



W/ELCA Fall Gathering **Thursday, October 10, 2019**

Thank you to Ruth Circle for planning and hosting the Fall Gathering. The speaker was Dean Hovey, a Minnesotan Author. He has written many books based in Pine County, and in rural Northeastern Minnesota. It was interesting to hear how his writing developed. His books were available to buy. We had a short business meeting and delicious treats were served. It was a fun evening.

Thanks to all who participated.

North Cluster Gathering

The event was held at Frist Lutheran in Rush City on September 26, 2019. The speaker was Doug Kraft, a volunteer from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). It was a very interesting topic. \$473.00 was collected for material offering, to purchase winter clothing for students at the local school district. W/ELCA offer collected was \$1,000.00. Synod W/ELCA received \$500.00 and Days for Girls International program received \$500.00. 26 people were in attendance. It was a good morning.

Shut-Ins

Circles: In November, you will be receiving your list of people to remember over the holidays. Either by sending a card and/or visiting them. This is the time of year to bring good cheer to those who aren't able to be out and about. We are sharing the joy of the season with others.

Blanket Ministry:

Thank you to everyone who came on October 4th to help measure, cut material, and took blankets home to finish. We made 83 blankets! We will be keeping some at Trinity for our "Blanket Ministry" program. Other places will



receive blankets include: Trinity's Outerwear Fair, Path to Home, Families in need, and Lakeside School (gifts for teens). What a blessing this project is to so many people. Thanks again.

Future Dates:

November 26th, 2019– Thanksgiving Service at Trinity, at 6:30 p.m. We are looking for pie bakers to help make pies that will be served after the worship service. Let Amber in the office know if you can bake a pie or two!

December 8th, 2019— Immanuel Lutheran Church, Almelund, MN. 10:30 a.m. Brunch and Craft Sale.

April 5th, 2020– Saturday, one day event at Gloria Dei, W/ELCA Spring Convention. Details will follow in the New Year.

Thanksgiving Thought

If the only prayer you said in your whole life was "Thank You," that would suffice.

- Meister Eckhart

