wherever life takes them and look forward to being with the returning students in the fall.

Otherwise, it was a full month of shared ministry. I was able to lead 6 worship services including both chapel services at the Wilber Care Center and Good Samaritan Center, make 7 visits on the hospitalized and shut-ins, participate in 1 committee meeting and 2 praise choir rehearsals, attend 2 men's bible studies, 3 First Lutheran bible studies, and 4 pastors' text studies, and teach 4 bible studies and 3 confirmation classes. I met with an engaged couple (Adam/Samantha) for the second of our three pre-marital counseling sessions. Finally, we were blessed to welcome 1 new member (Finley) through the baptismal waters. Certainly a busy month to close out the program year.

Trinity Lutheran Church Minutes

April 18, 2018

I. Call to order

Chairperson Brian Scherling called to order the regular meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church Council on April 18, 2018. Pastor Koos led the group in devotions. Members in attendance were Pastor Koos, Brian Scherling, Mike Holtmeier, Yvonne Rahe, Byron Beerenstrauch, Nate Morrissey, Karen Wollenburg, Steve Garrison, Deb Schwan and Amy Stokebrand

Reports

- a) Secretary's Report: A copy of the previous minutes was reviewed. Mike made a motion and it was seconded by Steve that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.
- b) Treasurer's Report: A copy of the monthly treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$2,146.53 as of March 30, 2018 with available cash of \$2,089.30. Nate made a motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Karen. Motion carried.
- c) Investments Report: The investment balance as of March 29, 2018 is \$52,684.83.
- d) Pastor's Report: See included report. Pastor will be attending the Synod Gathering on June 1st & 2nd with Liz Poessnecker as delegate in Kearney. Five members of the confirmation class will be attending summer camp at Carol Joy Holling July 22nd-26th. Vacation Bible School will be May 28-31st with a deadline of May 6th to register. Pastor is looking at ideas for a future Grief Support Group. Pastor has applied to be a Teammates Mentor with the local program at Tri County. The Middle School Gathering will be the 3rd week in January and Pastor is part of the planning team.
- e) Memorial Report: The memorial balance is reported to be \$15,451.30 as of March 28, 2018.
- f) Suggestion Box: No report.
- g) Committee Reports
 1. Social Committee had no report.
 2. Worship Committee reported that Confirmation will be April 29th for 6 students. May 6th will be the Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Breakfast and the High School Graduation Recognition with 9 students. The committee is looking for any youth that are interested in playing the piano or instrument during services in May.
 3. Evangelical Committee had no report.
 4. Parish Education/VBS had no report.
 5. Youth Group had no report.
 6. Confirmation Committee had no report.
 7. Property committee reported there was a good turnout for the Spring Clean Up Day. There will be another day planned for additional projects that weren't able to be done that day. Some areas of concern is the down spout on the north side of the church, adding wood chips to the flower beds and a dead spot of grass on the wide side of the chapel. There were lots of items collected that are no longer needed in the church. Steve made a motion to donate the bibles to a place that can use them and to have a silent auction for the unwanted items in the fall during Sunday School Kickoff. Mike seconded the motion and the motion carried. The air conditioning project will be done by the end of the week. The thermostat had to be moved to the south wall so touch up painting will need to be done.

II. Old Business

- a) WELCA reported that they are still considering all of the options for the round tables at this time.
- b) We heard an update on the church newsletter. We received about 50 responses from the short survey that went out to our members. About half want the newsletter emailed. The rest want it in their church mailbox. We will continue the discussion until the next meeting to see if we get more surveys back.
- c) Plans are still underway to get Liz Poesnecker a gift card for her time on the church directory. We appreciate her time and dedication.

III. New Business

- a) Mike made a motion to accept the transfer of Kyle, Natalie & Emma Wollenburg's membership to United Methodist Church in Wilber. Nate seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- b) Mike made a recommendation to the council to approve the 6 students for confirmation on April 29th. Those students are: Jurgen Baker, Kanin Baker, Logan Brown, Jack Hopkins, Mallory Chavez and Morgan Stokebrand. Steve seconded the motion and the motion passed.

There was a motion by Mike and a second by Nate to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The next meeting will be May 16th at 8:00pm. In conclusion of the meeting, the council recited the Lord's Prayer.

Church Council Secretary, Amy Stokebrand

Bible Study Questions
Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.
June 2018

06-06-18 Exodus 20:12-16

1. What do you think it means to honor your parents? What is the difference between honoring and obeying?
2. What does the Bible say about how following Christ might affect your relationship with your parents?
3. What benefit is associated with honoring your parents? Why?
4. In Ephesians 6:2, Paul gave us some insight regarding the fifth commandment. What was it?
5. Define murder. What is the New Testament standard on this issue?
6. What does the Bible classify as adultery? What is normally the world's definition of this? What is the New Testament standard? What kind of standards can we set to help protect ourselves in this area?
7. Define steal. What are some methods of stealing that are common in society, but which a lot of people might not consider is stealing?
8. What is normally the motivation for lying? What will lying normally lead to?
9. What are the consequences of lying? What do you think of "white" lies?
10. In Romans 13:9, 10 is a summary of these Old Testament commandments applied to the New Testament Church. How did Paul express it?

06-13-18 Exodus 20:17

1. What is the difference between coveting and desiring something?
2. Read I Kings 21:1-29. What words would you use to describe Ahab and Jezebel? What principles about keeping the 10th commandment can we learn from this passage?
3. Read Philippians 4:11-12. How do you believe it was possible for the apostle Paul able to come to such resolve?
4. What do most people covet today?
5. The 10th command says not to "covet your neighbor's wife;" is it wrong to covet a single man or woman? Why or why not?
6. As a child, what toy was the first one you remember that you absolutely had to have?
7. Jesus said, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15 Why do you think Jesus was so concerned about something that seems somewhat innocuous at face value?
8. If someone asked "what's wrong with wanting nice things", what would you say?
9. When you think of your "ideal life," what kind of life is it? Is there a difference between wanting a better life (better job, better house, better health, etc.) and wanting an ideal life?
10. Why is the 10th commandment so effective in revealing sin in the heart of the self-righteous?

06-20-18 1 John 1:1-4

1. What does it mean to “conform to the world’s standards” and “compromise” as a Christian? How might we be tempted to do this today?
2. How has serving Jesus as your Savior made your life better?
3. One of the reasons we can trust the written record of Jesus’ life is because of the many thousands of handwritten copies that have been passed down throughout the centuries, some dating back to within a hundred years of Jesus’ actual life. There is more evidence like this for the Bible than any other ancient writing known to man. The Holy Scriptures are reliable. Does this make you feel confident about the truth of God’s Word?
4. Is fellowship with other believers important to you personally? Why or why not? What happens if we do not fellowship with other believers?
5. Do you think first-hand knowledge is important for someone to believe in Jesus? Why or why not?
6. According to verse 4, why did John write this letter?
7. Why do you think John’s joy was “made complete” by writing this letter?
8. How is our fellowship with God related to our fellowship with other believers?
9. What kind of doubts and questions have you had or still have about Christ?
10. What kind of evidence convinces you that what you know of Christ is true and helps you stay faithful to him?

06-27-18 1 John 1:5-2:2

1. How would you answer someone who asked you to describe God? What difference does what you believe about God make in your life?
2. What truth does John state about God in 1:5? Why might he use this one key word to summarize ‘the message we have heard from Him?’
3. John in 1:5 infers people believe different things about God than that He is light. What other things do people believe about God?
4. Why do you think that John summarizes the message of God by stating that He is light rather than Him being love? What is the problem with those who believe that God is best defined by love?
5. How are the statements in 6, 8,10 the same?
6. On the basis of 1 John 1:7, how would you counsel a person who said that God would never expect a person to be holy like God?
7. On the basis of 1:7, if a person said (rightly), ‘Once saved, always saved’ but lived as the world, how should you respond to them?
8. What recourse do we have if anyone sins? What does it mean that Jesus Christ is our ‘Advocate with the Father’?
9. Why does John stress ‘but also for those of the whole world?’
10. What is the difference between unlimited and limited atonement? Does it make a difference? If so, how?

Treasurer's Report April 30, 2018

	Bank Balance as of 3/30/18			\$2,146.53
		<u>Income</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	
	Offering	\$10,292.25		
	Other	\$52.73		
	Total Income			\$10,344.98
		<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	
01-00	Pastor's Salary	\$3,582.00		
01-01	Financial Secretary's Salary	\$203.17		
01-02	Secretary Salary	\$447.85	447.85	
01-03	Organist	\$450.00		
01-04	Custodial Salary	\$510.62		
01-05	Payroll Taxes	\$1,655.53	\$1,655.53	
01-06	Pension Fund, Housing & SECA	\$1,320.83		
02-00	Mileage	\$149.33		
02-01	HSA	\$420.00		
02-02	R/O	\$54.00		
02-03	Culligan Water Supplies	\$68.00		
03-03	Communion Supplies	\$60.00		
04-00	Postage & Freight	\$57.09	\$57.09	
04-03	Copies from Copier	\$478.51		
04-04	Office Equipment	\$150.99		
05-00	Village Utilities Church	\$183.99		
05-01	Village Utilities Parsonage	\$162.49		
05-02	Natural Gas Church	\$584.53		
05-03	Natural Gas Parsonage	\$127.37		
06-00	Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$100.00	
06-01	Benev. Transfer	\$750.00		
06-04	Vanco E-giving Fees	\$45.15		
07-04	Technology	\$50.00		
08-00	Telephone Church	\$170.87		
08-01	Telephone Parsonage	\$69.00		
09-05	Continuing Education	\$344.89		
11-00	Church Maintenance	\$43.29		
11-03	Lawn & Landscape	\$111.14		
	Total Expenses			\$12,350.64
	Previous Months Checks that Cleared			\$57.23
	Available Cash as of 4/30/18			\$83.64
	Outstanding Checks			\$2,260.47
	Reconciled to Balance on Bank Statement 4/30/18			\$2,344.11
		<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Account Balance</u>
	Other Accounts:			
	Benevolence (Savings Account)	\$860.00		\$5,881.51
	Capital Improvement Fund (Savings Account)	\$15.00		\$30,036.04



Worship Committee will meet on Wednesday, June 6 at 5:30 pm

WELCA board will meet Sunday, June 10 following the service

Hope Circle will meet Friday, June 8 at 1:30 for Bingo at Wilber Care Center

Shalom Circle will meet Monday, June 18 at 7:00 pm

Church Council will meet on Wednesday, June 13 at 8:00 pm



Herb Rehm is our Tried-and-True Treasure for June/July. Please feel free to write on his poster located by the bulletin board.



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. **JUNE – Service Group #4**



Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, Trinity Lutheran relies on your regular contributions. Trinity Lutheran appreciates the efforts of congregation members to make consistent donations throughout the year. To assist you, the church provides a convenient electronic giving option for setting up regular contributions. To donate, visit the church website at www.trinitylutherandewitt.com, locate the link to our online giving page and follow the instructions.



Date	Attendance	General Offering	Benevolence Offering	Property Offering	E-giving Offering
4/29	140	\$4580.00	\$25.00	-	\$205.00
5/6	92	\$1746.00	\$25.00	-	\$971.25
5/13	74	\$1165.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$645.00
5/20	73	\$1325.00	\$25.00	-	\$280.00



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(Updated Hours will be posted on Office Door)

Service Leaders For **JUNE**

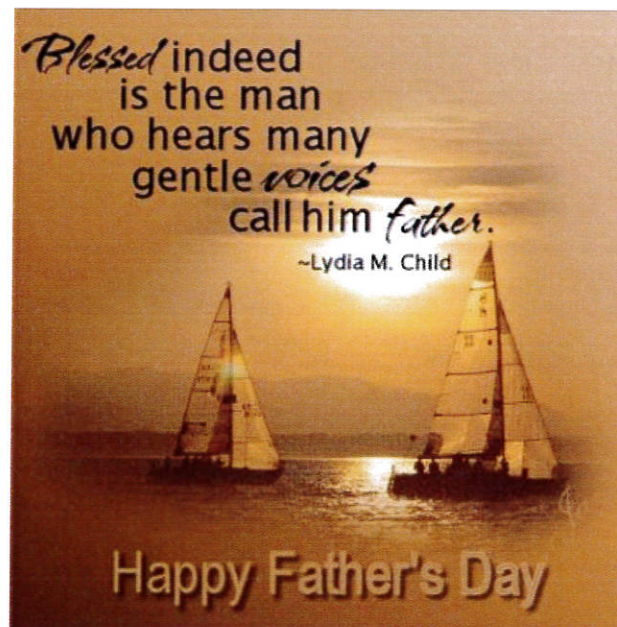
DATE	SCRIPTURE READER	ACOLYTE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SET UP
				COMMUNION ASSISTANT
June 3	Kynlee Uher	Tayden Gronemeyer	Kathy Rahe, Jean Placek/ Arlyn Parde	
June 10	Krayten Uher	Jurgen Baker	Kathy Rahe, Jean Placek/ Arlyn Parde	
June 17 (Communion)	Maddox Smith	Payton Smidt	Kathy Rahe, Jean Placek/ Arlyn Parde	Wendi Klostermeier-Barnts/ Lois Zimmerman
June 24	Karen Wollenburg	Josh Muehling	Kathy Rahe, Jean Placek/ Arlyn Parde	

HEAD USHER: Steve Garrison

USHERS: Mike Bergmeier, Ron Hinzman, Jeremy Placek, Mike Rahe, Roy Scherling

OUTREACH VISITATION: Service Group #4

CURRENT SERVICE GROUP: Service Group #7 (Don & Shirlie Wollenburg/Eunice Mahloch)



JUNE 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, July 22 following the Worship Service.					1 Synod Annual Gathering	2 Synod Annual Gathering
3 "Ten Commandments, Part 2" Praise Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am PRAYERSERVICE AT 10:00 AM (VBS Program)	4 Youth Group to Worlds of Fun	5 Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	6 Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible Study 8:30 am Worship Committee 5:30 pm	7	8 Hope Circle 1:30 Bingo Wilber Care Center	9
10 "Ten Commandments, part 3" WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM WELCA Board following Service	11	12 Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	13 Bible Study 8:30 am Church Council 8:00 pm	14 Good Samaritan Chapel 10:30 am	15	16
17 "Ten Commandments, part 4" <i>HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!</i> COMMUNION SERVICE 10:00 AM	18 Shalom Circle 7:00 pm <u>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE</u>	19 Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	20 Men's Bible Study 6:30 am < Pastor Vacation	21 Pastor Vacation	22	23 Pastor Vacation
24 "1 John, part 1" HYMN FEST SERVICE 10:00 AM Pastor Vacation	25 Praise Choir 5:30 pm Pastor Vacation >	26	27 Bible Study 8:30 am	28	29	30 FARMERS MARKET

JUNE 2018

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
					1 Brent Rahe	2 Tori Koos Bonnie Jo Schuerman
3	4	5 Keyton Reck Leah Thomsen	6 Kenni Woerner	7 Jim Workman	8 Dee Schuerman	9 Cara Heller
10 Sloane Holtmeier Brian Schmidt	11 Denise Miller Linda Schuerman	12	13 Susan Miller	14 Brock Johnson Gordon Schuerman	15 Delva Smith	16
17 Joel Kaelin	18 Steve Garrison	19	20	21 Bev Plihal	22 Brandon Johnson	23 Karen Schmidt Jackson Slama
24 Dennis Rahe Larry Wattjes	25 Drey Heller Matt Sobotka	26	27 Lyle Dunn Wanda Jahnke	28 Eunice Mahloch	29 Matt Uher	30 Judy Hatcliff Easton Thomsen Monroe Thomsen

Please keep Jack Garrison, John Slama & Denise Michel in your prayers.

Hope Circle will play Bingo on Friday, June 8th at the Wilber Care Center beginning at 1:30 pm. Enter at the north wing. Bring Bingo prizes.

Thanks to those who signed up for the **2018 Polar Blast VBS** program. We are excited to see you all on Tuesday, May 29 at 1pm. Thank you - Josi Hoesche

FREE CAMP! Some very generous friends are making it possible for students from Tri-County Public Schools to attend Carol Joy Holling Camp in Ashland for FREE! Carol Joy Holling offers summer camping opportunities for 1st – 12th grade students throughout the months of June and July. For more information and to register for camp, login to www.CarolJoyHolling.org. You can also check out the camp video at <https://vimeo.com/188032990>. Use the discount code "Tri-County" when registering and the price will be reduced to a \$50 deposit that will be refunded to you after your child has attended camp. For more information contact Jessica Wertz, our Registrar, at jwertz@nlom.org or 402-944-2544.

North fellowship hall landscaping: We had four large bushes just north of the fellowship hall that were mostly dead that were recently removed. After removing them and looking at that whole patch, Council decided to do some renovation work to that patch. We need to remove the rock and add dirt by the building to keep water away from the foundations. We also decided to do some down spout work and possibly tie the two down spouts together and trench them to the east and get the water towards the street, so it won't run back towards the church. This project will be for late summer as Council will have more time then. This project will likely require removing the existing plants and starting fresh. So, the landscaping will be bare for a while until the project can be completed. Any questions or suggestions please contact Brian Scherling or Mike Holtmeier.

In June and July, we will be assembling baby care kits. These kits are distributed as part of emergency relief efforts, but they are also given to encourage expectant women to seek prenatal care. Help welcome the littlest ones into a caring international community and swaddle them with LOVE! Items needed: t-shirts or onesies size 6-24 months, sleepers or gowns (with or without feet) size 6-24 months, receiving blankets, jackets or sweaters with hoods, socks, bars of Ivory soap, and dark colored hand towels. Sometimes you can find these items in good, clean condition at garage sales. Also, remember your food pantry items this summer! These items are taken to the DeWitt Food Pantry. They choose what they can use, and the rest is taken to the St. John's Food Pantry in Beatrice. Thank you for your help – Connie Scherling

UPCOMING EVENTS – Check the bulletin board or front windows for more information.

Sunday, May 27 - Memorial Day Cookout at 5:00 pm at the Koos home. Hamburgers/Hot dogs provided. Please bring a side dish, table service and lawn chairs.

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day Service at Oak Grove Cemetery at 10:30 am with lunch following at the DeWitt Community Center. Please bring salads and desserts.

Tuesday, May 29, Wednesday, May 30 & Thursday, May 31 – 2018 POLAR BLAST VBS – 1:00-3:30 pm

Friday, June 1 & Saturday, June 2 – Synod Gathering

Monday, June 4 – Youth Group to Worlds of Fun

Sunday, June 10 – Warren's Community Dinner Table Fundraiser at Arby's from 4:30-7:30 pm. 10% of sales from each order will go to Christ Church Episcopal.

Sunday, July 22 – Semi-Annual Meeting following the Worship Service

Consider using our **Electronic Giving** and scheduling a recurring contribution to avoid writing checks and preparing envelopes each week! Go to www.trinitylutherandewitt.com, and click the green OFFERING button and follow the instructions.

If you can't make it to the Bible Study, check out the questions on our Facebook page ...

www.facebook.com/tlcdewittne/

Hope Circle

Hope Circle met at Mary's home on Monday, May 14, with 6 members present. Mary was hostess. Shirley opened the meeting by reading an article entitled "Mothers' Hands." Shirley mentioned that in lieu of our regular meeting in June we will be going to the Wilber Care Center to lead Bingo for the residents. She will call and make arrangements as to the date and time. We will have potluck at our July 9th meeting and Sharon will be hostess on August 13th. Shirley stated that there was a good response from the congregation donating blankets and the personal care kit items for Lutheran World Relief. She received information from LWR stating that they are very low on school kits, and she encouraged us to purchase these items if we see good sales on them. Shirley will see about having notes put in our bulletins concerning this. Farmers Market will be held on June 30th this year. There was a question as to whether or not our church will have an entry in the parade. As there was no other business, Shirley closed the meeting by reading an article entitled "Angels for Everyone." Mary led the lesson from Gather entitled "all Are Welcome," which involved hospitality to others and was based on Bible passages from several different books. We closed with the Lord's Prayer. Jean Placek, Sec./Treas.

Lutheran Men in Mission

This month we conclude our study on Men at Work. On June 6 we will look at Exodus 5:22-6:12 "Moses under stress" and Matthew 6:19-34 "God knows what you need" in relating about worrying about your situations. On June 20th we conclude the study with a section called "Being Content" where we will look at Genesis 13:1-18 "Abram gives Lot a lot" and Philippians 4:10-23 "The secret of being content". We've got a great group of 6-10 men that join us the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's of each month from 6:30-7 but would always welcome some more voices! Please consider giving our study a try.

Shalom Circle

Shalom Circle met on May 21 with 7 members present. The Group worked on Mission World Relief Projects and also Kitty Bags before the meeting. Liz opened the meeting. There was no WELCA BOARD MEETING this month so there was no Board Discussion. The Round Tables were still being considered but are still ON HOLD. Bev mentioned that "Warren's Table" will again be served by Shalom Circle on August 28. Prayer Concerns were given after which Bev gave the Devotional Lesson on "ALL ARE WELCOME" and also served as our hostess. The next meeting will be June 18 with Jan leading the Bible Study and Serving as hostess. Meeting Adjourned. Sec/Treas. - Shirly Wollenburg

WELCA

(No Report)

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

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Over the next couple of months, the Church Council is requesting feedback from our Trinity Congregational members. Please give our request careful consideration and respond back in a timely manner.

In an attempt to help decrease expenses here at Trinity, we are once again asking for your feedback concerning the mailing of our monthly newsletter. Currently we are mailing out approximately 140 newsletters every month. This ends up costing the church over \$1000 per year. We are hoping to cut some of this postage expense if possible. Pastor is emailing the newsletter every month to a large number of congregational members. So, some members are getting one in the mail and an electronic version from pastor. We understand that not everyone has access to email and there are some that do not read their emails, so we will not eliminate either of these options. The newsletters will continue to be published monthly. It is our intent to give the members numerous options to receive it, while being more efficient with our time and money. We are asking that you please give this thoughtful consideration to help our church manage this expense. Listed below are the three delivery options that the congregation will have access to. Please take a minute to respond to the option that best fits your preference. You can respond by email, return this sheet to the church office, or talk to Pastor, Jenn or a church council member.

_____ I would like the monthly newsletter to be placed in my Church mailbox.

_____ I would like to receive the monthly newsletter by email.

_____ I would like to have the monthly newsletter mailed to my residence. If this is your choice you must respond/request to keep your name on the mailing list.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Thank you for taking the time to respond with your feedback. Hopefully some of you will be willing to either receive the newsletter by email or in your church mailbox. By doing so, we will be able to save some money (postage, paper, copies, labor) that may help go towards a number of other expenses that our congregation endures monthly. It may not save a lot, but every little bit helps and can add up over time. If you have any questions please contact; Brian Scherling, Pastor Koos or Jenn Uher.

Respectfully,

Brian Scherling

Council Chairman