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### March schedule:

3/2	Mary Circle— WLC
3/3	Lenten Service @ TLC
3/9	Parish Council meeting
3/10	Lenten Service @ TLC
3/17	Lenten Service @ TLC
3/21	Annual meetings
3/24	Lenten Service @ TLC
3/28	Palm Sunday

Sundays — 8:30 am St. Peter  
 10:30 Trinity  
 10:30 Waverly  
 9:15 Sunday school

Confirmation— Lenten Services  
 March 3, 10, 17, 24

Mondays - 9 am Men's Bible Study @  
 First Lutheran in Trimont



# March Worship Schedule

		<b>First</b>	<b>St. Peter</b>	<b>Trinity</b>	<b>Waverly</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Lent</b>	Sunday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online
	Wed, March 3 <sup>rd</sup>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Lent</b>	Sunday, March 7 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online
	Wed, March 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	Sunday, March 14 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online
	Wed, March 17 <sup>th</sup>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	Sunday, March 21 <sup>st</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online
	Wed, March 24 <sup>th</sup>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
<b>Holy Week</b>	<b>Palm/Passion Sunday</b> Sunday, March 28 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online
	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> Thursday, April 1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> w/Comm & Online	
	<b>Good Friday</b> Friday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Altar: None</i>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
	<b>Easter Sunday</b> Sunday, April 4 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>7:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>7:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online

**\*\*Note: First and Waverly will alternate worship times on a monthly basis. Above is the March schedule. In April, worship at First will be at 10:30 am and worship at Waverly will be at 9:00 am.**

In-person worship services are continuing for everyone who feels comfortable attending. Wearing a mask is required to attend in-person worship. Services are live streamed through each individual congregation's Facebook page.

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## Drive-Thru Communion Schedule

If you feel uncomfortable with attending in-person services, but would like to receive Holy Communion, drive-thru Communion will be offered from 12:00-12:30 pm on Sundays at the following locations:

Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> – Waverly / Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – St. Peter / Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – First / Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – Trinity



# Parish Council

February 9, 2021

Members present: Jim Lorenz, MaryAnn Frerichs, Dean Sinn, Jody Franck, Nancy Nordstrom, Marilyn Cheever, John Borchardt, Council Presidents: Don Nordstrom Pastors Anthony and Stephanie Christoffels

Marilyn Cheever called the meeting to order.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by John Borchardt, seconded by Nancy Nordstrom, approved.

Pastor Anthony shared a devotion based on Ecclesiastes 3 from the Message paraphrase on how right times vary. He also shared that the Lenten focus is transitions which are many in life, church, and social circles.

Motion was made to accept the secretary's report as printed by Jody Franck, seconded by John Borchardt, approved.

Motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as printed by MaryAnn Frerichs, seconded by Jody Franck, approved.

Pastor's report

Pastor Stephanie shared that there is a possibility she will be activated in April during the George Floyd trial, it would be short term if it happened. New Ulm classes went well, 9 attended, they are planning another as there was more interest. MCW has been contacted and there is interest in providing the SAFE training after they are trained to do so. Pastor Stephanie has been called by Bethlehem Lutheran in St. Cloud, her last Sunday will be May 16.

Pastor Anthony is the candidate of choice at a church in the St. Cloud area. They feel this is where they are called to be. They did not look at Circle of Faith and Partners as a stepping stone, they thought they would be here longer. There are many mixed emotions. He appreciates the chance we took with him. There is a lot of work to do in the next 3 months. Pastor Steve Cook at the Synod office feels the vacancy will be short. He wants the parish set up for success. Live streaming is improving, Trinity's set up is near ready and will be duplicated in the other churches.

Work Comp insurance would prefer that First continue to pay Pastor Stephanie's salary directly rather than COF paying her and First reimbursing COF for their portion.

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This year's annual meetings were postponed in the hopes that we would see fewer cases numbers as more people received their vaccinations. The annual meetings will be in-person at each church. If you would like to virtually attend the meeting for your congregation using Zoom, please contact Pr. Anthony to get instructions.

St. Peter, Ceylon – after worship (approx. 9:15 am) on Sunday, March 21, 2021

Trinity, Welcome – after worship (approx. 11:15 am) on Sunday, March 21, 2021

Waverly, Trimont – at 7:00 pm on Sunday, March 21, 2021



Transition – the process of changing from one state or condition to another.

Our lives are full of transitions. Some are planned, some unexpected, some welcomed, some hated. During Lent, we will focus on different life transitions, how our biblical ancestors handled the transitions they lived through, and how God is at work in the midst of all of the transitions we encounter in life.

- Wed. March 3      Transition *in* Vocation
- Wed. March 10    Transition *into* Adulthood
- Wed. March 17    Transition *in* Church
- Wed. March 24    Transition *in* Social Circle
- Maundy Thursday Me-> Us-> Him (April 1)

## St. Peter Council

Pastor Steve Cook wants to come and meet in person and start the process for calling new pastoral staff. Ash Wednesday will offer drive through ashes and communion as well as the in person. Drive through will be 5:00-5:30 and First and St. Peter, 6:00-6:30 at Trinity.

### Congregation reports:

Waverly will have their annual meeting March 21, looking at zoom to help reach quorum.

Trinity is getting the new equipment for streaming set up.

St. Peter got their budget set up. They are pushing back the anniversary celebration one more year to 2022.

First is having their annual meeting Sunday. They have learned that the council needs to pass a resolution to use the zoom for participation in the annual meeting. This comes from Pastor Steve Cook at the synod office.

### New Business

Moving forward with Group Cast, since we would like more who know how it operates we need a name from each congregation to be an authorized user and be trained to use it. It would be ideal to not have it tied to an office so it doesn't have to change so often. Migrating information is taking time as it has to be entered manually.

Easter Sunday services will be First and Trinity at 7:00 and Waverly and St. Peter at 9:00.

Bevcomm is able to hook the church up for internet early. It would mean double payment until the Frontier contract ends in April, it would be about \$50 a month. A motion was made by Nancy Nordstrom and seconded by Jody Franck to start with Bevcomm as soon as possible since the upload speed would be so much better, approved.

Pastors will be gone on April 18, they will be traveling for the SAFE training. It was decided to have a joint service at Trinity to make pulpit supply easier. Time will be determined at a later time.

There was a discussion on the Interim Plan, looked at a recap of last month's discussion and looked at pastoral and support staff, worship schedule and faith formation, what these might look like.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Borchardt, seconded by Nancy Nordstrom, approved.

Next meeting – Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 5:30

St. Peter Council meeting was called to order following church services on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021. Those attending were Marilyn Cheever, Jim and Aubrey Plumhoff, Angie Schmidt, Dale Leiding and Muriel Klenz.

The proposed budget was discussed. The janitor, organist and grounds keeping salaries will remain the same as 2020. The yearly profit and loss statement was discussed. The Circle of Faith Budget was discussed. Motion by Dale, seconded by Angie and passed to accept the budget and present it at the annual meeting in March.

We welcome Pastor Stephanie to our staff and First Lutheran of Trimont to Circle of Faith for a 6 month interim as we work through a possible long term relationship.

All Lenten services will be held at Trinity in Welcome including Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday at 6:30 pm.

The Council will take the head usher duties in February and every third month following. We will have communion the first and last Sundays of each month.

The treasure's job was discussed. Some changes may be coming.

Dale and Jim will contact someone to get the church on a yearly check of the furnace and air conditioner.

Dale purchases communion supplies, cleaning supplies, furnace filter etc.

Annual meeting is set for March 21, 2021 following church services.

Anyone interested in serving as council secretary, please contact Marilyn.

Secretary - Muriel.

But my God shall supply  
all your need according  
to his riches in glory  
by Christ Jesus.  
Philippians 4:19

# St. Peter Ripples



NO March meeting

Conditions are not conducive yet for in-person WELCA gatherings. Pastor Anthony and I decided it is best to hold off a while yet. Please continue our self-study from "Gather". In the 3rd session we will discover and remember the angels who bring comfort to God's people and to us. Also in the March issue there are more Lenten devotions to follow.

As with WELCA meetings we will hold off on our quilting days. Surely there will be better days ahead for doing this work.

In March we remember those less fortunate by donating food items to the Salvation Army and Heaven's Table. Be generous - the need is great.

The news from our Bible Camps is that they are optimistically looking forward to holding all camps this coming season. They will follow all the health guidelines, adjusting to whatever needs arise. They, of course continue to need our prayers and support..

Prayers for Tuesdays @ 2 3/2—continue to pray for the homebound-not only prayers but phone calls and cards. 3/9-pray for our doctors and nurses as they work long hours during this pandemic. 3/16-pray that enough vaccine will become available for all. 3/23-pray for old, new and forever friends, speak kindly to one another. 3/30-pray for the fruits of the Spirit to become a part of our life.

Next work duty: Group 1

March Altar care: Jeannine

Honorary Birthdays: Bernice Lehmann—3<sup>rd</sup>,  
2811 Roland Ave, Rm 215, Fairmont

Anniversaries: Don and Marge Schley - 19<sup>th</sup>  
Liz and Jon Petschke - 20<sup>th</sup>

*"God doesn't need your good works - but your neighbor does"* —Martin Luther



Love, Jeannine

# St Peter

Date	Reader
March 7	Jeff Petschke
March 14	Jeannine Rasmussen
March 21	Jordan Petschke
March 28	Jeff Petschke
April 4	Jeannine Rasmussen

# Trinity

Date	Reader	Ushers
March 7	MaryAnn Frerichs	Lonnie & Bob Moffitt
March 14	Deb Philipp	Larry Puhrman/Todd Williamson
March 21	MaryAnn Frerichs	Nate & Sam Chukuske
March 28	Deb Philipp	Sun & Henry Borchardt
April 4	MaryAnn Frerichs	John & Rita Garbers

# Waverly

Date	Reader	Communion Assistant
March 7	Don Nordstrom	Tom Peterson
March 14	Lynette Shaw	Tom Peterson
March 21	Camryn Clow	Tom Peterson
March 28	Paul Gaalswyk	Tom Peterson
April 4	MaryLou Sherman	Laurie Sherman

## March Ushers

Brad Sherman  
Cliff Armbrust  
Tim Peterson  
Jeff Matz

## April Ushers

Jon Helvig  
Erwin Atzenhoefer  
Jeff Lueth  
Tom Peterson



# MARCH

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  <i>Gary &amp; Janet Miller</i>	2 John Speckman	3 Fynn Brosnahan Bernice Lehmann	4 Diana Abelson Brianna Rezac	5  	6
7 Daniel Smith  <i>Gayle &amp; Larry Schuett</i>	8  	9 Keith Meyer	10 Joanna Sandberg	11 Easton Kuehl Carter Mosloski	12	13 Stephanie Feely Caelyn Harder Eivey Kuehl
14 Jeff Petschke Nick Thiesse  	15 Elizabeth Petschke Hunter Schmidt June Schultz	16	17 Carolyn Strausser  	18	19 Katie Petschke  <i>Don &amp; Marge Schley 60</i>	20 Effie Bentz Ralph Stanton   <i>Elizabeth &amp; Jon Petschke</i>
21  	22	23 Suzy Bengé Dianne Bettin Keith Franck Karen Keck Bonnie Rahm	24 Connor Simmonds	25 Rod Olson Kevin Schmidt	26	27 Scott Morrow
28   <i>Palm SUNDAY</i>	29 Josh Koehler Adilene Petschke Richard Traetow	30 Chad Lyons	31 Kelsey Jensen Darrel Klenz	 <b>Happy Anniversary</b>		

# MARCH



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran Trimont	2 7 pm Mary Circle — WLC	3 6:30 pm Lenten Service @ TLC (Confirmation) Transition <i>in</i> Vocation	4	5  World Day of Prayer	6
7 8:30 am St. Peter 10:30 am Trinity 9:15 am SS 10:30 am Waverly Communion—all	8 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran Trimont	9 5:30 pm Parish Council meeting	10 6:30 pm Lenten Service @ TLC (Confirmation) Transition <i>in</i> Adulthood	11	12	13
14 8:30 am St. Peter 10:30 am Trinity Communion 9:15 am SS 10:30 am Waverly Communion	15 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran Trimont	16	17  6:30 pm Lenten Service @ TLC (Confirmation) Transition @ church	18	19	20  Happy Spring
21 8:30 am St. Peter Annual meeting 10:30 am Trinity Communion Annual meeting 9:15 am SS 10:30 am Waverly Communion 7 pm Annual mtg	22 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran Trimont	23	24 6:30 pm Lenten Service @ TLC (Confirmation) Transition <i>in</i> Social Circle	25	26  Saved by Grace Circle of Faith Parish Called to Serve Gathered in Faith	27
28  8:30 am St. Peter 10:30 am Trinity 9:15 am SS 10:30 am Waverly Communion—all	29 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran Trimont	30	31	April 1  MAUNDY Thursday Me->Us-> Him	April 2  Good Friday Service	



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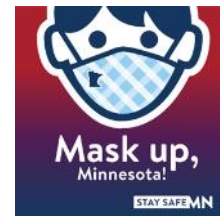
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