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The Interpretation Part of I&S...

Seems out of place, doesn't it, talking about I&S in the summer. After all, stewardship is usually what comes to mind when we speak about I&S. That comes in the fall, and, don't worry, we'll get to that! But for now, let's concentrate on the I-interpretation.

Recently, the Indianola Record Herald smacked us right in the face with a capital I. Even though Trinity was not mentioned as the founder and home of WeLIFT, we who know the inside story should swell with satisfaction over the special summer program at WeLIFT that prepared 20 at-risk youth for workplace success. Sue Wilson and her staff, with the support of Children and Families of Iowa as well as local businesses and volunteers, made the program possible. WeLIFT also obtained a grant from Future Ready Iowa for about \$43,000. Beside providing space for the program, Trinity also contributed by providing lunch for the participants, thanks to Betty Dyer and Kerry McKasson.

The Record Herald article made us stop and consider the many ways Trinity members live our faith by reaching out to help others. Among these are Helping Hand, Heal House, our sister parish in El Salvador, quilts made by Trinity's Tuesday Stitchers, Habitat for Humanity, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), the Coalition of Immokalee Workers, Open Table, Meals from the Heartland; the list goes on. These are all examples of Trinity reaching outside our congregation, striving to live the example of Jesus. We should be proud, not prideful, AND always willing to continue to be a giving, serving congregation. Hold that thought until the stewardship campaign!

I&S Committee: Lisa Coffey, Al Farris and Joe Weinman

Update from Session...

We know there are many questions on 'what is happening' to find our next pastor. When the Commission on Ministry gives the approval, Session will begin the process of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee. Session will decide on the number of members and makeup of the PNC (such as current elder/deacon, staff member, at-large member). With those decisions, the new Nominating Committee will start looking for PNC members. When potential members have been found, a congregational meeting will be called to elect the PNC. Rev. Ian McMullen will train and advise the PNC members through the process. There is no estimated timeframe for this.

We do expect to start the search for a transitional (interim) pastor soon. In the meantime, we will continue to have pulpit supply on Sundays. At this time, we are scheduling guest speakers into October. Though we don't have definitive answers, please feel free to ask questions and share your comments with us and continue to keep Trinity and our next pastor in your prayers.

Margaret Blair for TUPC Session



Highlights from the July Session Meeting

1. A&F proposed purchasing a CD which would have a higher interest rate.
2. Nominating Committee reported they are making progress and requested August 27 as a tentative date of the Congregational Meeting for election of officers.
3. Discussion about the need for a Crisis or Response Team to help with pastoral care issues.

9/1 Mitch Cross
Chase Cross
Emma Damman

9/2 Bill Damman

9/3 Chloe Crain
Rodney Prickett

9/5 Elliott Johnson
Marlin Bollin
Juliana VanDam

9/6 Stephanie Frerichs

9/8 John Sorensen
Marilyn Lawson

9/11 Sophie Waugh

9/13 Linda Beatty

9/16 Megann Grissom
Larry Lepper
Louis Nady

9/19 Kim Grissom
Carmen Hampton
Dick Tinder

9/21 Chari Kruse

9/26 Brian Anderson
Chelsea Lensing

9/27 John Anderson
Robert Endriss
Elyse Shaw

9/28 Gary Richardson

9/30 Cheri Riebhoff
Jovanka Westbrook

BUDGET FIGURES FOR TRINITY NEWS July 31, 2023

GENERAL OPERATING FUND		
Beginning balance	\$	71,805.89
Revenue		27,361.68
Expenses		(18,725.67)
Ending balance	\$	<u>80,441.90</u>
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE		
	\$	<u>86,805.05</u>

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

A Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, August 27 following worship for the purpose of electing officers.

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards, emails, visits, food and phone calls following my open-heart surgery. We have an amazing church family support system. A special thank you to the people who kept the Saturday night service going during our absence and to those who create slides and to the livestream team. My recovery is going very well for which I am very grateful. Marieta

SWAT is back! It's time for Wednesday suppers to start up again! They will take place every Wednesday from 5-6:30 pm. They are free and open to the public. Free will donations will be accepted. Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to join us. Beginning September 6, the Hospitality Team will be serving Sloppy Joes, chips, fresh veggies and cookies.

Each week's meal will be hosted by a different group in the church. Any group is welcome to host a meal. If your committee, youth group or just a group of friends would like to help keep the tradition going, please make sure you sign up using the link below or when you receive the email with the SignUpGenius link. Your group may also choose to sign up for more than one Wednesday. You may serve whatever your group chooses, or if you need some ideas, we can help with that also.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your SWAT Team: Betty Dyer, Kerry McKasson, Barb Yearous or Patty DeHeer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044FA8A828A4FF2-swat2>

IN OUR PRAYERS



To...

Dewain Clausen and family for the passing of Lula Mae on August 9.

Gregg Strable for strength and healing.

Dawn Dixon for energy and strength.

John & Bev Anderson for strength and healing.

AREA CARE CENTERS

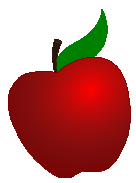
Westview Care Center – Ken & Sandy Newell

The Village Care Center – Dawn Dixon

There will be an all-church wedding shower for Sam Weinman and Ivory Hanson on Sunday, September 17 at 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we celebrate them. Everyone is welcome!



The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.



September 2023 ~ Trinity United Presbyterian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Reg Wed Schedule</u> 5:00 SWAT (FH) 5:30 Calvin Chor (S) 5:50 Bells (FH-W) 6:15 P-5th Grade (P) 6:15 MS-G1(SW MP) 6:30 CIA (Y) 7:00 Chancel Choir (S)	<u>Ministry Teams</u> 5:30 Hospitality (CR) 6:00 Property (FH) 7:00 Mission (CR) 7:00 I&S (A) 7:00 A&F (FH) 8:00 Worship (S)				1	2 7-11:30 Blood Drive (FH-E) 9-Noon Don Justo Coffee Sales (PATH) 10:30 Clausen Memorial (S,FH-W) 5:00 Contemporary Worship /Comm (FH) Rev. Kristin Pike
3 Communion 9:30 Worship (S) Maurice Dyer 10:45 Green Team (SW)	4 <i>Office Closed</i> 	5 1:00 Sewing Group (SW)	6 Reg Wed Schedule	7 10:00 Men's Coffee Group (Y)	8 1-5:30 Blood Drive (FH)	9 8:30 Scouts (Y) 9-Noon Don Justo Coffee Sales (PATH) 5:00 Contemporary Worship (FH) Rev. Dr. Judy Winkelpleck
10 9:30 Worship (S) Rev. Dr. Judy Winkelpleck	11 3:30 Koinonia (SW)	12 1:00 Sewing Group (SW)	13 9:15 Martha Circle (FH) Reg Wed Schedule Ministry Teams	14 10:00 Men's Coffee Group (Y)	15	16 8:30 Scouts (Y) 9-Noon Don Justo Coffee Sales (PATH) 5:00 Contemporary Worship (FH) Maurice Dyer
17 8:30 Pancakes with VanDam (K) 9:30 Worship (S) 2:00 Wedding Shower (FH)	18 3:30 Koinonia (SW)	19 1:00 Sewing Group (SW) 6:30 Deacons (FH)	20 10:00 Trinity News Deadline Reg Wed Schedule	21 10:00 Men's Coffee Group (Y) 10:00 3T (FH)	22 4:30 Rehearsal (S)	23 8:30 Scouts (Y) 9-Noon Don Justo Coffee Sales (PATH) 4:00 Wedding (S,FH) 5:00 Contemporary Worship (MP) Rev. Doug Basler
24 9:30 Worship (S)	25 3:30 Koinonia (SW) 7:00 Ana Circle (FH)	26 1:00 Sewing Group (SW)	27 Reg Wed Schedule 7:00 Session (FH)	28 10:00 Men's Coffee Group (Y)	29	30 8:30 Scouts (Y) 5:00 Contemporary Worship (FH) Rev. Kip Harris

Trees, Trees, Trees. While Trinity does not have the land for trees, trees are a vital part of the world. Perhaps you know a perfect place for a tree.

1. **Trees increase property values.** In fact, landscaping with trees and other plants can add as much as 20% to the value of your property. What a great return on your investment!
2. **Trees clean the air.** Each tree can take in as much as 48 pounds of carbon dioxide yearly and can sequester 1 ton by the time the tree is 40 years old. Trees also absorb odors and other gases such as ammonia and sulfur dioxins. Particulates are trapped by tree leaves and bark.
3. **Trees slow water runoff.** Flash flooding can be significantly reduced. For example, a Colorado blue spruce can intercept 1,000 gallons of water annually. This also helps to recharge aquifers.
4. **Trees prevent soil erosion.** The tree roots bind the soil, and a tree's leaves provide a barrier to the wind and rain.
5. **Trees cool our homes, streets and cities.** Trees can cool a city by up to 10 degrees Fahrenheit by shading homes and streets. This breaks up "heat islands" and releases water vapor through the air. In turn, you can save up to 25% on energy bills.

The list goes on, describing how planting trees is a plus for all of us. Give it a try if you can.

The Green Team

Source: Top 10 Reasons Why Trees Benefit Us

CIA High School Youth Group August & September Calendar

8/30 - CIA Kickoff. Wear clothes you can get dirty and bring a beach towel that can get dirty while cleaning off.

9/6 - Discussion Night.

9/13 - Serving SWAT Meal. We'll need youth help from 4:30-7 pm. Please bring the food or drink item you signed up for.

9/17 - Pancakes with VanDam 8:30-10 am. Free breakfast with no requirements or obligation in the fellowship kitchen for anyone 9th grade through college.

9/20 - Discussion Night.

9/27 - AM - See you at the pole at the HS at 7 am. PM - Discussion Night.

Use the link to sign up for snacks and SWAT <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0449A4AA22A7FC1-ciasnacksmeal>.

For questions call or text Nick & Becca at (515)689-2797.

"Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it." Luke 11:28

Trinity Staff:

Office AdministratorWendy Dowell
Children and Youth Director..... Amy Fredricks
High School Youth Directors.....Nick & Becca VanDam
Middle School Youth Directors.....Paul & Rachael Wilson
Minister of Music.....Mark Koskamp
Chancel Bells & Calvin Choristers Director.....Chari Kruse
Chancel Choir Accompanist.....Anna Lackaff
Calvin Choristers Accompanist.....Gary Richardson
Custodian.....Kerry McKasson
Sunday Childcare AttendantGlenda Richards
Financial Secretary.....Betty Dyer

*Growing an inclusive faith community
of forgiveness, compassion, joy and service in
Christ through God's word.*

Worship Schedule

Sunday - 9:30 am

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

