



Trinity Trumpeter



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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Mission statement: “To make disciples of all people through a faithful ministry of Word and Sacrament.”

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Pastor’s Page

I first wrote in the Trinity Trumpeter about membership and what the constitution says about it in the March 2018 Trumpeter (you can read it online at www.TrinityWalton.org). [That was more than one year ago. How many persons who have not received communion since February of 2018 responded in a positive fashion to change from their old habits of not attending church?](#) We have 97 persons who fall in the category of not having communed at Trinity since February 2018.

Below is the letter that was mailed out on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 to those persons.

In the Name of Jesus, our Good Shepherd,

In the June and July Trinity Trumpeter the Pastor’s Page focused on what it means to be a member of Trinity according to the church’s constitution. Persons who did not pick up a copy or did not have a copy emailed to them, had one mailed to them. Therefore, the news that this letter contains should not come as a surprise.

By your actions you have made it known to Trinity Lutheran Church that you are not wanting to be a member according to the Trinity Constitution. You may not have been aware that your actions are contrary to membership so at this time we want to be very clear to avoid any misunderstanding.

Please read the enclosed Pastor’s Pages from the June and July Trumpeter for review. Your name(s) will be presented at the October 27, 2019 Voter’s meeting for removal from the records as a member of Trinity since your actions have taken you outside the definition of member, unless you return to Trinity and participate in Holy Communion.

Perhaps you have been taking Holy Communion and are worshipping at another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. If that is the case, please let us know and we will send a membership transfer. If you are worshipping at a congregation that is not Lutheran Church Missouri synod, please let us know and we will provide a release of membership.

Being repentant of your actions you are most welcome to receive absolution and join us at the Lord's Table at Trinity. By your action of attending communion we will know you really do desire to be a member and fulfill your role as a member. If you have any questions or need to share information on where to send documents of your membership, please contact any of us listed below.

At the bottom of the letter was the signature of myself and each elder of Trinity. Back to the Trumpeter... Again, in July and Aug of 2019 I wrote about the Trinity Constitution and what it says about membership. Nowhere in my writings does it say, "WE are dropping anyone". The truth is whatever will happen the person has done unto themselves and they alone can change the situation. "We", "I, as pastor", the men who serve as "Elders", or the voters' at the voter's meeting are NOT doing anything to anyone. We are doing our Godly given called and elected duties of Trinity Congregation. Read Luther's Small Catechism, the section on the Office of the Keys. What "WE" are doing is acting according to the Office of the Keys and making public what already has been done by the actions of people. **AND** you will notice they are welcome to return and with great rejoicing from us, for that is indeed the intent, to return them to the fold. As you will read in the explanation of the Office of the Keys.

See you at the Lord's Table often and frequently.

In Christ, Pastor Kohinke



Ladies Tuesday Bible study will be at the home of Kathy May, 17660 Martell Rd, Bennet. September 3rd, 12:45pm

Sunday Morning Bible Class for The Month of September, will finish the Bible study on Islam. Pastor Holtzen will be back in October with the continuation of the Stories of the Old Testament Bible study!

Our Mission Dollars at Work

Our \$500 Mission Dollars for September goes to The Haiti Lutheran Mission Society. Their mission is based on Matthew 28:16-20. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Haiti is a very poor country, one of the poorest on earth. It has been ravaged by hurricanes and earthquakes. The Haiti Lutheran Mission Society is bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to these people as well as humanitarian aid. Their mission is threefold: Saving Souls by supporting 4 churches, 1 orphanage and providing seminary training for future pastors; Healing Bodies by supporting a medical clinic and mission trips of doctors and nurses from the US; and Providing Christian Education by supporting 3 accredited schools.



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Confirmation Class: We have one student this year, Whitney Bruce. So that Whitney would not be alone Shannon Moerer, confirmed 2018, joined her for summer confirmation camp. Each month the class will meet to review the homework and memory work assigned on the six-chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism.



Ladies Aide Report: meeting is held on the 3rd Thursday of every month in the church basement at 1:30 p.m. They would love to have some new members.

Their next project will help the Child Advocacy Center. They picked up nine fleece blankets. The blankets are to be given to the children; they have been cut but not tied. The ladies aid members and maybe several women in the congregation will be tying the blankets. When they are finished, they will go back to the child advocacy center.

The Ladies Aid participates in the Save-A-Label program, which helps non-profit organizations raise money. The money generated from this program is given by the Ladies Aid to Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska. The Ladies Aid earns \$.03 for each Best Choice UPC symbol redeemed, with a minimum of 1,000 labels required for redemption. Save Best Choice® Labels... It's Just that Easy



Just save the labels of Best Choice products. Be sure to save the UPC portion (proof of purchase). The Ladies Aid will earn \$30 in cash for each bundle of 1,000 UPC's. We need 900 more labels by December, 2019.

Please put your labels in the church mailbox of Ladies Aid President: Mary Jo Colbert. Or the box marked "Best Choice Labels" Thank You!

Note from Pastor Kohnke: **Ladies Aide is holding hanging by a thread** with just 4 members: Margaret Broening, Mary Jo Colbert, Shirley Holtzen, and Deb Rocker-Krahmer. Talk to one of these ladies to learn more about Ladies Aide and their Mission work with Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

Sunday Circle group: Meets the first Sunday of every month after church and are always looking for new members to join the group. Did not meet in August so they have nothing exciting to share. They will resume their meeting on Sunday September 1st!

Dinner Out will be on hold for September, as that Sunday is the Church picnic. The next dinner out will be October 20th. Place TBD Do we want to have dinner out in November & December? Please let us know by signing up on the dinner out page in the Narthex. November 24, the week of Thanksgiving and December 15th.

Flood Relief Update: Fremont

What is the latest? While relief efforts have been in progress around our state, the largest concentrated relief is happening in the Fremont area. Good Shepherd, Fremont established Project Restore with a grant from The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to become a staging site for volunteer work groups offering assistance to individuals in Fremont and the surrounding communities. We have had groups from IL, MO, KS, AZ, and TX serve with us this summer, but there is still more work to be done. If you have youth groups, small groups, or individuals who are interested in helping Nebraskans in need, Project Restore NEEDS YOU! They are looking for people who are willing to volunteer in clean-up and restoration work. Sign up using this link and invite your friends to help be the hands and feet of Christ's Church as we serve those in need:

<https://www.goodshepherdlutheranchurch.org/project-restore-signup>. If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact Traci Kohls at Project Restore at (402) 721-8412 or traci@gslcfremont.org.

September Birthdays

9/1 Mark Kemper, Mat Broening, Melinda Larsen
9/4 Laura Hametis, Paul Lemke
9/6 Edan May, Andrew DeNino
9/9 Steve Hiatt
9/15 Elizabeth Gierke
9/16 Adeline Piper
9/18 Tracy Refior
9/22 Kaytlan Rocker, Emma Rink
9/27 Madelyn Rosecrans



September Anniversaries

9/8 Derrick & Megan Rexroth 2018
9/11 Jeff & Christie Gierke 1990
9/23 Rev. Kevin & Candace Kohnke 1995
9/24 Mark & Denise Moerer 2005
9/25 Dennis & Rosanne McClarnon 1977
9/30 Tom & Connie May 1972



The Parking lot Church sign has been repaired and Updated!!

If you have needed a reason to come back to church, then here is “your sign!” Do you have an idea of a phrase or witty thing to be added to the sign for people to read as they drive by? Submit your idea to Laura or Pastor for approval! It’s starting to get cooler out, it won’t be too hot to keep changing the sign!!



They will need to be short...as we don’t have a lot of room!



Alaska Mission for Christ

Facilitating a bold witness to Jesus Christ in every
community in Alaska

Please join us on Sunday, September 8th at 9:00 a.m. (NOTICE CHANGE OF DATE) Jan Bruick will provide a presentation on Alaska Mission for Christ. We will learn how we can be a part of this mission by sending a team to Alaska in the summer of 2020! Learn more at <https://www.alaskamissionforchrist.org/>

Or follow them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/alaskamissionforchrist/> on Facebook you will see lots of pictures of the mission teams and the variety of ages represented.

Giving Hearts ~N~ Hands:

Meetings held the second Wednesday of the month @ 10:30
Sunday September 15, 2019, 2nd Annual

Trinity Lutheran Church Picnic

BINGO!! Pastor, Candy and family always make this fun.
Water Balloons: weather permitting

Fun, Games, and Socializing
Deb will be throwing tee-shirts

Awesome Dogs, Yummy Yum Yums

Come Join Us:
Bring Friends and Family
And a favorite side dish.

Sunday September 15, 2019
11:30 - ???

2nd Annual Trinity Lutheran Picnic

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do all to the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:31



Main Street Living

Main Street Living is a Lutheran Television program that is endorsed by the Nebraska District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The program receives no funding from the District but is totally funded by viewers and congregations of the KLKN Viewing area. The program is broadcast on KLKN, the ABC network affiliate in Lincoln on Sunday morning, starting at 10:00 AM.

The first 30 minutes are remastered episodes of the popular "This is the Life" series that was very popular in the 70's and 80's. The second half of the program is a modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the station's broadcast area.

The program can also be watched online at any time that is convenient to you.

www.Mainstreetliving.com

Alberts Joke of the month!



From your Secretary!



Name: _____

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

John 8:12

JESUS said: _____

Matt 5:13-16

You are the GLITH of the OWRDL.
 A TCYI on a ILLH cannot be hidden.
 Neither do people light a AMLP
 and put it under a LOBW. Instead they
 put it on a SANTD, and it gives light
 to VEREYNOE in the house.
 In the same way, let your light HSNIE
 before ENM, that they may see your
DOOG EEDS and

Unscramble the letters in the circles and see what he said this would do for God.

_____ your Father in heaven.

September 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 9 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10 am Divine Service 11:15am Sunday Circle | 2 Labor Day | 3 12:45pm: Ladies Bible Study | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Alaska Mission Trip meeting @ 9:00 9 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10 am Divine Service | 9 | 10 | 11 10:30 am Giving Hearts ~N~ Hands | 12 | 13 | 14 7:30 am Elder's Meeting |
| 15 9 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10 am Divine Service Mom's Food Pantry Church Picnic | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 1:30pm Ladies Aide | 20 Newsletter Deadline | 21 |
| 22 9 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10 am Divine Service | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 9 am Bible Class & Sunday School 10 am Divine Service 11 am Confirmation | 30 | | | | | |

Nibbles is on hold till March of 2020, due to Holidays and other church activities.

Acolytes, Ushers, and Altar Guild servers please send an email to Tim Holtzen as he is setting up an email reminder for those who serve. Thank you! tah@nebrwesleyan.edu

Those serving in September 2019
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Elders

1st Hank Oetjen Tim Holtzen
8th Tracy Refior Roger Pearson
15th Alan Retzlaff Steve Cartagena
22nd Tracy Refior Roger Pearson
29th Hank Oetjen Steve Cartagena

Altar Guild

1st Denise Moerer, Mary Jo Colbert
8th Margene Meyer, Rosanne McClarnon
15th Erin Singh, Megan Rexroth
22nd Lisa Kemper, Sandy Kemper
29th Becky Nisley, Laura Hametis

Ushers

1st Josh May Jakob Kemper
8th Joyce Oetjen Kirk Nisley
15th Jeff Plager Ethan Kemper
22nd Ryan Plager Roland Meyer
29th Deb Pfeifer John Page

Acolytes

1st Nolan & Marin Maahs
8th **TBD**
15th Grayson & Sophia May
22nd Shannon Moerer & Whitney Bruce
29th Matthew & Madison Rink

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