



Ripples of Faith 2025

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The Bible affirms both the value and dignity of work. From the beginning, God placed Adam in the garden “to work it and keep it” (Genesis 2:15, ESV). In the fourth commandment, we are reminded not only to observe the Sabbath, but also to labor diligently throughout the week: “Six days you shall labor, and do all your work” (Exodus 20:9, ESV).

Work is more than a routine obligation; it is an opportunity to engage our God-given abilities in meaningful ways. Whether using our hands, minds, or hearts, we reflect the image of our Creator—bringing order, care, and creativity into the world.

Our labor allows us to contribute to the common good, find personal fulfillment, and practice faithful stewardship of the talents and strengths God has entrusted to us. As Paul writes, “We are God’s fellow workers” (1 Corinthians 3:9, ESV).

On this Labor Day, may we take time to recognize the blessing of work and celebrate those who serve, build, teach, lead, and labor with purpose and care.

SEPTEMBER	WORSHIP SCHEDULE	FIRST	ST. PETER	TRINITY	WAVERLY
Pentecost 13	Sunday, September 7 <i>Altar: green</i> God's Work Our Hands Sunday			9:00 am Communion Joint Worship @ Trinity	
Pentecost 14	Sunday, September 14 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Communion SS 9:30		9:00 am Communion	
Pentecost 15	Sunday, September 21 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Communion SS 9:30		9:00 am Communion	
Pentecost 16	Sunday, September 28 <i>Altar: green</i>	10:30 am Communion SS 9:30		9:00 am Communion	

God's work. Our hands.



September 7, 2025

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the ELCA – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.



Joint service at Trinity in Welcome at 9 AM.

After the service we – as a congregation – will go to Heaven's Table in Fairmont to help clean/stock shelves/ etc as needed for two hours.



Confirmation Meeting is scheduled for students and a parent.

Wednesday, Sept. 24
6 pm @ Trinity in Welcome



If your child is ready to take First Communion - please

contact the Parish office in Welcome
507-728-8259



Parish Council

Next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday, September 2 - 6 pm @ Trinity



At home Family Faith Formation: Each night read the bible story (pages listed are for the Spark Bible). Talk about where you see yourself in the story, where you see God, and how it relates to your faith. End with the Lord's Prayer.

Learning Focus: The Lord's Prayer (Introduction - 3rd Petition)

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
SC Lord's Prayer Intro	SC Lord's Prayer 1st	SC Lord's Prayer 2nd	SC Lord's Prayer 3rd
Creation 2	Joseph and his Brothers 48	The Holy Spirit 502	Jonah and the Big Fish 190
Abraham's Visitors 34	Pharaoh's Dream 54	The Holy Spirit Comes Down 524	Noah's Ark 20
Jacob's Blessing 42	Joseph Helps His Family 60	The Fruit of the Spirit 550	John the Baptist 234
Angie Visit 196	The Disciples 258	Wise Men 218	An Angel Frees Peter 528
Mary Visits Elizabeth 202	The Beatitudes 264	God will bring Peace 164	Tempted 248
Love is 546	Lydia 532	God's Peaceful World 172	House on a Rock 282



**Keep these people in your
prayers for Health & Healing:**

FIRST - Melva Ammann, Patty Holtz
Birdella Allen, David Olson

WAVERLY - Rosemary Atzenhoefer

Marty Scholl, Deb Armbrust

Albert Armbrust, Sonja Haugen

TRINITY - Janet Saxen,

ST PETER— Jeannine Rasmussen, Sherry Schmidt,

Dear God, We thank you for the leaders, teachers and our pastors who share your good news.

We pray— for all missionaries who spread your word among those who believe and those who are need of your word. Guard and protect them.

Lord, Many people have been affected with disasters this year. Bring to them the guidance they need to recover and be with them in spirit that they may know your love.

We pray for the crops that will b yielding their fruits now that are coming ready for harvest. Grant the workers safety as they gather their harvest.

Bless and comfort all who are in need. Thos who suffer from neglect poverty, physical or emotional stress. We ask also for you to be with those who are hungry.

In our prayers we ask for your guidance and safety to all students as they begin a new year. Be with the teachers, aids, administrators and all others who are the guardians of our children.

Remember—our call committee. May the Spirit guide them through the process of finding a full time pastor.

Keep Pastor Kelly in your prayers - guide him as he ministers to our congregations.

Goldfinch, Fairmont

Elaine Krueger - StP

Janet Saxen - TL

Temperance Lake Ridge-Sherburn

Ken Cutler—FL

Home

Sandy Newville—TL

Woodland Manor

Albert Armbrust WL

Seasons Health Care-Trimont

Joyce Potts—FL

Rosemary Atzenhoefer WL

Homestead Assisted Living, Estherville

Jeannine Rasmussen - StP

Prayer for the Day

Dear Lord, you have given us the promise of your love, and compassion. Keeping our feet from evil paths. As we may go astray, help to lead us back to your loving care and the grace that we receive in your Son, Jesus Christ. 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
Lonnie Moffitt	TLC
Liz Stahl	TLC



The family of Janice Franck of St. Peter, who passed away on Tuesday, August 12. Her funeral was on Thursday, August 21.



FIRST LUTHERAN NEWS



Worship
10:30 here at First
or 9:00 at Trinity

Usher—Linda Fett
Comm. Asst Duane Russenberger
Altar committee— Dawn Faber, Pam Faber

JOINT service on Sept. 7th at 9:00 am at Trinity celebrating “God’s Work Our Hands” Sunday.
After the service as a congregation we will go to Heaven’s Table to help with cleaning—filling shelves, etc. for 2 hours.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPT. 2— 6 PM
AT TRINITY

CONFIRMATION MEETING
September 24th—6 pm at Trinity
For all students and parents

Baptism —
We welcomed Sophie Elizabeth Bolton into our parish on Aug. 17th. She is the daughter of David & Elisha Gowen Bolton. God’s blessings to the family.



Women’s Get together Meeting
September 17th — 10 am.
All ladies are invited to come

CREST Lunch & Learn—Sept. 17th
11-1:00 - All are welcome
Free will for the lunch

NOTE MEETING DATE CHANGED TO
Sunday, September 14th

Congregational meeting
Following the service

This is because of our JOINT service on Sept. 7th at Trinity.



For the purpose of deciding if and what we want to do to fix the steeple windows.

The cost for them is about \$ 9,000.

Each window costing about \$ 1,100 per window.

At the present time we have funds for 3 windows.

Also we will have a vote on the removal of the big tree on the parsonage lawn by the driveway.

As you may have noticed there are numbers on our boulevard ash trees. The city is having the trees taken down. No cost to the church, as they have a grant for this.

MISSION’S —

The Women’s group will have a jar out for your donation to Missions

ALL DURING September.
Your donation will go to the Trimont Food Shelf. Any and all amounts of monetary donations will be helpful.



FIRST COMMUNION—

If you have a child/children interested in receiving the Lord’s Supper get in touch with Pastor Kelly at the Welcome office.



Sunday School will begin on Sept. 14th – 9:30

Here at First
We share with Waverly.
Rotating every other month

St. Peter News



WELCA: Wednesday,
Sept. 3 1:30 pm
Hostess: Rosemary
Bible Study—Session 3 in the Gather

Food Collection for Heaven's
Table will be in October.



Trinity News

DATE	LECTOR
September 7	Liz Stahl
September 14	Deb Philipp
September 21	Becky Detert
September 29	Liz Stahl

Waverly News

Sunday, Sept. 14—7 pm
Waverly Legacy Planning
Meeting @ Waverly

Mary Circle meets Tuesday,
September 2 —
2 pm at Myrna Rahm's

Waverly Council

Meeting called to order by President Laurie Sherman
on Sunday, Aug. 10, 2025 — she then opened with
devotions based on Luke 14.

Secretary Report: was read and approved.

Treasurer Report: Deanne handed out a financial trans-
action sheet and summary report for the past 2 months.
The remaining \$5,366.04 for the roof fund has been paid
out of the general fund. Contributions for this project are
still encouraged. Verizon is now and automatic payment.
Current checking account balance is \$61,260.12. MM by
Gwen and 2nd by Belva to accept this report. Motion
carried.

Old Business: The entry way carpet has been laid and
new doors installed on the north and east entry. Squee-
gee Bros to be contacted again for hopefully spring siding
cleanup. American Glass company will be contacted to
replace the west entryway broken window. Carpet Plus
hopefully will repair a torn carpet in the sanctuary. Mary
Lou will contact them.

New Business: There was discussion about continuous
communion vs. kneeling at the altar. Will meet with Pastor
on this suggestion. Tim P. brought up Estate planning for
the church. There will be an informational meeting with
more information coming. Term limits for officers was
also discussed. This would need to be voted on at the
annual meeting.

Property Committee: Toby has contacted North Cedar
Concrete Construction and they have given an estimate
of \$6,619.37 for new concrete around the church. This
would include removing the current sidewalk, repairing
and disposing of the old. MM by Deanne and 2nd by Toby
to accept this bid. A brief congregation meeting will be
held after church on August 31 to vote for approval of this
project.

Endowment Committee: Gwen reported there is en-
dowment money which is now available for eligible appli-
cants. Deadline is Sept. 15. Contact Gwen or Jon H. for
an application.

Caring Ministries: Tom P. reported his committee con-
tinues to visit shut ins 2/days per month. Belva P also
visits and sends cards to those living away or in declining
health. She has taken our quilts to be given to residents
of Healing Hearts Housing and Recovery in Motion.

Next Council meeting will be Oct. 12.

No further business MM by Belva and 2nd by Gwen to
adjourn.



A special congregational meeting was
called to order by President Laurie
Sherman on Sunday, August 24, 2025.

A motion was made by Deanne and 2nd by Jammer to pay
North Cedar Construction Co. approx. \$6,600 for removal
and disposing of the current sidewalk and pouring new
cement in front of the church. Project would be completed
this fall. The congregation responded with a unanimous yea
vote and 0 nay votes. Motion made and carried to adjourn
the meeting.



ENDOWMENT FUND







The Waverly Endowment Fund is opening a
Post-Secondary Scholarship Application for the
up-coming year. You would need to contact
Gwen Matz 507-840-9997 for the applications.
The deadline for applications is Sept. 15.



SEPTEMBER

birthdays & anniversaries



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>It's School Time</p>   <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Keith Johnson Wayne Schultz</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Linda Schulz Brandon Nordstrom Holden Schmidtke Tyson Thiesse</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Paul Gaalswyk Karen Helvig Jennifer Kuehl Lonnie Moffitt</p> <p><i>Jon & Kelsey Traetow</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>Kally Windschitl</p> <p><i>Don & Nancy Nordstrom</i></p> <p><i>Catherine & Cole Lightfoot</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>Steve Olson Brian Olson Travis Petersen</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Zane Borchardt James Chukuske AleaSha Meyer Noah Peta James Plumhoff Heather Potts</p> <p><i>Roger & Joan Rezac</i></p>
<p>7</p> <p>Dawn Hartung</p> <p>National Grand-parents Day</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>Mim Potter Gary Sathoff Chad Helmstetter Kevin Nelson</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>David & Dawn Hartung</i></p>	<p>13</p> <p>Shirley Schmidt</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Doug Anderson Mary Ebeling Rhonda Potts</p> <p><i>Philip & Sheila Bettin</i></p>	<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>Thomas Rahm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Sun Borchardt Samantha Chukuske</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Alex Schmidt</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Lukas Bloomquist Teya Schmidtke</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Tanya Schmidtke Keya Krumwiede</p>
<p>21</p> <p>Jon Helvig Bev Meyer Martha Olson</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Pam Faber</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>Abby Loveland</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Bryson Rezac Patty Holtz Collin Schultz</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Lena Petschke Kaen Olson Gary Winchester</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Jordan Petschke</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Dale Ebeling Darlis Hoppe</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Matthew Kruse Marty Scholl</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Chase Petersen Lacey Schmidtke Hunter Olson</p>				



Surely, God is my helper;
the Lord is the uphold of my life
Psalm 54:4

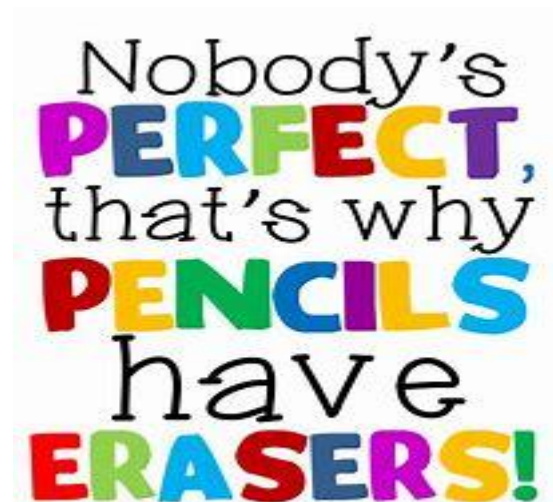
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Times/ Places	1 Labor Day 	2 8:30-10 am Tuesday Morning Coffees @ St. Paul's- Welcome 2 pm Mary Circle @ Myrna Rahm's 6 pm Parish Council mtg @ Trinity	3 1:30 pm St. P WELCA	4 	5	6
7 Joint Circle of Faith Worship 9 am @ Trinity God's Work Our Hands -- Heaven's Table following	8 	9 TMC 8:30-10	10 10 am FL Women's meeting	11 	12	13
14 9:00 am Trinity 10:30 am First 9:30 SS @ FL 7 pm Waverly Legacy Planning Mtg @ Waverly	15 	16 TMC 8:30-10	17 11-1 CREST Lunch learn @ FL	18 Articles due for October Ripples	19	20 Martin County  4-9 pm Fairgrounds
21 9:00 am Trinity 9:30 SS@ FL 10:30 am First	22 	23 TMC 8:30-10	24 9 am Assemble Ripples  6 pm Confirmation meeting @ Trinity	25	26 	27
28 9:00 am Trinity 9:30 SS@ FL 10:30 am First	29	30 TMC 8:30-10				



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**Sunday morning scripture
readings for September**

DATE	1st READING	RESPONSIVE READING	2nd READING	GOSPEL
Sept. 7	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Psalms 1	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
Sept. 14	Exodus 32:7-14	Psalms 51:1-10	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
Sept. 21	Amos 8:4-7	Psalms 113	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
Sept. 28	Amos 6:1a, 4-7	Psalms 146	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31