

Ripples of Faith 2023

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July Worship Schedule

		FIRST	ST. PETER	TRINITY	WAVERLY
Pentecost 5	Sunday, July 2 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Worship Communion		9:00 am Worship Communion	
Pentecost 6	Sunday, July 9 <i>Altar: green</i>	Trimont Community Worship 10 am @ Anderson Park		9:00 am Worship Communion	
Pentecost 7	Sunday, July 16 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Worship Communion		9:00 am Worship Communion	
Pentecost 8	Sunday, July 23 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Worship Communion		9:00 am Worship Communion	
Pentecost 9	Sunday, July 30 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Worship Communion		9:00 am Worship Communion	




Parish News

Sunday school for the churches is on summer recess. Look for start up times in the August or September Ripples

CREATED TO BE 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering
 including MYLE the tAble Young Adult Gathering

Youth of Circle of Faith Parish. 8-12 grade

Mark your calendars for a dinner meeting on Wednesday, July 19. 6:30 pm @ Trinity in Welcome. Hear about the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering which will be in New Orleans.

 **No worship at First on Sunday, July 9. ONLY**
 Please attend the Community Worship Service in conjunction with the Trimont Fun Fest at Anderson Park at 10 am. or Trinity at 9:00 am



Circle of Faith Parish – Parish Council Minutes June 13, 2023

Members present: Karen H, Becky D, Gwen M, Jody F, Wendy R, Jake H: Pres. Trnity Jon S.

Meeting called to order by Pres. Karen H. Devotions by Pastor Kelly

Secretary’s report: motion to approve with wording amended from “Call” to “Profile” under Call Committee report by Gwen M, , Second by Wendy R. Passed

Treasurer’s report:

Pastor’s Reports on file in parish office.

Congregational reports: None

Call Committee Report: Nothing new to report

Old Business:

- Discussion regarding refunding of surplus funds. Motion by Becky D, second by Wendy R. to refund surplus funds as credit on 2023 third quarter assessments. Passed
- South Africa Special Offering: \$3251.00

New Business:

- Joint Service on August 6th at St Peter, New Year’s Eve Sunday Morning Service at Trinity.
- Motion by Jody F, Jake H second to transfer Lenten Service’s Loose Offering to youth fund \$115.
- Discussion held concerning December and Christmas Eve supply preachers.
- No Christmas Day services, Christmas Eve services at 5:30 and 7:00 PM.
- Pastor Kelly’s housing allowance was adjusted to \$40,000. This is not an increase in salary, but a reassignment of salary fund designations.

Meeting adjourned. Becky D motion; Jody F second. Passed

Next meeting Tuesday – August 8th @ 6:00 PM - Trinity

Submitted, Becky Detert, Secretary



Keep these people in your prayers for Health & Healing:

- FIRST - Kay Marie Krumwiede, WAVERLY - Emery Armbrust, Rosemary Atzenhoefer, TRINITY - Robert Swanson, Bill LaFavor, ST. PETER - Lorrene Knuth, Rosemary Saggue

God, you give us your word, which is like rain that grows the seeds we have planted. Thank you for giving us this your word that we may continue to grow in faith love and hope.

We pray— Lord - and thank you for the goodness of your creation. Lead those who care for all of your creation to bring prosperity to that which they tend.

Keep in your prayers—all those of your people who are sick, those who are homeless and all who are in need of your guiding hands.

We pray- that all leaders who are in authority may feel your presence in all that they do.

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.

Dear Lord, be with our children this summer that they may be safe as they enjoy their summer.

Lord—be with those families that were affected with the deep sea tragedy. Give them the strength they need to process and heal from this.

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

Keep Pastor Kelly in your prayers - that his ministry to us will be guided by the Holy Spirit.



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
Home: Joyce Potts - FLC, Joan Ellis - WLC, Ione Nelson - TLC, Sandy Newville - TLC, Calvin Schultze - TLC, Bill LaFavor - TLC
Homestead Assisted Living, Estherville: Jeannine Rasmussen - St.P
Goldfinch, Fairmont: Elaine Krueger - StP, Millie Wohlhuter - TLC, Janet Saxen - TLC
Temperance Lake Ridge: Janice Franck - St P, Joanne Sherman - WLC
Season Health Care -Trimont: Loren Schultz TLC

Prayer for the Day



Dear Lord, you have given us the seed of your word. May the Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy and that we might live according to your promises.

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



ELCA National Youth Gathering next year—2024

There will be a meeting On July 19th – 6:30 with supper for all kids 8th –12th grade. Parents are encouraged to attend -- as we will need chaperones. This is for – ALL Circle of Faith – youth

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We will again this year partner with the Covenant and Methodist Churches to have Community Bible School. If you are willing to help in any way let Lila know and she will pass it along.

**July 16-20th
6:00-8:00 pm**

Open for all children 4 years thru 6th grade

We will *Climb Praise Mountain*

Free meal at 5:30

Join us for games, food and outdoor activity

COME – to Memorial Park in Trimont for Sundaes in the Park 6:00 pm



July 2nd– Kittleson Family will share their music

July 16th–Sarah Fisher will be the musical talent for the evening.

Bible Camp —

If you have a child/children going

check with Lila in the church office

as you may be able to apply for some funds to help with the cost.



WORSHIP —

10:30 HERE AT FIRST
OR 9:00 AT TRINITY

ATTENTION PLEASE!



On July 9th— there will NOT be church here as it is Fun Fest Weekend and so you are encouraged to attend the Community Service at Anderson Park. — 10:00 am

COFFEE BEFORE CHURCH 9:30 AM



JULY—16 H , 23RD AND 30TH COME — JOIN US IN FELLOWSHIP AND GOODIES , COFFEE OR LEMONADE.

WOMEN'S GET TOGETHER—

Wednesday, July 12th. Come join us !
All are welcome.

CREST— Lunch & Learn— 11-1 Wednesday, 19th Here at First

All are welcome—bring a friend and enjoy a short program and a light noon lunch. Free will donation for the lunch.

THANK YOU! Church board & congregation

We want to thank you for the generous gift. It came at the perfect time and was a huge help to our family! Thank you for the support, encouragement and love. **Andrea & Lucas Krumwiede**

St. Peter News



Next meeting is Wed. July 5
@ 9:00 am

Congregation notes: from the church Pres.

On 5/24/23 we purchased a Yamaha Clavinova . This was purchased with Money from our Memorial fund. This purchase was spearheaded by Jodi Franck with input from the church council. With this organ we are able to have music when an organist is not available. With the help of Becky Detert from Trinity Lutheran and Marilyn Oelke playing and recording we are able to have hymns recorded for any given Sunday. Thank you Ladies for all your help.

On June 11th St. Peter confirmed 2 students, Morgan McCorkell and Kayson Miller. They each were given a beautiful quilt from our ladies group and a gift card from the Congregation God's Blessing's to you both as you continue your faith journey.

We also had 2 Graduates from St. Peter's in 2023 Ashley and Emily Muller graduated from Fairmont High School on June 4th. Both girls were given a gift card from the Congregation. Wishing you both all the Best in your Future Plans.

Trinity News

DATE	READER
July 2	Liz Stahl
July 9	Samantha Chukuske
July 16	Deb Philipp
July 23	Liz Stahl
July 30	Samantha Chukuske

'Valero'

American Red Cross Blood Drive



Friday, July 21
11:00 am — 5:00 pm

St. Paul's UCC
Fellowship Hall

Youth are invited to
Vacation Bible School
being held at St. Paul's in Welcome
204 Dugan St N

Ages 3 and up.



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light



Bee-attitudes



July 30—Aug. 3
6:30—8 pm

Waverly News

Mary Circle - No Circle meeting in July

All Youth are invited to Vacation
Bible School
Ages 4 through 6th grade

FREE MEAL @ 5:30 PM

TRIMONT

VBS

JULY 16-20TH

6:00 - 8:00 PM

BASE CAMP:
TRIMONT COVENANT
61 East Main St, Trimont

JOIN US AS WE CLIMB A MOUNTAIN - PRAISE MOUNTAIN
OPEN TO KIDS AGES 4 - 6th GRADE
FREE NIGHTLY MEAL

GAMES . FOOD . OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

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June 8, 2023 Waverly Council – Meeting was called to order by President Tim Peterson. Those present were Brad Sherman, Tom and LuAnn Peterson, Cliff and Debbie Armbrust, Jammer Matz, Troy Schmidke, Deanne Gaalswyk, and MaryLou Sherman.

Approved Agenda.

Secretary's Report: none

Treasurer Report: Deanne gave a summary of our income/expense from January thru May. Additional receipts other than offerings were \$116.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars and \$10,000 from the Levik family which will be used for the roof fund. Current Balance is \$116,229.74. Also the church will receive 5% of the sale and the Cemetery Fund will receive 5% when the Baranuk farm is sold.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A Vacuum cleaner with attachment has been purchased for \$1,191.50. With the high cost of propane MM by Brad and 2nd by Tim to turn the heat down in the sanctuary to 65 degrees when we do not have services at Waverly.
- Repairing of the roof and steeple was discussed. A roofer has been contacted and given a bid of \$80,000 for white steel shingles for the steeple and asphalt for the rest of the church. The project could be completed this summer. Will also get a price for commercial steel. An insurance adjuster will also assess the roof for any hail/wind damage. The congregation will be informed on Sunday, June 11 and will also use the Group Cast call system to inform members of this project. MM by Cliff and 2nd by LuAnn to have a special meeting after church on June 18 to vote on the project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Waverly will be celebrating their 125th Anniversary next year. It was decided to celebrate this occasion along the Harvest Homecoming on a Sunday in Sept. 2024. LuAnn has volunteered to join the planning group. It was suggested the Endowment Fund help pay for the anniversary meal.
- Our funeral policy booklet has been reviewed and updated. Copies were passed out to those present. MM by Belva and 2nd by Debbie to keep the booklet and distribute them to local funeral homes.
- Next summer the SW Synod Youth gathering will be held in New Orleans. Cost per person is \$375.00 with a \$150 deposit. Registration is Sept. 2023 thru April 2024. More information to come.
- LuAnn reminded us that VBS will be held in
- Trimont at the Covenant Church for children 4 yrs

thru 6th grade. More information will be given to SS parents.

Next council meeting is July 6 at 7 pm.

No further business, MM by Brad and 2nd by Cliff to adjourn the meeting.

Sunday, June 18 - President Tim Peterson presided at a special meeting held after church to discuss the needed repairs of the church roof and steeple. Brad Sherman has contacted a roofer and was given an estimate of the cost and also informed us it could be done this year. After discussion and questions answered, MM by Susan and 2nd by Nancy to go ahead with this project. A unanimous vote was then cast with 0 nays. MM by Don and 2nd by Laurie to adjourn.



Quilt Review: \$3/person Friday 3—8 pm & Saturday 9—11 am

Live Auction begins at 12 pm—July 22
First 100 or so quilts will be sold this way.
Remainder will be sold through the online auction. For more information, please go to Green Lake Lutheran Ministries










One of our biggest weekends of the year, Quilt Auction Weekend includes several events—you're sure to find something for the whole family!

More information in the August Ripples or go to Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camps.



JULY Birthdays & Anniversaries













Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Luke Bengé Kay Krumwiede
2 Sherry Schmidt	3 Robert Swanson Lynn Wohlhuter <i>Ron & Kathy Anderson Gayle & Rhoda Odegaard</i>	4 Nick Cutler Mitch Olson 	5 Samantha Dahl Gwen Matz Nikki Indergaard	6 <i>Wayne & Marty Burmeister</i>	7 Ben Chukuske Torrey Paplow Dylan Petersen Larry W Schmidt	8 Fun Fest in Trimont <i>Cam & Cassie Peterson</i>
9 Mara Immens Steve Williamson <i>Jon & Jen Saxen 35</i>	10 Nikki Hanson Matthew Wiggins Jon Petschke	11 	12 Fitzgerald Pomerénke Birdella Allen <i>Cody & Nicole Leiding</i>	13 Dianne Olson	14 Harry Gerdes <i>Jeff & Jo Miller</i>	15 Tyler Bettin Jon Burmeister Joan Rezac Jolynn Janssen
16 Wayne Cutler Dana Anderson Joanne Thayer	17 Jessica Brown Nathaniel Hansen Taylor Nordstrom <i>Bob & Lenore Olson</i>	18 Elizabeth Kuehl Aiden Lightfoot Colby Lyons Maian Anderson	19 Craig Hatland Josie Loveland Kaden Olson	20 	21 James Hatland Gayle Schuett Curt Hoppe	22 Zachary Hovick Adam Poppe Larry Schuett Kassie Scheff Collin Wolmes
23 Jody Franck Starr Spiegelers Cindy Sinn Kevin Fett	24 Jordan Stahl Glenda Sinn <i>Larry & Deb Philipp 30</i>	25 Brandi Mulvhill Kevin Philipp Jon Indergaard	26 Troy Olson Wyatt Kurzejeski <i>Ronnie & Jane Leiding</i>	27 Melissa Lueth Steve Sheppard Hallie Fett <i>Brannon & Margo Paplow</i>	28 Jackson Wilmes <i>Larry & Darcia Schmidt</i>	29 Bryan Poppe Velma Schaal Danielle Fett <i>Keith & Jody Franck</i>
30 LuAnn Peterson Dakota Schultz Eli Bloomquist <i>Rod & Kayla Olson</i>	31 Hank Olson					

JULY

The Lord will do amazing things among you.

Joshua 3:5

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Tuesday Morning coffees @ Regional Worship Center-Sherburn				1
2 WORSHIP 9:00 am Trinity 10:30 am First Communion-all	3 Parish Office Closed Monday & Tuesday July 3 & 4	4 No coffees Today !! 	5 9:00 am WELCA @ St. Peter	6 WLC Council mtg 7 pm	7 	8
9 WORSHIP 9:00 am Trinity/Comm No worship at FL today ONLY 10 am Trimont Fun Fest Community Worship @ Anderson Park	10	11 TM Coffee 8:30-10	12 6:00 @ FL Women's get together	13	14	15
16 WORSHIP 9:00 am Trinity 10:30 am First Communion-all Coffee -9:30 FL Trimont VBS @	17  Church	18 TM Coffee 8:30-10 6-8 pm	19 11-1 CREST Lunch Learn—FL 6:30 pm Dinner meeting for all Parish Youth 8-12 gr. @ Trinity	20 August Ripples articles due	21  Welcome Red Cross Blood Drive 11 am-5 pm @ St. Paul's	22 Green Lake Lutheran Ministries Quilt Auction
23 WORSHIP 9:00 am Trinity 10:30 am First Coffee 9:30 FL Communion-all	24	25 TM Coffee 8:30-10	26 9 am Assemble Ripples	27 	28	29
30 WORSHIP 9:00 am Trinity 10:30 am First Communion- all Coffee 9:30 FL VBS—Welcome @	31  St. Paul's		6:30-8 pm 			



Synod News - June 23, 2023

Embodying the Word

Thank you for “Embodying the Word” as the Southwestern Minnesota Synod gathered for the first in-person Assembly in four years. Throughout our short time together, we embodied the faith practices of the earliest Christians: worshiping in Christ Chapel for the first time in 6 years, praising God, praying, breaking bread at the Lord’s table, eating delicious meals with glad and generous hearts, and sharing goodwill. Thank you!

The Assembly received reports and learned about our many ministry partner organizations. We welcomed ELCA staff member Rev. Kevin Jacobson, Director for Global Personnel, who provided a churchwide update and met with the Companion Synod Committee on our partnership with our Companion Synod in southern Africa. Our speaker, researcher Matt Bloom, lifted up factors that contribute to well-being and resiliency, particularly in the relationships and culture of churches and their leaders. Business included electing new governance leaders, approving constitutional changes, and adopting the budget for fiscal year 2025 and recommended compensation guidelines for 2024. We celebrated anniversaries and retirements and gave thanks for the life and ministry of pastors who have joined the heavenly chorus. And worship included singing hymns led by organ and Dakota Road, as well as a new evening prayer liturgy.

It was an honor to share my report through a Bible study of Luke 24. I considered the things we have been discussing as we walked together as a synod through the past 4 years, and how we may share the disciples’ feeling of “but we had hoped” for many things. Like those two on the way, we also have seen the living presence of Jesus embodied in our own congregations and ministries: ordinations, lay leaders, coaching, generosity, Gifts of Grace, food ministries, ecumenical ministries, outreach in the community, and new partnerships evolving among area congregations.

In the second part of my report, I noted the faith practices of Luke 24 that you embody in your ministries: opening Scripture through solid Bible study, creating a congregation culture where new people can know welcome and belonging, breaking bread together, and walking with other congregations in new ways

Finally, I introduced the new statement of commitments that will guide the work of the Synod Council and of staff going forward. I asked for your feedback and ideas for what these commitments could mean:

As followers of Jesus in a time in which the role of the church is being re-formed, we of the SW MN synod are committed to empowering Christian communities to join in God’s mission of reconciliation: listening intentionally, loving unconditionally, serving others authentically, and faithfully healing creation.

We welcome your ideas for these new directions, so please send them! Dee.pederson@swmnelca.org.

Thanks go out to the Synod Council for their action to permit retired rostered ministers, or those granted disability status, or on leave from call, on the roster of the synod to serve as Voting Members of the Synod Assembly. It was great to have their presence! We extended gratitude to the officers completing their terms – Vice President Ferman Woodberry and Treasurer Chuck Engebretson; and we recognized the leaders completing terms on Executive Committee – Carla Johnson and Dale Brandsoy, and on Synod Council. Thank you for your wise leadership!

Huge events like Assemblies do not take place without the planning and work of many people. Thank you to the Planning Team: Assembly Manager Tammy Schacher; Synod Staff Kristin Bakeberg and Maggie Berggren; Assembly Planning Team Pr. Paul Bravinder, Shane Hagstrom, Erin Kuehl, Bill Martin-Chaffee, Pr. Scott Richards, Rachel Rundquist, Pr. Emmy Swedlund; Synod Ministers Pr. Heather Culuris and Pr. Naomi Mahler; D.E.M. Pr. Troy Pflibsen; Technology coordination Chris Kiewel; and the many, many people we didn’t see who worked behind the scenes to help make this Assembly a great experience for all who attended!

Thank you, Voting Members for dedicating your energy and time to be present for this historic Assembly, and to all the individuals and congregations who held our work in prayer. Thanks be to God for you!

+ grace and peace,
Bishop Dee Pederson



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 of our *Home*
 a guest at every *Meal*
 a silent *Listener*
 to every conversation




Sunday morning scripture readings for July

DATE	1st READING	PSALM	2nd READING	GOSPEL
July 2	Jeremiah 28:5-9	Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42
July 9	Zechariah 9:9-12	Psalm 145:8-14	Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
July 16	Isaiah 55:10-13	Psalm 65:9-13	Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
July 23	Isaiah 44:6-8	Psalm 86:11-17	Romans 8:12-25	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
July 30	1 Kings 3:5-12	Psalm 119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52