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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS



Well, it has been three years since we last gathered with our brothers and sisters from the other two ELCA congregations in Kootenai County. It is about time we do it again! A worship service is being planned for Sunday September 17, 2023, at the Grand Pavilion in Q'emiln Park, Post Falls. Worship will begin at 10am with a brunch potluck to follow. There will be a joint choir that will rehearse at 8:30 that morning, no previous experience is necessary. I hope that you will be able to join us as we join our voices, our hearts, and our hands in worship of the Lord.

You may have heard that there has been a meeting between Calvary, Lutheran Church of the Master, and Trinity in late July. There was a delegation from each congregation that met with the purpose of exploring any potential collaboration between our congregations. For example, the last two years Pastor Matt from Calvary and I have joined together to offer a more robust confirmation program for our youth; utilizing the different skillset each of us brings and creating a larger group to walk through this journey together. We are on for year three! Matt and I have been excited about this experiment, and both feel that the experience has been beneficial for our respective groups. We are hopeful that the interim at Lutheran Church of the Master will want to join us!

From that meeting, it was decided that we should bring back the Tri-Lutheran worship as a way to further relationship between our congregations, and then to have further conversation to see where else we can combine resources to further God's mission in our community. These conversations will be intentional, with a focus on joint efforts on how we can be more effective as ELCA Lutherans in Kootenai County.

It reminded me of how I would, in my last call, take youth each year on a mission trip, but then on the third year bring them to the larger ELCA National Youth Gatherings to remind them that we are a small part of God's greater mission in the world. I believe those gatherings, joining together for fellowship, service, and worship, were an essential part of bringing Jesus' words about His desire that his followers be one to life. Again, I hope that you will join us on the 17th as we worship together with our ELCA Lutheran brothers and sisters in Kootenai County; reminding us that while we are each distinct congregations, we are also part of something much larger than any of us individually.

In Christ, Pastor Dan Forsgren

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Trinity Times is a continuation of the previous parish newsletter, TLC Heartbeat, published January 1993 - January 2019.

VIDEO / IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We continue to offer livestreaming of our in-person Sunday morning 9:00 AM worship service online through YouTube. Additionally, you may watch the recorded service at any time on our website, the <u>Video Worship Archive</u> page.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Sunday at 9:00 AM in our Sanctuary.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm.

FAITH FORMATION

Men's Prayer Group and Bible Study ▶

Saturdays 7:30 AM at TLC Meets weekly for one hour, with breakfast on the first Saturday of the month.

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation ►

Join us after worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15am downstairs for Bible study discussion. You are welcome to grab a couple of cookies and a cup of coffee from the atrium if you'd like!

Women's Circle meets on the third Tuesday of each month at noon with a potluck lunch followed by a scripture-based discussion. All women are welcome.

Please check our website for frequent updates, calendar information, faith resources, youth schedules, news and much more:

www.trinitylutherancda.org.

TRI-LUTHERAN WORSHIP – TRINITY LUTHERAN, LUTHER CHURCH OF THE MASTER AND CALVARY LUTHERAN

TRI-LUTHERAN WORSHIP & Potluck

Let's get to know our Lutheran brothers and sisters with a Tri-Lutheran worship.

- September 17th, at 10am in Q'emlin Park in Post Falls.
- Assistant to Bishop, Phil Misner will be leading worship.
- Stay after service for a potluck brunch and fellowship.
- Bring a dish of your choice, a chair and some sunblock and come enjoy the beautiful park and meet some new friends.



Q'emlin Park 12201 W Parkway Dr, Post Falls, ID 83854

FROM THE COUNCIL

- † TLC Front Entry Project Update Jerry Anderson obtained bids for the project and presented them to the TLC Building Task Force last week. As you will remember, the 'base' project discussed & approved at the congregational meeting had a target of about \$50K, and we knew that to also replace the city sidewalk would add costs to the 'base' project. At that meeting, we also identified possible funding sources and agreed that if donations were adequate, we could go above the base target for the 'complete' project if needed. The base bid is about \$16K higher than we had hoped but seems within reason, and this project will NOT use any general funds. The General Contractor will be Ginno Construction, who orchestrated the bidding process, and Jerry worked hard to get the best bids he could:
 - Base Bid \$66.9K
 - New City Sidewalk & Curb \$11.1K

Total \$78.0 K

Below are the current funding source <u>estimates</u>:

- Mini-campaign Donations \$41.4K (a few more donations are expected)
- TLC Endowment Grant \$ 8.6KMemorial Fund \$ 6.3K
- Maintenance Reserve Fund \$27.3K
- Building Users Donation \$ 500 (Sons of Norway)

Total \$84.1 K

The TLC Building Task Force discussed these issues last week and recommended proceeding, including the new city sidewalk. The TLC Council has reviewed the information and a majority has voted to approve the project to go forward, so we expect the work to begin within the next 10 days!

In His service and on behalf of the TLC Council, Jack Riggs, President.

BITS & PIECES

- TLC Council will meet this month on Monday, September 18th at 4:00pm.
- Women's Circle: Tuesday, September 19th we will meet downstairs at noon for a potluck lunch. Our discussion series is titled *Holy Places* with an emphasis on *Home*. We will learn from scripture on this topic with information from Genesis, Acts, Hebrews, Corinthians and Revelations. Copies of the study guide from Gather are available in the office. All women are invited!
- You Are All Invited to grab a cup of coffee and head downstairs after worship on Sunday mornings for Adult Faith Formation. If you missed last week, don't worry we don't give pop-quizzes, and are happy to recap what was talked about the previous week. I look forward to seeing you there! ADULT FAITH FORMATION WILLNOT MEET ON SEPTEMBER 17TH.
- TLC Love Day meets weekly on Tuesdays at 9:00am for quilting, crafting, fellowship, and coffee.
- **TLC Singles Lunch** will resume on Thursday, October 19th.
- **Reformation Sunday, October 29th** Worship at 10:00am followed by Brats & Beer Potluck. We'll supply the brats & beer, you can bring a delicious side dish!

COME MAKE LEFSE WITH US

You will not believe it's almost time to make lefse at TLC: September 27th, 28th, & 29th (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday). Tuesday, September 26th will be a day of cooking and peeling potatoes. Volunteers are needed for all these days for potato cooks & peelers (Tuesday) and lefse makers on the Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday. Sign-up sheets will be posted on the Participation Place bulletin board in the atrium (next to the wooden Food Bank donation box). Monetary donations are needed, as well, for us to purchase all the food ingredients needed to make lefse. We have found that if we use all the same ingredients (type, manufacture, etc.) for making lefse, it comes out great! You can give your donation to Pam Hunt, Beverly Knutson, or Karen Cook. If you cannot help in making lefse, but would like to help, you can sign up to bring lunch for one of the days (Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday) that week. No lunch on Tuesday will be needed, as that day will be for cooking and peeling potatoes only. Watch for the sign-up sheets on the Participation Place bulletin board in the atrium. Thank you in advance for help in making our lefse making party *Great*!

Thank you from Sharon Alexander, Lefse-making Coordinator and the TLCW "Love Day" Ladies

TLCW CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Greetings! The date for our 2023 Christmas Bazaar is November 4th. We are in need of nice donations! If you are doing fall cleaning and find that you are downsizing or have too many of the same items that you've collected over a long period of time, we would love to take them off your hands! Examples of such items are Fall or Christmas tablecloths, sets of dishes, table settings, wine glasses, nice bakeware, jewelry, etc. If you cannot bring them to the church let us know and we can have someone pick them up. In the week preceding the Bazaar, we would love to accept donations of homemade baked goods, jams, candies, etc., as well!

Please watch for more information to come your way regarding the Bazaar in the coming weeks. We will be needing your help with set-up on the days prior to the sale, on the day of the sale, as well as clean-up afterwards! Specific details will be available in the coming weeks.

Thank you from Sharon Alexander, Christmas Bazaar Coordinator and the TLCW "Love Day" Ladies!



SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE – SEPTEMBER 2023

Thank you for your service!

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, kindly trade with someone else on the schedule when you have a conflict. Whenever possible, please contact the church office by Wednesday to inform Andrea of your change: 208-664-5743, or: office.trinitycda@gmail.com.

9:00 AM	September 3 rd	September 10 th	September 17 th	September 24 th
Altar Care	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Pam Hunt	Tri-Lutheran Worship at Q'emlin Park	Paula Moore Karen Cook
Assisting Minister	Pam Hunt	Jerry Anderson		Jerry Anderson
Reader	Dolores Johnson	Jerry Anderson		Glenna Knepper
Ushers	Tad Johnson Gary Everson	Lon Lorbecki HELP NEEDED		Dennis Grounds Winnie Barth Georgianne Jessen
Communion Assistants	Paula Moore Dolores Johnson	Tom & Sue Thilo		Dick & Jill Jurvelin
Acolytes	Frankie Drake	William Forsgren		Jeremiah Benson

Sanctuary Saints for September 2023: Kathy Benson & Gloria Hammon (Stocks pew racks, fills oil in candles, etc. weekly for Sunday worship.)



CELEBRATIONS & PRAYERS



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Penny Weiss	09/01
Aaron Cloyd	09/02
Chris Green	09/04
Clarence Haugen	09/07
Gloria Hammon	09/08
Carol MacLean	09/10
Lisa Cloyd	09/11
Sarah Forsgren	09/12
Lori Edwards	09/15
Jeremiah Benson	09/18
Dolores Johnson	09/20
Phil Aarhus	09/21
Roland Curtis	09/21
Don Chisholm	09/27
Anna Mae Dlouhy	09/29



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Dan & Sarah Forsgren	9/1/2022
Chris & Laurie Green	9/2/2018
Randy & Polly Fiscus	9/6/1986
Ausey & Rachel Robnett	9/9/2017
Don & Robin Chisholm	9/11/1976
Glenn & Julie Nelson	9/11/1993
Ken & Marie Bailey	9/15/1972
Chris & Krista Hartley	9/15/2001
Darrell & Lois Frogness	9/16/1961
Jerry & Sandy Johnson	9/20/1975
Jack Riggs & Sandy Patano	9/20/2014
Harold & Mavis Fuchs	9/22/1955
Richard & Karen Cook	9/25/1966
Bob & Paula Moore	9/27/1985

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen, comfort, and raise them up if they fall, and in their hearts, may your peace, which passes all understanding, abide with them all the days of their lives.



Please Hold In Your Prayers for Healing, Comfort, Peace (The † symbol denotes TLC members)

Susan Kirkpatrick † Harold & Mavis Fuchs † Delores Luttropp †
Marion Keating † Phyllis Bacon † Tom & Carol Price †
Ken & Darlene Amundson † Carol MacLean † Donna Cedervall †
Richard Cook † Carol MacPhee †

Terry Fairchild

Janet Wilbanks (mother -Will Wilbanks)

Diane Kneller (friend – Kathy Benson)

Kyle Lenz (grandson – Darlene & Cliff Lenz)

Mica Price (grandson – Carol & Tom Price)

Joshua Baskett (grandson – Ray & Olivia Simmons)

Darlene Lagerquist (cousin – Ray & Olivia Simmons)

Lisa Gessner (daughter – Terrie & Alan Gessner)

Melissa Humphries (daughter – Dawn & Dennis Menck)

Mark Kinney (brother – Sue Baker)

Debra Compton (friend - Sandy Patano)

Matthew Shirley (son – Linda Shirley, brother/in-law–Chuck & Karen

Shirley

Pat & Heidi Acuff (friends – Connie Gridley)



Worship Schedule

Wednesdays

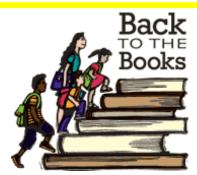
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Sundays

9:00 AM Worship Service In-Person and LIVESTREAM ON YOUTUBE

VIDEO WORSHIP ARCHIVE ON OUR WEBSITE www.trinitylutherancda.org





School Backpack & Supplies Campaign Continues - The TLC Outreach Committee has extended the request for donations of school supplies and backpacks for needy Bryan Elementary students! This campaign began last month and will continue through the first few weeks of school. Please review the Bryan school list on the Participation Place board and consider donating a new backpack to ensure a happy school year ahead for every student. (Monetary donations marked "Bryan School Supplies" will be gleefully spent on this positive campaign.)