



Dear friends in Christ at Trinity Lutheran Church,

Suzanne and I want to thank all the members of Trinity Lutheran for the hospitality you have shown us during our time in Madison. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated, and we want to thank you for the expressions of kindness during the Christmas Season. We look forward with hope and expectation for the opportunities for mission and ministry together in the New Year.

MISSION & MINISTRY 2022 Prepare Yourselves For Ministry Opportunities

"Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31

The New Year always brings the promise of renewal. I pray that 2022 will bring an opportunity to begin anew with a living hope for the future. The Bible always directs us to the future as we ground our hope in the living Lord Jesus Christ. The prophet Isaiah talked about renewal that comes from trusting the promise God has given to us.

We all need regular spiritual renewal so that we will be able to walk and not faint. We never know when opportunities for ministry will come to us and we need to be prepared to face the challenges that are before us.

The Call Process Continues

The call committee is continuing its work and has received another name from the Synod. No specific information is made public until a meeting is issued to extend a letter of call.

Trinity Lutheran Annual Meeting Sunday, January 23, 2022 12:00 noon – Following Worship

One of the key agenda items at the annual meeting will be adopting a realistic budget for 2022. One of the challenges will be paying off the debt for the I Am In Campaign. The current campaign status:

Amount Pledged \$1,025,307.34
Amount Applied \$728,058.41
Amount Remaining \$297,248.93

It will be important all those that made commitments to continue their support for the remainder of the campaign. I have suggested that options to refinance be considered to lower the monthly payments to help in the support of the general fund. I am grateful for those that made donations to the principle only fund which helps pay off the debt sooner and lower the amount of interest paid.

My main concern with the anticipation of welcoming a new pastor is that the general fund be supported to allow focus on mission and ministry.

All the members of Trinity Lutheran need to remember and give thanks for all those who provided leadership for the life and ministry of the congregations during 2021. As you reflect on the ministry that took place in 2021 and read the annual reports when they are available, give thanks to the many leaders and volunteers who make the ministry of the congregations happen. Ministry could not take place without all the volunteers to assist in different ways. Thanks to all for your service.

Grace and Peace to you during the New Year,
Pastor Bob & Suzanne Hansen

November 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church
Council Meeting
November 9th, 2021
7:00 P.M.

Council Members recited the Trinity Lutheran Church mission statement: "Sharing God's Word, Doing God's Work."

President Rob Thuringer called the November meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Members in attendance were Pastor Bob Hansen, Deacon Suzanne Hansen, President Rob Thuringer, Vice President Danny Brown, and Secretary Joan Merager, Parish Ed. Susan Farrell-Poncelet, Kristin Morse, Jennifer Briggs, Bridget Van Liere, Lori Schultz, Trustees Dana Hoff, Sid Gulbranson, Deacons Jim Iverson, Nancy Sabbe, Brianna Routier, Becky Brown, Lora Erslund.

Absent and excused were Corey Strom, Josh Van Dyke, and Tim Walburg.

Vice President Danny Brown led in devotions by reading from Psalms 15.

The agenda was presented by President Rob and an addition under New Business was Consignment Funds. Jennifer Briggs made a motion to approve and Danny Brown seconded. Motion passed.

President Rob introduced our council guest Val Parsley, who is a member of the Synod Medary committee and this also includes Jim Iverson and Jackie Braun and she came to "Thank" Trinity for the Mission Support we have given to the Synod.

The October 12th council minutes were presented and Lori Schultz made a motion to approve and Jennifer Briggs seconded. Motion passed.

President Rob reported on the financial report and he reported we are \$9300. ahead with the PPP grant and our insurance will be higher this year about \$1800. Brianna Routier made a motion to accept the report and Lori Schultz seconded. Motion accepted.

Staff Reports were presented by:

Pastor Robert Hansen said his items will be covered by the individual boards.

President Rob Thuringer reported:

- The digital sign board is moving along just waiting on the electrician.
- Water heater that needs replacing they are waiting on a second quote.
- Council members please sign up for the Opening/Closing of the church on Sundays.
- They will check with Janitor Scotty if he can program the North door to open at 7:30 am on Sunday.

- Janitor Scotty has installed LED lights on the stairs on the South side and also has yellow tape to try to avoid anyone from falling.
- Discussed a railing in the middle of the stairs.
- President Rob reported on the letter of resignation he received from Joan Merager effective the end of December 2021 due to health issues in her family.

Vice President Danny Brown reported:

- He reported he had talked to our insurance agent at First Madison Insurance, Greg Fender and he reported the policy will have an increase of \$1800.00, and everything looks good. The only request of the insurance company is if we hire someone new and Sunday school teachers, and volunteers need to have a background check.
- We must provide a birthdate of anyone driving the church car and a list of drivers for the insurance company.
- At the Annual meeting in January they will ask the congregation to make a motion to sell the church car.
- The council needs to make a motion to amend Pastor Bob & Deacon Suzanne contract.

Parish Ed. Chair Susan Farrell-Poncelet reported:

- November 21st the preschool Sunday school students will receive a Prayer pillow.
- Working on Advent.
- Confirmation was held on October 31st with 15 students confirmed.
- Jennifer Briggs and Kristin Morse handed out "Smarties" with Trinity Church information of church & Sunday school times for downtown Hal-loween and they said it was a huge success!
- December 12th will be the Christmas program with practice on December 5th.
- May 1st will be the last day of Sunday school.

Deacon Chairman Jim Iverson reported:

- They are working on lining up families to read the message and light the Advent candle, at each Sunday service for the Sundays of November 28th, December 5th, 12th, and 19th.
- Letters were mailed to the December Service Groups.
- Discussed possibly needing help for the coffee hour on November 14th.
- Local media was informed of our 100th Sanctuary Anniversary and were invited to do an article in the paper, a radio piece, or both.
- We will place a radio ad for the Christmas Eve

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- sponsorship again, and the newspaper ad for a Christmas.
- Tom Farrell will be conducting the services on November 28th in the absence of Pastor Hansen. Someone will be needed to conduct the services on December 26th as well.
- Pastor Hansen has provided a list of individuals that perhaps would like to be added to our monthly home communion list. The 3rd Sunday of the month.
- Pastor Hansen asked if someone would conduct the Saturday evening service on the first Saturday of January, February, and March.
- Pastor Hansen will do Christmas Eve service at 5:00 and 10:00pm.

Trustee Chairman Dana Hoff reported:

- Discussing stewardship and would like to do Temple Talks on November 21st, 28th, and December 5th. The theme would be "I Want My Life to Make A Difference."
- Jim Iverson made a motion to amend the contract of Pastor Bob & Suzanne as their supplemental insurance will be through Sanford Health at \$98.00 each per month replacing Portico, and we will pay \$250.00 each for Pastor Bob & Deacon Suzanne and there will be a saving of about \$30.00 a month for the church. Lori Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

New Business:

- 2022 Mission Plan needs to be completed by December 14th council meeting.
- 2021 Annual reports need to be in the office to Alex by December 15th.
- November 14th is the 100th Anniversary Celebration and all loose offering and checks that are designated to "I Am In Principle Account" will help to lower our principle.
- Our Bethel Governing Board Member Millie Moser has resigned and at the Annual Meeting in January Trinity needs to elect a governing board member and they meet the 4th Monday of each month.
- ARPA Funds & Application can be applied for sending in our Covid-19 expenses and completing the application and President Thuringer will complete the form.
- Lori Schultz made a motion to favor an engagement letter to Nelson Bookkeeping to renew the bookkeeping position for Trinity Lutheran

Church. Jennifer Briggs seconded. Motion passed.

- Committees are working on updating our Membership list for Trinity Church. If you have a new address or phone numbers please call the church and give them your information.
- Joan Merager presented a check to Trinity Church from the Four Seasons Fleamarket for \$569.10. This was for leftover items that Joan delivered to the fleamarket after the Trinity Rummage Sale, these items did not sell at the armory sale. Joan made a motion to apply this money to the principal of the "I Am In Campaign" and if there is further money it will be put into the general account and Jennifer Briggs seconded. Motion passed. We are asking our members if they have items that they are not using they may take them to the Four Seasons Fleamarket (2 boxes per week per household) and gently used and clean items and donate them to Trinity Church.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bridget Van Liere and seconded by Dana Hoff, in closing Pastor Bob led us all in reciting The Lord's Prayer.

Next council meeting will be December 14th, 2021.

Trustees provided the treats for the November council meeting.

Deacons will provide the treats for the December council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Merager, Council Secretary

Church Council Openings

The nominating committee wants to hear from YOU! We ask that you prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents as a member of Trinity's Church Council.

To explore options for serving on Council please contact Pastor Bob, or any member of the Nominating Committee.

Becky Brown: 605-270-2160

Patti Weber: 605-480-3231

Julie Jones: 605-270-9715

Scott Delzer: 605-270-0859

Susan Williams: 605-480-0201

Brenda Strom: 605-480-1402

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays Home Communion on the 3rd Sunday		
02 <i>Christmas II</i> • 8:45AM - 9:45AM Traditional Worship : Sanctuary • 10:00AM - 10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & Open Forum Discussion : Fellowship Hall • 11:00AM - 12:00PM Celebration Worship : Sanctuary • 12:00PM - 1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM	03 • 12:00AM - 11:59PM Preschool Resumes • 6:00PM - 7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM - 8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall	04 • 10:00AM - 11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 1:00PM - 4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM - 6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18
09 <i>Baptism of Our Lord</i> • 8:45AM - 9:45AM Traditional Worship : Sanctuary • 10:00AM - 10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & Open Forum Discussion : Fellowship Hall ; Sunday School : Sunday School Rooms • 11:00AM - 12:00PM Celebration Worship : Sanctuary • 12:00PM - 1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM	10 • 11:00AM - 12:00PM Terry Heibult Funeral : Sanctuary • 6:00PM - 7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM - 8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall	11 • 10:00AM - 11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 12:00PM - 1:00PM Finance Meeting : Zoom • 1:00PM - 4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:00PM - 6:00PM Precouncil Executives' Meeting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM - 6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18 • 6:30PM - 7:30PM BSA Pack 5 Wolf Den Mtng. : Conference Room • 6:30PM - 7:00PM Parish Education Board Meeting : Youth Room ; Deacons' Board Meeting : Fireside Room ; Trustees' Board Meeting : Fellowship Hall • 7:00PM - 9:00PM Council Meeting : Fellowship Hall
16 • 8:45AM - 9:45AM Traditional Worship : Sanctuary • 10:00AM - 10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & Open Forum Discussion : Fellowship Hall ; Sunday School : Sunday School Rooms • 11:00AM - 12:00PM Celebration Worship : Sanctuary • 12:00PM - 1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM	17 • 12:00AM - 11:59PM No Preschool-MLK, Jr. Day • 6:00PM - 7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM - 8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall	18 • 10:00AM - 11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 1:00PM - 4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM - 6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18
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2022

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			01 <i>New Year's Day</i>
<p>05</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:30PM - 5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:00PM - 5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 5:15PM - 6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:30PM - 6:30PM 6th-8th Confirmation : Fellowship Hall, Upper Level Sun. School Rooms • 6:30PM - 7:15PM Celebration Team Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 6:30PM - 7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal : Fellowship Hall • 7:00PM - 8:00PM HS Youth Group : Youth Room 	<p>06 <i>Epiphany of Our Lord</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:00PM - 3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM - 7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting : Fireside Room 	<p>07</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30AM - 7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study 	<p>08</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5:00PM - 6:00PM Fellowship Potluck Meal : Fellowship Hall • 6:00PM - 7:00PM Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion : Fellowship Hall
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Membership Information

Is your info. up-to-date?

Have you moved? Did you disconnect your land-line? Did you change your e-mail address? Did you get married? Did you have a baby? Did you get a divorce? Do you wonder why the church has not been connecting with you? Please notify the church office when you have an address change, e-mail change, marital status change, etc. or update the information on your Realm account.

Save the Date – Bingo Bash

Sunday, January 30th at Noon
More details to come

Annual Report Submissions

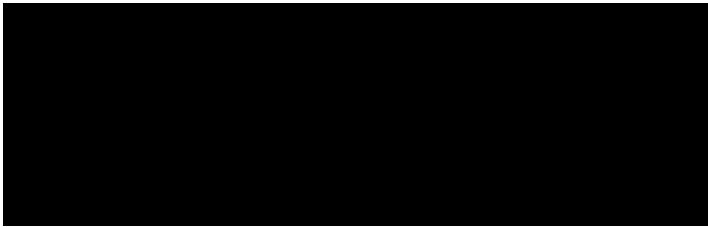
Please submit your annual reports for 2021 to the church office. They may be e-mailed to officemanager@tlcmadison.com. Thank you!

Worship Assistant Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers to take care of the various aspects of worship. To volunteer, please contact the church office at 256-2771 or officemanager@tlcmadison.com. You may also use the sign-up sheet located in the narthex. Thank you.

Men’s Group Update

The Men’s Bible Study Group is intending on starting a new book: The Gospel of Luke. We will begin the book on January 7th at 6:30 a.m. on Zoom. All male members of TLC are invited and should contact the office for more details.



Join us each Thursday
1:00–3:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall
for Coffee Time on Thursdays
All are welcome!

Home Communion Helpers

Thank you to the following for delivering Home Communion during December: Roger and Nancy Moose.



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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God’s work. Our hands.

From the Bishop’s Desk
Happy New Year!

Partners in Ministry, sojourners in Christ,
Grace and Peace to you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

As 2022 stretches out in front of us I pray that hope and joy in Christ will be yours. We know that trouble always finds us, but be assured that in the baptismal waters Christ found and claimed you long before trouble will find you. Therefore let us set out to journey together in Christ with the confidence that nothing between heaven and earth will ever be able to separate us from the love of God, which comes to us in and through Christ Jesus. Personally, I am looking forward to journeying with you in Christ through your congregation’s joys and challenges. I am always up to join you for Sunday morning or mid-week worship services, congregational forums, coffee fellowship, or a potluck meal. Please, know that I am available to come and be with you, but also know that my door is always open in case you have questions or concerns about the SD Synod or how we are being church together as the ELCA. I continue to be committed to listening to you, learning from you, and caring for you. Let’s begin the new year in the good hope that God’s still God and the assurance that no matter what we are God’s people journeying together in Christ.

Journeying in Christ with you,
Rev. Constanze Hagmaier
Bishop of the South Dakota Synod, ELCA

NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

In Memory of Chuck Pulford

Bill and Diane Bruns
Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Evelyn Plack

Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Floris Hilmoe

Gene and Marilyn Hexom

In Memory of Marlys Schultz

Doris Payne
Sharol Bargmann
Myron and Clara Downs
Marv and Sandy Rhode
Mike and Sharon Halseth
Sharon and Dan Carlson
Tom and Joyce Farrell
Loyal Electric
Daniel and Elizabeth Koch
Cash Memorials
Peggy Hoff
Mr. and Mrs. Arguss
Glen and Janet Davis
Dale and Jill Nelson
John and Kristin Morse
Sherwood Beek
Kay Becker
Paul and Judith Kludt
Marc and Lana Molskness
Mary Dragseth
Daryl and Kirsten Molskness
Todd and Susan Williams
Darin Gullickson
Dianne Clancy
Mr. and Mrs. Crum
Jill Strom
Linda and William Lurken
Joe and Judy Keffeler
Dale and Jackie Lofswold
John Goeman
Marvin Olson
Delon Mork
Craig and Carla VandenBosch
Matt and Kim Bruns
Mark and Rebecca Odland
Michael and Deborah Olson
James and Susan Langner
Dennis Doer and Judith Payne
Dick and Barb Ellis
Jon and Mary Hunter



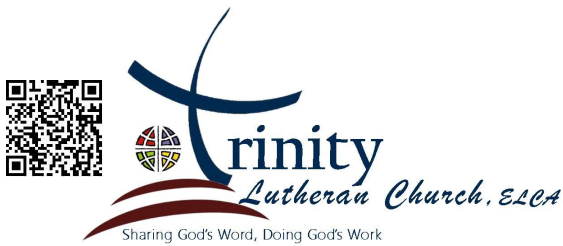
Many thanks to everyone who made this Christmas a little brighter by filling a shoebox for one of the residents of McCrossan Boys Ranch! The kids really enjoyed them!

Worship Service Broadcasts

Trinity's Sunday worship services are available for livestreaming on our YouTube channel. You can locate Trinity's YouTube broadcasts at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChJnM7Q5qrov8sKctyvJ_rA. Don't forget to subscribe to the channel and click the bell to get notifications of new videos.

You may listen to the radio broadcast of Sunday worship on KJAM 1390 AM at noon (12:00 p.m.) on Sundays.

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Financial Giving Options

- Checks can be mailed to the church.
- Credit cards can be processed in the church office.
- The church website (www.tlcmadison.com) allows for one-time or recurring donations using a checking/savings account or a credit/debit card.
- The Electronic Giving option through Vanco can also be initialized by filling out an application form in the church office.
- **Note:** The Give+ Mobile App will be supported through January 31, 2022. Stay tuned for more info. on its replacement.
- If you should have questions with any of these options or would like to discuss which one is the best option for you, please call Alex at the church office at 256-2771.

Mission of the Month

The January Mission of the Month is Union Gospel Mission.

Gifts may be designated on offering envelopes to Mission of the Month Fund.

Food Pantry

The Lake County Food Pantry mission of the month for January is boxed meals.

Congregational Information

Deaths: Marlys Schultz on December 4

Kenneth Simet on December 7

Shirley Pagel on December 9

Floris Hilmoe on December 23

Monica McGillivray on December 29

Baptisms: Ember Callies on December 12

Collins Day on December 12

Weddings: none

Help Wanted

Trinity Lutheran Church has a job opening for a wedding coordinator. Contact the church office if interested.