

Ripples of Faith 2023

Website: www.CircleofFaithParish.org



www.facebook.com/circleoffaithparish
www.facebook.com/trinitylutheranwelcome
www.facebook.com/waverlylutheran
 facebook: FirstLutherantrimont.org

CIRCLE OF FAITH PARISH

St. Peter, Ceylon, MN
 Trinity, Welcome, MN
 Waverly, Trimont, MN
 First, Trimont, MN

Welcome Office Hours:
 M-Th 8:30—12:30
 507-728-8259
 PO Box 328

Office e-mail:
parish@circleoffaithparish.org

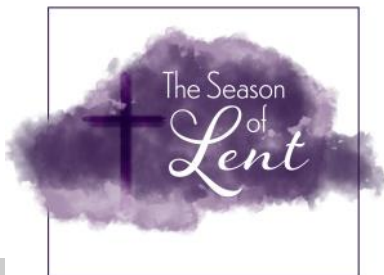
Trimont Office Hours
 Tues. & Thurs 8:30—12:00
 507-639-7925
 PO Box F

Office email:
flchurchtrimont@gmail.com

Staff / Email

Pastor Kelly France - Interim
 Lisa Wohlhuter
 Lila Cutler

kfrance@circleoffaithparish.org
lwohlhuter@circleoffaithparish.org
flchurchtrimont@gmail.com



March Worship Schedule

		FIRST	ST. PETER	TRINITY	WAVERLY
2 Lent	Sunday, March 5 <i>Altar: purple</i>	9:30 am SS 10:30 Worship Communion		Worship /Comm 9:00 am	9:15 SS
3 Lent	Sunday, March 12 <i>Altar: purple</i>	9:30 am SS 10:30 Worship Communion		Worship /Comm 9:00 am	9:15 SS
4 Lent	Sunday, March 19 <i>Altar: purple</i>	9:30 am SS 10:30 Worship Communion		Worship /Comm 9:00 am	9:15 SS
5 Lent	Sunday, March 26 <i>Altar: purple</i>	9:30 am SS 10:30 Worship Communion		Worship /Comm 9:00 am	9:15 SS
Lenten Services	Each Wednesday in March			6:30 pm Worship	

Midweek Lenten services this year will be Holden Evening Prayer and Luther's Small Catechism Introduction.



March 1 Ten Commandments: In Exodus God gives Moses the Law so that the people of Israel would know how to fulfill their part of God's covenant as God's people. Exodus 34:1-9, 27-28



March 8 Creed: How do we express belief? How do we share our faith? The Creed, crafted in the early days of the church, gives us a simple but firm foundation for sharing and professing. Ezekiel 36:22-32



March 15 Lord's Prayer: Lent and Lenten worship call us to repent, to make a new beginning. One of the best ways to begin again with God is through conversation, also known as prayer. And what better prayer than the one that Jesus taught us? Matthew 6:9-15



March 22: Baptism: Dying to our old, sinful self in baptism, we rise from the waters as beloved children of God. We are walking wet throughout the forty days of Lent, reminded daily that we are dead to sin. Romans 6:1-14



March 29 Holy Communion: As we approach Holy Week, we remember Jesus' sacrifice for us. We gather around the table to remind ourselves and one another of that sacrifice and how it shapes our lives. Matthew 26:26-29

All midweek Lenten services will be held at Trinity in Welcome, starting at 6:30 pm.



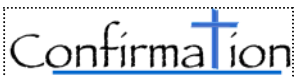
A First Communion class is being offered to anyone interested.

Saturday, March 25 1—3 pm

The class will be held at Trinity in Welcome.

Please call or email the church **by March 11** to make a **reservation**.

507-728-8259 / parish@circleoffaithparish.org



Confirmation classes will be the Lenten services during March. March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

Sunday morning scripture readings for March



DATE	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
March 5	Genesis 12:1-4a	Psalm 121	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	John 3:1-17
March 12	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 95	Romans 5:1-11	John 4:5-42
March 19	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Psalm 23	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-41
March 26	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Psalm 130	Romans 8:6-11	John 11:1-45



Keep these people in your prayers for Health & Healing:

FIRST - Linda Schulz
Kay Marie Krumwiede, Laura Girard
WAVERLY - Emery Armbrust,
Rosemary Atzenhoefer

TRINITY - Robert Swanson, Tony Truesdell,
Bill LaFavor

ST. PETER - Lorrene Knuth

Gracious God, as we approach the Lenten Season be with us in mind and spirit. Reminding us that on Ash Wednesday, it is from Ashes to dust we will return.

We pray - O God, give strength to all who have hope in you. Because without you we can not accomplish anything. Help see the things we ought, and give us the power to do them.

Keep in your prayers—all those who have been and are experiencing disasters. Also give shelter to those who need homes. Protect those who do not have heat and are cold; and give your touch to those who are sick or homebound.

We pray— Be with all our leaders, energize them, so that they may do their work according to your ways.

Nurture our congregations. Call us to a common purpose and turn our hearts toward you so that the choices may be life-giving for all.

Lord we bring to you all our needs and hopes trusting your power and wisdom.

Remember—our call committee. Give them the guidance and the presence of the Holy Spirit in their decisions.

Keep Pastor Kelly in your prayers - praying that the Holy Spirit will guide him in his ministry to our Circle of Faith parish.

Our sympathy and prayers



To Sheila Bettin, of Waverly—
and family upon the death of her
father, David Johnson

To family of Lois Schulte, of First,
who passed away in February

Remember our members who do not get out a lot. Give them a call, or send a greeting.



Maplewood, Fairmont
Arladyne Stanton - FLC
Marty Scholl - WLC

Goldfinch, Fairmont
Elaine Krueger - StP
Millie Wohlhuter - TLC
Janet Saxen - TLC

Home
Joyce Potts - FLC
Joan Ellis - WLC
Ione Nelson - TLC
Sandy Newville - TLC
Calvin Schultze - TLC
Bill LaFavor - TLC

Temperance Lake Ridge
Janice Franck - St P
Joanne Sherman - WLC

Homestead Assisted Living, Estherville
Jeannine Rasmussen - St.P

Gold Finch Memory Care



Prayer for the Day

Dear God, you sent your Son into the world so that we might be free of sin. Send the power of the Holy Spirit, reminding us of the new life we have in you.

We pray this in your name. Amen

Keep these members of our “Circle of Faith” congregations in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to look for candidates for our parish.

Karen Helvig WLC
Tom Peterson WLC
Wendi Russenberger FLC
Roger Matejka FLC
Keith Franck St.P
Linda Bakke St.P
Samantha Chukuske TLC
Liz Stahl TLC



FIRST LUTHERAN NEWS



Worship this month
10:30— here at First — 9:00 at Trinity
No services in March at Waverly & St. Peter's



6:30 —Lenten Services — will be held each week on Wednesday nights at Trinity in Welcome. We will be using “Holden Evening Prayer” for our midweek services. The theme of the mid-week service is : “With Awe and Love”, based on the Small Catechism..

MARCH—the month we look forward—as we say which begins on March 20th !! Its been a LONG winter and I am sure we will all welcome spring



Also—don't forget get to set your clocks one hour ahead on March 12th.

We hope March comes in like a LION and goes out like a LAMB



Kari Matejka upon receiving the Triple Award at MCW. This award is based on excellence in Academics, Arts and Athletics.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Pastor Kelly is offering a communion class to anyone who is interested in receiving Holy Communion. Please get in touch with either church office if you have questions. Please let us know by March 11th if you are interested.

**The class will be on
March 25th -1-3 pm at Trinity.**

CREST— Lunch & Learn— 11-1 Wednesday, March 15th

COME — enjoy a couple of hours with our community neighbors for program and light lunch. Free will for the lunch.

Waverly choir—will meet in March before the Lenten services at Trinity in Welcome. We will NOT have practice on the 15th and will NOT sing during the service on the 19th.

Come join us if you would like.

Confirmation—students will be required to attend the midweek Lenten services as their class time.

Sunday School

Will meet each Sunday at 9:30 for the month of March. Thank you to the kids for the special music in February.



St. Peter News

11 am—1 pm
Saturday, March 11, 2023
St. Peter discussion and potluck



NO WELCA Jan. Feb. March

Heaven's Table Food shelf collection will be during the month of April.



St. Peter Lutheran Annual Meeting

Minutes: 2/12/2023

The St. Peter Annual meeting was called to order by Marilyn Cheever.

The agenda was approved, motion by Dale Leiding and seconded by Vicki Smith.

Secretary's and Treasurer's report were presented.

The call process was discussed, we have very few candidates. Call committee will work on editing our profile to entice new candidates. Adding that we have 4 congregations, but only meet every other month and that we have hired a parish nurse.

Thank you to Ronnie Leiding for repairing our roof and Dale Leiding for switching out light bulbs to LED.

Marilyn presented the parish budget and explained the budget was a little lower since we only have 1 interim pastor and not a lead pastor. Motion to approve budget by Jim Plumhoff and seconded by Jody Franck

St. Peter budget presented and motion to approve by Dale Leiding and seconded by Jody Franck.

Old Business:

- St. St. Peter WELCA offerings were discussed.
- St. Peter had 4 baptisms and 4 kids get confirmed. Council members will remain the same, all agreed to continue serving on the council.
- Discussion on counting the money was discussed and decided to count once a month. Offering will be placed in a bank money pouch and put in the safe until time of counting. Motion to approve the change in offering counting by Jody Franck and seconded by Angie Schmidt.

New Business:

- Discussion on the hymn selection was brought up. Congregation would like songs that are familiar.
- Heaven's Table food collection will take place in April.
- Ash Wednesday will be at First Lutheran
- 5 weekly Lenten services at Trinity.
- Maundy Thursday at Waverly
- Good Friday at St. Peter.
- All services are at 6:30 pm.
- Discussion on having meal fundraisers was discussed. Also having a letter sent out to all St. Peter members stating our financial situation and asking for donations. Motion to approve sending out a letter by Jody Franck and seconded by Annette Wenzel.

Motion to adjourn by Jane Leiding and seconded by Vicki Smith.

Trinity News

DATE	READER
March 5	Samantha Chukuske
March 12	Deb Philipp
March 19	Liz Stahl
March 26	Samantha Chukuske
Easter	Deb Philipp



Please join us in celebrating the marriage of:

Gloria Martin and Joel Thiesse, Saturday, April 15 from 5-8 pm.

Fairmont Yacht Club, 405 Interlaken Rd Fairmont.

NO GIFTS—please !!

Waverly News

Mary Circle - March 7 2 pm @ Waverly

March choir practice will be held each Wednesday at Trinity before the Lenten Service



Happy Anniversary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 David Olson	2 John Speckman	3 Morgan Bloomquist Fynn Brosnahan Robert Johnson	4 Kiley Ellanson Laura Girard Brianna Rezac
5	6 Carolyn Ficken	7 Julie Olson Daniel Smith Larry & Gayle Schuett	8 	9 Madison Mahle Keith Meyer	10 Joanna Sandberg	11 Easton Kuehl Carter Mosloski Robin White
12 Eric Bloomquist 	13 Stephany Dahl Caelyn Harder Eivey Kuehl	14 Jeff Petschke Nick Thiesse	15 Elizabeth Petschke Hunter Schmidt	16	17 Carolyn Strausser 	18
19 Katie Petschke Kelci Russenberger	20 Effie Bentz Ralph Stanton Jonathan & Elizabeth Petschke	21 Kelly Carlson 	22 Harlie Gibson-Fletcher Ethan Lee	23 Suzy Benge Dianne Bettin Keith Franck Karen Keck Bonnie Rahm Nick Sandberg	24 Kennedy Janssen Connor Simonds Aaron White	25 Rod Olson Kevin Schmidt
26	27 Scott Morrow	28	29 Claire Cutler Brenna Cutler Josh Koehler Adilene Petschke Richard Traetow	30 Chad Lyons Kelsey Jensen	31	



Declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful *LIGHT*.
1 Peter 2:9

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p style="text-align: center;">Lent</p>			1 Confirmation 6:30 Lenten @ TLC	2	3 Parish Office closed Fridays	4
5 9:00 am Trinity 9:15 SS—Waverly 9:30—SS—First 10:30 am -First Communion-all	6	7 Parish Office Closed 2 pm Mary Circle @ WLC	8 Confirmation 6:30 Lenten @ TLC	9	10	11 Reservation for the First Communion Class is due.
12 9:00 am Trinity 9:15 SS—Waverly 9:30—SS—First 10:30 am First Communion-all	13	14	15 11-1 CREST—Lunch & Learn @ First Confirmation 6:30—Lenten TLC	16	17 	18
19 9:00 am Trinity 9:15 SS—Waverly 9:30—SS—First 10:30 am -First Communion-all	20 Articles due for April Ripples	21 	22 Confirmation 6:30 Lenten @ TLC	23	24	25 1-3 pm Communion class @ TLC
26 9:00 am Trinity 9:15 SS—Waverly 9:30—SS—First 10:30 am First Communion-all	27	28	29 9 am Assemble April Ripples Confirmation 6:30 Lenten @ TLC	30	31	 April 2



Circle of Faith Parish
P.O. Box 328
Welcome, MN 56181

US Postage Paid
Non-Profit Organization
Permit No. 5
Welcome, MN 56181

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



How can learning about insects help us become better stewards of God's creation?

Join us as we explore the interconnectedness of all of creation, doing a deep dive into the growing impact of bugs on the environment, the land we live on, the food we eat, and more. Fellows will experience hands-on learning in ecology and theology, discovering how faith and science can work hand-in-hand to create a more beautiful future for our planet.

The Gustavus Academy of Faith, Science, and Ethics bring high school students from across the country to learn alongside top scientists and theologians. At the intersection of faith and science, we work together to find solutions to some of the world's most pressing challenges. gustavus.edu/chaplain/academy

Students who will have completed 9th-12th grade by June 2023.

Registration will open on January 1st, 2023 and remain open until the June 2023

Summer Intensive is filled. Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN

Participants pay a \$500 registration fee; \$100 is due upon registration to reserve your spot. All other costs are paid through a generous grant from the Lilly Endowment. Registration scholarships are available for participants based on need. Travel scholarships are also available.