

MAY 2010

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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MISSION STATEMENT: Trinity is a
community of Christ providing a
foundation of God's love to grow
and learn together.

Dear Trinity members and friends,

At the 2009 ELCA Churchwide Assembly, the Lutheran Malaria Initiative was adopted. Through this effort Lutheran World Relief will work to eliminate the tragic death toll of this disease. "More than 500 million people contract malaria each year. Of those infected, one million die each year, the vast majority of them children. In Africa alone, malaria takes the lives of 10,000 pregnant women and 200,000 children each year."

LWR will work to provide insecticide-treated bed nets, education about early detection and treatment for malaria, and affordable healthcare. A key part of this project will include training parish pastors and other church workers about malaria and its prevention. They can take the education about malaria to their sermons, Sunday School lessons, youth and women's groups. As leaders in their communities, people will listen to the information that they bring.

"A donation of as little as \$10 will buy a bed net, deliver it to someone in need and teach them how to use it. Bed nets save lives, but they are often out of reach for the world's poorest people, many of whom survive on less than \$1 a day."

Malaria is caused by a parasite from mosquitoes so bed nets are the basic means of prevention. As we move into our summer and mosquito season, it is the perfect time to consider our opportunity to get involved in this fight against malaria.

Consider, with me, tithing on your summer vacation and donate the funds to LWR. For instance, if your vacation costs \$600, then donate \$60. It's a way of being thankful for our financial means to take a summer vacation and to save lives at the same time! If you are not vacationing this summer then please consider donating at least \$10 for one bed net. Donations can be made by placing a check in the offering plate with "Malaria" in the memo line or call 1-800-597-5972 or go to lwr.org/giving to make donations with a credit card or mail a check to Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21298-9832.

(Quotes taken from LWR News, April 2010)

Peace,

Pastor Donnita K. Moeller

WORSHIP NOTES

Sunday May 2nd a congregational meeting will be held after worship to discuss the money that was raised for the fence.

Sunday May 16th the High School Seniors will be recognized during worship and Fellowship.

Sunday May 23rd is the last Sunday with worship at 10:30am.

Sunday May 30th begins the summer worship schedule. Worship will be at 9:00am.

Worship screen and projector will be put up soon. The software will be purchased and we'll be projecting the worship service. Bulletins will still be printed for those who will want to use the hymnal.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The following high school seniors will be honored in worship and fellowship on Sunday, May 16th: Jessica Hein, Jenna August, Wayne Rouse and Spencer Byrd. Congratulations!

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thank you teachers for your dedication to teaching Sunday School this year. You have been missionaries to our children in sharing the Word of God. **The last Sunday School class** will be held on May 16th.

7th & 8th Confirmation class will meet for their last class on Wednesday, May 12th @ 6-7pm at A Place to Land. Bring money for a latte or smoothie to enjoy while we review our lessons on Worship and Spirituality. Please note the change of time!

VBS Sneak Peak will be held on Sunday May 16th @ 1pm at Calvary FourSquare Church. Preschool -5th graders are invited to attend and be introduced to this year's VBS. **VBS will be on Sunday – Thursday, July 25-29 in the evenings at FourSquare Church.**

CONGREGATION MEETING

A congregational meeting will be held after worship to discuss the money that was raised for the fence. The family has decided that they don't need the fence. Council has proposed that we donate the

money to the Dave Stephens Memorial Habitat build.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the Stewardship Chocolate Buffet. It was simply delicious and a perfect celebration at the end of our Stewardship emphasis.

Thanks, too, to Sharon Hein and Kelly Thomas who gave us a look at their personal history with the ministry of Trinity.

Time & Talent sheets have been collated and will be given to the chairs of our committees.

HABITAT BUILD

The special offering on Sunday April 18th and Silent auction brought in \$1220.21. Amazing!

If you'd like to volunteer to work at the Habitat build on June 4, 5 & 11, 12 you can go to iowavalleyhabitat.org and click on "get involved" at the top of the page. Next, on the left side of the page click on "volunteer now". In the center of the next screen click on "register to volunteer and click on the volunteer calendar and scroll to the Dave Stephens Memorial build in Tipton. A calendar of dates and times will be there for you to us to sign up. Or call 319-337-8949 to volunteer.

NEW JANITOR

Kae Linbaugh is our new janitor and has been doing an excellent job. If you have any questions or comments regarding her work, please write a note and place it in Eric Newton's mailbox. He is chair of the Human Relations Committee

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

The new church directories are here. If you had your picture taken, you

should have received a copy of the directory in your church mailbox. If you didn't get one please notify Jodi Byrd. New member should also receive a directory.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The floors are shining! Joe McElhinney, Dick Hein, Larry Hein and Les Schneklath did incredible work. Thank you.

LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS

Deb Cook will lock & unlock the church doors for May.

WELCA

May Fellowship Lunch @ Trinity on Saturday May 1st. Lunch at Noon with program following: Alda Buresh speaking on "Domestic Violence" Good food- Good fellowship- Good speaker. Reservations need to be in by April 27th. Call Alma Chapman 732-2562 or Betty Thumma 946-3081.

May 20- **Esther Circle** @ Alma Chapman's home at 7:00pm

May 21- **Ruth Circle** @ Alma Chapman's home at 1:30pm
The lesson will be from the May Lutheran Woman.

Looking Ahead- June 26 WELCA Convention @ Amana Holiday Inn

In spite of being "blizzardied" out for 3 times when we planned to do quilts, we delivered 46 quilts, 16 Health kits, 16 pounds of soap to the Lutheran World Relief truck in April 17.

The ladies are right back at it! If you want to know when they are quilting, call Dolores Kunde @ 886-6762, Alma Chapman @ 732-2562, or RoseMary McElhinney @ 886-6839.

FAITH & LATTE

The Faith & Latte group will meet for a Bible Study on women of the Bible. Watch for day and time in the bulletin.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet at Marcia Newton's home on Thursday May 27th @ 6:30pm to discuss Geraldine Brooks' A Year of Wonders.

TRINITY WEBSITE

Marla Todd has agreed to be our webmaster and has the church website up and running again!

FACEBOOK

Trinity is also on Facebook. Thanks to the High School Sunday School class and Jodi Byrd. It can be accessed on Facebook by going to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and scrolling down to our church.

SOUTHEAST SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Pastor will attend the Synod Assembly at Hope Lutheran Church in Des Moines on Friday-Saturday May 21-22. In case of an emergency, call her mother @ 886-3201 and she will contact Pastor.

Jodi Byrd and Keith Chapman are Trinity's delegates to the Assembly. Thanks for giving of your time for this.

WHAT IS A SYNOD ASSEMBLY? (taken from the SE Ia Synod website)

Each spring, synods gather in assembly to uplift and celebrate ministries and address issues facing the leaders, congregations, and agencies within the synod. At the 2010 Synod Assembly, voting members will conduct official business of the synod, approve compensation guidelines, adopt a budget, address resolutions, and elect

members to Synod Council and the 2011 Churchwide Assembly.

There will be opportunity to spend time in worship, biblical reflection and gather with folks from other congregations in small group discussion, as well as participate in a variety of forums with topics related to our life together. This is a time to celebrate God's love and respond in faith with our "Eyes Fixed on Jesus".

EWALU SUMMER CAMP

Its time to register for EWALU summer camp. Go to www.ewalu.org or call 563-933-4700 for information.

RUMMAGE SALE @ METHODIST CHURCH

Friday, April 30, 10am-6:30pm.
Sloppy Joe meal: Cost \$5 11-1pm & 5-6:30pm

Saturday, May 1, 8am-11am
Cinnamon rolls & coffee 8-10am
Proceeds will support mission projects.

ON-LINE GRIEF SUPPORT

St. Luke's Hospice is offering a new kind of grief support group, completely online and at your convenience. On Wednesday, May 26 @ 3pm, we invite you to go to the St. Luke's Hospice website at stlukescr.org/hospice and click on the link titled "Online Hospice Resources." You will be directed to our webcast, titled "You're Not Crazy! Understanding Normal Grief Response". One of our licensed social workers will be facilitating the webcast and you will be able to type in questions and learn answers to the questions other grievers are asking. Pre-registration is not needed.

Even though this webcast will be live on May 26 at 3pm, you can view it any time after that webcast, for up to a year.

To watch after May 26, please go to stlukescr.org/hospice and click on the "online hospice resources" link on the left side of the screen. If you have questions, call 319-369-7744.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS- March

Devotions: John 13

Treasurer's report accepted

Minutes for February accepted.

Committees:

Evangelism: directories are ready

FRB: \$878 was raised for FRB at the Tipton Tour of Lights Soup Supper

Old Business:

Need synod delegates.

Michael Thomas will install to programmable thermostats in the sanctuary.

MSC to hire Kae Linbaugh as janitor.

New Business:

New member welcome on April 11th.

Pastor to attend Healing ministry workshop at Prairiewoods.

A Kitchen committee will be appointed by council to look into remodeling the kitchen.

Next meeting April 13th

Charline Thumm, Secretary

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS- April

VBS Sneak Peak on May 16th.

MSC to have a congregational meeting on Sunday May 2nd after worship to discuss the "fence" money. Council recommends giving it to the Habitat build.

A new vacuum and dust buster will be purchased.

Synod delegates are Keith Chapman and Jodi Byrd.

MSC to reinvest the Mission Investment CD that was due in April.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your gift of \$376.19 to ELCA Disaster Response designated for relief and recovery work in Haiti following the devastating earthquake. Your gift provides food, clean water, medical care and emergency supplies to people affected by this disease. In Christ's service,
Rev. Daniel Rift, Director
ELCA World Hunger & Disaster Appeal

We are so thank to you all for helping us prepare the meal on March 27, and also with serving & cleanup. Your cheerfulness and generosity are greatly appreciated! Shared Blessings, Methodist church

I gratefully acknowledge receipt of \$250 and note that these funds have been credited to the account of Andrew Zoerb. In Christ's name and service, Janelle Koepke, Office of Mission Support, Wartburg Theological Seminary

YOUTH GROUP

The youth group will be helping build a wall for the Habitat house, date yet to be announced. They will also be holding a Servant Auction at Fellowship on May 23. So any one needing a person to help with some work and would like to put a bid on is welcome to join us. The money raised will toward future camps and gatherings that the youth are looking into participating in.

MAY WORSHIP

Greeters: Keaton Mohr
Wanda Whitmer

Altar Guild: Rosemary/Sharon

May 2

Acolyte- Jacob Lewis
Banner- Anna Lewis
Cross- Hannah Owens
Assistant- Sandy Hein
Ushers -Catherine and Mary Jacobson
Communion: Sharon and Dick Hein
Henry and Julia Martin
Organist- Elaine Moes

May 9

Acolyte- Noah Pelzer
Banner- Cole Wehde
Cross- Becky Hickerson
Assistant- Elaine Moes
Usher- Bryce and Delores Werling
Communion- Catherine Jacobson, Verna Kruse, Cleo Ferguson and Darlene Peck
Organist- Letha

May 16

Acolyte- Leanna Rouse
Banner- Caleb Schneklath
Cross- Mary Jacobsen
Assistant- Catherine Jacobson
Ushers- Bev Oldham and Verna Kruse
Communion- Brenda and Katie Herring
Organist- Jan Penningroth

May 23

Acolyte- Kali Hein
Banner- Peyton Ahrens
Cross- Megan Moeller
Assistant- Norene Boyle
Ushers- Don and Rosie McGlaughlin
Communion- Gail Countryman, Craig Mirfield, Henry and Julia Martin
Organist- Alan Daedlow

May 30

Acolyte – Bryanna Koogler
Banner- Brady Koogler
Cross- Noah Pelzer
Assistant- Ron Belitz

Ushers- Darlene Peck and Sandy Sturdy
Communion – Elmer and Delores
Kunde, Bryce and Delores Werling
Organist – Judy Bontz

Locking/Unlocking of Doors
Deb Cook 886-6788

FINACIAL REPORT

March 28 - \$2526.00
April 1 - \$190.00
April 2 - \$168.00
April 4 - \$3672.00
April 11 - \$1835.43
April 18 - \$2477.23

Loose Offering -\$ 435.35
Sunday school-\$ 68.48
World Hunger-\$ 20.00
Coffee-\$10.00
Youth Bake Sale - \$188.25
Habitat Silent Auction - \$977.10