

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ*



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## From the Desk of the Pastor

*Interim Pastor Ron Hughes*

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

There is a very special song called "To Live as Friend's" sung by Michael Smith and it goes something like this:

Packing up the dreams God planted in the fertile soil of you. Can't believe the hopes He's granted means a chapter in your life is through. But we'll keep you close as always. It won't even seem you've gone 'cause our hearts in big and small ways will keep the love that keeps us strong.

And friends are friends forever if the Lord's the Lord of them. And a friend will not say never 'cause the welcome will not end. Though it's hard to let you go, in the Father's hands we know that a lifetime's not too long to live as friends.

With the faith and love God's given, springing from the hope we know. We will pray the joy you'll live in is the strength that now you show. But we'll keep you close as always. It won't even seem you've gone 'cause our hearts in big and small ways will keep the love that keeps us strong.

Well my hopes and dreams for you the congregation of Trinity, is that God will keep you forever in His Grace, that you will continue to grow in love and fellowship, that you will walk by faith and not by sight and know that if you ever need a friend to talk with, share exciting news,

prayer or just talk, all you have to do as Bing Crosby said in Going my way, just dial R for Pastor Ron and I will be talking with you. Carol and I wish to thank all the people of Trinity for their kindness and compassion, their love and most importantly their unwavering love of Jesus Christ.

Firmly in His Grip:  
Pastor Ron

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In the world  
you will have tribulation.

*But take heart;*  
I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

## Church Council Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church Council met Monday, June 15, 2020.

Present: Jerry Dykstra, Jeff Engebretson, Tonya Standy, Shirley Johnson, Lee Hanten, Mike Konechne, Tana Huizenga, Spencer DeHaan and Pastor Ron Hughes.

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Dykstra. Pastor Ron led with devotions.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

The secretary's report was reviewed, Mike made a motion to approve, Jeff seconded it, the motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

We reviewed the PPP loan funds, Lee made a motion to approve, Shirley seconded it, the motion carried.

### TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Spencer said the tops of some of the pews are getting loose and need fixing. Todd has been in contact with the people who will be fixing the basement.

### DEACON'S REPORT

Shirley said she has been mailing out bulletins and making some visits. We discussed older people not being able to see the church service if they don't have computers or I-pads. Lee will talk to Bruce VandenBos to see what the options are or another option was using the church I-pad and taking it to the individuals to see the service.

### OLD BUSINESS

SEARCH COMMITTEE: Jeff said the search committee is following up on leads they have received and will wait a little while after the day of prayer and see if any other leads come in.

ONLINE GIVING: We will talk about this at the next meeting since Liz wasn't at meeting.

### PASTOR'S REPORT

Pastor Ron read letter of resignation, his last Sunday will be July 12<sup>th</sup>, he is resigning as of July 15.

**\*NOTE: Pastor Ron's last day has been extended to July 31\***

Confirmation last Sunday went very well.

Communion for July will be the second Sunday of the month since the community service is the first Sunday.

Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Spencer seconded it.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tonya Standy



## From the WOW Co-Presidents

*Connie Kirsch & Gladys Kuipers*

### The Plan

We all like have a map laid out for us to see every bend and every turn in the road. As Christians, we spend so much of our time searching for the the "will of God."

Oftentimes when it comes to the will of God, we can, quite honestly, just miss the point. We look for what God wants us to do, but we miss out on seeing who he is. God knows what he is doing. Most of the time he won't tell you what he will do, he will just show you who he is.

*By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. (Hebrews 1:8)*

We aren't always going to know where we're headed. But the heart of God is for us to know him. Not to know every detail of the plan. Not to know what someone else's story is. Just to know him for who he is. The closer you are to God, the more delighted in you he will be. And isn't that our longing? For God to delight in us? When you abide in Jesus, only then can he truly accomplish his perfect will in you. Come before him today and strip away your questions and your need to know the plan. Just come before him needing to know only him. He will not withhold himself from you.

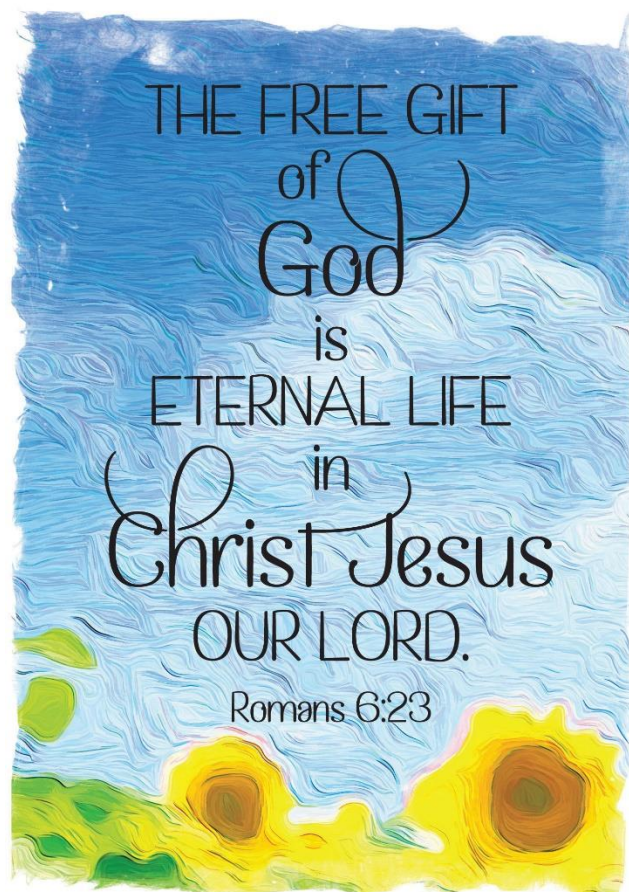


## WOW Treasurer's Report

<b>Balance on Hand April 10, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 4,088.20</b>
Dividend	\$ 0.18
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1517 Media-Christ in Our Home	\$ 74.55
<b>Balance on Hand June 17, 2020</b>	<b>\$ 4,014.17</b>

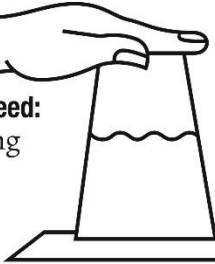
### Please take note:

There will be no Bible Study meetings this month. Please stay safe!



# UNSEEN BUT active

This experiment illustrates that although God is invisible, we can see his work all around us.



**What you need:**

- Drinking glass
- Water
- Index card

**What you do:**

1. Practicing over a sink, fill the glass halfway with water. Then press the index card snugly atop the glass with one hand.
2. With the other hand, hold the base of the glass and carefully flip it over.
3. Remove your hand from the card. It should stay on the glass, without spilling the water! The invisible air in the glass creates a suction with the card, preventing the water from spilling out. Research air pressure to learn more.
4. After perfecting the trick, amaze others with it. Then talk about how God, like the air in the glass, is unseen but active.



# WATER WORKS!

The gospels record Jesus' miracles, many of which involve water.

*Directions: Using the illustrated equations, fill in the blanks to describe each miracle. Use the Bible references for help.*



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JOHN 2:1-11



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JOHN 9



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MATTHEW 8:23-27

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LUKE 5:1-11



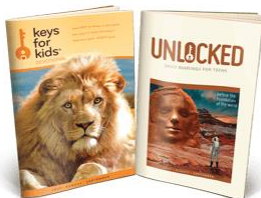
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MATTHEW 14:22-33

Answers: wine, blind, storm, fish, water



Keys for Kids and - [Unlocked](#) - are powerful devotions for kids and teens, focused on keys to life, from a Biblical perspective. Check them out online, get a [physical copy in the mail](#), or [download the Keys for Kids App!](#)

## This Month's Birthdays

7/5	Logan Holter	7/20	Chance Hermanek
7/5	Anthony DeHaan	7/21	Paxton Dyk
7/5	Logan Holter	7/22	Wyatt VandenHoek
7/6	Donna Nelson	7/23	Gladys Kuipers
7/6	Tess Ringling	7/23	Jacob Johnson
7/6	Jessica Hegge	7/25	Bev Antonsen
7/7	Addison DeVries	7/25	Lacie Chambers
7/7	Asher Kott	7/25	Kaetlyn Engebretson
7/10	Kensley Wollman	7/25	Riley Timmerman
7/13	Derek Wollman	7/26	Kory Meyerink
7/14	Vicky Pavlis	7/27	Kelly Timmerman
7/15	Sharon Rommen	7/28	Valerie Hildebrand
7/16	Nathen Pedersen	7/28	Hailey Wagner
7/20	Jennifer Knecht	7/30	Terry Erickson
7/21	Taylor Even	7/30	Pearl Feiok



*\*Please remember  
these special 80+ Birthdays  
with a prayer, card or phone call*

## Coffee/Cookie Servers

12 – Nicki Reiser & Mary Ringling  
19 – Chelsey Schrank & Tara Severson  
26 – Liz Spawn & Tonya Standy

*->We will not be going through the line,  
instead the coffee and cookies  
will be served at the tables.*

## Ushers

12—Moe Johnson & Ken Mason  
19—George Miller & Lucas Suits  
26—George Miller & Lucas Suits

## Communion Servers

Jeff Engebretson  
Liz Spawn  
Shirley Johson

## July Mission Fund Offering

The **Mission Fund Offering for July** will be designated towards the building fund to complete the basement project. Please make checks payable to "Trinity Lutheran". This will be taken Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Appreciation Meal for Pastor Ron

Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> is Pastor Ron's last Sunday with us. **Please join us after worship for a meal in appreciation to Pastor Ron for his time here as our interim pastor.** Pastor Ron's last day is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Celebration for PCSM

PCSM (Platte Community Student Ministry) will have their **1st Annual Celebration** on Thursday August 6 from 6:30-8pm at CRC Parking lot. This event includes: A Cruise In (Drive your old/classic car, Park & Chat); Live Music (by The Final Four Quartet); Refreshments including Root Beer Floats. Plan to Join us and Support Student Ministry!

Community  
Independence

★ Day ★

Worship Service

*The Platte Ministerial Association invites you  
to bring a lawn chair and worship together*

Speaker: Dan Daum

Worship Leader: Drew Hoekema

Praise Team: Community Youth Group

Special Music: First Reformed Church

Offering: New Hope storm shelter project & elevator

Cookies, lemonade, and coffee: Olive Presbyterian

Sunday

July 5<sup>th</sup>

9:30 AM

North Park

**New Hope Camp will also be  
serving pulled pork and chips  
following the service.**

Stay and eat or take-home boxes  
available. Free Will offering will go  
towards the costs of building a  
storm shelter & elevator.