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JULY 2014

P A S T O R A N T H O N Y ' S R I P P L E S

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

As I write this month's article, our family is just days away from growing. It is a time that produces excitement, anxiety, joy, nervousness, and happiness. We are looking forward to our new addition, but we aren't sure quite yet how the soon to be big brother will take the news. We will know soon enough though.

I would like to thank you, Circle of Faith Parish, for giving me three weeks of leave after our new addition enters the world. As many of you parents know, those first few days and weeks are incredibly important for the parents and the new child. I'm looking forward to spending some good quality time with our newborn while not having to worry about our parish and the ministry that we are doing in this place. We have Pastor Eric and Carl working hard to continue serving you and the gospel throughout our area.

These three weeks of leave does not mean that I will just vanish for three weeks. We will still be living in Trimont and for 3 Sundays we (as a family) will be able to all worship together in one place. We plan to jump around between Circle of Faith and Partners in Ministry. Visitors will be welcomed at the parsonage after the baby is born as long as you call first 507-639-4861 or my cell phone 507-848-0017.

People take leave, people take vacations, but the church, the gospel and most importantly God does not take any time off. It is perfectly acceptable to take time off, take a break once in a while (you deserve it!). But don't forget about your relationship with God and the relationship you have with your church. If you plan to be gone during the summer, don't forget to seek out a church to worship at while you are gone. Pastor Eric, Carl or myself can assist you will finding a church when you are unable to come to St. Peter, Trinity or Waverly.

As I said last month: God bless you in your summer journeys, travels and adventures! And remember to take a break for God and for yourself!

In Christ,
Pastor Anthony

P A S T O R E R I C ' S R I P P L E S

One of the great stories in the Bible is the story of Joseph and his family. That story ends at the end of the book of Genesis when Joseph's whole family moves down to live in Egypt. Joseph had become a very important person in Egypt and his family were set up well for a good life in a good area of the country. After many many years this family was blessed and multiplied into a large group of people. In Exodus chapter 1 verse 8 we read perhaps the saddest verse in the whole Bible, "Now a new king arose in Egypt who did not know Joseph.". This is sad because the new king just saw Joseph's family as a bunch of foreigners and felt threatened by them. He turned them into slaves and made their lives miserable.

This leads to the story of Moses who was called by God to lead these people out of Egypt and into a new land that God was going to provide for them. It is interesting to note that as Moses begins to dialogue with the King or Pharaoh as he was called, the request is always that the people be given permission to go out into the desert to worship God. This is mentioned in Exodus 3:18, 4:23, 5:1, 5:3, 5:8, 7:16, 8:1, 8:20, 9:1, 9:13, and 10:3. We could say that the main reason God freed this people from slavery in Egypt was so that they could worship. We could say that the main reason God gave this people their own land was so that they could worship.

We could say that the main reason God has saved us from slavery to sin and death and brought us to life is so that we can worship. Think about this the next time you ask yourself, "Is worship very important?", "Does worship really matter?" or, "Should I go to church this week?" Summer is perhaps the time when these questions come up more often. We also remember on the 4th of July that deep in our national history is the fact that our country was founded to some extent so that people could worship.

I hope this month will bring many opportunities for fun summer activities with family and friends.

Pastor Eric



**There will be no Men's Garage
the month of July**

JULY Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship Services

Date	St. Peter – 8:30 am	Trinity – 10:30 am	Waverly –8:30 am
July 6 – Communion	Carl Rabbe	Pr. Eric	Pr. Eric
July 13	Pr. Eric	Carl Rabbe	Carl Rabbe
July 20	Carl Rabbe <i>Pr. Anthony</i>	10:00 AM Joint Worship Service <i>w/St. Paul's UCC</i>	Pr. Eric
July 27 - Communion	Carl Rabbe <i>Pr. Eric</i>	Carl Rabbe <i>Pr. Eric</i>	Pr. Anthony

How'd We Get Here?

*Come and Spend Four Weeknights With:
the Deep Thinkers and Lunatics Who Were the Early Christians!*

WEDNESDAYS (July 9, July 23, August 6)

6:00 PM – Holden Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

6:30 PM – Free Meal with a Discussion on:

Eucharist (July 9)

For some, it was a potluck - so why didn't they have egg coffee? For others, it was a rummage sale! Come, find out some interesting trivia about the beautiful feast we call Holy Communion.

Community (July 23)

Did you know that three short words were added to the creed and huge groups of Christians haven't spoken to each other for 1,500 years! Come, find out what these words were and the ridiculous things Christians wound up deciding!

Prayer (August 6)

Has the church always been this way? How did the first Christians handle being in church for hours at a time without pews to sit on? Come, find out the ways we once prayed, and how they can feed into our prayers today.

Child Care is provided

About the Presenter

Carl Rabbe is a member of Circle of Faith Parish, and is a PhD student at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL. He is working with Circle of Faith as ministerial associate for the summer of 2014.



TUESDAY MORNING COFFEES

Starting: July 1 @ St. Peter in Ceylon
8:30—10:00 am

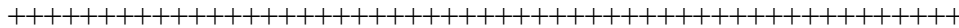


Parish Summer Picnic *and Baby Shower*



WHO: All Circle of Faith Congregations
WHEN: Sunday, August 10th
TIME: 6:00 PM
WHERE: Welcome City Park (rain location: Trinity Lutheran Church)
WHY: To gather together as a parish and celebrate with Pastor Anthony's family

More information coming soon.



Upcoming Valley Fair Trip



WHO: 9th – 12th Grade
WHEN: Monday, August 4th
TIME: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
WHERE: Valley Fair in Shakopee
WHY: Because it's fun!
COST: \$27.75 + processing fee if we have 15 or more people go
\$33.99 + processing fee if we have 14 or fewer people go
DEADLINE: Need to sign up and pay a \$20 deposit by Sunday, July 27th. The remaining balance will be due before we leave for Valley Fair.
CAR POOL: We need some parents to help with carpooling to Valley Fair. Please let Pastor Anthony know if you are willing to help.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Anthony.

Circle of Faith
Parish Council Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2014 – 5:00 pm

Closed session meeting was called to order at Trinity Lutheran in Welcome at 5:03 pm by President Steve Williamson. Other members present: Merle Burmeister, Marilyn Cheever, Jon Helvig, Joel Rabbe, Kirsten Rabbe, Jon Saxen, Liz Stahl. Clergy present: Pastor Anthony Christoffels & Pastor Eric Midthun.

Motion by Jon Saxen, seconded by Merle Burmeister, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF CO-PARISH ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT FOR EILEEN MORROW

Motion by Jon Saxen, seconded by Jon Helvig, to approve the Co-Parish Administrator Contract for Eileen Morrow, effective June 2, 2014. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF CO-PARISH ADMINISTRATOR REVISED CONTRACT FOR LISA WOHLHUTER

Motion by Jon Saxen, seconded by Jon Helvig, to approve the Co-Parish Administrator Revised Contract for Lisa Wohlhuter, effective January 1, 2014. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION ON PARISH COUNCIL TRANSITION

Discussion was held on Parish Council transition.

Motion by Joel Rabbe, seconded by Liz Stahl, to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kirsten Rabbe, Secretary

Circle of Faith
Parish Council Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2014

Meeting was called to order at Trinity Lutheran in Welcome at 6:07 pm by President Steve Williamson. Other members present: Merle Burmeister, Marilyn Cheever, Jon Helvig, Joel Rabbe, Kirsten Rabbe, Jon Saxen, Liz Stahl. Clergy present: Pastor Anthony Christoffels & Pastor Eric Midthun.

Motion by Jon Saxen, seconded by Joel Rabbe, to approve agenda. Motion passed.

Pr. Anthony led devotions, based on I Corinthians 12 – the gifts of the Spirit. Who's in charge, when the parents (or St. Paul) leave? To solve the argument, St. Paul reminds us, "Jesus is in charge." All have different gifts, but all have been baptized into one body of Christ. We're missing some of the parts of the body. We need to pray for them, and look for them, and include them.

Kirsten Rabbe presented the Secretary's report for the May 13, 2014 Parish Council meeting. Motion by Marilyn Cheever, seconded by Merle Burmeister, to approve the Secretary's report as presented. Motion passed.

Joe Rabbe presented the May 2014 Operating Statement. Motion by Jon Saxen, seconded by Jon Helvig, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

PASTORS' REPORTS

Pr. Anthony Christoffels' report

Synod Assembly June 13-15, 2014. On Sunday, June 15th, Carl Rabbe will preside at Waverly & Trinity, Karen Koeder will preside at St. Peter. Sunday, June 15th is Carl's official start date with us, and he will serve through August 15th. Baby Christoffels should be here in the next couple of weeks. Baptism for Baby Christoffels will be at First Lutheran on July 20th in the afternoon, everyone from Circle of Faith is invited. COF and Partners in Ministry held a bonfire for 15 junior high kids on May 30th.

Pr. Eric Midthun's report

Pr. Eric thanked the parish for the opportunity to attend the Festival of Homiletics, held in Minneapolis (at Central Lutheran, and Westminster Presbyterian churches) the week of May 18th. Theme was "Using the Imagination in Preaching." The week was "fertilizer for those who preach." Thousands of people from all mainline protestant denominations attended. Topic of conversation everywhere that week was, "The church is becoming smaller. How do we live in the midst of that?" Most powerful answer: through Jesus, through God doing good stuff among us. Pr. Eric said, "Thank

you for what you give to Pastors through Continuing Education, and hopefully we bring back to share with all of us.” Men’s Garage was held out on the pontoon on June 4th. Next is July 2nd. Looking for a host.

OLD BUSINESS

How’d We Get Here?

Handed out flyers for How’d We Get Here, to be held June 25th, July 9th, July 23rd, and August 6th, at Trinity in Welcome. Childcare will be provided each evening. Each congregation will be asked to provide food for supper for one evening, with Carl providing the food for July 9th. One person from Trinity will be available to assist in the kitchen each night. Plan for 30+ people. Motion by Marilyn Cheever, seconded by Kirsten Rabbe, to contact unit people from each congregation to serve one evening each. Motion passed. Office will contact unit leaders for each congregation to pass on the request. (Caseys pizza will be a back up in case of a large crowd.) Communications Team will promote the event in other area congregations. “Lets get the word out.”

Picnic Location

COF Picnic and Baby Shower will be August 10th at 6 pm, at the Welcome Park. Rain location: Trinity.

God’s Work Our Hands Sunday – project ideas

Various project ideas were discussed. Pastors will announce the concept in church on June 22nd – July 6th, asking for ideas from members. A final decision will be made at the July 8th meeting.

Co-Parish Administrator Contracts

Steve Williamson announced that the Co-Parish Administrator Contracts have been approved for Eileen Morrow and Lisa Wohlhuter.

NEW BUSINESS

COF Parish Signs in Congregations

Jack Potter presented the recommendation from the Communications Team for exterior Circle of Faith signs. We received a bid from Rick DeBoer for Aluma-Core signs, \$125 for a single sided sign, or \$150 a 2 sided sign. Each congregation would purchase and set their own sign. Motion by Kirsten Rabbe, seconded by Marilyn Cheever, to accept the recommendation of the Communications Team to purchase signs from Rick DeBoer, and forward the recommendation on to each congregation for acceptance, purchase, and display. Motion passed.

Community Parades - & COF T-shirts

Kirsten Rabbe discussed Circle of Faith Parish having a presence in community parades in Trimont (July 12th, 3 pm) and Welcome (July 19th, 4 pm) this summer. Registration for both is free. The Communications Team’s suggestion would be to have members of COF march behind a Circle of Faith banner, in matching t-shirts, passing out a treat and a card, with the slogan, “Circle of Faith Parish – sharing our faith, one serving at a time.” It would list the names, addresses, and worship times of all three congregations, parish website and phone number, and an invitation to come join us for worship, or just to check us out.

Parade marchers would wear matching t-shirts. So that we could use the t-shirts for more than just parades, we would match the design of the ELCA’s God’s Work, Our Hands shirts, adding our Circle of Faith Parish logo on the front, and the congregation name on the back, available for purchase by COF member. Motion by Kirsten Rabbe, seconded by Marilyn Cheever, that Circle of Faith participate in these two parades, recruit members from COF to walk with us, and organize the handouts to be given, all to be coordinated by the Communications Team. Motion passed. Motion by Jon Helvig, seconded by Joel Rabbe, to have the Parish support the sale of Circle of Faith T-shirts for use in outreach and public events, such as the community parades. Communications Team will get information to the individual congregations regarding the sale of these T-shirts. Motion passed.

The Communications Team will continue to submit our ideas for Council approval, to ensure chain of command is followed, and communication is clear to all our members.

August Parish Council Meeting

August regularly scheduled Parish Council meeting will be canceled, because of its conflict with the Martin County Fair. If needed, a special meeting can be called. The next Circle of Faith Parish Council meeting will be July 8, 2014, 6:00 pm, at Trinity in Welcome. Motion by Jon Helvig, seconded by Marilyn Cheever, to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kirsten Rabbe, Secretary

Seminarian's Letter Home

July 2014

To the membership of Circle of Faith Parish:

Greetings to you all from back in Trimont! It's been a lot of fun getting back to work with you all again this summer. I've enjoyed visiting with you, and will see more of you during the month of July. As I write this, I'm also getting ready to teach the series of classes on early Christian practices that I have promised you all. So, the rest of this letter just might contain some shameless advertising.

Pr. Anthony and Pr. Eric have written about keeping in touch with church over the summer. There are many different ways we all can do that. During the month of July, for instance, you could come on the 9th and hear about how the meal we call Holy Communion shifted from being a whole banquet, with huge varieties of foods celebrated every Sunday, to what we have today. You could also come on the 23rd and hear about how some Christians have been disconnected from each other for 1,600 years – right down to the point of killing each other, at times - because of disagreements over a few random words. The best part – there will be food, and it's free! What's not to love? So, enjoy the long green season of summer, and we will look forward to staying connected in all the ways we can!

Rolling on through those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer, let us pray for God's blessing, using these words:

Merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature. Make us always thankful for your loving providence, and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen. [ELW, Stewardship of Creation]

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Your fellow member and pilgrim,
Carl P. Rabbe, M.Div.

ALL Kids !!! Ages: 3 through 6th Grade
Mark your calendars for July 27 -31.

2014 Vacation Bible School will run Sunday through Thursday from 6:30—8:00 pm.

It will be held at St. Paul's United of Church of Christ in Welcome. A program will be held on Thursday with a potluck to follow.

Bring a friend !! * * !!

For more information or to register contact:

MaryAnn Frerichs at 507-726-7590 or maryannfrerich@yahoo.com

OR

Trinity Lutheran Church at 507-728-8259 or parish@circleoffaithparish.org



S T. P E T E R R I P P L E S



6-7-2014

Meeting called to order. Members present were Angie Schmidt, Jaime Leiding, Jody Franck, Dale Leiding, Keith Franck and Lois Duncan.

Secretary's report: read and approved

Treasurer's report: none

Benevolence Treasurer's report: \$500 sent to S.W. MN Synod. Balance on hand is \$1352.73

Pastor's Report - none

Old Business:

Carpet was cleaned in May.

Roof is to be fixed soon.

Jeremy has two companies coming to put a bid on the eavetroughs and down spouts. He is getting windows fixed on south side basement windows. They worked on replacing light bulbs so that got done.

Sherburn Nursery took care of lawn.

No one is going to the Synod Assembly.

Easter time has to be voted on. .

New Business:


Eileen Morrow is the new part time Parish Church Secretary.

The Council discussed having communion only once a month. Jody is going to talk to Parish Council and then talk to the congregation.

There will be no July meeting. Next Council meeting will be 2nd Sunday in August which is August 10th.

No other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Council Secretary – Lois Duncan

SUNDAY JULY	
6	Gene and Annette Yackle
13	Dale and Jeanne Leiding
20	Todd and Tina Peta
27	Jeremy and Chelsie Wink
AUGUST	
3	Kevin and Angie Schmidt

St Peter Ladies—It is already July and what a busy month it will be. There will not be the regular WELCA meeting. We will be hosting the July Coffees for the five Tuesdays in July, serving from 8:30—10:00 am.



The schedule is: July 1—Volunteers, 8th—Group 1, 15th—Group 2, 22nd—Group 3 and 29th Volunteers.

First group of volunteers are: Marge Schley—Chairman, Barb Schmidt, Shirley Schmidt, Rosemary Saggau, Lorrene Knuth, Annette Yackle, Bernice Lehmann and Janice Franck.

Second group of volunteers are: Jeannie Rasmussen, Sherry Schmidt, Kathryn Detert, Ardis McKean, Elaine Krueger, Annette Yackle, Muriel Klenz, The group chairman will be calling their groups for donations. Thank you all for helping to raise money for mission projects. Donations of jelly, jam, produce, flowers, cards, fancy work, are most welcome.

A big THANK YOU to Elaine Krueger and Marge Schley for making the Circle of Faith banner to beautify our church. Thank You also to those who furnished food and worked at the Ingham Pie Social and Lutz's Birthday Party.

Muriel reported that treasury report for June is \$1,996.20.

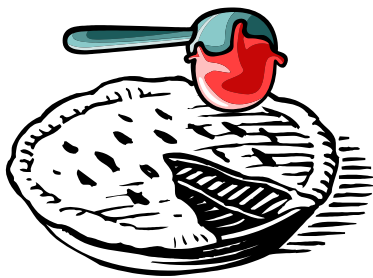
The new president and CEO of Lutheran World Relief of Ambassador Daniel Speckhard.

Bernice will have Altar Care. Group 2 has next work detail.

Looking ahead: Okoboji Quilt Viewing and Auction is August 1st.
Hog Roast is August 24th.

Happy 4th of July—Blessings, Janice.

TRINITY RIPPLES



Our annual Pie and Ice Cream Social is coming up in conjunction with the Welcome Summer Festival Saturday, July 19, from 1—4 pm.

We are asking each member to provide **two 9" pies (preferably homemade) or \$10.00** for this event. Please deliver the pies to the church by 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 19th. We thank you for your willingness to provide us with these donations. We will also need volunteers to help work in the afternoon. Any help would be very much appreciated.

If you have any question please call Dick & Marlys Traetow (507-749-2020) or the church office at 728-8259.

ALL ARE INVITED ! ! ! ! !



– June 10, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by President Phil Burgess.
Opening devotions were by Pastor Eric.

Members present: President Phil Burgess, Pastor Eric, Becky Detert, Mary Ann Frerichs, Henry Borchardt, Jean Schock, Eileen Morrow and Pastor Anthony.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Eric thanked the parish for the continuing education class we allowed him to attend. It was a very good class. The men's garage session was held on a pontoon last week. 10 men were able to attend – great bible study.

Secretary's Report: Reviewed.

Treasurer's Report: Reviewed.

Financial Secretary Report: Reviewed.

TWELCA: The counter top has been ordered and is awaiting installation.

Youth: Planning on a trip to Valley Fair this summer for grades 9-12.

Board of Ed: Vacation Bible School will be held at St Paul's UCC this year starting July 27th through July 31st from 6:30 pm until 8 pm. The Wednesday night education plans are going ahead for starting this fall. UCC will not be able to join us but Trinity is proceeding with setting it up for our church.

Deacon's Report: none

Trustee's report: Wes and Larry are planning on working on the water line into the church. Jean moved to accept the reports, Henry seconded, motion carried.

Old Business:

Update on north lot: A special thank you to Henry for doing such a great job on the work he has been doing on the back lot.

Pastor's window(s). We need some quotes. Eileen and Henry will be contacting a couple of contractors to see if we can get some quotes.

Bible Initiative. We will be ordering 200 bibles from the Luther Seminary to put in each pew and for shut ins and confirmation students.

New Business:

Constitution – Jean, Henry and Eileen will work with Karen Koeder to update the constitution

There will be a Community Worship Service on July 20th during the Welcome Festival. It will be held in the Hanson Keck Park. Eileen made a motion to donate \$50 towards the Festival. Jean seconded. Motion carried.

Our Semi-annual meeting will be held August 10th. Also that day will be a Parish Picnic and baby shower for Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie. It will be held at the Hanson Keck Park starting at 6 pm.

The Communications Team is looking for volunteers to walk in the area parades and help hand out information for the Circle of Faith Parish. Plans are to be at the Trimont and Welcome parades this year and Ceylon next year. We will be ordering t-shirts to wear for special events like these. Watch for order forms and pricing information and return asap. Next meeting will be June 10th at 7:30 pm following the Circle of Faith Council meeting at 6.

Discussion

Eileen made a motion to give permission to Treasurer Becky Detert to transfer funds from our special savings accounts to the checking account as approved by council action. Mary Ann seconded. Motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Eileen Morrow, Secretary

There will be no WELCA meeting the month of July.



Our council has decided to join St. Paul's UCC at a Community Worship Service. It is also in conjunction with the Welcome Summer Festival. It will be held at 10:00 am on Sunday, July 20th. The Service will be held on the lawn at St. Paul's. (Shelter House was already booked for the weekend.) Bring your own lawn chairs if you would like.

Following the service there will be a dinner—grilled burgers / dogs and fixings. [free-will offering]

If inclement weather, the service will be held inside.

Communion Servers for July

July 6 S-Jon Saxen H-Brian Burmeister
 July 27 S- Lonnie Moffitt H-Bob Moffitt

W A V E R L Y R I P P L E S

JULY	READER	ACOLYTE:
6	Paul Gaalswyk	Mary Lou / Jim Sherman
13	Tom Peterson	Jenny / Shane Kuehl
20	Tim Peterson	Muriel / Al Armbrust
27	Karen Koeder	Heidi / Brian Clow family
AUGUST		
3	Laurie Sherman	Emily / Lindsey Bettin

JULY USHERS

John Sherman
 Tom Peterson
 Brad Williamson
 Troy Schmidtke
 Walt Bettin
 Shane Kuehl
 Jon Bentz



The Waverly Church Council met May 13, 2014. Members present: Pastor Eric, Cliff Armbrust, Jeff Armbrust, Rosemary Atzenhoefer, Don & Nancy Nordstrom, Bob Olson, Scott Peterson, Tim Peterson, Jack Potter, Kirsten Rabbe, Deb Schneider, and Marleone Williamson. Tim Peterson, Council President, called the meeting to order.

Secretary report accepted as read.

Cliff gave the financial report. It is noted year to date total income minus expense is \$-25,639.54 (total receipts \$25,492.40, total expenses \$41,131.94) and \$84,319.00 was budgeted for 2014. Motion by Bob, second by Rosie to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

Mens group will meet 06.06.14 at 5:30 p.m., at Bob Olson's.

Worship Committee

~Congratulations to Waverly graduates, Brandon Poppe, Sarah Schwanz, and Maise Bentz. Each will be given a quilt.

~Don Nordstrom has agreed to be the male Synod Convention delegate.

Old Business

~ Baby changing station will be ordered.

~Constitutional update: there will be "sign up for involvement" (suggestions, ideas, discussions and procedures) available at the 2015 annual meeting.

~Per Nancy Nordstrom, the Sunday School raised \$1,266.36 for the malaria project and the ELCA will match these funds. Thank you!

~PA system is suggested as a project as it is an expense not currently in the budget. Jeff presented PA system proposal and projected cost. Motion by Bob, to bring proposal to the congregation to update audio system in the Church. Second by Cliff, motion carried.

~The floor in the old bathroom by the kitchen will be replaced with Gift and Memorial Funds in honor of Gene Sheppard.

With no further business motion by Don, seconded by Bob to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Deborah Schneider



Waverly Lutheran Council Minutes—June 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. by Vice President Nancy Nordstrom. Present were: Jeff Armbrust, Bob Olson, Jack Potter, Don Nordstrom, Pr. Anthony Christoffels, Nancy Nordstrom, Rosemary Atzenhoefer, Kirsten Rabbe, and MarLeone Williamson. Pr. Eric Midthun joined the meeting later.

Treasurer's report was presented by Jeff Armbrust, in Cliff's stead. We are still short \$11,000 (year to date) in income vs. expenses. Discussion was held on the need to effectively communicate this with our congregation. Announcements will be put in the bulletin and Ripples of Faith next month. Motion by Don Nordstrom, seconded by Jack Potter, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

Old Business

Sound System: Jeff presented the revised Audio/Video Proposal for the new system for Waverly. Jeff worked with Sheitel Music in Mankato to eliminate some of the expense. Welcome TV will sell us the TV for the basement at cost, which will save us approximately \$900.00. Note: we would have to buy the TV quickly, as they only have 4 of this model left at this price. The basic sound and video system would cost approximately \$12,775.

If we decide to purchase and install new speakers, that would add approximately \$3500 to the cost. There is designated memorial money to cover quite a bit of this cost. The bid from Sheitel's is good for 60 days from the bid date, we would need a decision by the end of June, and a 50% downpayment, to lock in the price. We discussed the option of installing Bose speakers now vs. later. (Jeff will run new speaker cable now, regardless.) It was decided to bring up this option at the special meeting of the congregation, to be held on Sunday, June 29th, following worship, and let the congregation decide. If the congregation votes to go forward with purchasing the new sound system, installation will happen in the fall of 2014. Someone from the Council will announce the calling of the special meeting at services on the 15th and 22nd of June. The presentation and vote will take place at the meeting on June 29th.

Motion by Jack Potter, seconded by Bob Olson, that we secure/purchase the TV for the system from Kurt Godden Welcome TV immediately. Motion passed.

Pr. Anthony will order 120 bibles for Waverly from the Luther Seminary.

Motion by MarLeone Williamson, seconded by Rosemary Atzenhoefer, to send an offering to synod assembly for \$50. Motion passed.

August 10th will be a joint Circle of Faith Parish picnic and baby shower for Pr. Anthony and Stephanie Christoffels.

New Business

Carl Rabbe will present an evening series this summer entitled "How'd We Get Here?" Waverly has been asked to provide the meal on June 25th. Nancy and Lynette will call division members, and will plan for about 50 people.

Motion by Jack Potter, seconded by Bob Olson, to purchase a 3' x 3' Aluma-Core 2 sided Circle of Faith Parish sign to be installed outside of Waverly, at a cost of \$150, plus installation from Rick DeBoer. Motion Passed. Where to install the sign will be decided once it arrives.

The Circle of Faith Communications Team will be organizing a parade entry in the Trimont and Welcome parades. We will order t-shirts that can be purchased for use in parades, outreach events, or any Circle of Faith or congregational service project. More information will be coming from the Comm Team.

MarLeone brought up the need for good communication about the happenings at Waverly in Ripples of Faith. Discussion on how to encourage our members to get information to the church office by the deadline each month for inclusion in our Parish newsletter.

Discussion on succession plan in case of resignation of a council member. Nancy and Tim will review and get back to the Council.

The new Changing Table has arrived, and will be installed in the new bathroom downstairs.

Motion by MarLeone Williamson , seconded by Bob Olson , to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirsten Rabbe
Acting Secretary

NOTICE

The Waverly Council wants our members to know that Waverly's offerings have been less than our expenses this year. We are currently more than \$11,000 behind for 2014 year-to-date. Please consider an additional contribution to help bring our income and expenses into balance. Thank you!



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

		1 Doug Bettin Luke Bengé	2 Sherry Schmidt	3 Robert Swanson Jennifer Hughes <i>Gayle & Rhoda Odegaard-40 Ron & Kathy Anderson-15</i>	4	5 Roger Geiger Samantha Meyer
6 <i>Wayne & Marty Burmeister</i>	7 Ben Chukuske Dylan Petersen Larry W Schmidt	8 <i>Don & Pinky Saxen</i>	9 Steve Williamson Mara Immens <i>Jon & Jen Saxen</i>	10 Jon Petschke	11	12
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Summer Worship Schedule</u></p> <p>St. P 8:30 am WLC 8:30 am TLC 10:30 am</p>		<p>1  TMC @ St. Peter</p> <p>7 pm Mary Circle– WLC</p>	<p>2 1:30 pm Dorcas Circle @ TSL</p> <p>6:30 pm Comm. Team mtg @ TLC</p>	3	<p>4  INDEPENDENCE Day <i>Day</i></p> <p>OFFICE- CLOSED</p>	5
6	7	<p>8 TMC  6:00 pm Parish Coun. mtg.</p> <p>7:30 pm WLC. TLC Coun. mtg</p>	<p>9 9:00 am Hannah/ Elizabeth Circle TLC</p> <p>6 pm Holden Evening Prayer 6:30 Bible Study</p>	10	11 Wedding Re- hearsal–TLC	12  Marriage Rasmussen / Abel Wedding–TLC
13	14	15 TMC 	16	17	18	19  1:00–4:00 pm Pie and Ice Cream Social @ TLC 4 pm Parade
20 Newsletter Deadline Trinity– Comm. Worship @ St. Paul's UCC - 10:00 am	21	22 TMC 	23 6 pm Holden Evening Prayer 6:30 Bible Study	24	25	26 Bridal Shower for Nicole Sandberg– TLC
27 VACATION 6:30 -	28 BIBLE 8:00	29 TMC 	30 9 am Assemble Ripples of Faith @ ST. PAUL'S UCC– Welcome	31 VBS PROGRAM		



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