



Trinity Lutheran Church

Parish Caller

Fatherhood

The Bible tells us that the Lord puts us into our families. Our moms and dads were no accident. God gave them to us, and he meant them to be a blessing to us. Our society recognizes the special bond that mothers share with their children. In fact, when we think a child with a parent who is nurturing and loving, how many of us don't picture that child with his mother? A mother's love is a beautiful thing, and we rightly designate a day in May to thank God for the gift of mothers.

In June, however, we recognize fathers. The Bible emphasizes the role of the father in the life of his children. The father is not just the strict disciplinarian or the distant figurehead that popular culture would like us to believe. Rather, God called him to be loving and encouraging to his children. Ephesians 6 phrased it in the negative saying, "Fathers, do not exasperate your children..." The opposite of exasperating is comforting and helping. The Bible also says that fathers are to nurture their children in their faith. Fathers are tasked with the responsibility of making sure that their children are raised in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Yes, fathers were asked to provide godly discipline for their children as well, but discipline is not just another word for "punishment." Rather, discipline implies that there is teaching taking place. A father will show a child his error and teach him what is good and god-pleasing.

If you watch any prime time television at all, I don't have to prove it to you that society has overlooked much of what fathers are to be. And perhaps fathers are partly to blame for letting society forget. If every father carried out his god-given role with zeal and joy, could anyone forget what a father is supposed to be? Certainly not. But because fathers have neglected to be spiritual leaders in their homes, because they have neglected to be an encouraging, and because their discipline has been heavy on the punishment and light on the teaching, the world began to see fathers less and less involved in the life of the children, less loving, just plain "less"!

But God has shown us what a real father is supposed to be like, not just with words, but with actions. God is not distant, he is involved in every area of our lives. God nurtures us, giving us all the things we need for our body and life. Our heavenly Father also gives us everything we need to nurture our souls. He has given us a Savior from our sin in Jesus Christ, and through Word and Sacrament he has taught us to know our Savior. And when we come to him exasperated and broken hearted because we've sinned, God comforts us with the promise of forgiveness in Christ. What a good and loving Father we have!

May God fill the hearts of the fathers at Trinity with his Spirit so that they are eager to carry out their roles, reflecting the same kind of love that our heavenly Father has shown us.

Pastor Dustin Yahnke

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Women in Service

Trinity Women in Service met in the conference room on Thursday, May 12, 2016, for their regular business meeting. Nine ladies were present plus Pastor Mark Bartsch, Chaplain at Heritage Homes. The hostess was lone Staude.

The opening devotion was given by Pastor Bartsch. He then gave a very interesting and informational presentation about his "work" at Heritage Homes – which he loves and doesn't consider to be "a job". He told of his background and how he shares the Gospel at Heritage Homes Assisted Living (which is not just for Lutherans). He showed us an example of the chapel services he gives, plus the Bible Classes and song services. Following his presentation he had a drawing for small door prizes.

The business meeting was opened by President Kathy Strucely. The minutes for April were in the last newsletter and were approved as printed. The treasurer's report for April was approved with a Women In Service balance of \$687.53 plus \$16.29 held for LWMS. The basket collection today was for the W.I.S. general treasury.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: The Lutheran

Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) rally in Beloit had a total of 78 women attending; four attended from Trinity. The fall rally will be held in Farmington on October 15.

New Business: Appointments are being made for the Trinity Church Pictorial Directory to be done at church May 31 - June 4. Help is needed for signing in people, etc. We were encouraged to sign up with the office manager for a two-hour shift one or more of those days.

We were reminded of the June luncheon to be held on Thursday, June 9, at noon at the Two Sisters restaurant. All women of the congregation are invited. (Order off the menu.)

New Business: Someone has donated \$1,000.00 preferably for kitchen projects or church needs. We were asked for suggestions as to its use. There is no major need as of now. However, Ann Marcks will look into the cost of kitchen faucets; Audrey Zautner will look into purchasing a large Nesco; and Kathy Strucely will look into the cost of serving trays. (Other possibilities: New altar cloths for the communion ware, or Vacation Bible School.)

Currently, the coffee pot in the con-

ference room has to be replaced. Audrey is looking into this and will purchase one soon. The cost will be paid from the W.I.S. General Treasury.

The Centennial Committee asked the W.I.S. if they could serve coffee, etc. in the Fireside Room one Sunday between services during the summer months. It was agreed that we would do this.

The Banner Committee is working on a new banner. Also, Kathy showed us an individual Family Banner which consisted of single pictures of family members with pictures of their interests around them. There is a possibility of purchasing and cutting the original fabric for purchase by our member families to fill out as they wish. Perhaps one or more could be displayed in the Fireside Room each month.

There being no more business, the meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. The next regular W.I.S. meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room. Hostess will be Kathy Strucely. Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Kaesermann, Secretary



Pebbles from the ROC

Please attend the ROC Youth Center Golf Outing on **Sunday, June 26, 2016, golf at 3 pm, eat at 7 pm at Watertown Country Club** – You can "Golf & Eat" (\$58) or just come for the dinner (\$20) and **great ROC presentation**. Sign a golf team up or reserve your dinner by June 17. You are also invited to help by **donating an auction item or sponsoring a hole**. Maybe you also know someone who can donate an auction item. **Pass the word** – For registration and other info. call Don at [920-261-1319](tel:920-261-1319) or e-mail at debartz@charter.net.

The ANNUAL ROC (Watertown Recreation & Outreach Center for Youth) RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE is scheduled for **July 21-23** (Thursday & Friday 8-5 and Saturday 8-12:00) at the TSL (Trinity/St. Luke's) gym on Western Avenue. Donations will be accepted Sunday 12-5, Monday & Tuesday 8-5, & Wednesday 8-12. Please use gym doors off the playground. Please call Ruth Uttech ([920-261-6772](tel:920-261-6772), rmurru@charter.net), Pam Erdman ([920-261-9674](tel:920-261-9674), perdman@gmail.com), or Joyce Zwieg ([920-253-6788](tel:920-253-6788)) with any questions or

to volunteer for help moving tables, receiving and set up and working the sale. **It is very important to volunteer hours as soon as you can so we know if we have enough coverage for each day.** See you soon as we together help fund THE ROC Youth Center.

FUTURE ROC EVENTS: Please volunteer to help. Thanks!

Saturday, June 25, 2016, serving 10-5 - Brat Fry at Pick 'N Save
 Sunday, June 26, 2016 at 3 pm - ROC Golf Outing
 Thursday—Saturday, July 21, 22, 23, 2016 - ROC Rummage Sale

Graduates

Trinity members congratulate our graduates and wish them God’s blessings in their future endeavors.

TSL	College
Seerina Blasé	Emilie Kreilkamp—Concordia University—B.S.N.
Kaitlyn Buss	Jeremy Maas—Martin Luther College—Education
Julie Koch	Kamilla Thoma—Wisconsin Lutheran College—Degree in Business and Communication
Lakeside	Kendalyn Thoma—Wisconsin Lutheran College—Degree in Biology and Education
Amelia Asmus	Michael Turney—MSOE—Electrical Engineering
Noah Kreilkamp	Alex Zastrow—Madison College—Associate Degree in Auto Body Technology
Tucker Nass	Tyler Zastrow—University of Wisconsin—Whitewater—Degree in Business Management
Luther Preparatory School	
Johanna Brauer	
Ethan Maurice	
Joshua Schroeder	
Jonathan Thede	
Ashley Verstein	



Voters’ Meeting – June 19 at 10:45

The voters will meet after the second service on June 19 to review the 2016-17 Trinity ministry plan (budget) and hear reports on ministry efforts within our congregation. While we apply the Scriptural teaching of men exercising headship by voting at our meetings, our Christian sisters are always invited to attend. ***If you wish to see copies of the proposed ministry plan before the voters’ meeting, you will find them in the Fireside Room.***

Financial Status

Thanks be to God for the gifts given for the work of the church!



In order to give a clearer picture of our financial status we will be reporting the weekly and monthly totals of offerings for the unified budget.

Weekly offering needed to support the ministry plan: \$14,009

Monthly offering needed to support the ministry plan: \$56,036

Offerings received the week of April 3	\$ 9,927.00
Offerings received the week of April 10	\$11,641.07
Offerings received the week of April 17	\$ 9,717.97
Offerings received the week of April 24	\$ 10,584.25
Offerings received through Vanco in April	\$ 3,284.00
Offerings Received through Thrivent Choice	<u>\$ 274.00</u>
Total Offerings received in the month of April for support of the ministry plan	\$ 45,428.29
Actual offerings YTD—	\$ 569,280
Offerings needed YTD—	<u>\$ 607,070</u>
Difference—	-\$ 37,790

As of the end of April, total income was \$569,280 or 78% of the annual budget. Total expenses were \$578,395 or 79% of the annual budget. Revenue and expenses are expected to be at 83% after ten months. The month ended with a deficit of \$9,115 compared to a surplus of \$286 in March. The decline in offerings is an area of concern as the summer months approach when offerings are historically less than needed to support the ministry financial plan.



Remembering those fallen asleep in Jesus



Marilyn Roeseler

David and Sharon Zastrow

Arnold Schumann

Herman and Pat Zastrow

Ron and Phyllis Kaesermann

Women in Service

Rock River Area OWLS

There is no regular OWLS meeting scheduled in June, but the Program Committee will get together the first week of June in Waterloo to make plans for the 2016-2017 season. The Program Committee is made up of the officers and every other member who wishes to make suggestions. Before coming, please call 920-478-7337 or email dplocher@msn.com the week before.

Our annual OWLS PICNIC is scheduled for July 19, 2016, third Tuesday of the month, beginning at 12:00 NOON, held at Aero Park, 907 Boomer Street in Watertown. Bring a dish to pass, your tableware and beverage. Members of St John, Waterloo will provide brats and buns. There is a shelter with electrical and restrooms. Turn off Highway 26 just north of the airport on Boomer Street, less than a mile north of WalMart. The Organization of WELS Seniors (OWLS) provides meaningful activity for those retired and/or 50 years and older. Here is opportunity for spiritual growth and fellowship with other WELS and ELS seniors. Come and enjoy!

Summer Bible Study Opportunities

Thursday mornings at 10:30, starting **June 9** – We will examine the book of Ecclesiastes, an honest appraisal of life. Without the Lord life is futile, but with the Lord it has great purpose and meaning.

Tuesday evenings at 7:00, starting **June 14** – We will seek comfort from the last book of the Bible, Revelation. Though often misunderstood, this part of God's Word gives strength and support to God's people living with the eager anticipation of Christ's return.

Sit-Craft-Chat Craft Group

Third Monday of each month, June 20, July 18, August 15

Summer Schedule 1-3 pm

Fireside Room

Contact person: Tina Krueger (261-3562)

Videotaped Church Services

The Sunday services are now being shown on Watertown TV, cable channel 985, Wednesdays 9 am and 4 pm and again on Sunday at 11 am. Services are also uploaded to the church website by Tuesday.

Prayer Partners *"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints" (Ephesians 6:18).*

- Pray for the need of others.
- Praise God for the wonderful things he does.
- To join send, an email to sstrucely@gmail.com or call the church office. Prayer requests will be sent to you via email or by phone call.
- To request a prayer, contact Pastor Brauer.

Email Notifications

We are sending out a weekly email with the church schedule and also any special items that come up during the week. If you did not receive an email, it means the church office does not have a current email address for you. If you would like to receive weekly emails with the schedule and other special information, email us at trinitymanager@charter.net.

Summer Schedule

On May 29 our Sunday service times changed to our summer schedule. Sunday Services will be held at 8 & 9:30 am. Bible Activity Hour and classes are on summer break and will resume in September.

Remember as you travel this summer to keep God's word in your itinerary. There are many WELS churches who would love to have you visit. It is a good way to meet fellows WELS members. To find a church near you check out the church locator on the synod



Trinity Teens

Trinity Teens ended their Sunday morning Bible study for the year. We concluded the year by studying the archeology and events that took place in Jericho and Bethlehem. Our teens also had fun at My Escape Mission in Madison, WI. We solved the Bank Heist room and escaped with time to spare. Later this month three teens from Trinity and one from St. Luke's will go to the WELS International Youth Rally in Fort Collins, CO. It should be a great time for spiritual growth and Christian fellowship. Finally, on June 24, Trinity Teens will work at Glenn's Brat Haus. Bring your appetite and stop by for a tasty brat or burger, or both!

Centennial Committee Update

The Centennial Committee is still very busy. We have raised \$2,400.00 of the \$4,000.00 goal. The money we raise will be used to offset the expenses of the Centennial Celebration on November 6, 2016. The committee still has several events and projects to hopefully raise the remaining amount.

Summer Donuts & Coffee - The Centennial Committee in conjunction with other church committees will host the Donuts & Coffee in the Fireside Room between services and after late service on the Sundays with no communion. All monies in the free-will offering are put towards the celebration fund.

Coffee and Mugs - Coffee and insulated mugs are still available. If you are interested in either of these items a table will be set up in the Fireside Room between services and after late service, or you may contact Laurie Cole or Nancy Zastrow.

Summer Puppet Fun - The committee is working on a date to have an evening of fun with Pastor Yahnke and his puppets. More information will be coming when a date is set.

Cookbook - we are finalizing the details of the cookbook. If you would still like to submit a recipe, please forward to Nancy Zastrow at dnzas-trow1976@yahoo.com no later than June 6th. The cookbook will be going to print shortly after that date.

Christmas Ornaments - The committee is working on a Christmas Ornament in honor of the Centennial of our congregation. These will be available early in fall. Watch the Parish Caller for more details.

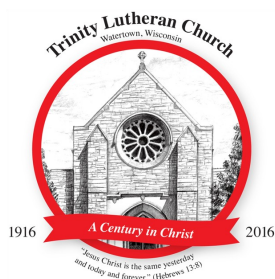
The committee will be meeting soon to finalize some of our plans and to brainstorm new ones. If you have any suggestions for the committee, please feel free to share with a committee member or Pastor Yahnke or Pastor

Brauer. If you would like to make a monetary contribution to the Centennial Celebration you can indicate this on your church envelope, drop off in the office or give to a committee member. We appreciate all the support our congregation has given to this event and we look forward to a fantastic celebration of our Trinity centennial.

The Centennial Committee



99 Years and Counting



Last month we learned about the conclusion of Pastor Stern's ministry at Trinity when he accepted the call to serve at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Detroit. This installment tells of the arrival of Trinity's second pastor – Kurt A. Timmel

The Arrival of Pastor Timmel

With Pastor Stern's acceptance of the call to Detroit, Trinity Lutheran Church was faced with its first pastoral vacancy. The congregation wasted no time in contacting Pastor William Nommensen, president of the Western Wisconsin District of the synod, to request a call list. For their vacancy pastor they asked Prof. E. Wendland of Northwestern College to lead them during the vacancy. Prof. Wendland and his family were members of Trinity, and he was honored to shepherd his fellow congregational members. Because Trinity would be losing their organist, one of Pastor Stern's daughters, the services of Miss Viola Schlueter on the organ bench were obtained for the summer.

The first call meeting for the congregation was held on July 2, 1932, at which time a call list of four names was considered. After deliberation it was voted to call Pastor Arthur Voss, serving at St. James Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. A committee of councilmen was also appointed to take the call and supporting documentation directly to Pastor Voss' residence in Milwaukee.

Pastor Voss returned the call in early August. By August 15 the congregation was ready to call again. From the list that had been prepared Pastor Kurt A. Timmel, serving at St. Paul Lutheran Church in North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, received the majority of votes.

Pastor Timmel did not deliberate the call for a long period of time. By the end of the month the congregation had his response.

*North Fond du Lac, Wis.
Aug. 30, 1932*

*To the Members of
Trinity Eng. Luth. Congregation,
Watertown, Wis.*

Dear Brethren,

St. Paul's Lutheran of North Fond du Lac has heard your plea and has granted me my release as pastor to enable me to accept the call to serve as pastor of your congregation.

You have honored me highly in reposing your confidence in me. I pray in all humility that you may find in me the faithful servant you desire. I look

forward to working with you with much joy and shall endeavor to continue the good work done at and by Trinity to the everlasting glory of the Master.

*Sincerely yours in Christ,
Kurt A. Timmel*

By the September 8 Church Council meeting plans were being put in place for the arrival of the Timmel family. It was decided to hold a reception for Pastor and Mrs. Timmel and their family. The redecorating of the parsonage was approved, and envelopes were to be mailed to the families of the congregation to help defray the cost. Invitations to the reception for the Timmels were also to be mailed to each family of the congregation.

A special note is included in the church minutes that notes that

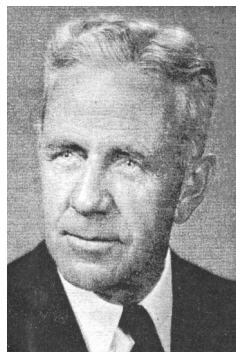
Rev. K. A. Timmel having accepted the call to Trinity Congregation arrived in Watertown with his family Sept. 15, 1932, and was installed as a pastor of Trinity Sept. 18, 1932.

The Church Council meeting of September 19 was the first meeting Pastor Timmel attended. The minutes note that

The pastor then stated that if there was no other business to be taken up, he would like to be informed as to the various organizations and committees of the congregation, their functions, dates of meeting, etc., which was given.

Clearly a new pastor was the shepherd of Trinity Lutheran Church. It was the beginning of a new era at Trinity. During Pastor Timmel's pastorate several major changes would take place at Trinity.

Pastor Kurt A. Timmel



Kurt A. Timmel was born on December 24, 1898, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Timmel and raised in Oconomowoc. He graduated from Northwestern College in Watertown in 1920 and then attended the Lutheran Theological Seminary located in Wauwatosa. Following his graduation from the Seminary in 1923 he was ordained in services at St. Matthew's Lutheran

Church in Oconomowoc. His first congregations were the dual parishes at New London and Sugar Bush in Wisconsin where he served until 1928. From 1928 until he accepted the call to serve at Trinity he served St. Paul's Lutheran Church in North Fond du Lac.

In his years of service in Watertown as pastor at Trinity Pastor Timmel also took on two other important roles. One was with Northwestern College when he was elected to the college's Board of Control by the members of the synod. He served on this board for many years, and for many of them he was the secretary of the board. His name appears in numerous announcements in *The Northwestern Lutheran* (today's *Forward in Christ*) regarding Northwestern College. As professorships needed to be filled at the college the members of the synod were requested to nominate qualified men. All nominations were to be sent to Pastor Timmel as the board's secretary as well as all correspondence related to their nominations once the nomination list was printed.

In the Watertown community he served as a member of the Watertown Family Welfare Association. When he retired from the ministry in 1966 he also submitted his resignation to the Family Welfare Board. The Watertown Daily Times recorded:

In December, 1935, Pastor Timmel was elected to the Family Welfare board of directors. His early activities included door-to-door solicitation for funds and actual family contacts. The local welfare's inclusion in the Community Chest collection, the hiring of a paid social worker, and the varied needs in a changing economy have all been a part of Pastor Timmel's experience as a board member...His many years of service to the community have made him a wise and valuable member of the Watertown Family Welfare Association. The important decisions made during the long history of this old organization were often based on his opinions and his thoughtful counsel. The Rev. Mr. Timmel served Watertown's needy with quiet dignity and sincere compassion...

Pastor Timmel's retirement even brought comment from Clarence Wetter, the longtime writer of the "In Times Square" column that appeared frequently in the Watertown Daily Times for many years.

The announcement that the Rev. K.A. Timmel, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church since 1932 is retiring and leaving the city to make his home in Wausau, is taking one of our favorite people from Watertown. Over the many years, since he first came to Watertown, he has been a frequent visitor to our office and we always found him a friendly and in-

teresting individual, one who was ever welcome because we could sit down and talk about many things, from sports to fishing and from parish work and Northwestern College in which he was always deeply interested.

Even when we were busy we were always happy to take a few minutes, urging him to have a chair and visit.

To state it briefly and truthfully, we regret that he is leaving and we can only say that we have valued his friendship and we extend our best wishes to Pastor and Mrs. Timmel and hope for them a long period of happy and contented years ahead wherever they may be.

Our welcome mat will always be out should they come this way for a visit.

Pastor Timmel announced his retirement at the quarterly meeting of April 13, 1966. His retirement would be effective July 1 of that year. In the anniversary book prepared for the 65th anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church, Dr. Kiessling writes:

Since he gave poor health as the reason, members of the congregation had no choice but to accept his decision. They did so with regret, for during his long tenure Pastor Timmel had won the hearts of his congregation and made his influence felt not only as pastor but as friend.

Pastor Timmel shared that the year of the church dedication in 1953 had been one of the happiest and most strenuous of his ministry. He also added he was grateful to God for the opportunity to lead the congregation in worship in such a beautiful church. For Pastor Timmel it was a hope realized.

Pastor and Mrs. Timmel retired to Wausau which had been Mrs. Timmel's home town. They enjoyed the opportunity to return to Wausau and especially their cabin at Clear Lake. Even in his retirement Pastor Timmel stayed active in some aspects of the ministry. Many Sundays would find him in a pulpit filling in for a pastor. Such was the case on Sunday, October 28, 1969. That morning he had preached for the morning service at a neighboring congregation. That evening he suffered a fatal heart attack at his cottage at Clear Lake.

In addition to Mrs. Timmel (the former Florence Koehler), Pastor Timmel is survived by a daughter Margaret who is married to Tony Kubek of professional baseball fame; John who lived in Lugano, Switzerland; James who ran a business in Watertown; and Richard of Wausau. Interment was at Pine Grove Cemetery in Wausau. (cont. next page)



Pastor Timmel with the Trinity Ladies Aid in the Ladies Aid Room of the Church Home.

Pastor Timmel had served Trinity Lutheran Church for 33 years. In that time the school issue would be resolved, Trinity would begin providing their teachers to the faculty of St. Mark's Lutheran School, and he would lead the congregation through the church building project. In the year of his retirement Trinity would reach one of its high-water membership marks with 780 baptized souls. Once again the Lord of the Church had provided an excellent servant for the congregation in the person of Pastor Timmel.

Trinity/St. Luke's School News

TSL Budget for FY2016-2017

Both congregations are asked to adopt as a part of the congregational budgets the TSL budget for the upcoming fiscal year. This year's budget is most unusual in that the Joint Board has forwarded a budget that will need to be modified once the dust settles on the two teaching positions for the upcoming school year.

Much discussion in a number of meetings has brought us to this point. As the initial drafts of the budget were prepared it became obvious that there would be a major increase in the school payments for St. Luke's congregation. This is primarily due to the changing percentages of students coming from each of our supporting congregations. At the request of the church councils there has been some budget cutting for the upcoming fiscal year.

As in years past we have tried to make the school's budgetary impact on our congregational budgets as small as possible. The called worker staffing plan for the FY2016-2017 budget and beyond reduces Mrs. Uttech's position as Extended Learning Coordinator to a half-time position. Noting an impending enrollment drop for the 2017-2018 school year, one of the seventh and eighth grade positions has been called for only one year to help us through the large class of 27 students that will graduate in 2017.

As a part of the proposed budget the Salary Review Committee recommended that we raise all of our teachers' salaries to Column A of the WELS Compensation Guidelines. At this time there is no recommendation on housing allowance.

TSL will continue to make every attempt to be prudent and wise stewards of the financial gifts that are used to operate the school and received through the congregations and the anticipated income of fees and tuitions. We thank Trinity and St. Luke's congregations for their financial support of our school. May the Lord bless our efforts!

TSL In-depth Study

Looking to years to come and the budgetary impact of TSL on both supporting congregations has led to the formation of the special TSL In-depth Study to be conducted by the Joint Board and completed by December 1. This study will help guide us through the next few years. The study will center on three committees under the leadership of Joint Board members, one from each congregation:

A. Staffing – Justin Gregorius and Dan Meis

This committee would look at curriculum, faculty workload and extra duties, hired staff workload, an acceptable range of students per teacher, and a review of cradle roll numbers and future enrollment numbers.

B. Campus situation – John Rupnow and Matt Zastrow

This committee will look at the benefits and drawbacks of having two campuses and what programs and activities would need to be eliminated if TSL reduced to one campus.

C. Growth opportunities for TSL – Tim Hammond and Dan Cole

This committee will review demographics of the community, school inreach and outreach, and the possibility of all-day preschool and childcare.

Committee membership for each committee will be comprised of the two Joint Board members plus the following:

Two to three members of the faculty

One church council representative from each congregation per committee

Two lay representatives from each congregation (four total per committee)

The pastors and principal are advisory to all committees

Teachers New to TSL

With the acceptance of the divine calls received by Mr. Foxen and Mr. Moore the Joint Board proposed filling the resulting vacancies with a permanent call and a call for one year. We are pleased to report that Mr. Jared Matthies, currently principal and teacher at Our Savior's Lutheran School in Zion, IL, has accepted the call extended by Trinity to serve as seventh and eighth grade teacher. Mr. Matthies is a 2008 graduate of Martin Luther College (MLC) and is currently working on a master's degree in instructional technology through MLC. Mr. Matthies attended Lakeside Lutheran High School (Class of 2008) and TSL (Class of 2004). He is married to Dani who is trained as a nutritionist. Both are excited at the prospect of coming to TSL and Watertown! We pray the Lord blesses their transition and Mr. Matthies' work in our school.

At the St. Luke's voters' meeting on May 18 District President Herb Prahm supplied a call list of eight names for the grades 7-8 position to be called for one year. He also provided an option of going to the Assignment Committee because of a MLC graduate who has settled in Watertown. St. Luke's voters passed a resolution to go to the Assignment Committee. As a result St. Luke's has been assigned Mrs. Morgan Beyer (nee Kumbier) to teach grades 7-8 for one year. Mrs. Beyer grew up in Watertown and is a graduate of Luther Preparatory School. She graduated from Martin Luther College in December, 2015, and was assigned for the remainder of the current school year to teach at St. Marcus Lutheran School, an urban Milwaukee Parental Choice Program school. She is married to Andrew Beyer who is a 2004 graduate of TSL.

We thank the Lord for filling these vacancies and look forward to the arrival of our new teachers!

End of the Year Events

- On May 26 both preschool classes will hold their closing program at the Western Avenue campus gymnasium at 6:00 p.m. The highlight of the evening will be their presentation of "The Nanny Goats"
- On May 31, the kindergarten class will hold their graduation at the Western Avenue campus gymnasium at 6:30 p.m. Thirteen students will receive their kindergarten diplomas.
- On June 1 we will conduct our twenty-eighth annual Relay Day at Clark Park.
- On June 2 we will conclude another school year.
- On June 3 graduation will be held for this year's eighth grade class at St. Luke's Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. At this time five students will be attending Lakeside Lutheran High School (one from Trinity and four from St. Luke's). Four students will attend Luther Preparatory School (four from St. Luke's). Eight students will attend Watertown High School (two students from Trinity and six students from St. Luke's). One student will be attending Hamilton High School in the Sussex School District (one from St. Luke's.) May the Lord bless them all as they start this next stage of their education.

In the days after the conclusion of the school year the faculty will be holding meetings, conferencing with the principal about their teacher assessment forms for the WELS Commission on Lutheran Schools, and cleaning rooms and storage areas in anticipation of the 2016-2017 school year.

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Good-bye and God Bless!

This school year has seen some farewells in the past few months with more to come:

- In the past weeks we welcomed three student teachers from Martin Luther College – Mr. Jacob Rothe who worked with Mr. Foxen in his seventh and eighth grade classroom, Mr. Carl Manske who worked with Mr. Moore and his seventh and eighth grade classroom, and Miss Emma Hirsch who worked with Mrs. Schultz and the third grade classroom. All three have finished their work, and Miss Hirsch and Mr. Manske will complete one more year at MLC. Mr. Rothe was assigned to Mt. Calvary Lutheran School in Redding, CA, to serve as upper grades teacher and principal.
- Mr. Matthew Foxen has completed three years at TSL and will be moving to Watertown, South Dakota, to teach at Great Plains Lutheran High School in English, religion, and other areas where his talents can be used. He will be missed.
- Mr. Alex Moore has completed four years at TSL. He accepted the call to teach fifth grade and serve as technology director at St. Jacobi Lutheran School in Greenfield. Mr. Moore will also be missed.
- Mr. Duane Nottling, who has served as janitor at TSL for a number of years since the fall of 2009, has announced he will retire from janitorial work after the summer work of cleaning and waxing floors is done. Likewise Mr. Tom Horn who has served as one of the janitors at the Clark Street campus will be stepping down as he begins the next level of his professional education. We thank both men for their services. These positions will be posted in the church bulletins in the near future.

40th Anniversaries

Both Mrs. Cheryl Holzhueter and Mr. James Moeller will have completed forty years in the teaching ministry with the conclusion of the current school year. They are 1976 graduates of the then Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN. Mrs. Holzhueter first served at St. John's Lutheran School in Sparta. She accepted the call to serve at TSL arriving for the 1985-1986 school year. Over the years she has taught third grade and then fifth grade and has directed the Junior Choir since the retirement of Mr. Moldenhauer in 1987. Mrs. Holzhueter has also directed our forensics program since that time.

Upon graduation Mr. Moeller was assigned to serve at Abiding Word Lutheran School in Houston, TX, which was a one-room school at that time. In Houston he also served as principal, organist, and choir director. From 1981-1988 he served as principal, teacher, organist, and director of several choirs at St. Andrew Lutheran Church and School in Chicago, IL. Since coming to TSL in 1988 he hasn't done much (in his estimation).

We thank Mrs. Holzhueter and Mr. Moeller for their faithfulness in serving the lambs and sheep of the Good Shepherd for many years. We also pray the Lord's continued direction and strength for both of these workers as long as they are able to serve our congregations and school!

Thank You!

As we conclude another school year we thank the members of both Trinity and St. Luke's for keeping their school and its workers in their prayers. We thank you for your financial gifts given out of love for Jesus that enable us to provide the physical needs of our school. We thank you for the words of comfort and support. We pray the Lord's continued blessings as we work to make every thought captive to Jesus!

Farewell Reception

Join us on Sunday, June 12 following the 9:30 service for a farewell reception for Matthew Foxen. Mr. Foxen has served as our 7-8 grade teacher at TSL for the past three years. He has accepted a call to teach at Great Plains Lutheran High School in Watertown, South Dakota. We wish him God's blessings as he begins his new work in God's kingdom.



Community Blood Drive

Trinity will host a community blood drive on Thursday, June 16 from 1-6 pm. The Blood Center of Wisconsin will be conducting the drive. Sign up sheets will be found in the Fireside Room.

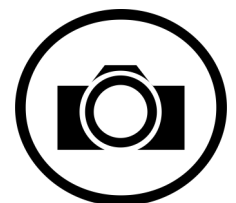


Blood facts

- Summer and holiday donations decrease by 20%.
- Every three seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. There is no substitute.
- BloodCenter of Wisconsin strives to see 800 donors a day, 6 days a week, to collect the blood needed by patients in more than 50 hospitals with which we partner.
- The average adult has about 10 to 11 pints of blood. During a whole blood donation, about one pint is drawn.
- A unit of whole blood can impact the lives of up to three people because it can be separated into three distinct products, each of which has a different function and can be used in concentrated doses depending on patient need.
- In order to donate blood you must weigh at least 110 lbs. and be in general good health.
- You must be at least 17 years old (16 with signed parental consent).
- Less than 5% of the eligible population donates.
- One in three people will need a blood transfusion in his/her lifetime.
- Someone in our area receives a blood transfusion every four minutes.
- You are eligible to donate whole blood again 56 days after your donation.
- People with O negative blood type are universal donors. This means their red blood cells can be transfused to patients with any blood type.

Photo Directory

Don't forget we are still signing up families for the Trinity photo directory. At this time Tuesday, May 31 is completely filled and only a few openings are available on Wednesday, June 1, Thursday, June 2, Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4. Because of this great response, we have added in another date. Photo appointments are available on Monday, June 6 from 3:10 pm until 8:50. At this time about 130 families have signed up to have their pictures taken for the directory. All families that have their pictures taken will be given a directory. Don't be left out! Sign up today by going to our Trinity web page at trinitywatertown.net or by calling the church office.



(One more thing. If you bring a non-perishable food item with you, you will receive \$5 off any photo purchase.)

Membership Changes

Baptism—Christian Baumgarten, son of Matthew and Crystal Baumgarten, Isaac O'Marrah, Son of Patrick and Jessica O'Marrah, Otto Schultz, son of Patrick and Meghann Schultz, Gunnar Roehl, son of Cody and Christina Roehl

Confirmation—Serina Blasé, Kaitlyn Buss, Kyle Kerr, Julie Koch

Profession of Faith—Sharon Makovec, Roxanne Rice

Transfer—Jeremy Maas to St. Marcus Lutheran Church, Milwaukee

Funeral—Arnold Schumann



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