

Georgetown and Trinity Lutheran Churches

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The Parish Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Trinity & Georgetown
Lutheran Churches

August 2018

Day Off:

Except for emergencies Pastor Diane will be using Fridays as a day of "Sabbath".

Georgetown Service Times: 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Service

Georgetown office hours: Please call Pastor Diane to schedule an appointment.

Trinity Service Times: 9:00 am Service 10:15 am Sunday School

Trinity office hours: Please call Pastor Diane to schedule an appointment.

Mission Statement

We are a Christian community rooted in God's love growing in Christ through reaching out and serving.

August Schedule

Council Meetings:

GLC: Thursday, August 9th at 6:00 pm

TLC: Wednesday, August 22 after the Pie and

Ice Cream Social

WELCA:

church

GLC: Wednesday, August 2nd at the

TLC: No info at time of printing

GLC: Community Meal will be no meal for the month of August. Join us back in September.

Pastor's Ponderings

“For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by God’s word and by prayer.” 1 Timothy 4: 4-5

I’ll be honest with you: I never get tired of enjoying the vitality of creation! I never get tired of looking at the green woods, the growing fields of crops. I never get tired of listening to the calls and commotion of living things in the woods. I never tire of welcoming visiting turkeys, humming birds, chipmunks, loons, etc. to the yard and lake!

Yesterday, July 14th, some of our youth and adult leaders went to Luther Park Bible Camp to attempt the High Ropes Course. It was a beautiful July morning in the woods. Congratulations to seven middle school/high school youth and two adults (Lacy Sellent and Shannon Kelch) who completed the challenge including the zip line! You are awesome! What was even more awesome was the ability to encourage each participant and to be thankful together for our time in God’s creation! We were also thankful to the Luther Park leaders who skillfully and safely led them through the course.

Our church sponsors many fine camps, Luther Park being one of them. Others that folks from our congregation have attended include Luther Point and Wapogasset. If you have never been to a camp or attended a retreat or week of programming, you should consider it. The facilities are wonderful, the staff is friendly, the food is good and the time in creation is precious! Studying God’s Word at camp is a great way to feed your faith. Many lasting friendships have been formed in this way and that is a valuable asset to faith formation.

Thank you to all of you who support our camps with your offerings, your quilts for auction, and your prayers and spiritual support. This important ministry is not possible without your support! I hope next summer we can send our confirmation youth for a week and encourage them to grow in their faith in this special way.

Pastor Diane

****Information for the upcoming newsletter is due ** the 25th of the month by noon!**

When entering the hospital, please tell the admitting personnel that you are a member of our church. Have a family member contact the church office or pastor’s office so you can receive pastoral care during your hospital stay. Like a visit from pastor? Call the church or pastor’s office and request a visit or let her know on a Sunday morning. Remember to update the church office with changes of address, phone numbers, or e-mail. Both churches are on Facebook. Friend us on Facebook! Contact Kathy Greener at Trinity and Jody Binfet at Georgetown to have us post an event, announce in church or share a picture.

**Blood Drive
Balsam Lake Community
Located at Georgetown
Lutheran Church
Monday, August 6, 2018
12:30pm to 6:30pm**

Georgetown Lutheran Church Council Meeting
Thursday, June 12, 2018

Trinity WELCA
Meeting Minutes:

There was not a regular meeting for the month of July, and this was the month for our "Mystery Trip." Those that attended: Deedra, Ellen, Fail, Gurine, Kathy Grenquist, Joann Sellent, and Jan Anderson.

We met at church at 9:00 and traveled to Trego to visit with Neal and Dorene at their home. We had a lovely visit, and thank them so much for having us. We walked the labyrinth which was a really nice experience.

Then we went to the Spooner Train Museum, and had a wonderful tour. It was really interesting to see replicas and learn about the train station that was a part of our local history.

We had lunch at the Riverside Restaurant, which was really nice, and we got to visit, we also voted to pay for the last of the money for the umbrella and stand for our picnic tables from our treasury, and afterwards we went to the Art Mall and did a bit of shopping.

The day was fun, and we enjoyed it.

See everyone in August!

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Bergmann, Secretary

Present: Steve Hansen, Jeanne Johnson, Charlotte Peper, Dale Jensen, Teresa Vollrath, Kirsten Kluglow, Dennis Wiese and Pastor Diane House.

President, Steve Hansen called the meeting to order.

Pastor Diane did opening prayer.

Secretary's report was read and approved.

Treasurer's report was discussed, with the reminder that we are behind budget.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Pastor's report:

Pastor Diane voiced her concern on Christian education. It was decided the Pastor would meet with the Deacons and Elders after the meeting to discuss our options.

There was a discussion about the church secretary and it was decided to terminate her position.

Old Business:

Discussion on patio work already done and that work that still need to be finished. It was decided to pay for work already done and Dale would talk to someone about black dirt. Discussion on appeal letter, it is written and will be in the mail by Monday.

Seasonal member update started, we now have seven or eight. Suggestion was made that we specifically invite these people by invitation and acknowledge them on the 2nd Sunday in August. Pastor Diane will do invitations.

New Business:

Wednesday night education will be further discussed later.

Discussion on fund raisers, it was decided that we need more enthusiasm.

Propane contract was discussed. We are now on a budget plan \$218.00/month..Motion to approve contract was made and passed.

Discussion on the actual title of our church was stated as Georgetown Community Lutheran Free Church. Paperwork is being done to correct this issue.

Discussion on paying to have the organ fixed. MMP

Next meeting will be August 9th, 6:00 pm at church. Motion to adjourn MMP.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

ITEMIZED CATEGORIES – JUNE 2018
6/1/2018 through 7/30/2018 (Cash Basis)
INCOME 4,130.75

Miscellaneous Income	131.75
Blessing Bucket	70.00
Community Meal	61.75
Offering	3,999.00
EXPENSES	-5034.07
Church	-903.04
Electric	230.35
Maintenance & Repair	- 573.48
Telephone	99.21
Office Expenses	554.84
Ads	24.84
Postage	-200.00
Web Design	330.00
Pastor	-3,576.19
Disability	85.11
Health Insurance	-710.50
Home Equity	119.00
Life Insurance	-8.51
Mileage	-167.32
Retiree Support	-19.86
Retirement	283.69
Salary	1,932.62
Social Security Tax	249.58
Overall Total	-903.32

Shepherding Groups

Shepherding Group for August Trinity:

Leaders are Rick and Joann Sellent. Families helping include: Lee & Pam Avery, Dennis & Gail Anderson, Diana & Ken Beecroft, Jan & Ray Clark, Kathy & Sam Grenquist, Linnea Grenquist, Kelly Grenquist, Carl Grenquist, Brenda & Tim Rouzer, Lacy Sellent, Jordan Sellent, Marie & Travis Sellent.

Trinity Youth Group

August: On Sunday, August 5th the youth will be canoeing the Namekagon. Anyone interested is welcome to join--we will be leaving Trinity around 10am and plan to have lunch while on the river.

**The youth participated in several activities this July--there was the Scripture themed Scavenger Hunt at Gall's, and also the ropes course at Luther Park. One required more of a mental spirituality (to figure out the clues and what significance they held biblically), while the other was more of a physical spirituality (the ropes and the harness were used as metaphors for putting trust in God). Both activities got everyone to work together and to encourage one another--and were a lot of fun!

The youth would like to thank John and Gurine Gall for all their work in organizing a fun filled evening which included a Scripture Scavenger Hunt, s'mores, a very popular swing, and root beer floats. Thank you.

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Minutes

Meeting called to order July 17th 6pm

Present: Steve A. Mandy, Kelly, Christine, Allie Rouzer, Pastor Diane and Brenda, Treasurer Absent: Steve K.

Previous minutes read and approved Christine/Mandy carried

Treasurer's report read and approved Steve A. /Kelly carried. The council looked at the budget for the last 6 months. Contracted for 1000 gallons of prepay gas for each Parsonage and church. Parsonage to be split with Georgetown.

Pastor's Report: Pastor went through the mail received at the Parsonage.

Shooting Stars is an organization that helps families in crisis as a child is in need emergency care. They provide day to day items in kits. Also, granting small gifts similar to Make a Wish. Motion made to donate \$250 Allie/Christine carried
Motion made to donate \$500 to Luther Park Bible Camp Christine/ Allie carried

Sending out a letter invited parents and kids for an informational meeting about Sunday School, Youth group and Confirmation. Kelly will contact Debbie Wickstrom for addresses.

Motion made to finalize ongoing church personal issues. Mandy/Allie carried

Old Business: Huge Thanks to Christine, George, Pastor Diane and all helpers for a successful VBS. We had 17 kids participate.

Thank you to John and Gurine Gall and Lacy Sellent for the wonderful evening treasure hunt and campfire meal.

Still waiting for a bid from Sound and Logic

Parsonage work to be done this fall, door replacement on one and resealing of two.

New Business: Air conditioning bid from Maxwell in Luck. The bid is for two units in the Sanctuary and two in the fellowship hall, \$15,000. Council is looking into other bids 5th Sunday in July, Communion at the altar, led by Pastor Wayne and Deedra is making bread.

Canoeing trip planned for Aug. 5. Meet after church.

Outdoor Space usage meeting set for Aug. 12th at noon

Information Sunday School/Youth/ Confirmation meeting Aug.15 at 6pm for both churches

Pie and Ice Cream Social Aug. 22nd 6-7:30

Outdoor Worship Service Sunday Aug. 26th 9am

Carnival set for Sept. 22, Debbie confirmed

Sunday School Starts Sept. 23

Next Council Meeting Scheduled after Pie and Ice Cream Social 8/22

Motion to adjourn Mandy/Allie carried

Georgetown WELCA

Meeting: Wednesday, August 2, 2018 at Charlotte Peper is hostess and has Bible Study. We meet at the church at 6 pm.

Meeting Minutes: There were no minutes available for printing.

Quilting at Georgetown

We are done with quilting until next fall. We will always accept material or sheets for when we start again in fall.

Serenity House

Paper Towels- This is an on-going commitment to the homeless in our county. Do not forget our obligation to the Serenity House. We supply them with paper towels. Bring what you can to church and place in marked receptacle. This is an ongoing project we do joyfully.

Shepherding Groups for August Georgetown:

Leader is Sherry Doornink. Families helping include: Robert Doornink, Ryan & Diana Peterson, Mick & Jean Ebert, Roy & Lorna Jepsen, Emily & Jeremy Jones, Andy & Geri Mangelsen, Kirsten & Kevin Klugow, Karen Klugow, Jody Binfet, Cole Hanson, Mollie Hanson, Darcy & Tom Binfet, Reid Binfet, Alex Binfet, Nina & Michael Hutton, Mikayla Allison, Courtney Allison, Doug Jensen and Jan Norlund. Thank you to those families who helped in June.

If your name is not included in a family group please contact the church office. We apologize for the omittance.

August 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 TLC Service 9:00 GLC Service 10:30 Pastor Diane is on Vacation July 29-August 5 Youth Group Canoeing trip after church	6 GLC Blood Drive 12:30-6:30 pm	7	8	9 GLC Council Meeting @6:00 pm	10	11
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