

**April 2019**

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

Paul writes in his letter to the Colossians, “whatever your task, put yourselves into it, as done for the Lord and not for your masters, since you know that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward; you serve the Lord Christ.” (3:23-24) There are many in our community who are either heading out to the fields this month or supporting them. It is a busy time of the year with much work to be done. Let us be mindful of our farmers and all those who help ensure a bountiful harvest in the fall. Workers, heed Paul’s advice and put yourselves into it, assured that you serve the Lord.

At the same time, there are a handful in our community who will be wrapping up 2 years of catechism work this month—our confirmation students. They’ve had to adjust to major changes in the program and have performed commendably. Yes, there has been some grumbling but overall I think this group is the most prepared to meet the joys and challenges of faithful lives ahead. Congratulations, Tayden, Gage, Jackson, Colton, Josh, Tyson, McKenzie, Karli, Elsie, Payton, and Evelyn! Your classroom training may have come to an end but faith is a lifelong journey of discovery. You’ve put yourself into the task of confirmation, now go out and serve Christ in all that you do.

A group of 5<sup>th</sup> graders will also see the fruits of their catechism work when they receive their first communion on Maundy Thursday. Congratulations, Casey, Kenzi, Lucy, Hayden, Miley, and Keyton! It’s always a joy to welcome more to God’s table of grace and mercy.

We ALL celebrate the resurrection of our Lord this month. Christ will go to the cross on our behalf but will rise three days later victorious over sin and death. We rejoice at *his* work too! Thanks be to God!

Many blessings,

Pastor Koos

**Pastor's Report**  
**March 2019**

As I write this, our basement is wet from seepage but it's 60 degrees and sunny outside...go figure. It's no wonder the ground couldn't handle the rapid thaw we experienced in the last week. But unlike the rest of the state, we got off pretty easy from this round of weather disasters. Let's pray God continues to be so gracious over the next 6 weeks.

Our shared ministry always seems to pick up in the last couple months of the program year. I was blessed with opportunities to make 5 visits, lead 8 worship services including the Ash Wednesday service, 1 Lenten service, and 3 chapel services, participate in 1 committee meeting, 3 pastor text studies, and 2 men's bible studies, and teach 3 confirmation classes. I presided at 2 funerals for Dewane Spilker and Pete Petracek and 1 magically candle-lit wedding for Bailey Wollenburg. I began premarital counseling sessions for Sydney Holtmeier and Austin Barnts, both getting married in June. I also started our 5-week first communion class with 6 eager and attentive students. Finally, thank you for letting me get away to this year's Rural Ministry Conference in Dubuque, IA. The theme was resiliency and strategies for remaining resilient in rural settings. Always good to reconnect with colleagues from around the Midwest.

# ***Trinity Lutheran Church Minutes***

February 20, 2019

## **I. Call to order**

Chairperson Mike Holtmeier called to order the regular meeting of the Trinity Lutheran Church Council on February 20, 2019. Pastor Koos led the group in devotions. Members in attendance were Pastor Koos, Steve Garrison, , Karen Wollenburg, Tim Garrison, Brian Smidt, Lana Hager, Nate Morrissey, Deb Schwan, and Jane Stokebrand. Also, in attendance were confirmation students McKenzie Smith, Gage Heller, Evelyn Baker, and Jackson Kirchoff.

### Reports

- a) Secretary's Report: A copy of the previous minutes was reviewed. Tim 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 \$8,256.16. Nate made a motion to accept the report and it was seconded by Karen. Motion carried.
- c) Investments Report: The balance was reported at \$51,178.49 as of January 31, 2019. Tim reported that he has an appointment with a representative of Edward James Investments to review the account on February 22st of this month.
- d) Pastor's Report: See included report. Pastor presented a request for transfer for Jim Workman who has moved to Texas. The transfer is requested to Our Savior Lutheran Church of McCallen, Texas. There was a motion by Tim and a second by Nate to approve the transfer. The motion carried. Pastor reported that he will be attending the Rural Ministry Conference March 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>, and the First Communion Class for fifth graders will begin March 10<sup>th</sup> and will continue for a total of 5 weeks. Pastor also noted that there appears to be a need to assist supply pastors as they acclimate to our church. Following discussion it was determined that the head usher would perform that duty.
- e) Memorial Report: The balance was reported at \$17,892.31 as of January 31, 2019. Nate offered to serve on the Memorial Committee.
- f) Suggestion Box: There was nothing to report.
- g) Committee
  1. Spiritual Life and Growth
    - a) Social Committee had nothing to report.
    - b) Worship Committee: Karen reported the Narrative Lectionary service will be continued, and that Lenten services will begin Ash Wednesday to be followed by weekly Lenten Services preceded by a light meal. Karen also reported that a "noisy offering" will be March 3<sup>rd</sup> allowing children to present a coin offering.
    - c) Evangelical/ Stewardship Committee had nothing to report.
  2. Youth Development
    - a) Parish Ed/VBS : Mike reported VBS will be held the first full week in June to be provided by counselors from Camp Joy Holling. It consist of 4 days from 9:00 A.M. to 2:0
    - b) Youth Group Committee: It was reported the room for youth group is currently being repainted.
    - c) Confirmation: Confirmation students are being exposed to the workings of the church by engaging in a council meeting and having presentations by variations organizations in the church.
  3. Care, Management and Overview

- a) Property: This last month has consisted primarily of snow removal. A thank you is extended to Ron Wollenburg for his continued assistance with this project. The bell tower is expected to be repaired in February or March, and Pardes will be contacted to see if they wish to continue mowing the church lawn.

## **II. Old Business**

- a) The “Wedding Cleanup” protocol was discussed and revised at this meeting. Requirements for member and nonmembers were addressed. Following discussion there was a motion by Brian and a second by Deb to approve the updates. The motion carried.

## **III. New Business**

- a) There was no new business to discuss.

There was a motion by Tim and a second by Brian to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. In conclusion of the meeting, the council recited the Lord’s Prayer.

Church Council Secretary, Jane Stokebrand

**Bible Study Questions**  
**Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.**  
**April 2019**

*04-03-19 Matthew 25:31-46*

1. This is a hard passage for a lot of people. How about you? Is there anything about the Parable of the Sheep and Goats that troubles you?
2. Whatever else this passage means, it plainly teaches that a day is coming when the Son of Man, pictured as a glorious Shepherd-King in this parable, will judge "the nations." What do you believe about this? Do you believe that history is headed toward a climactic, inescapable, conclusive day of judgment?
3. How much or little does this coming judgment figure into the way you live from day to day? Are you at all concerned or apprehensive about this day of judgment? Why or why not?
4. Who are the people gathered before Jesus in the final judgement pictured by this parable?
5. Similarly, who are the hungry, thirsty, naked, strange, sick, imprisoned people who have either been helped or not helped?
6. Matthew 10:40-42 and 12:46-50. Do those passages help us to identify those who were either helped (by the "sheep") or not helped ("by the goats")? How?
7. On what basis does the Son of Man divide those gathered before him into sheep and goats? What's the destiny of each? How does each group stand in relationship to Jesus?
8. Read James 2:14-18. How does it help us to understand the judgment that's pictured in this parable?
9. Some contend that this parable teaches that our eternal destinies depends on "good works" as represented by the different responses to the needs of those whom Jesus calls, "my brothers." Is there anything in the text which suggests otherwise?
10. What do you make of the fact that both the sheep and the goats express surprise about the standard by which they've been judged? How do you explain their surprise?

*04-10-19 Matthew 21:1-17*

1. Read Zech. 14:1-4 & Ps. 48:1-3. Picture yourself as a devout Jew living in Jesus' day, a Jew who knew the Scriptures well (including Zech. 14 & Ps. 48). What significance would you attach to Jesus, who "drew near to Jerusalem and came . . . to the Mount of Olives" (Matt. 21:1)?
2. How did Jesus know that the animals would be just inside the village? Did He exercise His omniscience (complete knowledge of everything) or did He prearrange to have the animals ready for His need?
3. If you were one of the disciples Jesus sent to get the animals, what would you have been talking about on the way into town?
4. Read Zech. 9:1-10. According to Matt. 21:4 why was it necessary to procure the colt & donkey?
5. Zech. 9:1-7 gives us a list of Israel's enemies that God will judge. We will focus on vs. 8-10. What is prophesied in v. 8 concerning God's actions on behalf of His people? To what does "my house" refer?
6. In v. 9, what are God's people commanded to do? What characteristics are we given of this king over whom the people should rejoice? How will this king come to the people according to v. 9? What does God promise he will do in v. 10?
7. Picture yourself again as the devout Jew who was watching the events in Matt. 21:1-11 unfold, a Jew who knew well the prophesy found in Zech. 9. What would you be expecting this King to do?
8. Why did the crowd spread their cloaks on the road for the animals and Jesus to walk upon (cf. 2 Kings 9:12-13)? What three phrases did the crowds shout? The word "hosanna" means "save, now!" or "O save!" Were the crowds correct in their praise? From what were the crowds asking to be saved?
9. When the crowds shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" what were they acknowledging about Christ? Were they correct in their praise? Do you think everyone in the crowd was a true worshiper of Christ? Why or why not?

10. Who is in control of every aspect of these events? Why do you think Jesus allowed this kind of worship and public announcing of Himself as the Messiah to happen when he had stopped it so many times before (e.g. Matt. 9:27-31; John 2:4; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23, 27; 13:1; 17:1)?

*04-17-19 Matthew 28:1-10*

1. Why do you think only the women came early to the tomb? What emotions do you think they were feeling as they walked? How would you have felt if you were with them?
2. The Scriptures are clear that the women were at the tomb early, and the men were not. Should the men have been there? Why or why not?
3. What is significant about this angel appearing to the women at the empty tomb?
4. The Bible says the women left the tomb and ran with a mixture of fear and joy. What does this image mean to you?
5. The women have an encounter with Jesus after his resurrection. What is their initial response? What can we learn from their example?
6. Why do you think that Jesus told the women to not be afraid?
7. The resurrection of Jesus is the most important fact of the Christian faith. Why?
8. How does the resurrection of Jesus give us hope for today and for all eternity?
9. What major event is assumed but not described in these verses? Why do you think there was not an eyewitness to the actual, physical, bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ?
10. Since there was not an actual eyewitness to the resurrection, what evidence do you find in this passage that proves it to be true? Can you think of other passages of Scripture that stand as proof for the resurrection of Jesus Christ?

*04-28-19 Matthew 28:16-20*

1. How do the eleven respond to Jesus when they see him on the mountain? How does this comfort us in our faith journeys?
2. What does Jesus do to comfort his followers?
3. In Daniel 7:13-14, what authority has been given to Jesus?
4. How does the authority of Christ give us confidence in our own life and ministry?
5. If Jesus's command to "make disciples" can be broken into three parts (make, mature, multiply), where do we see this reflected in the verse?
6. Why don't we need to be afraid of this Great Commission?
7. What are 3 important truths about being a disciple from verses 16 and 17?
8. In verse 17, what were some of the disciples doubting? How are Jesus' next words an antidote to this doubt?
9. In the passage, how are the great commission and authority connected?
10. In what way is Jesus always present with us?

**Treasurer's Report February 28, 2019**

Bank Balance as of 1/31/19 \$9,974.37

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
Offering	\$4,826.00	
Other Deposits	\$53.46	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$4,879.46</b>

		<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	\$501.03	
01-03	Organist	\$825.00	
01-04	Custodial Salary	\$490.62	
01-06	Pension Fund, Housing & SECA - Portico	\$1,151.21	
02-00	Mileage	\$332.92	
02-01	HSA	\$210.00	
02-02	R/O	\$27.00	
02-03	Water Supplies	\$16.50	
02-04	Insurance - Portico	\$170.79	
03-00	Bulletins	\$24.70	
03-04	Baptism Supplies	\$87.27	
04-00	Postage	\$125.00	
04-04	Office Equipment	\$150.99	
05-00	Village Utilities Church	\$255.92	
05-01	Village Utilities Parsonage	\$190.01	
05-02	Natural Gas Church	\$661.99	
05-03	Natural Gas Parsonage	\$143.28	
06-04	Vanco E-giving Fees	\$46.10	
08-00	Telephone Church	\$172.56	
08-01	Telephone Parsonage	\$34.50	
09-00	Sunday School	\$16.81	
11-00	Church Maintenance	\$192.20	
11-04	Parsonage	\$168.25	

**Total Expenses** **\$9,779.82**

Previous Months Checks that Cleared (Correction of \$.20 from Jan. Statement as bank cleared check for wrong amount) \$1,718.01

Available Cash as of 2/28/19 \$3,356.00

Outstanding Checks \$825.00

Reconciled to Balance on Bank Statement 2/28/19 \$4,181.00

	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Account Balance</u>
Other Accounts:			
Benevolence (Savings Account)	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$797.54
Capital Improvement Fund (Savings Account)	\$5,015.00	\$0.00	\$8,737.32



**Worship Committee** will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at 5:30 pm

**WELCA board** will meet Sunday, April 14 following the service

**Hope Circle** will meet on Monday, April 8 at 9:00 am

**Church Council** will meet on Wednesday, April 17 at 8:00 pm

**Shalom Circle** will meet on Monday, April 15 at 7:00 pm



**Eileen Damkroger is our Tried-and-True Treasure for March/April.** Please feel free to write on her 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. **APRIL – Hope Circle**



**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

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](http://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
2/24	No Church	-	-	-	\$835.00
3/3	66	\$1860.00	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$420.00
3/6 Ash Wednesday	63	\$235.00	-	-	-
3/10	103	\$2065.00	\$25.00		\$620.00
3/17	85	\$1040.00	-	\$10.00	\$189.00
3/24	94	\$935.00	\$60.00	-	\$835.00

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**OFFICE HOURS**

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

Saturday 1pm to 5pm

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday & Wednesday 5pm-6:30pm

(Updated Hours will be posted on Office Door)





# Service Leaders For **APRIL**

DATE	SCRIPTURE READER	ACOLYTE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SET UP
				COMMUNION ASSISTANT
April 7	Maddox Smith	Payton Smidt	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	
April 14 (Palm Sunday)	Zach Kuhn	Evelyn Baker	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	
April 18 (Maundy Thursday Communion Service)	Mike Holtmeier	Colton Placek	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	Amy Stokebrand Jane Stokebrand
April 19 (Good Friday)	Liz Poessnecker	Colton Placek	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	
April 21 (Easter 10am Communion Service)	Lois Wattjes	Ashlynn Brown	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	Jane Stokebrand Barb Nelson
April 28 (Communion Service)	Morgan Stokebrand	Tyson Baker	Vic & Bonnie Schuerman Arlyn Parde	Barb Nelson Lana Hager

**HEAD USHER:** Brad Garrison

**USHERS:** Drew Garrison, Sam Kirchoff, Madison Kirchoff, Tanner Baker, Jurgen Baker

**OUTREACH VISITATION:** Hope Circle

**CURRENT SERVICE GROUP:** Group 5  
Leonard & Shirley Saathoff/Larry & Lois Wattjes

**HE LIVES!**  
*all glory to his name!*  
**HE LIVES,**  
*my Savior, still the same*  
**OH, SWEET**  
*the joy this sentence gives:*  
**"I KNOW THAT**  
*my Redeemer lives!"*

# APRIL 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible Study 8:30 am Praise Choir 5:00 pm Light Supper at 5:30 followed by Lenten Service Confirmation 6:30 pm			9am-12pm TLC SPRING CLEANUP
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>"Last Judgement"</b> Care-A-Lot 8:45 am Praise Choir 9:00 am <b>PRAYERSERVICE AT 10:00 AM</b> First Communion Class 4:00 pm	Hope Circle 9:00 am	Pastor Text Study 10:00 am Worship Committee 5:30 pm	Bible Study 8:30 am Light Supper at 5:30 followed by Lenten Service Confirmation 6:30 pm	Good Samaritan Chapel 10:30 am		Nebraska Brass Concert - First Lutheran, Wilber 6pm Dinner 7pm Concert
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<b>"Triumphal Entry"</b> Sunday School 8:45 am Adult Choir 9:00 am <b>WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM</b> <i>(Children's Bells)</i> WELCA Board Following Service First Communion Class 4:00 pm	Shalom Circle 7:00 pm	Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	Men's Bible Study 6:30 am Bible Study 8:30 am Wilber Care Center Chapel 10:00 am Confirmation 6:30 pm Church Council 8:00 pm	<b>"Words of Institution"</b>  <b>Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:00 pm (First Communion)</b>	<u>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE</u>  <b>"Crucifixion: Matthew" Good Friday Service 8:00 pm</b>	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<b>"Easter: Matthew"</b> NO Sunday School Praise Choir 7:00 am <b>SUNRISE PRAISE SERVICE 7:30 AM</b> <b>COMMUNION SERVICE 10:00 AM</b> <i>(Adult Choir)</i> New Member Class 4:00 pm		Pastor Text Study 10:00 am	Bible Study 8:30 am			
28	29	30				
<b>Confirmation Sunday "Great Commission"</b> Sunday School 8:45 am Adult Choir 9:00 am <b>COMMUNION SERVICE 10:00 AM</b> <i>(Confirmation/Children's Choir)</i> New Member Class 4:00 pm		Pastor Text Study 10:00 am				

# APRIL 2019

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Helen Michel	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Karen Wollenburg
<b>7</b> Tim Garrison Kathy Rahe	<b>8</b> Don Schmidt	<b>9</b> Tera Stokebrand	<b>10</b> Jim Essman	<b>11</b> Blake Bergmeier	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Kyle Thernes
<b>14</b> Larry Beerenstrauch Jack Holtmeier Lois Wattjes	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Beverly Banks Jeremy Placek	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Owen McDougall
<b>21</b> Pastor Sean Koos Ann Novak	<b>22</b> Nathan Morrissey	<b>23</b> Shane Parker	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Rylan Bergmeier Scott Friesen Jenn Uher	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Aiden Kaelin Macie Kaelin Marvin Zimmerman
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Larry Pieper	<b>30</b>				

**Please keep** Tina Groathouse, Don Smith (Delva Smith's Father), Whitney Rahe, Gerald Kotas (Connie Scherling's brother in law), Jim Burger (Donna Garrison's Father) and Denise Michel **in your prayers.**

**Saturday, April 6 from 9am-12pm we will be having spring cleanup!**

**Come join us for the Lenten devotional services** that will be held during the season of Lent. We will have evening services each Wednesday. We'll start with a light supper at 5:30 pm and the evening devotional will follow. Morning Lenten services will be held on Thursday mornings at 10 am at United Methodist Church with a coffee fellowship following the service.

**We will be introducing a new addition to our Sunday Praise Worship Service: the noisy offering.**

**Children** are invited to come forward during the offering and place any loose coins members may have in their pockets or purses into the bucket. The idea is to create as much NOISE as possible with this donation as well as engage our young ones in the service. Please consider contributing as you are able. Thank you. Pastor Koos

**ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS**, it is the time of year to designate your Choice Dollars that have accumulated through December 31, 2018. You have until March 31, 2019 to do this. These Choice Dollars are rewards earned on your accounts and if they are not designated by your choice, they stay in the Thrivent Financial Company account to be designated as they wish. Please call their office at 1-800-847-4836 and say, "Thrivent Choice". These dollars help fund items for our own church. Thank you, members, for making this possible. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Advocates – Arlyce Albert 402-239-0127, Shari Pieper 402-821-2733, or Roberta Aden 402-683-4535.

Cleanliness may not actually be next to godliness, but it certainly helps a person feel more human. When families find their homes destroyed, or must flee for their safety, soap and a towel rarely make the cut for what they can carry. Arriving in a refugee camp or other place of safety, they are scared, vulnerable and dirty from travel. The simple items included in a Personal Care Kit provide much needed self-care, critical germ fighting, and the chance to regain dignity amidst situations of fear and uncertainty. **We will be collecting items for Personal Care Kits during Lent.** I will have a box in the back of the church the following Sunday's. March 10 – Lightweight Towels (approx. 27x52), March 17 – Soap, March 24 – Nail Clippers, March 31<sup>st</sup> – Combs (wide tooth), April 7<sup>th</sup> – Towels. Clean hands, good grooming, bright and shining smiles, you can help bring them about through the gifts of Personal Care Kits. Thank you, Connie Scherling

Please check the **Sunday School Bulletin Board** weekly. We will have important dates on there as well as a donation wish list throughout the year. Thanks!

Consider using our **Electronic Giving** and scheduling a recurring contribution to avoid writing checks and preparing envelopes each week! Go to [www.trinitylutherandewitt.com](http://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/](http://www.facebook.com/tlcdewittne/)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Saturday, March 30 - Holy Cross Lutheran, Beatrice will be hosting a Listening Post for those involved with justice, hunger, or global ministries at 2pm. RSVP to Holy Cross at 228-3172.

Sunday, March 31 - Sons of the American Legion is sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner from 11am – 1 pm. Free Will Donation.

Sunday, April 7 – TLC VBS Baked Potato Bar Fundraiser from 11am-12:30 pm. to raise funds to offset cost of Carol Joy Holling conducting our VBS this year. Sign-up sheets for donations will be on the counter in the entryway. Contact Josi Remmers for more information.

Saturday, April 13 – The Easter Bunny is Coming to DeWitt! 2:00pm at the DeWitt Legion. Come have some fun hunting Easter eggs, then you can enjoy some cookies and punch.

Saturday, April 13 – Nebraska Brass Concert at First Lutheran Church, Wilber. 6:00-7:00 pm Czech Pork Dinner (Free Will Offering) and 7:30 Concert (Adults \$12/Seniors \$10/Students Free). Coffee & Cookies during Intermission

Monday, April 15 – Tri County High School Blood Drive from 11am-5pm. Call Melissa Sand at 402-683-2015 to schedule your appointment or search online for sponsor code: TriCountySchoolDewitt

## Hope Circle

No Report.

## Lutheran Men in Mission

Lutheran Men in Mission – April

With the start of April and the growing season, we start a new ministry in our Men's study. This study is titled "Whol-I-ness: With Myself, Others and God". This will focus on various aspects of our Christian lives. This month our two topics are Spiritual Life and Physical Life. April 3 – Topic 1 "Spiritual Life" Matthew 13:1-23 (Parable of the sower) & 1 Peter 1:13-2:3 ("Be holy because I am holy"). April 17 – Topic 2 "Physical Life" Daniel 1:1-21 (Daniel stays "clean") & Romans 12:1-8 (Living sacrifices). As always coffee and snacks are provided. Our meetings run on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 6:30-7am. All are welcome.

## Shalom Circle

March 18th, 2019 - Eight members of Shalom Circle were present for this evening's work time at 6:30 to clean Children's bags, organize the nursery, count items for school kits, and to begin work on a new baptismal banner. Then Pat called the meeting to order and the minutes were read from the last meeting. Pat stated that a list for Easter lily donations will soon be put out in the narthex but a cost wasn't known at this time. WELCA donated \$50 to Camp Carol Joy for fleece fabric which camp individuals will be working on. Also \$50 was sent to the spring gathering coming up. Pat attended a spring gathering in Aurora last weekend which she felt was helpful and had good speakers. The theme for this year was Fashion and Faith. There was some discussion on the summer plans for Camp Carol Joy to conduct our Bible School this year. They do Bible Schools in other churches and it has been a very worthwhile faith experience for young people. Arlyce Albert had the Bible study from the Gather magazine entitled "Meeting with Jesus" with numerous parables involved. Arlyce also serve snacks and drinks. An offering was taken for various projects and to send to our synod office. The next Circle meeting will be April 15th with Liz and Pat in charge of program and snacks. Secretary/Treasurer, Bev Plihal

## WELCA

- WELCA Board will meet April 14 following the service

# KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

## SERVICEMEN

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**Please continue to keep these members in your prayers:**

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