

FOUNTAIN GRACE TRINITY LUTHERAN PARISH

TOGETHER IN MISSION

March 2020

Parish Office located at 226 Erickson St. Elroy, WI 53929 Phone: 608-462-5398 Email: grace013@centurytel.net



Midweek Lenten Worship

February 26th Ash Wednesday /5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Grace

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace

6:30pm Ash Wednesday Worship at Grace

March 4th Midweek Lent / 5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Trinity

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace

6:30pm Worship at Trinity

March 11th Midweek Lent / 5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Fountain

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace

6:30pm Worship at Fountain

March 18th Midweek Lent / 5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Grace

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace

6:30pm Worship at Grace

March 25th Midweek Lent / 5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Trinity

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace

6:30pm Worship at Trinity

April 1st Midweek Lent / 5:30pm Soup & Sandwiches at Fountain

6:00 pm WEBS at Grace 6:30pm Worship at Fountain





Morning Prayer Time

Sundays before Worship during Lent

8:00 am at Fountain and Trinity 9:45 am at Grace



An engaging journey through the events leading up to Easter. Wednesday, April 8 at Grace Lutheran-Elroy 6:00—7:15 pm Includes evening meal at 6:00 Invite a friend! All are Welcome!



ATTENTION: TRINITY MEMBERS!
We need your favorite recipes NOW!
The committee is working on our
150th Appiversary Cook Book!



150th Anniversary Cook Book!

Bake Sale at Trinity, April 5th following Palm Sunday service.

Fundraiser for the 150th Anniversary Cookbook.





Sunday, March 8th 8:30 am—Trinity Lutheran Sunday, March 15th 10:15 am—Grace Lutheran

March WEBS

WEBS will be gathering on all Wednesday evenings in March at Grace.

6:00p.m. Meal

6:30p.m. Whirl Bible Encounter

7:00p.m. Song Time

7:15p.m. Close with Blessing Each Other

March WEBS mission activities

Collecting items for LWR Personal Care Kits

Bring a Friend!



We will continue to need volunteers to provide an evening meal for WEBS (15-18 people). You can either sign up at Grace Lutheran Church or call the parish office at 608-462-5398!

Manna and Mercy
Confirmation Class Schedule
Sunday, March 15th



10:15am Worship & Holy Communion at Grace

11:15am Help Serve Coffee Fellowship

11:30am – 1:30pm Confirmation Class at Grace

VERY IMPORTANT: If you miss a class time IT MUST BE MADE UP

with one of the Confirmation Class teachers before the next class! Confirmation Youth & their families will help serve coffee fellowship.

If you have any questions call Pastor Jim at 920-660-1516 or email james.gerth@yahoo.com



Looking for volunteers for March. Your role is important as you light candles, help with offering & communion. Please be at church 15 min. before the worship time so Pastor can meet with you about what you will be doing. If you would like to volunteer please let Pastor know james.gerth@yahoo.com Thank You!





Fountain Grace Trinity Parish Youth Group

Gather: 1st Sunday of the month

Where: Grace Lutheran Church, Elroy

When: 11:15am (after worship)

Who: Middle & High School Youth

Come & join the Fun!



Thank you for supporting various "SouperBowl' activities!
The Parish soup drive resulted in 447cans, divided and donated to the
Elroy Area Food Pantry and the New Lisbon Food Pantry.
A chili dinner on SuperBowl Sunday collected \$150, divided and donated to the
Elroy Area Food Pantry and the New Lisbon Food Pantry.
The Fountain Grace Trinity Parish Youth had success with their SuperBowl sub sale
and donated \$187 to ELCA World Hunger.

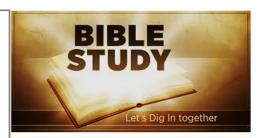
Fountain Grace Trinity Lutheran Parish joyfully announces VBS 2020

Monday, June 29—Thursday July 02

Our parish will again partner with Sugar Creek Bible Camp to provide a fun and exciting faith formation opportunity for children in our parish and our communities. More details to follow. Mark your calendars and invite your friends, neighbors, and loved ones to join us this summer!



New Bible Study Group
"You'll Get Through This"
*Hope and Help for Your
Turbulent Times*
Monday – March 2, 9, 16, 30
Thursday – March 26 & April 9
10:15am
Grace Lutheran Church



Ruth Circle meets Wednesday, March 4th at 9:30 am in the conference room at Grace to study the book of Ephesians.

All are welcome!!



Ouilting Ministry

Mondays at 9:00 am — Grace

Wednesdays at 9:00 am — Trinity

Trinity WELCA meets Sunday, March 8th, 9:30 am.

Fountain Grace Trinity Lutheran Parish		March Birthdays		
Alan Lanners	03/05	James Gerth	03/15	_
Lisa Preuss	03/05	Sherry Jones	03/16	E
Sophie Gibeaut	03/05	Breiann Cass	03/17	
Mark Stauffacher	03/06	Jennifer Preuss	03/18	_
Bryce Cass	03/08	Megan Conley	03/18	E
Larry Thompson	03/09	Joni Newlun	03/19	
Kathy Haske	03/10	Ed Matzke	03/22	В
Millie Parise	03/10	Pam Lanners	03/25	R
Josh Hendrickson	03/12	Katilyn Hill Clark	03/25	
Terri Paulson	03/12	Jonathan Preuss	03/26	A
Carrie Krueger	03/13	Bob Steffen	03/28	
Jadyn Cass-Josett	03/13	Alyssa Ottum	03/30	
Nora Clark	03/14	Emma Zmolek	03/31	E





Is your Birthday missing?

e-mail the church office: grace013@centurytel.net

Thank You to all who helped and attended our Retirement Celebration! Pastor Jim & Deacon Karen





Grace Worship Assistants

Greeters

Mar 1 Tony & Kelly Green

8 Ron & Margaret Schnepf

15 Wiggle Worship

22 Norm & Carol Hyer

29 Ken & Marion Wilson

Ushers

Mar 1 Dave & Keith Clark

8 Wes & Kristi Shore

15 Wiggle Worship22 Dave & Nikki Houzner

29 Todd Lindemann, Amy Vandermark

Readers

Mar 1 Trystan Houzner

8 Mary Miller

15 Wiggle Worship

22 Missy Herek

29 Kristine Stauffacher

Communion Assistants

Mar 1 Michelle & Hunter Clark

8 Jack & Kathy Besant

15 Wiggle Worship

22 Lori Brooks, Renee Urban

29 Healing Service

Altar Care

Mar 1 Tracy Gibeaut

8 Kathy Lindemann

15 Eileen Miller

22 Tracy Gibeaut

29 Healing Service

Power Point Presentation

Mar 1 Tracy Gibeaut

8 Kristine Stauffacher

15 Tracy Gibeaut

22 Penny Zmolek

29 Michelle Clark

If you are unable to serve the date that you have been scheduled please contact Tracy Gibeaut at tracyg78@gmail.com. Thanks!

Coffee Hour at Grace

We could use some volunteers to host the Fellowship coffee hour at Grace following the 10:15am Worship services on Sundays. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Thank You!!

Fountain Worship Assistants

Altar— Sonia & Marian Greeters— Sonia & Marion

Usher— Clarence Reader— Mary

Server— Mar 1— Janel Greeno

15—Marian Preuss

29—Joyce Greeno

Trinity Worship Assistants

Cleaner — Jimmy Johnson

Greeter— Jimmy

Ushers-Jim & Donnie

Reader— Sharon Halverson

Communion— Sharon Halverson

Altar -- Sharon & Gene

Coffee Hour— Mar 8— Cathy Cass & Ann Helmann

22— Joyce Johnson

Upcoming Parish Council and Committee Meetings:

Fountain Council Meeting – Sunday, March 01 9:30 am

Grace Property Team-Tuesday, March 03 7:00 pm

Grace Council Meeting – Tuesday, March 10 6:30 pm



Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday	
March 02, 2020	March 03	March 05	March 06	
Chicken Cordon Blue	Roast Beef	Ham	Tomato Soup	
Baked Potato	Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy	Boiled Red Potatoes	Grilled Cheese	
Spinach or Green Beans	Scalloped Corn	Peas	Salad	
Dinner Roll	Fruit	Fruit	Jell-O W/ Fruit	
Dessert	Dinner Roll	Dinner Roll		
	Dessert	Dessert		
March 09	March 10	March 12	March 13	
Meatballs in Mushroom Gravy over Noodles	Liver & Onions	Chicken W/Rice	Fish – Fried or Baked	
Mixed Veggies	Fried Potatoes	Broccoli	Hash Brown Casserole	
Fruit	Carrot Salad	Kidney Bean Salad	Cottage Cheese	
Dinner Roll	Fruit	Fruit	Cole Slaw	
Dessert	Dinner Roll	Dinner Roll	Fruit	
Dessert	Dessert	Dessert	Corn Bread	
March 16	March 17	March 19	March 20	
Smoked Sausage	St. Patrick's Day	Tator Tot Casserole	Salmon Patties	
Mashed Potatoes	Corn Beef & Cabbage	Salad	Mashed Potatoes	
Corn	Potatoes & Carrots	Fruit	Creamed Peas	
Cottage Cheese	Fruit Salad	Dinner Roll	Fruit	
Dinner Rolls	Irish Soda Bread	Dessert	Dinner Roll	
Dessert	Dessert			
March 23	March 24	March 26	March 27	
Smothered Chicken	Bar B Que Ribs	Lasagna	Fish – Fried or Baked	
Mashed Potatoes	Potato Salad	Spinach Salad	Oven Fries	
Harvard Beets	Baked Beans	Fruit	Oriental Salad	
Fruit	Fruit Salad	Garlic Bread	Fruit	
Dinner Roll	Dinner Roll	Dessert	Dinner Roll	
Dessert	Dessert			
March 30	March 31			
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Chili	Roast Pork		Beverage!!!!!!!	
Ham Sandwich	Dressing W/Gravy		Menu Subject to Change	
Macaroni Salad	Green Beans		Milk Served Each Day	
Fruit	Applesauce		Fresh Baked Rolls	
Dessert	Dinner Roll		Serving at 11:45A.M.	
	Dessert			

Elroy Senior Meal Site March 2020:

This year is already going very fast. Another month and we will be looking to see if the spring flowers are starting show their pretty little heads through the frozen ground. Hopefully March won't bring too many big snow storms with it.

We will be having a special St. Pat's Day menu on March 17th. What would St. Pat's Day be without corn beef, cabbage, potatoes & carrots? If you want some of this good eating call the Elroy Meal Site by March 13th to let us know if you will be coming.

The senior bus is still doing the out of town bus trips every Friday. Check with the Mauston office at 847-9371 to see where they are going and to reserve a seat.

To everyone with a birthday in March have a "Happy Birthday".

Remember that the meal sites can always use volunteers even if it is to just fill in occasionally when someone needs to be gone.

At Grace Elroy meals we continue to try and meet the nutritional needs of area seniors. We provide a hot home cooked meal for everyone that comes to the meal site and also for the home-bound seniors who can't make it into the site. The Juneau County Senior Nutrition Program invites all seniors age 60 and older to participate in the senior dining program. Meals are served at 11:45A.M. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at the Elroy Meal Site at 226 Erickson St. Elroy, WI. Home delivered meals are available just call the meal site at 462-5175 to make arrangements. The suggested donation is \$3.75. Bingo is played every day at the Elroy meal site starting at 11A.M. Check with the other Meal Sites to see what activities they have going on. Come and join your friends for a warm meal, friendship and fun.

Karen Nelson, Elroy Site Manager



The Elroy Area Food Pantry is open to anyone in need who lives in the Royall school district. The Food Pantry is located downstairs at the Grace Lutheran Church of Elroy at 226 Erickson Street. Food Pantry is open every Thursday from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Thank you to all our volunteers, we could not do this without you! God Bless all you!

If anyone has insurance with Thrivent Finical, you may have "Choice Dollars" that could be used to help out the Elroy Area Food Pantry. Go to the "Thrivent Choice" website for more information. If you have questions about Thrivent Choice, please contact, Customer Care at 1-800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt. Or, you can email questions to: mail@thrivent.com Thrivent Choice dollars may also be used to support the Senior meals program as well at Fountain Grace Trinity Lutheran Churches.

The Franciscan Spirituality Center, 920 Market St., La Crosse, offers the following retreat day:

NAVIGATING TOGETHER: A GRIEF RETREAT

Saturday, March 21st 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Investment: \$45, includes lunch



Facilitator: Jean Pagliaro Investm

Grieving the death of a loved one involves many difficult challenges. Often, we feel overwhelmed with tasks and emotions. You're invited to spend a day in community with others who are experiencing grief. Through discussion, time for reflection and creative expression opportunities, there will be space for you to express your grief and consider new paths that might be part of your healing.

Jean Pagliaro is the program and retreat coordinator at the FSC. She has a bachelor's degree in social work and a Master of Divinity degree, and she serves on the support team for Resilient and Trauma Informed Communities.

To register, please visit www.FSCenter.org or call 608-791-5295. Registration deadline: March 7

Does your home need a new furnace or roof? Does your home need accessibility accommodations? Are you tired of renting? Do you want to own your home? If you answered yes to any of these questions, USDA Rural Development may be able to help. Rural Development has funding available to purchase and repair homes in eligible rural communities. Interest rates range between 1-3%. Grants for repairs may be available to income eligible households over the age of 62. For more information, contact USDA Rural Development at 715-345-7601. Additional information is also available at www.rd.usda.gov/wi



If you are homebound and would like a visit on the first Sunday of the month for Communion, please call the Parish Office at 608-462-5398.

Overeaters Anonymous Group Meeting Place: Grace Lutheran Church in Elroy (Fellowship Hall) Each Tuesday at 7:00pm



FIRESIDE DINNER THEATRE ADULT BUS TRIP

April 2 – Guys and Dolls (musical)

Come and join us for a 1 day trip to the Fireside Dinner Theatre. Bus starts in La Crosse with pick-ups in towns along Hwy 14. Cost \$95 for the day includes bus, theater ticket, dinner and coffee, rolls.

All trips are by a motor coach bus with a bathroom. Devotional time, movies, games, and delicious snacks are all provided during the ride.

Please call for reservations. 608-734-3113





FACILITIES VARY BY RETREAT!

Facilities are modern and comfortable. There's plenty of space to sit by the fireplace, sip cocoa or coffee when you need to take a break, or get out and take a hike.

Cost includes lodging, meals, and space.

Thurs. afternoon—SUN: \$150 per person Friday afternoon—SUN: \$125 per person

> Relax and enjoy time away at Sugar Creek Bible Campl





2020

Elementary Retreats: grades 3-5th April 18-19 and Oct 24-25

\$40 includes lodging and 3 meals

Middle School Retreats: grades 6-8th

March 6-8 and Nov 6-8

\$85 includes lodging and 5 meals High School Retreats: grades 9-12th

Jan 24-26 and Dec 4-6

\$85 includes lodging and 5 meals

Sugar Creek Bible Camp Retreat and Conference Center

13141 Sugar Creek Bible Camp Rd. Ferryville, WI 54628

> Phone: 608-734-3113 Fax: 608-734-3601

Email: kati@sgrcreek.org

www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org

For further information about retreats or Summer Camp at Sugar Creek, visit our website: www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org

REGISTRATION FORM or register ONLINE at sugarcreekbiblecamp.org
Name Grade
CHURCH(or none)
Female Male Birth date
Roommate Request(s):
Address
E-mail
Phone(s)
Parents or guardians
Health Insurance Co
Policy Number
Parental Permission: (please sign) This form is correct as far as I know, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all activities, except those noted on this form. In the event of an emergency, and I cannot be reached, I give permission to the physician selected by camp to give necessary medical treatment to my child.
Sign Date
Please enclose a detailed explanation of allergies, medical needs, and/or medicines to be administered at camp. Medicines must be brought in their original constainers with directions for dispensing.
I give permission for Sugar Creek Bible Camp to use photos taken at this retreat in promotional publications

PLEASE RETURN FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

Sugar Creek Bible Camp 13141 Sugar Creek Rd. Ferryville, WI 54628

Date

Upcoming Events for BISHOP ELECTION at 2020 Synod Assembly NOMINATING CAUCUSES

Sun, March 15 in ALL four conferences:

South Conf - Middle Coon Valley Lutheran

North Conf - Living Hope Lutheran

East Conf - Trinity Lutheran, Sparta

West Conf - Bethel Lutheran, La Crosse

BISHOP CANDIDATE FORUMS

One candidate forum held in each conference.

South Conf - Sat, April 25, 3 pm - Middle Coon Valley Lutheran

East Conf - Sun., April 26, 2 pm - Trinity Lutheran, Sparta

West Conf - Sun., April 26, 7 pm - First Lutheran

North Conf - Mon., April 27, 6 pm - Mt. Calvary Lutheran



2020 SYNOD ASSEMBLY Fri-Sun, June 12-14, UW-La Crosse

Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday through 1 pm.

Monthly prayer to prepare for Synod Assembly:

Merciful God, continue to accompany our journey through these forty days of Lent. Renew us in the gift of baptism, that we may provide for those in need, pray for the world and our neighbors, fast from self-indulgence, and find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. As we look to the election of a new bishop in our synod, be with our voting members as they nominate candidates; help them to listen carefully for your voice. We pray in Christ's name, Amen.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A GREAT WAY TO HELP OUR SYNOD?

One of the lesser known synod ministries is the endowment fund. This money is managed by a professional money manager at the ELCA Endowment Fund Pooled Trust. It's safe, and it's easy to donate.

What designations do we have for endowment ministries?

- Lutheran Campus Ministry supports our local college students
- Synod Seminarian Scholarships support future church leaders
- 3. General Fund Ministry supports the synod's greatest needs

It's easy to make a donation:

- · Include with your regular offering just mark as a special gift
- Send a check directly to the Synod Office made payable to "La Crosse Area Synod" and write "Endowment" on the memo line
- Include us in your estate planning (we can help guide you)
- Unless designated to Campus Ministry or Seminarian Scholarships, donations will be directed to the General Fund.

La Crosse Area Synod 2020 Family Farm Project



"Many hands can do more together."

"Synod Barn Raising"

Raising Awareness of the Family Farm.

Raising Money for World Hunger.

Get Involved!

We are asking each congregation to set a goal of \$715.

This is based on the cost of a "Family Farm" from the ELCA Good Gifts catalog which includes a cow, two goats, two pigs, a dozen

chickens, seeds, tools and agricultural training.



The Synod Hunger Team will be making and distributing a cut-out wooden barn to each congregation. The barn will represent \$715 raised for World Hunger.

(Please use the original barn you are given as your pattern to make additional barns.)

Decorate or paint your barn(s) and bring to the 2020 Synod Assembly in June.

More info and resources will be available at Conference Meetings, on the synod website, and at a Hunger Leader's Workshop to be held at Trinity Lutheran-Sparta on January 18, 2020.

The La Crosse Area Synod Hunger Team

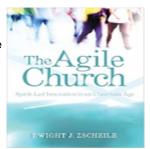
invites all congregations to support our upcoming hunger initiative. This project will focus on the family farm and working together for the good of all.

Goals for 2020 are to . . .

- Bring an awareness of the importance of the family farm on the world's food supply and global efforts to end hunger.
- Show how ELCA World Hunger is working to encourage, sustain and nurture small farmers.
- Raise money to support ELCA World Hunger and their campaign to help small farmers.

"The Agile Church" - Conclusion

"This book has explored how God chooses and calls ordinary people like us into open-ended journeys of learning and discovery. These journeys are not intended merely for our own personal fulfillment but involve connecting with neighbors for the sake of sharing in God's healing of the world. In other words, God's healing of us doesn't end with us, but by its very nature links us in relationships with others. God's coming to us is also always a sending of us. As we have seen, these biblical journeys are not predicated upon our getting it all right, but rather on our willingness to trust in the One who claims and sends us and to be led by the Spirit of life, even if we are led far from home."



So take a moment to read the journey to Emmaus story in Luke 24:13-35. These two followers of Jesus were left with many questions about the future and what God was doing. Like these two followers

we have had our hopes and expectations about the future of the Christian community dashed. But as you read this story in Luke we discover that Jesus engages these two disciples with a simple question: "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" Jesus listen to them and meets them where they are, in their concerns and reality. "Jesus helps them make sense out of their situation using a common story."

"Churches today find themselves disoriented, grieving, confused, stuck, at a loss amidst the changing cultural realities of the twenty-first-century world. The ending hasn't turned out like we hoped it would in many places. We don't know what to do. We are like those two disciples. Like them, God has not forsaken us. Jesus draws near and accompanies us where we are, as we are. He inquires compassionately of us and challenges us to see things anew. As we break bread together at his table, we begin to recognize him in one another; our hearts burn with a renewed sense of purpose and hope. We are able to recognize that we too are sent to proclaim that he is risen to others."

Questions:

- 1. When have you experienced God's presence amidst a time of disorientation and loss?
- 2. Which neighbors in your life and world might you be called to accompany on their journey?
- 3. How might the risen Jesus be present as you break bread together?

5. How might the fisch sesus be present as		
Fountain Lutheran Church Council 2020	Grace Lutheran Church Council 2020	Trinity Lutheran Church Council 2020
Bob Ebbers	Trystan Houzner (President)	Tom St. Clair (President)
Carol Leopold	Kathy Lindemann (Vice-President)	Alan Lanners (Vice-President)
Joy Bever	Sharon Knuth (Treasurer)	Pat Stubbs (Treasurer)
Phil Baumbeck	Kristi Shore (Secretary)	Alex Dow (Secretary)
Mary Waarvik	Dave Clark	Rich Campbell
Joni Newlun	Keith Clark	Elaine St. Clair
Janel Maulsby	Kelly Green	Missy Schneider
	Mary Houzner	
	Kristine Stauffacher	

FOUNTAIN ANNUAL MEETING FOR 2019

January 26, 2020

Called to order by Bob Ebbers. Eleven members were present. Devotions were given by Pastor Gerth.

The Secretary's Report was accepted as read. Moved by Mary Waarvik, seconded by Carol Leopold.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as read. Moved by Carol Leopold, seconded by Joy Bever.

We discussed the organist pay and decided to increase it to \$75.00 per Sunday. Moved by Phil Baumbeck, seconded by Mary Waarvik.

Proposed Budget for 2020 was discussed and accepted. Moved by Carol Leopold and seconded by Joy Bever.

WELCA Report was tabled.

New Business

Councilmembers will hold present positions with the addition of Joni Newlun and Janel Maulsby. Sue Baumbeck is unable to remain on Council.

Members attending Synod Assembly on June 12-14, 2020 will be Janel Maulsby and Carol Larson.

Audit committee will be Mary Waarvik and Joyce Greeno.

Nominating Committee will be Missy Ebbers and Janel Maulsby.

Call Committee will be Joni Newlun, Bob Ebbers, Joyce Greeno and Carol Leopold.

Sugar Creek Delegates – there will be non at this time.

Motion to adjourn made by Carol Leopold and seconded by Joyce Greeno.

FGTLP Join Executive Council Meeting 2-4-2020

Present: Bob Ebbers, Tom St. Clair, Al Lanners, Pat Stubbs, Trystan Houzner, Kristi Shore, Sharon Knuth, Pastor Jim (Non-members of Joint Council present: Kelly Green, Kristine Stauffacher, Mary Houzner)
Meeting Called to Order

Bookkeeper: Pastor spoke to the issues. The Suggestion is that Kris Stauffacher take on the role as bookkeeper for the Parish. Discussion about Office manager/bookkeeper. Motion to increase the Office Manager position by 5 hours (21 total weekly hours) with the set split percentage for the Office Manager (34/33/33) for a test period, to be revisited at the May joint council meeting. Motion made by Al Lanners and seconded by Tom St. Clair. Motion Carries.

Appointment of a task force to gain an understanding of how our Parish Financial house is working/operating/and the percentage splits for accuracy. The first meeting of the task force will be held at a date to be determined. The first report to be presented in May. Body will consist of each church's Treasurer, the book keeper, and Pastor Jim. Meeting Adjourned, Motion Carried.

Meeting Minutes for Grace Lutheran Church Council 02/04/2020

Present: Mary Houzner, Kristine Stauffacher, Keith Clark, Kristi Shore, David Clark, Sharon Knuth, Pastor Jim Gerth, Trystan Houzner, Kelly Green Not Present: Kathy Lindeman

Kris Called the Meeting to Order for Grace Council Organizational Meeting

Opening Prayer led by Pastor Jim

Election of Officers: PRESIDENT: Trystan Houzner was nominated. Discussion Kelly Motion, Keith Seconded, Motioned Carried

TREASURER: Kris Nominated Sharon, Motion for Sharon to be Treasurer by Kristi Shore, seconded by Mary Houzner, Motion Carried

SECRETARY: Kristi Shore was nominated. Motion to elect Kristi as Secretary by Keith Clark, seconded By Kelly Green. Motion Carried

VICE PRESIDENT: Dave made motion to elect Kathy Lindeman, seconded by Kristi, Motion Carried

Financial Report: Discussion of moving money Monthly towards the building fund. Motion to move \$1,000 in the month of February to the building fund by Kelly, seconded by Sharon Knuth, Motion Carried

Setting a Calendar for meetings. Motion to move meetings to the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM by Trystan, seconded by Kelly Green, Motion Carries

Discussion about the 60th Anniversary Celebration: Possibility of having Peter Eide perform on a date to be determined. Thank you Todd and Kathy Lindeman for bringing the possibility forward.

Delegates for the Annual Synod Assembly: Mary Houzner and Barb Nofsinger will attend.

Maintenance Report: Motion to spend up to \$300 on fixing up garage sale building to come out of the Elevator fund by Kelly Green, seconded by Keith Clark Dave will look into options for Handicap access to Office/Conference Room.

Motion to Adjourn, Motion Carries

Trinity Council "Together In Mission" Meeting Minutes 02/10/20

Present: Tom St.Clair, Pat Stubbs, Alex Dow, Melissa Schneider, Rich Campbell, Pastor Gerth Absent: Elaine St.Clair, Al Lanners Opening prayer was done by Pastor Gerth

Secretary's Report- Read by Alex. Rich made the motion to approve. Second was made by Melissa.

Treasures Report-Was handed out by Pat. The motion to approve was made by Alex and second was made by Rich. Old Business:

We discussed our annual meeting format that we changed this year. Council members agreed that they like the new format. New Business:

Members discussed our meeting frequency and decided to meet every other month on the second Monday at 6:30pm beginning in April of 2020.

We discussed the holiday rotation between Trinity and Fountain. Trinity would like to host Easter this year.

The executive council agreed to pay someone to preform bookkeeper duties for the parish for a 90 day trial period. They will accumulate all the expenses and distribute them to the three treasurers.

Pastor Gerth and Deacon Karen are retiring on February 16th. The Party will be held at Grace that Sunday.

Trinity is hosting two services during Lent.

Discussed parish Mission projects for the year and Melissa presented the Idea of doing a 5K run/walk between Elroy and Hustler. Al did some work on the Trinity profile.

Pastor will not be available Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays starting in March. Area Pastors will be available if needed.

Tom will be our counter for the month of February. Melissa will be our counter for March. Alex and Pat will be the counter for April.

Adjourn: Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Melissa seconded it. Recorded by: Alex





Grace Lutheran in Elroy Sunday Worship is at 10:15a.m. March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Wiggle Worship is March 15th. Fountain ~ Trinity Lutheran Sunday Worship is at 8:30 a.m. March 1, 15, 29 at Fountain March 8, 22 at Trinity Wiggle Worship is March 8th.



Ladies Spring Fling

Monday, April 20th at Trinity

5:30 pm Social Hour

6:00 pm Dinner

Free Will Offering

Check out the mystery prize!



APPLY ONLINE!

2020census.gov/jobs







The WEBS group will be collecting items for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. We invite the parish to join as we collect items of dignity for God's children here and around the world. Please bring listed items to any of the churches in our parish during the Lent season. Thank you!!

Wednesday, February 26: Light-weight bath size towels, preferably dark in color

Wednesday, March 04: Bars of soap

Wednesday, March 11: Adult size toothbrushes Wednesday, March 18: Large, sturdy combs

Wednesday, March 25: Metal nail clippers

Wednesday, April 01: Lightweight <u>bath size</u> towels, preferably dark in color Wednesday, April 08: TBD, we'll announce which item(s) are most needed

Wednesday, April 15: Assembly of kits during WEBS

Cleanliness may not actually be next to godliness, but it certainly helps a person feel more human. When families find their homes destroyed, or must flee for their safety, soap and a towel rarely make the cut for what they can carry. The simple items in a Personal Care Kit provide much-needed self-care, critical germ fighting, and the chance to regain dignity amidst situations of fear and uncertainty.

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