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Sundays— 8:30 Worship St. Peter 9:30 SS 9:15 SS—Trinity 10:30 Worship

9:15 SS—Waverly 10:30 Worship

Tuesdays: Men's Sunrise Bible Study.

Wednesdays: Confirmation 7 pm Choir practice WLC

Thursdays: Women's Sunrise Bible

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **THCC Worship** 10/3 Hymn Picking mtg Mary Circle—WLC
- 10/4 WELCA—StP Dorcas Circle—WLC Family Confirmation Wed Evening Worship Parish Council mtg
- 10/7 WRC WELCA Fall Gathering
- 10/10 Quilting—WLC TLC Council meeting
- 10/11 Quilting—WLC **Goldfinch** Communion Youth Group
- 10/15 Joint Worship Anniversary Celebration @ TLC
- 10/17 Wine, Women & the Word
- 10/19 Articles due for November newsletter
- 10/25 Assemble Ripples @ TLC Youth Group



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October Worship Schedule

		St. Peter	Trinity	Waverly		
17 th Week after Pente-	Sunday, October 1 st	Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM		
cost Altar: Green	Wednesday, October 4 th	Worship w/Communion at Trinity 6:00 PM (Everyone welcome)				
18 th Week after Pente- cost <i>Altar: Green</i>	Sunday, October 8 th	Worship 8:30 AMWorship 10:30 AMWorship w/Comm 10:30 AM				
19 th Week after Pente- cost <i>Altar: Green</i>	Sunday, October 15 th	Worship w/Communion at Trinity (COF 5 th Anniversary) 10:30 AM Joint Sunday School at 9:15 AM Potluck meal following worship				
20 th Week after Pente- cost <i>Altar: Green</i>	Sunday, October 22 nd	Worship 8:30 AMWorship 10:30 AM		Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM		
21 th Week after Pente- cost <i>Altar: Green</i>	Sunday, October 29 th Reformation Sunday 500 th Anniversary	Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM		



WEDNESDAY WORSHIP THIS FALL

Did you like the Wednesday evening worship services this summer? Do you wish that this service time was offered more often? Starting in September, the Wednesday evening worship services will continue. October 4th, and November 1st, we will offer a Wednesday evening worship service (in addition to our Sunday morning services).

Wednesday, October 4 6:00 pm @ TLC Worship w/Communion Wednesday, November 1 6:00 pm @ TLC Worship w/Communion



If Sunday morning worship doesn't work for you, come Wednesday evenings instead



COF Celebrates 5 Years on Oct 15th

As the Lutheran church celebrates 500 years, we at Circle of Faith are celebrating 5 years of partnered ministry together! On January 22, 2018 will be the 5th Anniversary of Circle of Faith Parish. However, January is typically not a good time to hold a celebration. We would like to not have to worry about cancelling due to a snow storm, and we certainly

want all of our members who travel south for the winter to be able to celebrate with us. So we are going to celebrate early! On Sunday, October 15th, we will celebrate! Here is a schedule of events for the day:

9:15 AM Joint Sunday School (all children age 3-6th grade welcome) —9:15 Coffee time during Sunday school. 10:30 AM Joint Worship with Holy Communion Potluck Meal following worship

All activities will take place at Trinity Lutheran, Welcome.



IT'S A SECRET

Not only is this a celebration of 5 years of partnered ministry, it is also a celebration for Marilyn Oelke. Marilyn has been playing organ for 50 years, and her family would like to celebrate this milestone with us. Please join us on Sunday, October 15th to celebrate our parish's accomplishments as well as Marilyn's dedicated years of service to our Lord! And remember, Marilyn does not know this.

It is a surprise!

Reformation Day, 500 Years Later

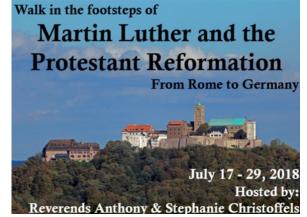
On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted his 95 theses to the doors of the castle church in Wittenberg, Germany. His actions on that day, as well as the weeks and months to follow, changed the landscape of Christianity forever. It is because of Martin Luther that we have Bibles in our homes and worship services that aren't in Latin. So, thanks Luther!

This year, October 31, 2017, is the 500th anniversary of when the Reformation movement began. To commemorate the Reformation, we have many activities planned for you to participate in:

2018 Lutherland Trip

Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie will be leading a trip to Europe to walk in the footsteps of Luther, July 17-29, 2018. There will be an informational meeting, talking about the itinerary, costs, and options of the trip. Our travel agent from Ed-Ventures, Inc. from Rochester will be there to answer any questions you may have. Brochures for the trip are available in all three churches. Snacks and beverages will be provided during the meeting.

Informational Meeting Sunday, October 22nd at 4:00 pm Trinity Lutheran, Welcome





Movie Nights

Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie invite you to a movie night at the parsonage! Come and watch the movie Luther and learn more about the beginning of the Reformation and the Lutheran movement. The movie is about 2 hours long, and snacks and beverages will be provided. If you'd like to join us, please sign up at church or go to <u>www.circleoffaithparish.org/movienight</u> to fill out an online form.

Thursday, October 26th at 6:30 pm Sunday, October 29th at 2:30 pm Monday, October 30th at 6:30 pm

Reformation Sunday

On Sunday, October 29th we will observe the 500th anniversary of the Reformation during worship at all three worship services. We will hear some of Luther's writing, sing some of the hymns Luther wrote, and celebrate Holy Communion together. Join us for worship on the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation!

St. Peter at 8:30 AM Trinity at 10:30 AM Waverly at 10:30 AM





COUNCIL MINUTES





Members present: Cliff Armbrust, Jon Helvig, Susan Rathman, Tim Peterson, Belva Peterson The meeting was called to order by the president Tim Peterson

Secretary's Report: The secretary report was read. A motion by Susan and seconded by Jon to accept the report. Motion carried.

Treasure's Report: Cliff presented the report. A motion by Jon and second by Susan to accept the report as presented, Motion carried.

Pastor's report: There will be 14 people coming from South Africa for Harvest home coming. First Lutheran will be having a pot luck on Tuesday September 19th and Waverly is invited.

Worship Committee: No report

Caring Ministries: They continue to visit members in the health care facilities. Belva will check with Trinity if they need help with the meals before the Wednesday night services

Faith Formation: No report

Property Committee: The fence is replaced around the burn barrel. The women's bathroom floor still needs to be replaced. Susan said some screens in the front of the church need some repair. We will have to decide to remove the screens or have them fixed.

Old Business: None

New Business: Jon suggested that some people should be added to sign the Farm 4 Waverly account. A motion by Susan and seconded by Cliff to add Jon Helvig, Karen Helvig and Belva Peterson to the account. Motion carried. A memo will be sent to the bank with the additions. Harvest Homecoming is this weekend 52 members from Gloria Dei will be coming on the bus.

Next meeting is November 9th 7:00 pm at the church.

Motion to adjourn by Jon and seconded by Susan. Motion carried

Sincerely submitted, Belva Peterson acting secretary



No council meeting

St. Peter Council

Monday, Sept. 18

Pastor Anthony opened the meeting with prayer. Those attending were: Pastor Anthony, Keith Franck, Jody Franck, Angie Schmidt and Muriel Klenz.

Motion by Angie, seconded by Keith to accept the secretary's report as written.

The treasurer's and benevolence reports were discussed. They were not up to date, so no action taken.

Pastor reports that confirmation class has started. Thirteen students meet Wednesdays at 4 pm for a snack, class from 4:15—5:15. St. Peter's students are Tate Leiding, an 8th grader and Ashley and Emily Muller, 7th graders. No response yet from one more 7th grader.

Neither Trinity nor Waverly wanted a closed church in the event that neither Pastor could be there. Circle of Faith pays the supply pastor. It has been decided that a supply would have one service and our Pastor would have two no matter the usual schedule.

There will be a church service the first Wednesday of the month at Trinity. 45 people attended in September, so this will continue if attendance keeps up.

Jordan Petshcke has filled the head usher position following John Schmidtke's retirement. Thank you John and Jordan.

Pastor Eric has vacation from September 25—October 9. Trinity and Waverly will each have one Sunday supply pastor. St. Peter will have Pastor Anthony both Sundays.

Circle of Faith started January 2012. Joint service celebrating five years will be held at Trinity on October 15th with a pot-luck dinner following.

Keith changed some light bulbs. We still need a big ladder.

LP has been booked for the winter.

Circle of Faith council meets during even months.

St. Peter Council has no meeting in October - next one is November 20th.

Motion to adjourn by Angie, seconded by Angie.

-Secretary, Muriel



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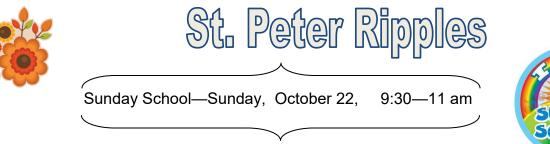
DATE	LECTOR	USHERS		
OCTOBER 1 Jordan Petshcke		Roger and Joan Rezac		
8 Jeff Petschke		Larry W Schmidt / Christian Petschke		
15	Service @ TLC 10:30 am			
22 Muriel Klenz		Gene and Annette Yackle		
29	29 Jeannine Rasmussen Todd and Tina Peta			
NOVEMBER 5 Bernice Lehmann Jeannine Rasmussen / Bernice L		Jeannine Rasmussen / Bernice Lehmann		

DATE	LECTOR	USHERS	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
OCTOBER 1	MaryAnn F Larry and Deb Philipp Log		Logan Hughes	John Borchardt Jon Saxen
8	8 Liz Stahl Marty and Wayne Burmeister		Brianna Morrow	
15	MaryAnn F. Zane / John Borchar		MiKenna Harder	
22	Liz Stahl	Tracy Winter / Velma Schaal	Logan Hughes	
29	29 MaryAnn F. John & MaryA Frerichs		Brianna Morrow	Lonnie & Bob Moffitt
NOV. 5	Liz Stahl	Joel & Becky Detert	MiKenna Harder	Brian Burmeister Velma Schaal

Waverly

DATE	LECTOR	CHILDRENS TIME	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION ASSSISTANT
OCTOBER 1	OCTOBER 1 Tim Peterson		Youth	Susan Rathman
8	Laurie Sherman	Susan Rathman	Youth	Susan Rathman
15	Services at TLC	10:30 am		
22	Lindsey Bettin	Pastor	Youth	Susan Rathman
29	Scott Peterson	Pastor	Youth	Susan Rathman
Nov. 5	Mary Lou Sherman	Kendra Helvig	Youth	Tom Peterson

October Ushers: Bob Olson, Jim Sherman, Brian Clow, Dennis Krueger, Don Nordstrom **November Ushers:** John Sherman, Tim Peterson, Cliff Armbrust, Brad Sherman, Jeff Armbrust







Next meeting: October 4th @ 1:30 pm Hostesses: Shirley Schmidt and Lorrene Knuth Bible Study: We study the Second Article of the Apostles Creed. Jesus 30 some

years of life are described in four verbs: suffered, crucified, died, and buried. In the last lines the strongest assertions of the Christian faith appear: resurrection, ascension and promised return.

Notice that we return to 1:30 for our WELCA meetings for the winter months. We assembled 27 school kits. "Thanks" to all who furnished material. We ran out of notebooks but have other items left over.

The proceeds from the Hog Roast at Ingham Bible Camp are: donations \$4,670 and pie auction \$5,985. An estimated 415 people attended to help celebrate the dedication of the new chapel. Keep this project in your prayers as work continues to finalize the remaining steps to its full completion.

Muriel reports a balance of \$1,889. The 2nd payment of \$100 has been sent to the Christoffersons, the missionaries to Taiwan we help support. We send \$300 yearly. Relay for Life got \$100 and we decided to send \$200 to the Lutheran Disaster Response for Hurricane Harvey.

The Watonwan River Conference will have its Fall Gathering, October 7th at Our Savior's in New Ulm. Registration at 8:30 and program and meeting at 9 am.

The Salvation Army food drive will be in November as usual. A box will be in the narthex.

Next work duty: Group 1 October Altar care: Jeannine Rasmussen

October birthday: Charlotte Schmidtke

Our focus verse for October:

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. (John 20:31)

Blessings—Jeannine

Saturday, October 7 Coffee-8:30 9 am Music 9:15 meeting	WATONWAN RIVER CONFERENCE WELCA FALL GATHERING "ANEW"	RSVP by Sept. 30th to 507-995-2414 (Judy Berg)
	Speaker: Deadra Stanton form Mason City, Iowa Based on Isaiah 43:19, "I am about to do a new thing" and reformation.	
	Offering - 1/2 will go to the Synod, 1/2 will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief Lunch—served by the women of Our Savior's.	
	Registration and coffee served by Lake Hanska	6



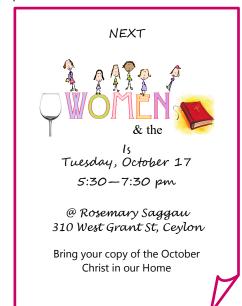


Trinity Custodial Position

Cheryl has resigned. The council accepted with regrets. So We are looking for a church custodian, effective 10/1/2017 If you are interested, please call the church office. 728-8259

Waverly Ripples







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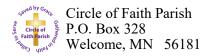
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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		Norma Schley MaryAnn Frerichs	Michael & Tena	Nate Simmonds		
			Schultz			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Gayle Odegaard Liz Stahl Landon Gerhardt Liz Knutson Kenzie Schmidtke Victor & Diana Abelson	Jodi Lueth		Laurie Sherman	Vicki Smith		Joel Minscer
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Emilee Kuehl	Jon Saxen Ralph & Maureen Stanton	Brian Rahm Ellie Kuehl	*	***
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Tate Leiding Kathy Johnson	Charlotte Schmidtke Todd & Susan	Calvin Schultze		
			Rathman			
29	30 Millie Wohlhuter Kelley Bettin Kiley Bettin Lola Lueth	31 Joyce Sathoff Dana Dettmer Jackie Frerichs Charles Rahm				Z

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"Crown Him With Many Crowns" was written in the 1800's by Mathew Bridges. He had been converted to Catholicism at age 48. He called this "The Song of the Seraphs". About thirty years later an Anglican clergyman, Godfrey Thring, contacted Bridges and asked permission to add several more verses. He felt that it should include Christians of every tribe and nation. All in all, there are 12 stanzas, but all 12 stanzas do not appear in every hymn book. I checked several hymnals and most of them had six verses - and not all the same verses!

So this hymn, written by a Roman Catholic and an Anglican clergyman, who never met, co-authored a hymn about a heaven where Christians of every tribe and nation would gather to "Crown Him Lord of All."



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