

Ripples of Faith 2021



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July schedule:

7/6 Mary Circle—WLC
7/13 Parish Council meeting @ TLC



Our Interim Pastor



"Neither is new wine put into old wineskins; otherwise, the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved." -Matthew 9:17

Dear Friends at Circle of Faith,

I have to admit, since I don't drink, I can't say if this verse is literally accurate from personal experience. But there are times in the life of the church when we need to "examine our wineskins," to discover which are still fresh and which need changing out. Over the last few weeks, it has sounded to me like the people at all the congregations of Circle of Faith have plenty of practice at this already! The old wineskin of, "this is Minnesota, why would we need air conditioning?," was set aside, and AC was installed. The old wineskin of, "how could we be church without having potlucks?," was set aside for a time, and pandemic safety guidelines were followed. Meanwhile the wineskins of traditional liturgy, beloved hymns, and for that matter having a church newsletter, have remained fresh and continue to serve the parish well!

We are delighted to officially welcome First Lutheran of Trimont into the Circle of Faith family! And we also recognize that this is a change for First, and there may also be changes in store for St. Peter, Trinity, and Waverly as well. But we don't need to look at these changes with worry, or be overly hesitant. The truth is that all of our congregations have been changing since the moment they were founded. Even as certain parts of the sanctuary stayed the same, the members of the congregation changed. Even as some parts of the worship service stayed the same, how the congregation made decisions changed. Our congregations have faced changes including the language of worship services, the welcoming of women as pastors, and even the growing presence of technology in how we function as a community. With each of these choices, we left some old wineskins behind, but the fresh wineskins we chose have served well to share the Gospel in our communities.

As we go forward, we have many choices to make. And as always, our first concern will not be, "what will serve us best?," because being church is not about serving ourselves. Instead we will continue to ask, "what will serve God best?" What choices will build the kingdom of God here in the Ceylon/Welcome/Trimont area? What choices will lead to our communities being more centered on the Gospel and less centered on greed, selfishness, or prejudice? What choices will best welcome those who are vulnerable, or powerless, or least able to help themselves? Because these are who Jesus centered his life and ministry around.

One of Martin Luther's more famous comments was when he said, "I have so much to do today, I shall have to spend the first 3 hours in prayer!" Since we have all these decisions in front of us, let's begin in prayer with and for one another. Sign up at your congregation for the Circle of Faith Prayer Partners program, to be paired with a member at another of our congregations to pray for, for 8 weeks, as we enter into this new time of ministry together. See page 3 in this newsletter for details!

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Kay Rohloff

JULY Worship Schedule

		FIRST	ST. PETER	TRINITY	WAVERLY
6th Week of Pentecost	Sunday, July 4 th <i>Altar: Green</i>				Joint Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online
7th Week of Pentecost	Sunday, July 11 th <i>Altar: Green</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am & online	Worship 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm/Baptism 10:30 am & online
8th Week of Pentecost	Sunday, July 18 th <i>Altar: Green</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am & online	Worship 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online
9th Week of Pentecost	Sunday, July 25 th <i>Altar: Green</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am & online	Worship w/Comm 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online

Circle of Faith Prayer Partners

This summer, as we welcome First Lutheran of Trimont into Circle of Faith, you're invited to participate in our Prayer Partners program! Sign up at your congregation, or call the church office (507 728 8259) with your name, congregation, and phone number. You'll be matched with someone at another of our congregations, and for 8 weeks the two of you will get in touch once a week to share your joys and concerns, and then pray for each other regularly during the week. (If you want to keep praying for each other after the 8 weeks, by all means, go ahead!) We especially hope to match members of First with those from all three other congregations so we can get to know each other better! Sign up between Sunday, June 27, and Sunday, July 11, to take part!



A welcome to First Lutheran of Trimont to Circle of Faith Parish.
Starting in August, our Ripples will have all four churches information included in the newsletter.
Not sure what the format will look like, but will probably combine the look of both newsletters.



Present

Members: Nancy Nordstrom, Tim Peterson, Dean Sinn, Vicki Smith, Jody Franck, Becky Detert, Jim Lorenz
Church Presidents: Jon Saxen, Marilyn Cheever
Clergy: Pastor Kay

Jody Franck called the meeting to order.

Motion by Nancy Nordstrom, seconded by Tim Peterson to approve the agenda with correction. Approved.

Pastor Kay led devotions.

A motion by Jim Lorenz, second by Tim Peterson to approve Secretary's Report as corrected (Roger Matejka is not head of call committee, spelling of Pastor Kay's name) . Approved

A motion by Dean Sinn, second by Roger Matejka to approve Treasurer's Report. Approved.

Pastor's Report:

Full Report is on file in church office. Summarize: Twenty-one people on monthly visiting list. Pastor has visited nine thus far. Pastor Kay has been installed at all four churches. Vacation scheduled for Sept. 3rd -6th. Music planning meeting has been held with organists.

Old Business:

Ministry Site Profile was approved at the May meeting is ready to be submitted after the congregational vote concerning the Four Point Parish.

Each congregation will vote on June 13, 2021 on the Four Point Parish,

New Business:

Interim Pastor: Kelly France has accepted our call to be our second interim pastor. He will start July 1st.

Online Worship was discussed.

Call Committee is to consist of two members of each church.

A motion to adjourn by Becky Detert, Nancy Nordstrom second. Approved.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 13th @ 5:30 PM

Becky Detert, Secretary



*All are in need of prayer, whether we know the situation or not.
If you or someone you know is in need of prayer,
please talk to a pastor.
God promises us that he listens to our prayers.
Let our prayers rise up like incense before you, O Lord.*

Trinity Ripples

The pie and ice cream social has been cancelled this year because of Covid. Hopefully next year things will be normal. Donations would be greatly appreciated since we are not holding that fundraiser this year. You can make your donation out to the Trinity Women and either drop off or mail to the church. Thank You



Robert Swanson will be celebrating his 90th birthday.
He was born on July 3, 1931.
Cards and well wishes on this milestone can be sent to him at 412 Weaver St.,
Welcome, MN 56181.

Waverly Ripples

The Waverly Kitchen and small bathroom asbestos tiles have been removed by Bienick's Abatement team. The new flooring has been ordered, so we are waiting for the tile to come in and have Matt Becker to lay the tile. The flooring may not be put in until August. Just a heads up as to how long the kitchen and small bathroom will be out of order.

St. Peter Ripples




NO WELCA meeting-July.

The next meeting will be August 4th. For our self-study this second session continues on "Liberation is for everyone". Our first session was on Wisdom and this session is on Truth. We study how Jesus shared difficult truths with the people and witness his boldness in speaking truth to power. There will also be no July Tuesday morning coffees.

We had 6 productive quilting days in May with as many as 10 women working. 50 quilts were made—we took 14 to Albert Lea with the 26 held over from last year. 36 are packed ready to go next pick-up day.

There are many youth camps family camps, family camps, retreats and events of all kinds at our Bible Camps this summer. Every Sunday, Outdoor Chapel services are at the Okoboji Amphitheater at 9:30 am with brunch following. The Scandinavian Feast is Aug. 6th with a Glenn Henricksen concert. The Quilt auction is Aug. 7th at noon. Lunch at 11. We have 10 quilts in the auction.

Ann reports a balance in our treasury of \$578.32. \$75 was given to Relay for Life and missionary support of \$100.

 Prayers for Tuesdays @ 2 - 7/6 we pray for more rain for the crops. 7/13 pray for our sick and those in rest homes. 7/20 pray for 2 month old Chloe Jensen as she's had surgery for a birth defect. 7/27 continue praying for our Parish Council and church councils as they conduct the business of keeping us going.

Next work duty: Group 1
 July Altar Care: Ann Wenzel
 July Honorary birthdays: Sherry Schmidt—2nd and Muriel Klenz—14th.

Anniversaries: Cody and Nicole Leiding—12th Ronnie and Jane Leiding—26th Larry and Darcia Schmidt—28th Keith and Jody Franck—29th.

"Happiness blooms where seeds of Love and Joy are planted !!!"



Jeannine

St Peter



Date	Reader
July 4	
July 11	Jeannine Rasmussen
July 18	Jordan Petschke
July 25	Jeff Petschke
August 1	Jeannine Rasmussen

Trinity



Date	Reader	Ushers
July 4		
July 11	MaryAnn Frerichs	Nate and Sam Chukuske
July 18	Deb Philipp	Sun and Henry Borchardt
July 25	Liz Stahl	John and Rita Garbers
August 1	MaryAnn Frerichs	Jean Schock Velma Schaal

Waverly



Date	Reader	Communion Assistant
July 4	Camryn Clow	Jeff Matz
July 11	Tom Peterson	Jeff Matz
July 18	MaryLou Sherman	Jeff Matz
July 25	Gwen Matz	Jeff Matz
August 1	Tim Peterson	Heidi Clow

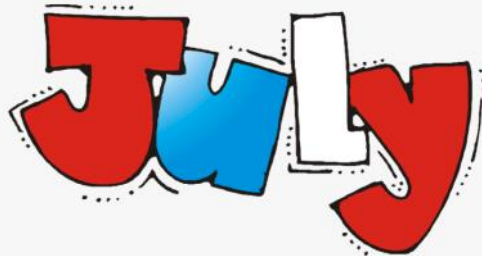
July Ushers	August Ushers
Brad Sherman	Erwin Atzenhoefer
Cliff Armbrust	Jeff Lueth
Tim Peterson	Tom Peterson
Jon Helvig	Brian Clow

JULY

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Luke Bengé	2 Sherry Schmidt	3 Jennifer Hughes Bob Swanson Lynn Wohlhuter Gale & Rhoda Odegaard Kathy & Ron Anderson
4 Tiffany Gohr 	5 Gwen Matz Samantha Meyer	6 Wayne & Marlene Burmeister	7 Ben Chukuske Torrey Paplow Dylan Peterson Larry W Schmidt	8 Cameron & Cassie Peterson	9 Mara Immens Steve Williamson Jon & Jen Saxen	10 Nikki Hansen Jonathan Petschke Matthew Wiggins
11 	12 Fitzgerald Pomerenke Cody & Nicole Leiding	13	14 Harry Gerdes Muriel Klénz Jeff & Jo Miller	15 Tyler Bettin Jon Burmeister Kim Dirks Joan Rezac	16 	17 Jessica Brown Nathan Nordstrom Nathaniel Hansen Robert & Lenore Olson
18 Elizabeth Kuehl Colby Lyons	19 Craig Hatland Josie Loveland Kaden Olson	20 	21 James Hatland Gayle Schuett	22 Zach Hovick Adam Poppe Larry Schuett	23 Jody Franck Tobin Peterson Starr Spiegelér	24 Jordan Stahl Larry & Deb Philipp
25 Brandi Mulvhill Kevin Philipp 	26 Ronnie & Jane Leiding	27 Melissa Lueth Steve Sheppard Brannon & Margo Paplow	28 Larry & Darcia Schmidt	29 Bryan Poppe Velma Schaal Keith & Jody Franck	30 LuAnn Peterson Dakoda Schultz Dale & Shirley Keck Rod & Kayla Olson	31



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9 am - 1 pm				1	2 Parish Office Closed Fridays	3
4 ...Lord that I love. 10:30 am Worship / Communion @ Waverly and online	5 Interim Pastor Kelly starting.	6 7 pm Mary Circle WLC	7	8	9 FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON	10
11 8:30 am St. Peter 9 am First Lutheran Communion 10:30 am Trinity Communion 10:30 am Waverly Communion/Baptism	12	13 5:30 pm Parish Council meeting @ TLC	14	15	16	17
18 8:30 am St. Peter 9 am First Lutheran Communion 10:30 am Trinity Communion 10:30 am Waverly Communion	19	20 August Ripples articles are due	21	22	23	24
25 8:30 am St. Peter 9 am First Lutheran 10:30 am Trinity 10:30 am Waverly Communion-all	26	27	28 9 am Assemble Ripples @ TLC	29		



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Heaven's Table Food Shelf gratefully acknowledges Circle of Faith Parish for their donation of \$228.37 received on April 19, 2021.

Dear Friends, Thank you for your support of Heaven's Table Food Shelf. During March—MN Food Share Month—we collected over 12,9000 lbs of food and more than \$13,000 in donations. You were part of that and we are grateful !

—Greta Lintelman, Deb Adams, Barb Berg, Sue Redman, Pedro Sanchez, Lynn Reeve, Diana Mosloski



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