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Sundays—8:30 am Worship WLC & StP

Wednesdays — 6:30 pm Worship TLC

Tuesdays: Men's Sunrise Bible Study.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

7/29—8/2	VBS
8/1	WELCA StP
8/5	Parish Picnic
8/7	Mary Circle WLC
8/8	Goldfinch Communion
	Youth Mission Project @ TLC
8/20	Articles due for September Ripples
8/21	THCC Worship
	Wine, Women & the Word
8/29	Assemble Ripples



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August Worship Schedule

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		St. Peter	Trinity	Waverly
10 th Week after Pente-				
cost Altar: Green	Wednesday, August 1st		Worship w/Comm 6:30 PM	
11 th Week after Pente- cost	Sunday, August 5 th		Parish Worship & Picnic Fox Lake @ 10:00 AM 1053 Martin Rd., Welcome	
Altar: Green	Wednesday, August 8 th		Worship w/Comm 6:30 PM	
12 th Week after Pente-	Sunday, August 12th	Worship 8:30 AM		Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM
cost Altar: Green	Wednesday, August 15 th		Worship w/Comm 6:30 PM	
13 th Week after Pente-	Sunday, August 19th	Worship 8:30 AM		Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM
cost Altar: Green	Wednesday, August 22 nd		Worship w/Comm 6:30 PM	
14 th Week after Pente-	Sunday, August 26 th	Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM		Worship w/Comm 8:30 AM
cost Altar: Green	Wednesday, August 29 th		Worship w/Comm 6:30 PM	



They are on a role!! The second session of the Youth Group's summer mission project was a success! On Wednesday, July 11 and July 18, youth, parents and congregation members stayed after worship to help assemble these blankets.

Our next session will be on **Wednesday, August 8 at Trinity**. Please join our youth after worship to help tie. If you can tie your shoes, you can tie blankets. Again, thank you to everyone who helped! These blankets will be going to children, teens, and young adults who are in need of some comfort.













Sunday, July 29 -Thursday, Aug. 2





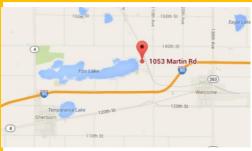
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Faith Parish

6:30-8:00 pm

3 yr olds - completed 5th gr.

Fellowship Hall at St. Paul's, 214 Dugan St N - Welcome



Sunday, August 5th 10:00 am Jon & Karen Helvig's Home 1053 Martin Rd. Welcome, MN

Our Annual Parish Picnic this year will be on the shores of Fox Lake. Please bring a lawn chair for worship as we will be by the lake shore. There will be golf carts available for those

needing assistance getting from your vehicle to the lake shore.

After worship there will be a potluck picnic. Paper products, utensils, and beverages will be provided. Please bring something to share.

Rain location will be at St. Peter Lutheran Church at 10:00 am





Tuesday, Aug. 21, 5:30 pm

@ to be announced.

Bring your 'Christ in Our Home' booklet & a Bible

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CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes for 7th and 8th graders will start on Wednesday, September 12th.

be starting in September. Our focus this year is on Martin Luther's *Small Catechism*. We will be meeting on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00-5:15 pm at Trinity in Welcome. Pastor Anthony and Pastor Eric will be leading/teaching these classes. If you are a 7th or 8th grader this fall, we would like to have you join us. Remember that 2 years of confirmation class is required in order to be confirmed. So if last year was your first year of confirmation, we invite you back for your second year.

Online registration for confirmation is available and open. The calendar and other resources will be finalized in August and made available online as well. You can find everything that you need at

<u>www.circleoffaithparish.org/confirmation</u>. If you prefer, there will be hard copies of everything available through the parish office.

We are looking forward to another exciting year of confirmation. If you have any questions please talk to Pastor Anthony.



Parish Council

Minutes July 10, 2018

Parish Council Members

present are: Jeff Leuth, Deb Philipp, Deanne Gaalswyk, Scott Morrow, Karen Helvig, Marilyn Cheever, St Peter Council President, Jody Franck, Pastor Anthony Christoffels and Pastor Eric Midthun.

Call to Order

Deanne Gaalswyk approved the agenda as presented. Scott Morrow seconded that motion.

Devotions were given by Pastor Anthony Christoffels. Scott Morrow made a motion to approve the secretary's report as presented. Jody Franck seconded that motion.

Treasurer's report was presented by Jody Franck. There was a discussion of the banking summary. Everyone present in the Parish Council enjoyed the grouping of items on this statement. There was a suggestion of having a year to date or a way to show expenditures was brought up. Jeff Leuth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Deanne Gaalswyk seconded that motion.

Pastor Anthony reported that Parish Youth are working on mission project tying blankets. They have completed 7 after a Wednesday service at St Peter's in June and are planning to complete 8 more on July 11th at Waverly. The last 8 will be tied at Trinity in August. They will deliver them to a children's hospital in the Twin Cities in the fall. Pastors Anthony and Eric are working on a list to visit more shut ins and congregational members this summer. Both Pastors are prepping for confirmation. They will be adding some confirmation projects for this confirmation year. Examples of project ideas include an advent wreath, a jesse tree and making confirmation banners. Pastor Anthony will be leaving on July 19th for Germany for the Luther Trip with Stephanie's churches and ours. He will be gone thru the 29th as well as Sunday the 30th with expected jet lag. Pastor Anthony's vacation is August 5-13th. He will preach on the 5th but be gone for the 12th. Vacation is scheduled for Pastor Anthony for Labor Day weekend. Pulpit supply is set for both of these Sundays. On September 23rd Stephanie will be leaving for deployment for 10 and a half months. Gloria Dei will be at Waverly on the 23rd so the family can bring her to the drop off spot. On Sunday, September 9th Pastor Eric will be gone on vacation.

Congregation Reports: Trinity had one wedding and one death in the last few months. St Peter reported lower attendance for Wednesday night services this June. One member moved to Goldfinch. Waverly's Helvig triplets baptisms will be in August.

Old Business

There may be an interested high schooler to work on the parish website. Pastor Anthony will meet with him to see if he is still interested and direct him in what is needed to be done on the website.

There was a discussion to continue Wednesday night Worship services at Trinity (Sept-May) once a month after confirmation parent night. Many enjoy an informal shorter service with about (40-50) people attending each night.

New Business

The current copier is 5 years old and is causing more repairs. Pastor Anthony showed us quotes for a new copier from 2 copier companies. There was a discussion about leasing or purchasing one. Scott Morrow made a motion to purchase a copier from advance systems with the service agreement. Jeff Leuth seconded that motion. The reserve technology fund will cover the cost of the copier.

Discussion: Parish President asked us "What is next as a parish?" We will come to the next meeting with ideas to share.

Next Meeting Date Tuesday, September 11, 2018 6 pm

Adjournment: Scott Morrow made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Leuth seconded that motion.

Sincerely submitted, Deb Philipp, Parish Council Secretary



JULY 11. 2018

Members present were Pastor Anthony, Pastor Eric, Brian Burmeister, Leah Gerhardt, Becky Detert, and Bob and Lonnie Moffitt.

Meeting was called to order by Bob Moffitt.

Agenda was approved.

Pastor Anthony gave devotions from I Corinthians 15 – He talked about the Invitational Christian. Americans are attending church. The church has lost its influential power. We can get back by claiming good news.

Pastor's Report – Youth Mission Project is going well. Seven blankets were cut and tied after the Wednesday service in St. Peter. There will be a session at Waverly this Wednesday and another session at TLC next Council members in attendance were Pastor Anthony, month. They will take the blankets that they get tied to the Cities.

Pastor Anthony leaves for Germany on July 19 to July 29. Also has vacation from August 5 to August 15 and again in September through September 3. Steph's deployment is on September 23, 2018.

Pastor Eric had no report.

A motion by Brian, seconded by Lonnie to approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports. Motion Carried.

Brian stated he had done a walk around and has a list of what he feels needs to be done on the church and will meet with John Borchardt and Bob Moffitt and go over list. Zane and Henry greased the bell and the urinal in the men's bathroom is not working.

There was nothing to report from the Parish Council Meeting.

Motion by Becky, seconded by Leah to approve the Faith, Caring, Property and Parish Council reports. Motion carried.

Old Business: Community Worship is on July 22 and will be at St. Paul's with a meal following. Trinity will reimburse St. Paul's for ½ the cost of the food. On July 21 the pie and ice cream social at Trinity will be from 1:30 to3:30.

New Business:

Building Renovation – Brian will check into getting bids on the siding and windows. Several other items were mentioned and the congregation will need to decide at the annual meeting in January what projects they will want to proceed with. The list and costs will need to be ready by then. There was also discussion on the door frame and windows, stained glass window sills need to be redone and possible protection glass be put on the outside of the stained glass windows.

Lonnie made a motion, seconded by Leah to adjourn the meeting.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting is September 11, 2018. Respectfully submitted, Lonnie Moffitt



Angie Schmidt, Keith & Jody Franck, Muriel Klenz.

Pastor led devotions reading from 1 Corinthians 15 and talked about a nook, 'Invitational Christian.'!

A motion to accept the secretary's report as written was made by Angie, seconded by Keith, and passed.

A treasurer's report form 5-1-18 through 7/16-18 was printed and discussed. Names on St. Peter's various accounts at the Ceylon State Bank are not current. Motion by Keith, seconded by Angie to have council

president's and treasurer's names on all account signature cards— passed. Motion by Muriel, seconded by Angie to have the memorial account and memorial savings account combined into one memorial account-passed.

Pastor reported that the Youth group has completed 11 blankets for their mission project. More will be worked on in August. Pastor's continuing ed days for the Germany trip are July 18—29th. Pulpit supply in Ceylon will be Rick Carlson from St. James on July 22 and August 12. Pastor Stephanie leaves Sept. 21st for her Nation Guard deployment.

The August newsletter will have confirmation information. Classes will begin on Wednesdays mid September. Both school buses will drop students at or near Trinity church.

As of now, there will be no Sunday school at St. Peter. Christmas Eve service will be at 6:30 pm.

The SE corner roof of our church needs fixing. Krause Construction of Wisconsin gave a quote for this in 2016 of \$9385. They will be asked for a current quote now and hopefully get the roof fixed soon. This firm has done work on our bell tower and some windows.

Sherburn nursery has been contacted to trim bushes in front of the church.

Parish combined summer service will be held Aug. 5th @10 am at the Jon Helvig home on Martin Road—east side of Fox Lake. They will have picnic tables. Members will bring their own chairs and a dish to pass for the potluck dinner following services. St. Peter furnishes paper products, utensils and will help park cars. Pastor will bring the Altar cross, Jody the candles. In case of rain all will be held at St. Peter church at 10 am.

Volunteers are needed for the 125th anniversary planning committee. Contact Jody of you are able to help.

The next council meeting will be September 16th following church services.

Motion to adjourn by Angie, seconded by Keith—passed.

Secretary—Muriel

St. Peter Ripples



Next meeting: Aug. 1 @ 9 am Hostesses: Lorrene Knuth and Ann Yackle

Bible Study: Session 3: "The expressions of prayer." Creating different objects that may encourage prayer life in a variety of ways.

As of this writing we have served 2 Tuesday morning coffees. Attendance has been between 70—75 people enjoying early morning fellowship.

On August 3rd at 5:30 pm, the Okoboji Bible Camp will have the annual Scandinavian Feast. Glenn Henricksen's concert will follow at 7 pm. On Aug. 4th there will be a 5K run to be followed by the Quilt Auction at 1 pm. We will have 7 quilts in the auction.

Prayers for Tuesdays at 2: 8/7-pray for the home-bound, not only prayers but visits, phone calls and cards; 8/14-pray for doctors/nurses as they care for the sick; 8/21-pray for those attending family reunions; 8/28-pray for all God's children 50 & older.

The Ingham Camp will have the annual Hog Roast on Sunday, Aug. 26th. This delicious supper has pulled pork sandwiches, salads, bars and drink. This also ends the camping season for 2018.

"Congratulations" to our July anniversaries:

July 12—Cody and Nicole Leiding

July 26—Ronnie and Jane Leiding

July 28—Larry and Darcia Schmidt

July 29—LeRoy and Janice Franck and Keith and Jody Franck.

Next work duty: Group 2

August Altar care: Sherry Schmidt

August Honorary birthday: Ardis McKean—20^{th.}

August theme verse: Like wise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. (Romans 8:26)

Love, Jeannine



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Ushers & Worship Assistants ATE LECTOR USHERS

DATE	LECTOR	USHERS
AUGUST		
5	Parish Picnic	@ Jon and Karen Helvig's home
12	Muriel Klenz	Darrel and Muriel Klenz
19	Bernice Lehmann	Ann Yackle and Sherry Schmidt
26	Jordan Petschke	Keith and Jody Franck
SEPT. 2	Jeff Petschke	Jordan and Christian Petschke

DATE	LECTOR	USHERS	ACOLYTE	COMMUNION
AUGUST Wed. 1	Liz Stahl	Sun and Henry Borchardt		John Borchardt John Garbers
8	MaryAnn Frerichs	Zane and John Borchardt		Lonnie and Bob Moffitt
15	Megan Gerhardt	Jean Schock Eileen Morrow		Bocky Borchardt Tony Truesdell
22	Liz Stahl	John and Rita Garbers		Velma Schaal Henry Borchardt
29	MaryAnn Frerichs	MaryAnn and John Frerichs		Brian Burmeister John Borchardt
SEPT. 2	Megan Gerhardt	Todd Williams Larry Puhrman		Joel Detert Jon Saxen

DATE	LECTOR	CHILDRENS TIME	ACOLYTE	COMM ASSSISTANT
AUGUST				
5	Lindsey Bettin	Karen Helvig	Youth	Don Nordstrom
12	Karen Helvig	John Sherman	Youth	Don Nordstrom
19	Sonja Haugen	Pastor	Youth	Don Nordstrom
26	Tom Peterson	Pastor	Youth	Don Nordstrom
SEPT. 2	Tim Peterson	Tom Peterson	Youth	Susan Rathman

August Ushers: Jon Helvig, Erwin Atzenhoefer, Tom Peterson, Jeff Lueth

September Ushers: Bob Olson, Jim Sherman, Brian Clow, Dennis Krueger, Don Nordstrom





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Gloria Martin Amy Morrow Todd Rathman	3 Daylin Hartung Cody Leiding	4
			Darrel & Muriel Klenz			Brian & Joanna Sandberg
5 Duane Daleske Chad Harder Jean Hatch Rachelle Kruse	6 Joanne Sherman	7 Tobias Haugen	8 Becca Johnson	9	10 Brayden Moeckel	11 Josh Petschke
Brent Oechsle	David & Amanda Brosnahan Josh & Becca Johnson	Troy & Abby Loveland		Tom & LuAnn Peterson		
12 Diane Korte	13 Jeff Matz Joe Newville Craig Senne	14 Mary Thompson	15 Darrell Miller Mary Muller	16	17 Joel Detert	18 Doug Gerhardt Alex Winter
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19 Rhoda Odegaard Erin Schmidt	20 Laurie Burmeister Ardis McKean	21	22 Michael Casias	23 Cynthia Roberts	24 Heidi Clow	25 Jeff & Gwen Matz
				Doug & Tami Gerhardt Paul & Deanne Gaalswyk	Keith & Sandy Winter	Bob & Lonnie Moffitt '50' Don & Marilyn Stelter '55'
26 Brannon Paplow	27	28 Matthew Hansen Roger Rezac	29 Becky Detert Leah Gerhardt Christine Hansen Leah Kruse Susan Rathman	30 Tom Lehmann Jeannie Rahm	31 Neil Hansen	
Randy & Deborah Schneider Loren & June Schultz			Braedy & Melissa Lueth		Bir	



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
\/D0	Office 9 am Monday -	Hours 1 pm Thursday	1 9 am WELCA StP	2	3 Parish Office Closed Fridays	4 Okoboji Bible
VBS ————————————————————————————————————			6:30 pm Worship/ Communion TLC		OBC Scandi- navian Feast 5:30 pm Glen Hen- ricksen concert 7pm	Camp Quilt Auc- tion 1pm
10 am @ the home of Karen and Jon Helvig	6	7 7 pm Mary Circle	8 1-3 pm Goldfinch Communion 6:30 pm Worship/ Communion TLC Youth Mission Project (tie blankets)	9	10	11
12 8:30 am Worship StP & WLC	13	14	15	16 County Fe	17	18
Communion @ WLC			6:30 pm Worship/ Communion TLC			
19 8:30 am Worship StP & WLC Communion @ WLC 9:30 am Council & Worship Committee mtgs— WLC	Articles due for September Ripples	9:30 am THCC Worship 5:30 pm Wine, Women & the Word	6:30 pm Worship/ Communion TLC	23	24	25
26 8:30 am Worship / Communion StP & WLC	27	28	29 9 am Assemble Ripples	30	31	
Ingham Bible Camp Hog Roast			6:30 pm Worship/ Communion TLC			Pssst - School's coming

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One of the most popular and familiar of hymns today is "How Great Thou Art". It originated in 1886 when a Swedish preacher, Carl Boberg wrote the words. He had walked home from a church meeting two miles through a strong, violent thunderstorm. He later heard his words being paired to an old Swedish tune.

Nearly 40 years later Stuart Hine and his wife were missionaries in a mountainous area of Czechoslovakia when they heard this meaningful hymn being sung in Russian. When Stuart was caught in a storm in the mountains the music came to his mind once again. The lightening and thunder were awesome and it inspired him to translate the beautiful Swedish/Russian hymn into English so he could use it in his ministry. The Billy Graham Crusade picked it up in 1957 and the rest, as they say, is history. George Beverly Shea sang it nearly 100 times at their next crusade - it became his signature song. It now has world-wide popularity. It is impossible to hear or sing this hymn without realizing once again - God and His power and beautiful creation.