

Trinity Times

*Gather as God's People...
Grow in Faith, Family & Service...
Go into the World as Disciples for Christ...*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Adult Education

Please join us by the fireplace in the Gustafson Room at 9:30 AM on Sunday to listen to professional people provide insights to our religious heritage and raise questions to knowledgeable religious leaders.

November 1: Darrell Jodock, First Article of our Apostles Creed

November 8: Paul Lutter, Incarnation

November 15: Pastor Christensen, Second Article of our Apostles Creed

November 22: Mary Gaebler, Holy Spirit

November 29: Sarah Johnson, Why Church

November is Name Tag Month

On Sunday, November 8th, new members will be received into our congregation. To honor that event, we encourage everyone to find and wear their name tags for the entire month! If yours has been lost, notify the church office and a new one will be made for you. The nametags make it easier for our new members to get to know us, as well as for us to know them! Let's make this an opportunity for all of us to get to know more of our Trinity family.

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Your Help is Needed!

EMERGENCY! EMERGENCY! The Church Council has authorized a special offering for the purpose of replacing our dishwasher in the kitchen. This equipment, now over 30 years old, has reached the point where we can no longer get replacement parts and where it is functioning so inefficiently as to put all of us (and the public now served 2 meals/week at Trinity) at health risk. We are no longer able to properly sanitize our plates, glasses, and utensils or to meet current public standards of cleanliness. The cost of a replacement dishwasher will be approximately \$10,000. PLEASE ASSIST US as no funds are currently available to make this replacement. Use the special offering envelope in the pew and mark it DISHWASHER or place a check in our offering with "Dishwasher" on the information line.

IRA Rollover Extended

What does this mean? This means that you can give directly from your IRA to a qualified charity.

- As a donor, you need to have reached age 70 ½
- Up to \$100,000 may be transferred from an IRA by Dec. 31, 2009.
- Married couples who each have an IRA can each give up to \$100,000.
- The charity needs to be qualified to accept a rollover distribution.
- It must be an outright gift.
- It needs to be a direct transfer from the IRA custodian to the charity.
- Let the church or charity know of your intentions to make a rollover distribution.
- An IRA rollover is not included in the donors' taxable income and consequently there is no income tax deduction.

Contact your IRA custodian and/or tax professional for help in the transfer process.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

The Natwick Epistle

And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family.

ROMANS 8:27-29

God is up to something in the ELCA. I do not know what... yet. But I DO know that we have God's own promise to us that in the midst of the most difficult times: "We know that all things work together for good or those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."

As one who has grieved the decision our church made last August to allow the ordination of publicly practicing homosexuals in accountable relationships, I have discovered that conversations are starting to happen between people on opposite sides of the issue that simply weren't happening before. At the most recent SW MN Synod Theological Conference I had the opportunity to speak with those who both agreed and disagreed with my position on the issue.

Larry Wohlrabe, the NW MN Synod Bishop and former Synod Minister of our own SW MN Synod, makes these suggestions: In order to embrace this new chapter of our church's discussion of human sexuality, I propose some "talking points." Specifically, I urge us to "retire" four phrases. And I encourage us to add four other phrases to our vocabulary, so that "speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ..." (Ephesians 4:15).

Here are four statements that, in my judgment, belong on the ash heap:

1. "I don't know why we're even talking about this." I've heard this one from both proponents and opponents of the CWA's ministry policy changes. The implication is that the issue is "settled"—one way or another, so why waste our breath on it? But in fact the issue is not settled in our wider culture—nor have we arrived at a biblical consensus together. Will we ELCA Lutherans contribute to this society-wide discussion, or will we sit on the sidelines?

2. "Shame on you!" This is one of those demeaning conversation-stoppers that periodically gets lobbed into discussion like a hand grenade. All it does is to belittle folks—both the one who makes the comment and the one against whom it is aimed.

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3. "You're just a bigoted fundamentalist!" Some proponents of the CWA's ministry policy changes hurl this charge at traditionalists as a way of side-stepping their heartfelt convictions. "Fundamentalist" has become an all-purpose cuss word in some religious circles.

4. "You're ignoring what the Bible clearly teaches!" This epithet, usually uttered by opponents of the CWA's ministry policy changes, misses the fact that both sides read and study the scriptures—and both claim biblical warrant for their positions. Both treasure and read the same Bible—the distinction is in how they each interpret the Bible.

Four Phrases That Can Help Us...

1. "The peace of Christ be with you!" Some Finnish background Lutherans greet one another—even on the street—with the Peace, offered as a token that we have life only in the forgiveness that Jesus brings. What if we began and ended all our discussions of human sexuality with the passing of the peace?

2. "I hear you saying _____. Am I describing your viewpoint accurately?" What a gift it is when we listen to one another so carefully, so deeply, that we can mirror back to our partner the opinion he or she is expressing. We owe one another the gift of such patient, painstaking listening.

3. "Although we don't agree, here's something I appreciate about your position. And here's something I still struggle with in my own position." When we cling to our own views with white-knuckled clenched fists we lose our capacity to open up our hands, to learn and to grow. I hold lots of firm convictions, but I also know where my arguments are weak—and where my sparring partner is right (or close to right).

4. "Wherever this discussion takes us-- let's keep talking, praying and meeting at the foot of the Cross." Some in our church believe that we've reached a point of no return with respect to human sexuality issues. Others of us—I believe, most of us—aren't so sure. We continue to share our heartfelt disagreements in this arena, but we are also mindful of how much more still unites us. We don't see eye-to-eye yet on homosexuality. But we confess Jesus as our only Savior. We confess that *"there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all"* (Ephesians 4:4-6).

I am thankful for Bishop Wohlrabe's words of wisdom. This will not be an easy conversation for many of us to have. In the end, though, God's Will will be done. I pray that it be done through me... through us.

Pastor Eric

The Church Basement Ladies Christmas

On Saturday, November 28th, we are planning a bus trip to the Plymouth Playhouse for a 10:00 am breakfast and special 11:30 performance of "Away in the Basement, A Church Basement Ladies Christmas." The breakfast menu includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage or ham, Parmesan hash browns, assorted rolls, fresh fruit, orange juice and coffee or tea.

You may sign up between services on Sunday or in the church office. The cost is \$48.00 which includes everything—bus, play, breakfast, tip and tax. This fun event is for everyone ...men as well as women. Plan to come with us to enjoy a delightful day!

Can You Help?

We are looking for someone to stitch together 48 crocheted blocks to make a beautiful bedspread. The completed blocks have been given to us and need to be put together. Please contact Kay Mowbray, 934-3170, if you might be able to help with this project.

Quilt Raffle

Trinity Women are sponsoring a quilt raffle again this year! Chances are offered at \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00. The quilt is displayed in the narthex. Stop and check it out. The drawing for the lucky winner will take place at the Advent Brunch on December 12.

Advent Brunch/Bake Sale Coming

It will soon be time for our annual Advent Brunch! Plans and preparations are underway for the December 12th get together. This year we will host a bake sale in conjunction with the brunch, applying for matching funds from Thrivent. Please plan to share a bit of your Christmas baking to be sold that day and come to purchase other goodies to take home. The details on both events will be in the December Trinity Times.

Mission Projects

Many thanks to each of you who gave items for School Kits and the Honduras project. 24 school kits were completed and are ready to deliver to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse. Some left over items are being saved for our next School Kit drive. The items for the Honduras Mission trip were taken to the Fall Gathering on October 17. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you.

As Christmas is fast approaching, our chosen project for November thru December 15, is to collect gifts for the patients at the St. Peter Regional Treatment Center. Many of the patients do not have family or friends with whom to share holidays. Receiving a gift from you will matter greatly to someone who

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otherwise might be forgotten. Volunteers at the center select and wrap a gift for each patient. The following is a suggested list of possible gift donations. Items can be new or used, with the exception of personal grooming and food items. Cash is also greatly appreciated. Please make checks payable to SPRTC Christmas Cheer.

Toiletries

(Plastic Containers Only)

Bath Powder/ Shampoo
Cologne/Shaving Lotion
Deodorant/Hand Lotion
Toothpaste/Toothbrush
Hairbrush/Comb

Men's & Women's Clothing

(Large sizes are appreciated)

T-Shirts
Underwear
Pajamas/Night Gowns/Bathrobes
Jeans
Jackets/Gloves/Mittens
Hats/Scarves
Sweatshirt/Sweaters/Sweatpants
Flannel Shirts
Tennis shoes/Slippers/Shower Sandals

General Personal Gift Items

Candy/Gum (also diabetic)
Craft Kits/Colored Pencils/Markers
Drawing Paper/Pads & Writing Tablets/Pens
Stationery/Stamps
Books/CD's/DVD's/Cassette Tapes/Walkman
Wristwatches/Jewelry/Purses/Billfolds
Decaf Instant Coffee
Duffle Bag
Games
Alarm Clock
Bath Towels

Cash or gifts can be mailed to:

SPRTC Volunteer Office
100 Freeman Drive
St. Peter, MN 56082

Coming Up

Nov. 2, 9:15am Quilting, Noon Potluck
Nov. 3, 7:00pm Coordinating Board Meeting
Nov. 6, 1:30pm Martha Bible Study Circle
Nov. 8, 8:00am Card / Napkin Sales
Nov. 16, 9:30am Rebecca Bible Study Circle
Nov. 16, 3:30pm Hope Bible Study Circle
Nov. 28, 8:15am Bus Trip to Plymouth Playhouse

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Faith 4 Life (5-6th grade)

The Faith 4 Life group will start up again as soon as we get all the details worked out. Watch for a post card coming with more details. This regular group meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday's of the month from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Trinity. This youth group has one rule...Fun is a must! With games, a chance to learn something new & of course food of some kind (we get creative). Parents: we will need your help getting this group off the ground! Please call Lori Hanson or Erika Durheim if you're willing to help.

Live the Life (7-9th grade)

The Trinity Youth Group for 7th-9th grades is being revamped. We are working out a new day/time to better accommodate busy family schedules. Stay tuned for more info!

Senior High Youth Group: O2

Do you know someone in 10-12th grade? Invite them to join us for our WEEKLY senior high youth group which meets every Wednesday evening in the Youth Room at Trinity. This is an informal small group for our confirmed youth who want to gather, grow and go deeper in their faith.

Currently we are talking about music and finding our spirituality in lyrics...Jason Schultz (our Gustavus Helper) has been leading our devotional time, it's awesome!

We understand that your schedules are busy and that sometimes you have tons of homework, but come when you can! BRING YOUR FRIENDS!! If you have any questions, please contact Erika and checkout our group on FACEBOOK!

Junior High GRAPPLE (7-9th grade)

Sunday mornings in the conference room by Erika's office, you can hear a group of rowdy kids in grades 7-9 talking, wrestling, grappling with issues of faith! This group meets in 4 week blocks....the current discussion is: WORD!! Join us from 9:30-10:30 every Sunday for some fun! BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Trinity's Mission Statement

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to:

Gather as God's people,
Grow in faith, family and service, and
Go into the world as disciples for Christ.

Jesus. Justice. Jazz - J3 - On Tour!

That was the theme at the 2009 ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, Louisiana. Trinity, First, and Scandian Grove teamed up to go to this amazing event as a big group, the J3 Saints! The musicians you loved in NOLA are coming to Gustavus on Sat., Nov. 7th. Cost to attend is \$10. Please see Erika for more details. The first 5 people to register get in FREE!!!

Happy Birthday to "The Kitchen"! Celebrating 1 year of serving a free meal to those in need!!

We've served for 52 weeks! We started serving Monday November 3rd, 2008.

The idea for a free meal in St Peter came from Trinity's group of Senior High Youth that served at soup kitchens during their 2008 summer mission trip to Chicago. Wanting to continue their mission work locally, they have started "The Kitchen."

Trinity continues to host a weekly free meal for those in need from 5:30-6:30pm in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall for St Peter Area Residents.

There is a great need for help to make sure that this much needed ministry is successful. There are 5 main ways in which you can help "the Kitchen":

- 1) Donate food
- 2) Volunteer your time (sign up online: www.servingtheneed.org)
- 3) Make a monetary contribution (donations will be used to purchase food, drinks, supplies and to cover operating expenses)
- 4) PRAY FOR US! We need your support. Please add "the Kitchen" to your prayers.

Check us out online: www.servingtheneed.org

Y&F Calendar Notes

No Confirmation or Senior High Youth Group on Wed. Nov 25th and No GRAPPLE on Sun. Nov 29th Due to Thanksgiving.

Junior High Synod Youth Gathering in Willmar: Nov. 21-22

"Whatever Whenever" This annual youth gathering for 7th - 9th Graders is an annual favorite! The theme this year is Whatever Whenever (Phil. 4:13). Trinity is sending 29 youth and 7 adults and we're joining First Lutheran who is sending 27 youth and 7 adults....We'll have a big group of St Peter people....70 folks! WOW!! The Deadline for this event has passed, but ask Erika to get on the waiting list - we may have a cancellation. **Important Reminder for all Willmar participants: Required, informational meeting on Wed. Nov 18th @ 8:05pm! Youth and one parent need to attend. Thanks!

First Communion Milestone

We rejoice with 16 of our Fifth Graders and their families as they celebrate a very special milestone in their journey of faith. On Sunday, November 1, at the 10:45 am Family Worship they will receive the Lord's Supper for the first time. When you see one of these young people, take a moment to acknowledge this special event in their lives. Those receiving Holy Communion for the first time were:

Devon Aretz	Kayla King
Parker Baron	Yaasi Lambert
Gregory Berry	Trevor Ogren
Ryan Conlon	Connor Prafke
Cami Cummings	Parker Sisler
Alexander Eberhart	Daniel Rustman
Kelli Hanson	Ashlyn Schlueter
Signe Jeremiason	Sam Schmidt

All Saints, Sun., Nov. 1st

We remember those Saints gone before us:

Gene W. Nelson	Alvin J. Meyer
Marian C. J. Skogstad	Beulah O. Martens
Jaqueline J. Elliott	Tod Tillman
Roger Bird	J. Martin Rud
Evelyn D. Ricci	Lawrence E. Haugen
Tyler M. Heilman	Dorothy J. Nye
Adeline E. Kretschmer	Roland C. Schwichtenberg
Gordon A. Asleson	Leland L. Poppen
Florence H. Rich	Kathleen J Hamrum

Baptisms since last All Saints Sunday:

Collyn Robert Vogel
Miles Loren Wentz
Emmalina Elizabeth Walsh
Everett Michael Pettis
Isiah Anthony Boyer
Reid William Sandy
Layla Junellen Franke
Jake Perry Banks
Kyle Mark Youngblom
Amelia Evelyn Davis
David Michael Barke
Sarah Alice Cooke
Alexander John Fromm
Addison Mae Jaeger
Jack Arthur Thompson
Ashton Rhyse Robert Guida
Shelby Evelyn Jones
Hailey Briana Sykora

The Church Council has approved a recommendation of a "congregational organ repair and update committee" that has been meeting over the summer months. Most of our members are likely not aware of organ repair issues, in that we have the good fortune of an associate of Robert Hoppe, our organ builder, who resides in Mankato and is able to repeatedly respond to Saturday night invitations to "help" because of various repair needs that beset our organ. The resolution is explanatory. The changes will bring our organ up to contemporary standards. Additionally, some acoustic issues in our sanctuary will be addressed by the organ builder. They are included in the estimate. The campaign for funds, along with decisions regarding the campaign's implementation, will be delayed until 2010. We are assured that the financial estimate will be very close to that guaranteed until the end of 2009. The Resolution is printed below:

Whereas, Trinity Lutheran Church subscribes to the deep Lutheran tradition of supporting, encouraging, and stewarding the arts, especially music, and

Whereas, our church organ is in need of repair, increasing maintenance and adjustment, and

Whereas, our church organ no longer meets contemporary standards and norms, and

Whereas, the organ has been and will remain the primary instrument for church music, therefore

Be it resolved, that the Trinity Lutheran Church Council accept the recommendation of the Organ Committee to repair and upgrade our organ, working with Robert Hoppe and Associates. These changes shall include: a new three manual console with built-in MIDI system, keyboard, stops, and internal electronic system, three manual console with a division of digital voices that would support congregational singing on the west side of the sanctuary, new console case of solid red oak finished to match existing woodwork, locking rolltop, music light, lighted pedalboard, and adjustable bench, guarantee of the new console by builder against mechanical, structural, or electrical defect for 10 years. The cost of the project is guaranteed to the end of 2009 at \$46,700 with 35% due upon agreement signing, 25% due upon completion of cabinetry, 25% dues upon delivery, and balance upon completion and acceptance.

Be it further resolved, that the Trinity Lutheran Church Council authorizes a campaign within our congregation to inform members of the need and to begin seeking funding support for the organ upgrade project.

Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter Deadline for the December newsletter is Thursday, November 12th. Items must be turned in by the deadline. All items are preferred in an **electronic format** and can be emailed to editor@trinitystpeter.org.

The Simplicity of Stewardship

Stewardship is taking personal responsibility of something we own or that is owned by someone else. We are called upon to share our time, attention, health and energy to share the blessings that God has given to all of us. Jesus commands us to love one another as He has loved us. He calls us into relationships within our community and to live as His disciples. If we trust that God has abundantly provided us with what we need, we will live in that abundance and give of the blessings we have received—trusting that God will always give us all we need. All that we are and all that we have comes as a blessing from God. It is our responsibility to care, share and use these blessings wisely. Imagine how we can inspire each other with an attitude of gratitude and generosity.

In an organizational context, stewardship refers to management's responsibility to properly utilize and develop its' resources. This includes thanking donors' and conveying the impact their donations have had. We are also called to steward our environment and buildings and look after the land for ourselves and for future generations. As members of this congregation, it is our responsibility to see that this stewardship is carried out.

This fall at Trinity, we are using the resource 'Make It Simple' for our Stewardship education program. We will focus on this theme in four weekly worship services beginning November 1st. The four weekly themes are:

November 1st: Following Jesus – Matthew 6:25-33

November 8th: Facing the Truth – Psalm 51:10-12

November 15th: Acting Together – John 13:34-35

November 22nd: Sharing Enough – Philippians 4:11b-13

The theme for Make It Simple provides opportunities for study and reflection about choices we make in our daily lives. It is biblically centered and has a themed worship to help us grow in faith in our daily lives as a disciple of Jesus. Soon a letter and resource materials for Make It Simple will be sent to you. We invite you to participate, to fill out the commitment cards, to involve yourself and your family in the weekly devotions that are included with the Newsletter.

On the final Sunday, November 22nd, the focus of our worship will include an opportunity for each household to bring forward to the altar your commitment, indicating your support and financial intent to the ministry of our congregation for the coming year. We also invite you to share how you will personally grow in stewardship this coming year. If you would like to include a note or share your email address, please provide it.

God Bless!

Your Pastors and Stewardship Committee

Pastor C, Pastor Eric, Marlene Lindemeier, Brenda Moore and Kris Kracht

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Necklace Sales Update

Barb Züst, a member of Trinity, shared information with us about a couple in Kenya working with orphans there – many often made so through the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Africa. As a congregation, we have been working with this couple to provide these orphaned children with school uniforms, as a child is not allowed to attend school unless they have the required school uniform.

Making use of brightly colored pages of magazines that are cut in a special way and then tightly rolled by the children, they make beads that are then used to make necklaces.

To date \$1,925 has been raised, which is enough to provide complete uniform outfits for 24 orphans (each complete outfit costs approximately \$80). Some of the children were sent home because not enough was raised to provide uniforms for them.

The necklaces will soon be available for sale, once again, in the narthex. Consider purchasing one for a friend or a relative. Each necklace costs just \$5.

“Waterfights in the Living Room”

This is the name we use at Trinity for a milestone for 3rd graders and their parents. We promise our children in baptism that we will teach them to pray; yet, so many of us never had the experience of our own parents teaching us to pray and so we unsure of how to do it.

“Waterfights in the Living Room” is meant to give parents (and kids) some tools to do this very important things that Jesus teaches us to practice. Our catechetical focus will be the “Daily Prayer” portion of Luther’s Small Catechism. Parents will meet with Pastor Eric on Sunday, November 22, during the Sunday School hour to learn new ways of doing daily prayers and devotions at home. 3rd graders and their teachers will join us toward the end of the session. A milestone gift will be presented to each 3rd Grader at the 10:45 am Family Worship Service.

Early Holiday Shoppers:

For your early holiday shopping, we have received catalogs from Lutheran World Relief, ELCA Missions, Heifer International, as well as some special holiday “Divine Chocolate” items. Make your gifts a gift of sharing with others around the world. The catalogs are available on the table outside the Gustafson Fellowship Hall. You may borrow one for a week or so, but kindly return them for others to use.

When Cooler Weather Comes, a Hot Meal Tastes Better at Trinity Café!



Take a break from the kitchen and let us do the cooking for you! Join us on Wednesday evenings for supper at Trinity. Our "Fellowship Supper" is now: "Trinity Café" Look for some new menu offerings along with some of the old favorites.

We serve each Wednesday from

5:15-6:15 p.m. in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall. Come and share some fine food with family and friends.

Trinity Café is not a fund-raiser, but an opportunity to gather with others during the week over a meal – our goal is to break even while providing good food to great people. Cost for the Trinity Café is \$5/person, with a maximum of \$17/family.

November 4 Chili, Corn Bread, Grilled Cheese, Cold Veggies, Salad, Bread, Drink, Dessert

November 11 Tater Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Drink, Dessert

November 18 Bacon-wrapped Pork Tenderloin, Baked Potatoes, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Bread, Drink, Dessert

Habitat for Humanity

The St. Peter Chapter of Habitat for Humanity will hold a general/all committee meeting on Monday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at Union Presbyterian Church, 311 West Locust Street. Volunteers from each of the five working committees will give updates on current Habitat projects. These committees are public relations/fundraising, family partners, family selection, site selection, and building. People interested in learning more about Habitat for Humanity are encouraged to attend. New people are needed to help with long or short-term projects in all areas of the organization. Refreshments will be served.

Thrivent Annual Elections

The St Peter Area Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will be holding their annual elections for Chapter Leaders on November 15th from 8:30am to 10:30am. Thrivent members, please look for voting table in the narthex. Anyone interested in getting more information on becoming a chapter leader can visit with Congregational Coordinators on election day.

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Advent Services

Mark your calendars: November 29th is the First Sunday in Advent. Wednesday Advent Services will begin on Wednesday, December 2nd, 7 p.m. Hanging of the Greens is on the calendar for December 2nd from 1:00-5:00 p.m., Come help decorate, have supper and worship!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Beau Bachman, Reed Woyda and Dale Mowbray as they were recipients of awards from the local Kiwanis Club. This was the first time the Kiwanis Club has made awards to outstanding juniors and seniors in high school. Beau was awarded the Distinguished Youth Leadership Award, he has been a leader of Youth Groups at Trinity, his leadership of high school sports teams and his service on the boards of SW MN Synod Youth; Reed received the Distinguished Youth Community Service Award for his work in starting, and continuing to work at, "The Kitchen" which serves free meals to anyone in need; and Dale was recognized with the Distinguished Community Volunteer Award for all his volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, at church, at Heritage Meadows and driving for both Nicollet County and Vine, many more volunteer jobs too. We congratulate all of them and thank them for their service to Trinity and the community.

Amazing Greys

Amazing Greys will meet on Tuesday, November 10, 1:30 pm in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall. Helen Christensen will be your hostess. Invite a friend or stranger, neighbor or relative and please come for the good gathering of Gospel, games, goodies and gab!

A Thank You...

The family of Leland Poppen wishes to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We would also like to thank Pastor Eric for the lovely service and sermon. We also wish to thank the luncheon community for their hard work. Everything was wonderful and we appreciate all your hard work.

Remember...

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1st. Fall Back!

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Ushers and Greeters

November 1st

8:00am Harold Frey
9:30am Don & Jan Glimsdal; Bill & Marilyn Robertz
10:45am Craig & Julie Bitter

November 8th

8:00am Harold Frey; Audrey Hanson; Nancy Hanson
9:30am Joel & Carolyn Darge
10:45am Marci Elofson

November 15th

8:00am Steve & Natasha Pettis
9:30am Don & Jan Glimsdal; Bob & Sally Lambert
10:45am Marc & Wendy Bachman

November 22nd

8:00am Walt Grochow
9:30am Don & Jan Glimsdal; Harvey & Kathy Schulz
10:45am Tom & Lynn Burg; Brent & Lori Hanson

November 29th

8:00am Audrey Hanson
9:30am Doug & Sandy Minter
10:45am Marc & Wendy Bachman

Lay Readers

November 1st

8:00am Dale Mowbray
9:30am Michael Kolek

November 8th

8:00am Jan Swanson
9:30am Kirk Beyer

November 15th

8:00am Eileen Kivi
9:30am Kris Kelly

November 22nd

8:00am Barb Berg
9:30am Sandy Minter

November 29th

8:00am Leona Miller
9:30am Jim Vavreck

Altar Care

November 1st Delores Swenson; Todd & Alex Prafke
November 15th Irene Hoehn; Pei-loh Lo
November 22nd Shirley Witty; Inez Vandenburg

Video Camera

November 1st Marc Bachman
November 8th Marc Bachman
November 15th Tom Frey
November 22nd Tom Frey
November 29th Dale Bjorklund

Fellowship Hosts

November 1st Roger & Leona Herberg
November 8th Gene & Naomi Kind
November 15th Rita & Josie Gibbs
November 22nd Chuck & Marilyn Christiansen
November 29th Dale & Kay Mowbray

Council Assistants

November
10:45am Mari Feder

Vital Statistics

Baptisms

Hailey Briana Sykora,
Daughter of Justin and Briana Sykora
Born: July 1, 2009
Baptized: October 25, 2009

Weddings

Kari Reichel and Justin Francis
October 3, 2009

Erika Reckling and Jason Durheim
October 17, 2009 at Peace Lutheran, Hutchinson

Erin Gleason and Patrick Nordstrom
October 17, 2009

Amy Odegard and Darwin Hoffman
October 17, 2009 at Gustavus Arboretum

Stephanie Cummins and Chad Menke
October 24, 2009

Funerals

Gordon A. Asleson
February 6, 1921 – October 2, 2009

Leland L. Poppen
January 6, 1926 – October 6, 2009

Kathleen J. Hamrum
March 22, 1922 – October 19, 2009

SERVICE LIST

All Trinity members share in food preparation and serving duties for funerals and other church events throughout the year. The membership has been divided into 13 groups with designated coordinators for each month. This allows one group to have a month off each year. Groups move up one month each year as well, so that you are not serving in the same month each year. This list is also used to secure ushers. When your assistance is needed, a coordinator will contact you.

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Food Coordinators:

Kay Mowbray 934-3170
Agnes Akland 934-1421

Usher/Greeter Coordinators:

Craig & Julie Bitter 934-0930

Name

Banks, Aaron & Heather
Bartlett, Michael
Berg, Dave & Barb
Christiansen, Chuck & Marilyn
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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

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1st All Saints Sunday / 5th Gr. First Communion 8:00am Communion Worship 8:45am JOY! Choir 9:00am Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Communion Worship 9:30am Education Hour 9:30am Celebration Singers 9:30am First Communion Class 9:30am Grapple 10:45am Contemporary Communion Worship 7:00pm AA (Closed)	10th 8:00am MN Valley Conf. Pastor's Mtg 7:00pm Council Meeting	20th 7:00pm AA (Open)
2nd 9:15am Mission Quilting, Noon Potluck 1:30pm Martha Circle 5:30pm "The Kitchen" 7:15pm St. Peter Choral Society 8:00pm AA (Closed)	11th 7:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Morning Bible Study 11:00am Staff & Music Meetings 5:15pm Trinity Cafe (Fellowship Supper) 6:15pm Confirmation 6:15pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm Trinity Choir 7:30pm Praise Bells 7:30pm Praise Band 8:00pm O2 Sr. High Youth Group	21st Jr. High Synod Youth Gathering
3rd 5:30pm Executive Committee Meeting 6:30pm Trinity Women Board Meeting	12th December Newsletter Deadline 5:00pm Al-Anon 8:00pm AA (Closed)	22nd Christ the King Jr. High Synod Youth Gathering 8:00am Communion Worship 8:45am JOY! Choir 9:00am Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Communion Worship 9:30am Education Hour 9:30am Celebration Singers 9:30am Grapple 10:45am Contemporary Communion Worship 7:00pm AA (Closed)
4th 7:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Morning Bible Study 11:00am Staff & Music Meetings 5:15pm Trinity Cafe (Fellowship Supper) 6:15pm Confirmation 6:15pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm Trinity Choir 7:30pm Praise Bells 7:30pm Praise Band 8:00pm O2 Sr. High Youth Group	13th 7:00pm AA (Open)	23rd 5:30pm "The Kitchen" 7:15pm St. Peter Choral Society 8:00pm AA (Closed)
5th 5:00pm Al-Anon 5:30pm Truancy Circle 5:30pm New Member Potluck 8:00pm AA (Open)	15th 8:00am Communion Worship 8:45am JOY! Choir 9:00am Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Communion Worship 9:30am Education Hour 9:30am Celebration Singers 9:30am Grapple 10:45am Contemporary Communion Worship 7:00pm AA (Closed)	25th 7:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Morning Bible Study 11:00am Staff & Music Meetings 6:15pm Beth Moore Bible Study 7:00pm Ecumenical Worship at Church of St. Peter
6th 7:00pm AA (Open)	16th 9:30am Rebecca Circle (at Trinity) 3:30pm Hope Circle 5:30pm "The Kitchen" 7:15pm St. Peter Choral Society 8:00pm AA (Closed)	26th Church Office Closed 5:00pm Al-Anon 8:00pm AA (Open)
7th 8th Gr. Confirmation Retreat	17th 8:00am MN Valley Conf. Pastor's Mtg	27th Church Office Closed 7:00pm AA (Open)
8th New Member Sunday 8th Gr. Confirmation Retreat 8:00am Worship 8:45am JOY! Choir 9:00am Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Worship 9:30am Education Hour 9:30am Celebration Singers 9:30am Grapple 10:45am Contemporary Worship 7:00pm AA (Closed)	18th 7:00am Men's Bible Study 9:30am Morning Bible Study 11:00am Staff & Music Meetings 5:15pm Trinity Cafe (Fellowship Supper) 6:15pm Confirmation 6:15pm Beth Moore Bible Study 6:30pm Trinity Choir 7:30pm Praise Bells 7:30pm Praise Band 8:00pm O2 Sr. High Youth Group 8:00pm Willmar Pre-trip Meeting	28th 8:15am Bus Trip to Plymouth Playhouse
9th 5:30pm "The Kitchen" 7:15pm St. Peter Choral Society 8:00pm AA (Closed)	19th 5:00pm Al-Anon 5:30pm Truancy Circle 8:00pm AA (Open)	29th 1st Sunday in Advent 8:00am Worship 9:00am Coffee Fellowship 9:30am Worship 9:30am Adult Education 9:30am Celebration Singers 10:45am Contemporary Communion Worship 7:00pm AA (Closed)
		30th 5:30pm "The Kitchen" 8:00pm AA (Closed)

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