

Ripples of Faith 2022

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March Worship Schedule

		FIRST	St. PETER	TRINITY	WAVERLY
Lent 1	Sunday, March 6 <i>Altar: purple</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am SS—10:00 am	Worship w/Comm 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online 9:15 am SS
Lent 2	Sunday, March 13 <i>Altar: purple</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am SS—10:00 am	Worship 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am Drive-thru Comm 11:30– 12.	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online 9:15 am SS Drive-thru Comm 11:30– 12.
Lent 3	Sunday, March 20 <i>Altar: purple</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am SS– 10:00 am	Worship 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online 9:15 am SS
Lent 4	Sunday, March 27 <i>Altar: purple</i>	Worship w/Comm 9:00 am SS-10:00 am	Worship w/Comm 8:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am	Worship w/Comm 10:30 am & online 9:15 am SS

2022 Lenten Season Worship schedule

Date	all services at 6:30 pm	Place
March 2	Ash Wednesday	First
March 9	Journey in the Wilderness	Trinity
March 16	Wandering in the Wilderness	Waverly
March 23	Vulnerable in the Wilderness	St. Peter
March 30	Transformed in the Wilderness	First
April 6	A Way in the Wilderness	Trinity
April 14	Maundy Thursday	Waverly
April 15	Good Friday	St. Peter



The Circle of Faith Call Committee met on Sunday January 23, 2022. We interviewed another pastoral candidate. Those present were Karen Helvig, Liz Stahl, Sam Chukuske, Roger Matejka, Keith Franck and Tom Peterson.

—Tom Peterson, Secretary

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting February 2, 2022

Clergy: Pastor Kay, Pastor Kelly

Members: John Borchardt, Jodi Franck, Jacob Hanson, Nancy Nordstrom, Beth Mulso, Karen Helvig

Church Presidents: Marilyn Cheever

The meeting was called to order by Pastor Kay
Agenda was approved as printed with the addition of one item (discussion of parish office staff responsibilities). Motion by Karen Helvig, Second by Nancy Nordstrom.

Election of Parish Council officers was put on hold till next meeting as several members were missing to night's meeting.

Secretary's report was approved as presented, motion by Jacob Hanson and second by Jody Franck.

Treasurer's report was approved as presented, motion by Jody Franck and second by Karen Helvig.

Pastor's reports were given and are on file in the church office. Both have been busy with the Lenten preparation, Pastoral care visits and Christian education.

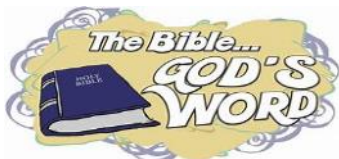
Congregational reports were given.

Old Business: John Borchardt received a phone call and email from Vicar Jon Wendt with his decision to decline the call to Circle of Faith. (the printed email is on file in the church office).

New Business: Reviewed and renewed Pastor Kelly's contract. Motion by Nancy Nordstrom and second by Beth Mulso.

Next meeting March 9th at 5:30 pm in Welcome. We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Marilyn Cheever (note taker)



Sunday scripture readings for March

DATE:	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
March 6	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16	Romans 10:8b-13	Luke 4:1-13
March 13	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	Psalm 27	Philippians 3:17—4:1	Luke 13:31-35
March 20	Isaiah 55:1-9	Psalm 63:1-8	1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
March 27	Joshua 5:9-12	Psalm 32	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32



St. Peter Annual meeting

The St. Peter Annual Meeting was called to order by Marilyn Cheever following the church service on January 23rd, 2022.

Marilyn noted that in addition to New Business would be discussion on call vote for a new full time Pastor.

The agenda was approved with a motion by Dale Leiding, and 2nd by Keith Franck.

Pastor Kelly led us through Devotions.

Secretary's report was presented, Honeywell has switched to Groupcast. Seems to be going well, if you are not getting messages please call the office.

Motion to approve Secretary's report by Keith Franck 2nd by Jeannie Leiding.

Treasurer's report was presented with a motion to pass by Dale Leiding and 2nd by Aubrey Plumhoff. 2022 budget was presented. We will have a cost savings from adding First Lutheran to our Parish. Motion to approve the budget by Keith Franck and 2nd by Jane Leiding.

Interim Pastor's Report. Thank you to Pastor Kay and Pastor Kelly for helping us navigate through this transition.

Nominating committee report was presented by Marilyn. Everyone currently on church will continue to fill those rolls. Another member is needed for Parish council to ensure our voice is heard in voting at Parish council meetings. Any member can sit in on a Parish council meeting. But you cannot vote unless you are on council.

Old Business- We will try to have our anniversary celebration this year. The Ceylon all school reunion is June 25th, we are trying to have it the same weekend. Cake and coffee will be served after church.

New business- After Annual meeting we will hold a separate meeting to hear about candidate for Pastor position.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Dale Leiding 2nd by Jane Leiding.

Trinity Annual meeting January 23, 2022

Meeting called to order by Jon Saxon.

Motion to approve agenda made by Bob Moffit, second by John Borchardt. Passed

Motion to approve minutes from March 28, 2021 annual meeting made by Todd Williams, second by Henry Borchardt. Passed

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report and Financial Secretary's Report made by Bob Moffit, second by Liz Stahl. Passed

Motion to approve Congregation Budget and Parish Budget by Jean Schock, second by Bob Moffit. Passed.

Pastors' Report presented.

Motion to approve Nominating Committee Report made by Bob Moffit, second by Jeff Miller. Passed.

President: Open

Treasurer: Becky Detert

Financial Secretary: Open

Caring Ministries: Todd Williams, Joel Detert, Nate Chukuske

Property: Jeff Miller, John Garbers, Jay Mulso

Faith Formation: Samantha Chukuske, two positions open

Parish Council: Becky Detert, Beth Mulso, Samantha Chukuske

Synod Assembly Delegates: Open

Old Business:

Added First Lutheran of Trimont to Circle of Faith Parish in 2021

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn made by Bob Moffit, second by Todd Williams. Passed

Submitted,

Becky Detert, Acting Secretary

Waverly Annual mtg



President Bob Olson called the 2022 Annual meeting to order on Sunday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 pm. 22 members present. Nancy Nordstrom opened with liturgy and prayer. Motion made by Tim Peterson and second by Belva Peterson to approve the agenda.

Secretary Report: Minutes read and accepted with the addition of Welcome State Bank donating \$100 to the Cemetery fund. Motion by Brad Sherman and second by Don Nordstrom to accept the report. Motion carried.

Financial Report: was presented by treasurer Deanne Gaalswyk. Total receipts for year 2021 were \$94,469.90. Total disbursements were \$74,598.37. Deanne explained the difference in dollar amounts and her report shows actual expense compared to budgeted expense. The 2022 proposed budget is \$102,273.00. Motion by Jammer Matz and second by Jon Helvig to accept the 2022 Waverly proposed budget.

COF Operating Report: Nancy Nordstrom presented the COF Operating statement and the 2022 present budget. Total budget for COF is \$194,856.00 with Waverly church assessment at 32%. Motion by Heidi Clow and second by Jeff Armbrust to accept. Motion carried. Waverly's assessment of 32% is determined by average weekly church attendance.

Pastor Kay thanked the congregation for welcoming her & Pastor Kelly as interim pastors. The Litany for Council members was then read.

President Bob Olson thanked everyone for their commitment & dedication to the traditions of the church including quilters, lawn mowers, snow removal, Kevin and all those that helped with the improvement of the kitchen and bathroom.

Nominating Committee Report: Don Nordstrom presented the 2022 nominees. Motion to accept a unanimous ballot was made and second. Motion carried.

Endowment Report: Endowment Fund informational sheet was handed out by Jon Helvig to members present. Ending balance for 2021 was \$123,675.31 after disbursements for scholarships, Green Lake Bible Camp, quilts and Kinship. There is money available to be distributed this year.

The Cemetery Fund has moved \$2,000 to the Endowment Fund.

Old Business: Steeple to be repaired. Last year the crane scheduled was booked. Hopefully it will get done this summer.

Karen Helvig reported on Gloria Dei Church. Covid has changed many things for them also. Possibly will be able to zoom some Sunday School classes.

New Business: Jon reported in 2024 Waverly will be 125 years old. Something to be thinking about. Motion made by Lynette Shaw and second by Gwen Matz to move our annual meeting time to Sunday after church. Motion carried. With no further business, motion by Brad Sherman, second by Jim Sherman to adjourn meeting.

The Lord's Prayer was recited.

Freezer Meal Swap-All are Welcome

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church-Welcome
No cost but food.

We will exchange meals on Sunday afternoon, March 20th. Times will be decided depending on groups. All meals are different. You make 5 of the same meal and bring to swap location. Swap with others and bring meals home.

Sign up by March 11th, 2022

You need to be available to bring meals or have someone bring meals.

You can be brand new to making a freezer meal and participate!

If you would like participate please call Samantha Chukuske 507-350-4126 or email sampiz-za2015@gmail.com

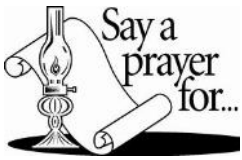


Southwestern Minnesota Synod **Senior High Youth Gathering**

Luther Crest Bible Camp, Alexandria, MN
April 1-2, 2022

2022 Synod Assembly

Saturday, June 11, on-line only.
More information will come later.



Keep these people in your prayers for Health & Healing:

FIRST - Susan Lorenz, Emily Lee, Ken Johnson,
WAVERLY - Emery Armbrust,
TRINITY - Jeff Miller,

Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide those whose names that have been recommended to our congregations for a Pastoral call.

Lenten Season — As we begin this season, of 40 days of fasting and repentance, may we take this time to receive God’s gifts, to resist temptation, and look toward the blessings that we will receive on Easter.

Prayers of Thanks - for the safe return of the National Guard Units that have just returned. Including the one of which AJ Soweija was a member of. Pray that they may be able to adjust to their new surroundings and family.

Prayers for those who are alone, those who are suffering, and those who need healing of any kind. That they will feel the presence of the Lord and his healing powers.

Praying that the Lord will receive our prayers and reveal his will through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Keep Pastor Kay & Pastor Kelly in your prayers as they minister to our “Circle of Faith” congregations. May the Holy Spirit guide them.

A prayer for Lent—
O Lord, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us so that we may walk safely in this world to the life you alone can give.
Amen



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
Lois Schulte– FL

Home
Joyce Potts, FLC
Elaine Johnson, WLC
Ione Nelson, TLC
Sandy Newville, TLC
Calvin Schultze, TLC
Joan Ellis, WLC

Temperance Lake Ridge
Janice Franck, St P
Joanne Sherman, WLC
Bob Olson, FLC



Keep these members of our “Circle of Faith” congregations in your thoughts and prayers as they help find our congregations new pastors.

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



Eddie Ekstrand, a former member of Trinity Lutheran, will be celebrating a milestone birthday on March 5 by turning 100 years young. Let’s help her celebrate with a card shower.
Eddie Ekstrand
610 Summit Dr
Rm 232 - Blue Wing
Fairmont, MN 56031



Trinity/Waverly — to the families of Jon & Karen Helvig and Jen & Jon Saxen on the death of Evelyn Helvig

First—Sympathy to Cindy Nelson & family upon the death of her mother, Opal,

First Lutheran News

Services in March 9:00 am
Sunday School— 10:00 am

**Congregational Annual meeting —
was held on Feb. 6th.**



Roger brought the meeting to order. Matraca Hanson will continue as Congregational Secretary.

All reports were approved.

We will continue to support missionary, Philip Knutson in Africa.

It was voted to raise the council's ability to spend up to \$ 5,000 for repairs, etc. without the congregations approval.

New Council members voted on: Roger Matejka, Tristian Wilmes.

Steve Olson was elected to the Cemetery Board.

Alice Gray & Lila Cutler will attend the Watonwan Conf. meeting on Feb. 27th.

LeeAnn Steen will attend online for the Synod convention in June.

We had a fellowship meal following the meeting, of BBQ'S, beans, chips and bars.

Many thanks to Dan, & Bob who have volunteered their time and talents these last 3 years.

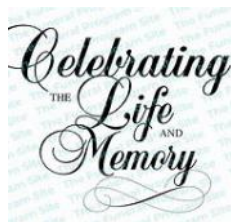
Pastoral Call. It was announced that the Call we made to Mr. Wendt was declined. The Call Committee will still be looking.

**CREST— Lunch & Learn— 11-1
Wednesday, March 16.**

There is a short program and a delicious lunch served at noon. Free will suggested for the lunch.

It is open to all area people.

Confirmation—confirmands are to attend the weekly Lenten services. 6:30 pm. Please check the Lenten schedule on pg. 2 or the calendar for which church the services are at each week.



**Celebration of Life service
For Mary Jane Olson
Sunday, March 20, 2:00 pm
here at First.**

Join with her family in this remembrance celebration.

After the service there will be a time for fellowship, memories and snacks at the Triumph Hall.

**Drive Thru Communion—
Reminder !!**

If you would like communion, drive thru is offered on the 2nd Sunday at Waverly and Trinity—from 11:30-12:00



**Looking ahead— Ash Wednesday is on
Wednesday, March 2nd here at First.
A list of Lenten service dates and places
are in this newsletter. Pg. 2.**

Annual report- Copies are on the table in the parish hall, if you would like one, please pick one up.

Yearbook— will also be out soon. Check in the parish hall for one to be picked up.

Parish council will meet on March 9, 5:30 at Trinity.

We extend our Sympathy to Cindy Nelson and family upon the death of her mother, Opal.

*Words
for
thought*



St. Peter News



There will be no March mtg. Our 'self-study' is session 3 "Eternal life in the Gospel of John." When we talk about 'eternal life' in John's Gospel and "the kingdom of God" in other Gospels we are talking about the reality of God's power and presence as we experience it here and now in our lives.

An reports that \$100. was donated to the "Kids Against Hunger: drive held Feb. 12 in Fairmont. Dozens of teams packed over 96,000 meals. Most will be sent to Haiti with a portion to go to local food shelves.

Our food collection is in March for the Salvation Army and Heaven's Table. A box is in the narthex for these non-perishable items. The need is great.

Prayers for Tuesdays @ 2. 3/1-pray for the homebound, not only prayers but visits, phone calls and cards. 3/8-pray for doctors/nurses as they care for the sick. 3/15-pray for our dear interim pastors as the faithfully serve us. 3/22-pray for our council members and those on the call committee. 3/29-pray for our church and faithful congregation.

Looking ahead: April 6th @ 1:30 will be our first WELCA meeting of the year. Quilting will begin on April 13 & 14, 27 & 28.

March Anniversary: Liz & Jon Petschke—20th.

Good Choices, Bad Choices - After a long, hard climb, the spiritual seekers finally found themselves in front of the great teacher. Bowing deeply, they asked the question that been burning inside them for so long. "How do we become wise?" There was a long pause until the teacher emerged from meditation. Finally the reply came: "Good Choices." But teacher, how do we make good choices?" "From experience," responded the wise one. "And how do we get experience?" "Bad Choices", smiled the teacher.

Lenten Blessings, Jeannine

DATE	READER	DATE	READER
Mar. 6	Jordan Petschke	Mar. 27	Jeff Petschke
Mar. 13	Jeff Petschke	April 3	Jordan Petschke
Mar. 20	Jordan Petschke		

Trinity News

DATE	READER
March 6	Liz Stahl
13	Deb Philipp
20	Sam Chukuske
27	Liz Stahl
April 3	



W O W
Wednesday: March 23
only 6:30—7:30 pm



Waverly and Trinity
Communion - Sunday,
March 13 11:30—12.

Waverly News

DATE	READER	COMMUNION ASSISTANT
March 6	Heidi Clow	Tom Peterson
March 13	Susan Rathman	Tom Peterson
March 20	LuAnn Peterson	Tom Peterson
March 27	Deanne Gaalswyk	Tom Peterson
April 3	Karen Helvig	Laurie Sherman
March Ushers		April Ushers
Troy Schmidtke		Jon Helvig
Todd Rathman		Erwin Atzenhoefer
Tim Peterson		Jeff Lueth

MARCH

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1 David Olson	2 John Speckman	3 Fynn Brosnahan Morgan Bloomquist	4 Brianna Rezac Kiley Ellanson	5 
6 Carolyn Ficken	7 Daniel Smith Julie Olson <i>Gayle & Larry Schuett</i>	8 	9 Keith Meyer Madison Mahle	10 Joanna Sandberg	11 Easton Kuehl Carter Mosloski Robin White	12 Eric Bloomquist
13 Steph Feely 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 <i>Liz & Jon Petschke</i>	21 Kelly Carlson 	22 Harlie Fletcher Ethan Lee	23 Susy Benge Dianne Bettin Keith Franck Karen Keck Bonnie Rahm Nick Sandberg	24 Connor Simmonds Kennedy Janssen Aaron White	25 Rod Olson Kevin Schmidt	26
27 Scott Morrow	28	29 Josh Koehler Adilene Petschke Dick Traetow	30 Chad Lyons	31 Kelsey Jensen		

MARCH

**Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another.
Forgive as the Lord forgave you
Colossians 3:13**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
FLC 9 am SS 10 am StP 8:30 am TLC 10:30 am WLC 10:30 am SS 9:15 am	 <p>Lion Weather ~unpleasant ~rough ~windy ~rainy</p>	1 7 pm Mary Circle—WLC	 <p>Ash Wednesday Service</p> 2 6:30 pm @ First	3	4 Parish Office Closed Fridays	5
6 Communion-all	7 9 am Men's Bible Study @ FLC	8 Quilting WLC 	9 9 Quilting WLC 5:30 pm Parish Council mtg Lenten Service & Confirmation 6:30 pm @ Trinity	10	11	12
13  Drive-thru Comm TLC & WLC 11:30-12 Communion FLC, TLC, WLC Fox Lake 4-H 2 pm @ TLC	14 9 am Men's Bible Study @ FLC	15	16 11-1 CREST Lunch & Learn at FLC 7:00 FI council mtg Lenten Service & Confirmation 6:30 pm @ Waverly	17 	18	19
20 2:00 pm Remembrance Serv. For Mary Olson @ First Freezer meal swap Communion FLC, TLC, WLC	21 9 am Men's Bible Study @ FLC Articles due for April Ripples	 <p>Father Son Holy Spirit</p>	23 Lenten Service & Confirmation 6:30 pm @ St. Peter W O W TLC 6:30-7:30	24	25	26
27 Communion-all	28 9 am Men's Bible Study @ FLC	29	30 9 am @ TLC Assemble Ripples Lenten Service & Confirmation 6:30 pm @ First	31	 <p>Lamb Weather ~pleasant ~gentle ~nice ~calm</p>	



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