

# **Ripples of Faith** 2018



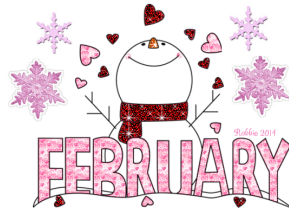
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Sundays— 8:30 Worship St. Peter  
               9:30 SS  
               9:15 SS—Trinity  
               10:30 Worship  
               9:15 SS—Waverly  
               10:30 Worship

Tuesdays: Men's Sunrise Bible Study.

Wednesdays: Confirmation  
                     7 pm Choir practice WLC

Thursdays: Women's Sunrise Bible

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

2-6	Mary Circle - WLC
2-7	WELCA - StP
	Family Confirmation Meal
	Worship
2-13	Quilting - WLC
2-14	Quilting - WLC & StP
	Goldfinch Communion
	Youth fundraiser meal @ WLC
	Ash Wednesday Service
	WLC Council meeting
2-15	Quilting - StP
2-20	Articles due for March Ripples
	THCC Worship
2-21	Youth fundraiser meal @ TLC
	Midweek Lenten service
2-23	Wedding rehearsal - WLC
2-24	Wedding - WLC
2-28	Assemble Ripples
	Quilting — Stp
	Youth fundraiser meal @ StP
	Midweek fundraiser meal

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## February Worship Schedule

		St. Peter	Trinity	Waverly
5 <sup>th</sup> Week after Epiphany	Sunday, February 4 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Green</i>	Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM
	Wednesday, February 7 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Green</i>	Worship w/Communion at Trinity 6:00 PM (Everyone welcome)		
Transfiguration of Our Lord	Sunday, February 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Worship 8:30 AM	Worship 10:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, February 14 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Communion at Waverly 6:30 PM		
1 <sup>st</sup> Week in Lent	Sunday, February 18 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship 8:30 AM	Worship 10:30 AM <i>Annual Meeting after worship</i>	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM <i>Annual Meeting at 7:00 pm</i>
	Wednesday, February 21 <sup>st</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Communion at Trinity 6:30 PM		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Week in Lent	Sunday, February 25 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM	Worship w/Comm 10:30 AM
	Wednesday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Communion at St. Peter 6:30 PM		

Midweek Lent Services: These are the themes for each weeks Lenten Service.

February 21<sup>st</sup> - Work; February 28<sup>th</sup> - Stop; March 7<sup>th</sup> - Pray; March 14<sup>th</sup> - Play; March 21<sup>st</sup> - Love

### HIGH SCHOOL

No Youth Group in February because of Ash Wednesday and the midweek Lenten services.



*Thank you to the Circle of Faith Youth group that caroled at my house before Christmas. I enjoyed it so much.*

*Elaine Johnson*

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2017 marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther nailing the 95 Theses to the doors of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. Please join Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie as we walk in the footsteps of Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation beginning in Rome and ending in Germany in the summer of 2018. Brochures are available in all three churches. For more information talk to Pastor Anthony.





# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Parish Council January 9, 2018

Parish Council Members Present include: Karen Helvig, Deb Philipp, Jon Saxen, Deanne Gaalswyk and Marilyn Cheever. Congregational President Jody Franck from St. Peter and Trinity President Henry Borchardt and Pastor Anthony Christoffels.

### Call to Order

Jon Saxen approved the agenda as presented. Jody Franck seconded that motion.

Devotions by Pastor Anthony: Noah walked in faith with God. With the start of a new year let's walk in Faith and trust in God.

Jody Franck made a motion to accept the Secretary Minutes. Jon Saxen seconded that motion.

**Treasurer's report:** Jon Saxen presented October, November and December Operating Statements, as well as the Calendar Year statements, the COF budget, and Actual statement and the COF predicted budget for 2018. Deanne Gaalswyk made a motion to approve these reports as presented. Jody Franck seconded that motion.

### Pastor's Report:

-This weekend (January 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>) the Jr High lock in will be at Trinity from 8 pm to 8 am. The Sr High lock in will be the last weekend, January 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at Waverly.

-Ash Wednesday services will be on February 14<sup>th</sup> at Waverly.

-The youth groups have decided on not going on a trip this summer, but are working toward next summer to attend one, thus giving them more time to fundraise. There will be Lenten suppers starting at 5:30 beginning the week after Ash Wednesday. Worship will begin at 6:30 and services will switch between all 3 churches for the Lenten season.

-Pastor Anthony thanked the council for vacation after Christmas. Pastor is planning a short trip to the Mesa area to visit the snowbirds from our congregations at the end of January.

-The Luther trip that will be held July 19-29 2018 currently has about 6 to 8 families which have committed to going from the 5 congregations. Beginning in March or April this trip will be opened up to the public.

-Pastor Eric is working remotely from home this week. He has some vacations coming up: The first one beginning on January 21<sup>st</sup>. He will be attending continuing education during the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of February and during the February 11<sup>th</sup> weekend. He will be on vacation the week of February 27<sup>th</sup> which includes the March 4<sup>th</sup> service. All three Sundays are already covered with pulpit supply.

### Committee Updates: None

**Old Business:** 2018 Parish Council positions: Jon Saxen is going off the council. Trinity is ok with parish council mem-

bers but could find another member if there is interest. At Waverly Deanne and Jeff will continue on for another term. We will continue to have meetings every other month. Positions will stay the same until March.

### New Business

-Payroll options: There was a discussion that payroll be done by an outside source rather than someone from the church body. Pastor Anthony recommended Clergy Financial as they work with Pastors and it's all done online. Jody makes a motion to accept the proposal for the church payroll to be completed by Clergy Financial. Deanne seconded that motion.

-Website: There was a discussion for Pastor Anthony to ask the Sr. high youth group kids to see if they would have interest in creating a website with Staff supervision. This will be discussed at each of the churches at the annual meetings and councils.

-There was discussion to keep thinking of ideas for Administrator tasks that need to be completed at the central office on the agenda.

-Children: Focus on Mission in protecting our children. There was a discussion on how to work on being mentors in relationships with kids in our churches.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 6 pm at Trinity. Jon Saxen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jody Franck seconded that motion.

Sincerely submitted, Deb Philipp - Parish Council Sec.

## Trinity Council

January 9, 2018

Members present were Henry Borchardt, Pastor Anthony, Becky Detert, John Borchardt, Velma Schaal, Jean Schock, Larry Philipp, and Bob and Lonnie Moffitt.

Agenda was approved as listed.

Pastor Anthony gave opening devotions. We are to walk by Faith. There will be changes taking place in the coming year and we need to trust in God's guidance to help us through. Sometimes we only think of God when things go wrong. Pray, Listen to God and walk by Faith not sight.

### Pastor's Report

Youth lock-ins are coming up. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade lock-in will be Jan 12 and 13 at Trinity. The Sr. High Lock-in will be Jan. 26 & 27 at WLC from 8 pm Friday evening to 8 am Saturday. Ash Wednesday is Feb. 4 and Waverly will host it. There are 5 Wednesday night services and they will rotate between the 3 churches. It was decided to change time of worship to 6:30 for the Lenten services. The youth will be deciding tomorrow if they will be doing meals before the services again as a fundraiser.

If they do it the meals will start between 5 and 5:15. Services are Feb 14 at Waverly, Feb 21 at Trinity, Feb 28 at St. Peter, Mar 7 at Waverly, Mar 14 at Trinity and Mar 21 at St. Peter. Pastor thanked us for his vacation. He also noted that he will be going to AZ the end of January to visit the snowbirds that are down there. He mentioned the Lutherland trip from July 19 to July 29, 2018 and said they would just be going to Germany. They decided against going to Rome. This will lower the price. Sign up now if you are interested as the trip will be opened up to the public in March and April.

Pastor Eric has pink eye so won't be down this week. Working from home. Will be on vacation on Jan 21, will be at Cont. Ed from Feb 4 to Feb 10 and will be on vacation the last week of Feb. 27 through Mar 4.

Secretary report, Treasurer's report and the Financial Secretary reports were gone over. It was mentioned that the payroll duties will be outsourced. Bob made a motion to approve the reports. Velma seconded. Motion carried.

There were no Faith, Caring or Property reports.

Parish Council report – outsourcing the payroll was discussed.

## Old Business

There are several council positions to be filled. Anyone willing to take a position is welcome to do so by contacting Pastor or a council member.

Cemetery By-laws – Info went out with proposed changes that will be voted on at the annual meeting.

## New Business

Annual Meeting agenda was discussed.

The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church is coming up in another 6 years or so. Sprucing up the church was discussed. Will get a list made up with costs and decide which projects should be done before the anniversary.

## Custodian Equipment and Supplies

Vacuum cleaner was discussed. Becky said there is a small Oreck on the steps to the room upstairs that has never been out of the box. The bigger Oreck needs a belt they thought. Jennie wanted to know how to pick up supplies. Velma made a motion to set up a charge account in Trimont so she can pick up what she needs and we will get a monthly bill. Bob seconded. Motion carried.

April 22, 2018 was decided on for the Turkey Dinner. Bob made a motion and Jean seconded it. Motion carried.

An endowment fund was discussed. Nothing was decided. Velma made a motion, seconded by Bob to give \$50 to the after prom party. Motion carried.

Bob made a motion, seconded by Velma to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer. Next Meeting is March 3, 2018.

President Henry Borchardt called the meeting to order. Additional item added to the agenda was what to do about the bat situation in the church.

The secretary and the Trinity and Parish treasurer reports along with the 2018 budgets were printed in the annual meeting booklet. Motion by Joel Detert, seconded by Jon Saxen to approve the reports and budgets. Motion carried. The nominating committee report was given. There are still two deacon, 1 property, and 4 board of education members needed. Motion by Lon Oelke, seconded by Scott Morrow to approve the nominees for the following positions:

President – John Borchardt

Financial Secretary – Meghan Gerhardt

Property – Zane Borchardt

Brian Burmeister

Parish Council – Scott Morrow

Motion Carried

## NEW BUSINESS

Cemetery By Laws – Motion to approve the Cemetery By Laws was made by Scott Morrow, seconded by John Borchardt. Motion carried.

It was mentioned that Trinity will have their 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024. Discussion followed as to things that could be fixed up before the anniversary. Items mentioned were the drooping ceiling tiles, carpet, etc. It was decided to form a committee to come up with a list of items over the next year and get bids on the things that could be done. The list will need to be prioritized and a game plan will need to be made. Motion by Lonnie Moffitt, seconded by Shirley Burmeister to get a committee to do the list of items and costs. Anyone interested should sign up within the next month.

There have been 4 bats caught so far in the church over the past year. The whole town seems to have a problem with them. We need to find out where they are coming in. Velma Schaal made a motion, Scott Morrow seconded that we contact an exterminator and get ideas of what can be done and see if they can figure out where they are getting in. Pastor said the Trimont parsonage had an exterminator come in. They found the holes where they were getting in, plugged them and put one way traps in so when the bats flew out they couldn't get back in. Motion carried. There is money in the repair and maintenance fund to pay for this as it was not a budgeted item.

Jon Saxen made a motion to adjourn. Velma Schaal seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Lonnie Moffitt

## St. Peter Annual mtg

January 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Jody Franck reading a "thank you for your help" letter. Angie Schmidt is stepping down from the Sunday school program. Thank you Angie for your services. We need volunteers for the 2018 deacon and trustee offices. Contact Jody if you are willing to help.

**The secretary's report** was printed in the folder. Motion by Marilyn Cheever to accept it, 2nd by Angie Schmidt, carried.

**The treasurer's report** was printed in the folder. Workers Comp figures were discussed and some bills explained. Motion to accept report by Bernice Lehmann, 2nd by Sherry Schmidt, carried.

**2017 & 2018 budgets** were discussed. Motion to accept by Sherry Schmidt, 2nd by Kathy Bremer, carried.

**Circle of Faith budget** was discussed. Motion to accept by Sherry Schmidt, 2nd by Kathy Bremer, carried.

**Pastor Anthony** explained about Thrivent gift cards available to policy holders each year to use for church projects. They probably are not useable for grants or the Honeywell service. Honeywell service costs the church \$5. per year per household. Several members voiced positive comments about the service.

All Lenten and Holy Week services will be held at 6:30 pm this year. Meals will probably be from 5—6:15. Youth and their parents will serve some of the meals with money going toward mission trips. More details later.

Pastor Anthony's trip to Germany will be 10 days in July. He has information for anyone wishing to go on this trip

**Old Business**—Purchased a vacuum cleaner, Easter and July banners from Memorial money.

**No nominating committee report**—need volunteers.

**New Business**—St. Peter's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is in 2020. Some suggestions were an outdoor service, meal, invitations to past members and pastors. Jody Franck, Jane Leiding, Janice Franck and Bernice Lehmann volunteered to be a part of the planning committee. More are needed. Contact Jody.

Motion to adjourn by Sherry Schmidt, 2nd by Janice Franck, carried. Secretary — Muriel Klenz

## Waverly Annual mtg

Sunday January 21, 2018

President Tim Peterson called the meeting to order. 27 Members present. Devotions/Litany led by Pastor Anthony.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes read from the 2017 Annual meeting. Motion was made to accept 2nd. Motion carried.

**Treasure's Report:** 2017 Year-end Statement presented. 2018 Budgets were reviewed for Waverly and Circle of Faith. Clarifications regarding a CD were made by Cliff Armbrust. The Steeple is in need of repair. Motion to move the discussion of Steeple repair to the Church Council was made and 2nd. Motion Carried. The church piano is in need of tuning.

Motion made to move the funds from Church Music to be used to have the piano tuned. Motion 2nd and carried. Motion was made to accept the budgets and 2nd. Motion carried.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor's report was submitted. Pastor Anthony indicated that the Waverly Lutheran will be hosting the Ash Wednesday Service this year. The Wednesday evening services will be moved to 6:30 pm in order to encourage more young family attendance.

-The High School Youth Group will not be taking a trip this summer. Instead the funds raised from the Lenten Meals will be used to take a bigger trip in 2019. The HS Youth Group will be hosting 3 of the Lenten Meals as fundraisers. The Meals will begin at 5 pm prior to the service.

-Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie will be leading a trip to Italy this year. There is still time to sign up and the price has been reduced as Rome has been removed from the itinerary.

-Conference Assembly is scheduled for February 25, 2018 at 2 pm. Synod Assembly has been moved from St. Peter to Redwood for 2018.

-Motion made to accept the Pastor's report was made and 2nd. Motion carried.

**Endowment Report:** Endowment Fund informational page was handed out to members present. The Endowment Fund is an effort to expand our minds on Mission work. Grant Application deadline is June 1, 2018. Vote taken by members regarding moving money to the Endowment Fund was approved with 19 for and 5 against. Motion made to allow the Church Council to make decision on moving money to the Endowment Fund at their discretion. Motion seconded and carried. Motion made to accept the Endowment Fund report was made and seconded. Motion Carried.

**Old Business:** No old business to discuss.

**Nominating Committee Report:** Listing of the 2018 Nominees was presented. Motion to accept a unanimous ballot was made and seconded. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Karen Helvig presented a letter from Pat Derry at Gloria Dei. The decision has been made to Host the Harvest Homecoming every other year versus annually. Gloria Dei is planning to increase their assistance with the event. Classes for the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will take place 3 times during the year. We will be sending more of our members for the classes or creating videos of our farm life for the classes. Gloria Dei will be sending Pastoral support for 3 Sundays during Pastor Stephanie's deployment. The Choir Director at Gloria Dei will be coordinating a visit for their choir to include a full weekend and Concert. Opportunities for mission work and trips were presented. Working together for mission was discussed in a more global aspect.

It was noted that the Madelia Nursing Home will be under new ownership and an announcement regarding finances will be sent in a letter to the Church in the upcoming weeks.

No other New Business.

Motion to Adjourn was made, seconded, and carried.

*(minutes continued on pg. 7 under Waverly Ripples)* 5

# Ushers & Worship Assistants

St Peter

Trinity

Waverly

DATE	LECTOR	USHERS
February		
4	Jeannine Rasmussen	Neil and Marilyn Cheever
11	Muriel Klenz	Todd and Tina Peta
18	Bernice Lehmann	Jeannine Rasmussen / Shirley Schmidt
25	Jordan Petschke	Kathy Bremer / JoAnn WInk
March 4	Jeff Petschke	Dale and Jeanne Leiding

DATE	LECTOR	USHERS	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION
February 4	Megan Gerhardt	Todd Williams Larry Puhrman	Logan Hughes Brice Oechsle	Jon Saxen Bocky Borchardt
7		MaryAnn and John Frerichs		Velma Schaal John Garbers
11	Liz Stahl	Sun and Henry Borchardt	Brianna Morrow Kiaya Schweiss	
18	MaryAnn Frerichs	Laurie and Tony Truesdell	Kylee Jagodzinske Logan Hughes	
25	Megan Frerichs	Jon and Jen Saxen	Brice Oechsle Kylee Jagodzinske	Lonnie and Bob Moffitt
March 4	Liz Stahl	Susie and Bocky Borchardt	Logan Hughes Kiaya Schweiss	Velma Schaal John Frerichs

DATE	LECTOR	CHILDRENS TIME	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION ASSISTANT
February				
4	Paul Gaalswyk	Karen Helvig	Youth	Tom Peterson
11	Don Nordstrom	John Sherman	Youth	Tom Peterson
18	Nathan	Pastor	Camryn Conner	Josie
25	Mim Potter	Pastor	Youth	Tom Peterson
March 4	Tom Peterson	Karen Helvig	Youth	Laurie Sherman

**February Ushers:** John Sherman, Tim Peterson, Cliff Armbrust, Brad Sherman, Jeff Armbrust

**March Ushers:** John Sherman, Tim Peterson, Cliff Armbrust, Brad Sherman, Jeff Armbrust



# St. Peter Ripples



Next meeting: February 7<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 pm

Hostesses: Sherry and Elaine

Bible Study: This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> of a four session study by Mark Allan Powell, a professor of the New Testament at Trinity Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. They all deal with "Learning from other interpretations"

We will do cookie plates for various people at the February meeting. Please furnish 2 doz. cookies or bars.

February quilting will be the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup>. I have the wrong dates in our new service books. Sorry about that. We haven't gotten many quilts made so far because of bad weather and only 6 women were able to work the one day.

The WELCA officers for 2018 are President-myself; VP-Muriel, Secretary-Rosemary; Treasurer-Annette and Historian-Barb. Muriel reported our year end balance is \$476.47. It was decided to donate \$100. to Kids Against Hunger.

The Okoboji Bible Camp has several events coming up. A Marriage Celebration Retreat is Feb. 9-11 and a Crafting Retreat is March 9-11.

Our condolences go to the family of Gene Yackle who passed away Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>. He will be missed very much.

Prayers for Tuesdays at Two. Feb. 6—pray for Joy; Feb. 13—pray for generosity; Feb. 20—pray for patience and calmness; Feb. 27—pray for being able to worship our Savior, Jesus Christ.

February: Birthday: Barb Schmidt - 3<sup>rd</sup> Altar care: Sherry Schmidt Next work duty: Group 1

As our Bible Study author writes: "The word of God is both lay and gospel - and sometimes it is both at once - Bible stories often mean different things to different people." that teaches us a lot about life.

*Happy Valentines Day! - Jeannine*



*God's Blessings and thanks to everyone who gave me many appreciated gifts, visits, cards, phone calls, food and special treats during this past year. It's been a different and busy year — sure great to have such good friends. Thanks again!*

Eileen Christensen  
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## Trinity Ripples

## Waverly Ripples

*(Annual meeting minutes continued:)*

**Meeting Adjourned**

**The Lord's Prayer was recited by all.**

**Waverly Council met briefly following the meeting.** Discussion was had regarding the scheduling of the meetings. Motion made to have the next meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup> following the service and on even months for the remainder of the year. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn was made, seconded and carried.



*For the poinsettia plant I received from the church this year. Elaine Johnson*



# February



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Cara Hansen Terry Muller	2 Kevin Shaw Amy Feely LeRoy Franck	3 Barb Schmidt  Sarah & Will Hecht
4 Henry Borchardt Josie Clow	5 Celeste Benge Stephen Helvig	6 	7 Kiaya Schweiss	8 Neil Cheever Emma Koehler	9 Alyx Stahl  	10 Joel Hatch
11 John Sherman	12 Mary Lou Sherman Scott Peterson Dylan Muller	13 Paul Jensen	14  James & Mary Lou Sherman 45 Vernon & Sylvia Handevidt	15	16 Loren Schultz Cadence Leiding	17  Jeff & Jodi Lueth
18 Jay Mulso Christopher Meyer	19 Bowdin Bentz	20 Sarah Hecht Brandon Poppe	21 Dale Keck	22 Deb Miller Connor Malo Nichole Smith  Bocky & Susie Borchardt	23 Aubrey Plumhoff	24 Sandy Winter  
25 	26	27 Stephanie Truesdell	28 Pinky Saxen Jen Saxen			



# February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b><u>WORSHIP</u></b> 8:30 am StP 10:30 am TLC 10:30 am WLC  <b><u>Sunday school</u></b> 9:15 am TLC 9:15 an WLC		<u>Tuesdays</u> 6:30 am Men's Sunrise Bible Study 1st Lutheran, Trimont		1 <u>Thursdays</u> 9 am Women's Sunrise Bible Study, 1st Lutheran, Trimont	2 Parish office closed—Fridays  	3
4    Communion—all	5	6   7 pm WLC Mary Circle	7 1:30 WELCA—StP & Cookie plates  4 pm Family Conf. 5:30 pm Meal 6 pm Worship	8	9	10
11   WLC—Communion	12	13  Quilting—WLC	14  Quilting WLC & StP 2 pm Goldfinch Com- munion 5:30 pm Youth FR Supper @ WLC 6:30 pm Ash Wed. Worship WLC Council 	15 Quilting—StP  	16	17
18  WLC—Communion	19  	20 Deadline for March Ripples articles.  9:30 am THCC Worship	21  5:30 pm Youth FR Supper @ TLC 6:30 pm Lent Service	22	23  WLC Flohrs/ Peterson wedding rehearsal	24  WLC Flohrs/ Peterson Wedding 
25  Communion—all	26	27	28 Quilting—StP 9 am Assemble Ripples  5:30 pm Youth FR Supper @ StP 6:30 pm Lent Service	March 1  Quilting—StP		



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Russell Carter, who wrote this hymn, was a star athlete who returned to his college and became a professor of chemistry, natural science, civil engineering and mathematics; then left to go out west and become a sheep rancher. He left that to be a preacher, ordained in the Methodist church. He spoke frequently at Methodist gatherings, also writing novels or textbooks on science or mathematics. In his own words he wrote: "I made a common mistake. I was involved in many things but I didn't forsake my old companions and habits, and for 14 years I lived the up and down experience so familiar to the average church goer. I always enjoyed working with Mr. Moody and his camp meetings in Baltimore, yet even then I was continually slipping and falling. I wasn't willing to pay the price. Then in 1879, my heart began giving me problems and despite physician's help and after three years of sheep ranching, I was brought close to the grave. Kneeling in my mother's room in Baltimore, I finally made a self-consecration which covered everything. All doubts were swept aside. A quietness came over me and I found the Bible was open and satisfying as it never had been before. I was still very ill but went to Boston for prayers and anointing with Dr. Cullis. I returned in three days, walking by faith, and resumed my college work and engaged in all kinds of religious work." He found that he had always been secure in wherever his work had led him, but not until he gave up the ways of the world and began "Standing on the Promises of Christ the King", was he 'right with God'. He wrote this hymn in 1886. Carter was asked to help compile a hymnal to be used for the Christian and Missionary Alliance. He contributed at least 50 hymns, music and poems, including "Standing on the Promises of Christ our King."

Vs. 2 Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail.  
By the living work of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

Vs. 3 Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to Him eternally by love' strong cord.  
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God.

Vs. 4. Standing on the promises I cannot fail, List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call  
Resting in my Savior, as my all in all, standing on the promises of God.

Chorus: Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God, my Savior.  
Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

It sounds like an excellent plan - to stand on the Promises of God.