



July  
2020

## TRINITY CONNECTIONS

### BRIDGE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



“Community” Is what we are missing these days! We are by nature social creatures and this time away with only family or alone is a challenge. Now that Church is meeting again in the building it will help to see each other, however It will still be quite a long time until we can meet without “protocols”.

I have noticed that when I am facing a particular challenge, the attitude with which I face it makes all the difference. If I see it as an opportunity to learn something new, or as an opportunity to draw closer to God, then I see it as something positive. These next few weeks, as we focus on Romans, I hope you can find a nugget of beauty to put within your soul. Here is one that strikes me....

***“But now that you've found you don't have to listen to sin tell you what to do, and have discovered the delight of listening to God telling you, what a surprise! A whole, healed, put-together life right now, with more and more of life on the way!” (Romans 6:22 The Message)***

***In these next few weeks, find a morsel of scripture to chew on, to place deep within your heart, and to let it fill you with the life of God!!***

Dr. Martin Luther King spoke of the “Beloved Community” – Christians living together as true brothers and sisters of all races and backgrounds, living in love and true joy. Is it even possible in this world so full of turmoil, despair, and pain? For the next few weeks, we will think about the picture of Christian community that Paul defines from his letter to the Romans:

July 5            Romans 7:15-25  
“The Beloved Community – The Rescue”

July 12            Romans 8:1-11  
“The Beloved Community – A New Law”

Who has helped you understand “True Community”? Most of us can probably recall someone who has helped us become who we are, a teacher or pastor or family member....if you are so moved to briefly share a “tribute” to a teacher/mentor, please talk to Pastor Joanne and these stories will be included in the services this summer!!

*Pastor Joanne Sorenson*

## President's Message – Rose Kuebker

Hello everyone,

The call committee, transition team, and council have been busy. We have a candidate interested in being Trinity's Pastor.

Specifics and timeline are as follows:

1. Executive team working with candidate on agreement
2. July 7<sup>th</sup>: council meeting to review recommendation and vote
3. If accepted, Synod is notified to set Letter of Call and documents to present to the Congregation
4. 30-day notice to Congregation for special congregational meeting and vote
5. Intent to have Pastor in place by the end of August

Working to set up zoom meeting with Gethsemane and Trinity's council, to start a discussion on what areas we might collaborate on together.

Happy Summer Solstice!

Rose Kuebker

## Education - Kelly Browning, Chair

Greeting BOLT Families -

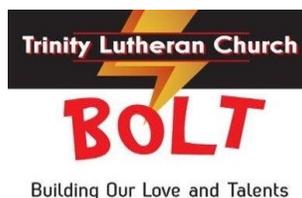
We hope all our BOLT families are staying safe and healthy. We miss seeing everyone! We look forward to the time that we can all be together again to share in God's love.

BOLT has a new Operation Christmas Child donation center in the Education wing where you can bring donations throughout the year.



We packed 118 boxes the past year, which was so exciting for the kids. We are looking to continue with the goal of 100 boxes next year, so if you have items to donate, please bring them in anytime of the year. Each month, I will share some ideas to consider donating, so this month, let's think about **TOYS!**

Pastor Joanne has been working on First Communion curriculum and we will be in touch with the fourth graders and their families soon, so the three young ladies can move forward in their faith journeys.



Mark your calendars for **Wednesday September 9!** This will be our **BOLT Kick-off event!**

## Coffee Chat with the Treasurer

### As May 31, 2020 Financial Overview Year-to-date:

Income Total	\$64,422
Expense Total	\$49,246
Total Income	\$15,176

### Month of May Financial Overview:

Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$31,299.53
Ending Checkbook Balance	\$38,261.85

### Month of May 2020

Income Total	\$17,909
Expense Total	\$8,760
Total Income	\$9,149

All bills were paid for the month of May.

Friendly reminder that we have a Closed Facebook group where I post what is happening with BOLT on a regular basis. You can request to join here: [Trinity Lutheran BOLT](#)

Your Co-worker in Christ,  
Kelly, BOLT Team Leader



## Prayer Requests

- Prayers for Vera, Sue Frank, Kathy Gustafson, DeEtte and Harriet Meath, Gene Aune, Judy Jones and Todd Criego
- Prayers for those undergoing treatment: Becky E, Sloane, Dan Roland, Chris Larson and Robbie as they continue having treatments.
- Prayers of comfort for Angela Potting.
- Prayers to all the healthcare workers, the front-line workers, truckers and farmers.

There are many we are praying for privately. If you know of someone who would like prayers, please let me know.

Kathy J: 715-781-9618 or [tlchwelca@gmail.com](mailto:tlchwelca@gmail.com) or [porsche627@outlook.com](mailto:porsche627@outlook.com)



## FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

**Next Food Shelf Sunday is: July 12<sup>th</sup>**

***Thank you for your generosity!***



**FOOD PANTRY**

## July Anniversaries

**July 8:** Royce & Cindy Fritz  
**July 19:** Roger & June Lindquist  
**July 30:** Daryl & Susan Frank



## Grace Place Supplies Needed

New Men's Underwear (M, L, XL, XXL)  
 Toilet paper  
 Paper Towels  
 Hand Soap  
 Garbage bags  
 Cleaning Supplies

Please bring to the shelter and set on the table at the front door.

### Address:

505 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
 New Richmond WI 54017

## July Birthday's

**July 1:** Tom DeLong  
**July 1:** Gary Schram  
**July 2:** Darcy Christensen  
**July 3:** Kylee McNamara  
**July 7:** Janet Yoder  
**July 8:** Dixie Dilley  
**July 8:** Harold Moll  
**July 9:** Elizabeth Pizzi  
**July 10:** Jay Ditlefsen  
**July 10:** Ben Heinrich  
**July 10:** Christine Pommerening  
**July 10:** Haylee Schone  
**July 11:** Ashley Krizan  
**July 11:** Maeve Ramberg  
**July 11:** Gary Zielsdorf Jr  
**July 12:** Janet DeLong  
**July 13:** Delores Siebold  
**July 14:** Peyton Heinrich  
**July 15:** Kiara Afdahl  
**July 15:** Brian Hauge  
**July 15:** Janessa Olson  
**July 16:** Ariel Backes  
**July 16:** Kim Stensland  
**July 17:** Nicole Gardner  
**July 18:** Zachary Wittmer  
**July 19:** Matyas Larson  
**July 20:** Livvie Moll  
**July 20:** Payton Nogal  
**July 21:** Julia Edison  
**July 21:** Payton McCulloch  
**July 21:** David Thorsen  
**July 25:** Weston Doornink  
**July 26:** Dottie Carstens  
**July 26:** Marti Peterson  
**July 26:** Spencer Wittmer  
**July 29:** Colten Winkler  
**July 30:** Ava Boettcher  
**July 30:** Steve Holzer  
**July 30:** Kaitlynn Pomroy



## Trinity Council Minutes for June 8, 2020 (Unofficial)

Call to Order by Rose Kuebker at 7:02 pm

Devotions by Rose Kuebker

Present: President Rose Kuebker, Vice President Susan Frank, Secretary Marti Peterson, Treasurer Deb Henry, Daryl Frank, Ron Pratt, Kathy Jensen, Dan Doornink and Becky Fowler

Absent: Kelly Browning and Christine Pommerening

Guests: Darcy Christensen and Sarah Pommerening

1. Review minutes: 5/11/2020
2. Amendment to the minutes: **Becky Fowler makes a motion to amend the May minutes to place a paver in the memorial garden for Kris Shaver in memory of her service at Trinity. Marti Peterson. Motion carried. Kathy Jensen motions to approve the minutes of May 11th with Becky Fowler seconding the motion. Motion Carried.**
3. Treasurer Report:
4. Paycheck protection loan: \$6,000 and \$1,000 Technology grant. Deb has to apply for the Paycheck protection loan to be forgiven. Things are holding steady here at church. **Motion by Marti Peterson to approve the Treasurer's report. Second by Sue Frank. Motion Carried.** Motion by Kathy Jensen to send a card and gift cards to Tom and Pastor Paul as a "Thank you." Second by Dan Doornink. Motion carried.
5. Pastor Joanne update:  
Thank you to Sue Frank and Darcy Christensen for their help with service. Check off list available for when we open church back. Possibly need more equipment to keep service online going. Pastor Joanne has gone through the list and has called members. Pastor Joanne asked about Logistics for the Annual Meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. **Technology Update:** Ron updated about the FM Transmitter. Sarah will look into what it would take to upgrade secretary computer and programming to edit for service.
2. **Call Committee Update and recommendation:** Becky and Dan reported they did an interview for a potential Pastor Applicant. The call committee is recommending we move forward with calling this Pastoral applicant. **Motion to make a recommendation by Becky Fowler to accept the recommendation of the call committee to pursue the pastoral candidate. Second by Dan Doornink. Motion Carried.**
3. **Transition Update:** Rose talked with Pastor Paul. Discussion to talk with Gethsemane and have possibly the two councils meet and talk.
4. **Opening Church:** Pastor Joanne shared a Checklist about what we need to do to open up the church. Clarification on what the recommendations are for protocol. Projected date to open church is June 21st, 2020. Pastor Joanne to reach out to Pastor Paul to see how things went when they opened church on June 7th, 2020.
5. **Meeting June 14<sup>th</sup>:** Deb Henry, Sarah Pommerening and Rose Kuebker will be in the church office. 13 is the number for a quorum for the special congregational meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. **Summer Schedule Idea:** Plan a parking lot worship

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### WELCA – Kathy Jensen, Chair

WE are looking at doing the Pie social a little differently this year. We are talking about several ideas on how to have the fund raiser.

Any suggestions or ideas please contact Jean Peterson or myself, Kathy Jensen.



### Delores Siebold is turning 100 on July 13<sup>th</sup>!

Her family is asking for cards and notes to be sent to her as she not able to leave the nursing home and no one is able to visit her at this time!

Her address is:  
425 Davis Street, Apt 108,  
Hammond WI 54015

## July Ministry Calendar

*Please consider how you might do God's work with your hands. Sign up on the [Ministry Roles Google Doc](#) or call the church office. Instruction available for every role & a reminder call or email a few days before your commitment.*

	JULY 5	JULY 12	JULY 19	JULY 26
<b>GREETERS</b>				
<b>Ushers (2)</b> Youth and/or Adults				
<b>Reader</b>				
<b>Acolyte</b>				
<b>Power Point</b>				
<b>Sound Tech</b>				
<b>Communion Helpers</b>		+ +		+ +
<b>Communion Set Up</b>		+ +		+ +
<b>Bread Baker</b>		+ +		+ +
<b>Offering Counter (2)</b>				
<b>Bulletin &amp; BOLT Sponsors</b>	 To Sponsor a Bulletin, please see Lois Koosmann 			
<b>Fellowship Servers</b>	Team H – Steve & Jean Peterson	Team I – Sue Bork	Team K – Bruce & Jo Moll	Team L – Ron & Glenda Pratt
<b>Exterior Property Team</b>	Team #9 – Bruce & Jo Moll Family	Team #9 – Bruce & Jo Moll Family	Team #10 – Daryl & Sue Frank	Team #10 – Daryl & Sue Frank

### July Bulletin Sponsors

**Contact Lois Koosmann to sponsor a bulletin! Just \$8.00!**

**July 5th BULLETIN:** Happy Birthday Harold Moll (July 8) from Lenore.

**July 12th BULLETIN:** WELCA

**July 19th BULLETIN:** In honor of Roger & June Lindquist's Anniversary.

Happy Birthday Livvie Moll (July 20) from Grandpa and Grandma.

**July 26th BULLETIN: NO SPONSOR**

*Do you have a special day, memory or event coming up?*

Sign up to be a bulletin sponsor in 2020! **Call** (715-796-5516), **email** ([lois044@centurytel.net](mailto:lois044@centurytel.net)) or **talk to Lois Koosmann** at church.



## July Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 <b>11:30-5:30 pm Red Cross Blood Drive</b>	3	4 <b>Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!</b>
5 <b>9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion † 10:15am Coffee Fellowship</b>	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 <b>9:00am Worship † Food Shelf Sunday 10:15am Coffee Fellowship</b>	13 <b>7:00pm Council Meeting</b>	14	15	16	17	18 <b>Newsletter items due!</b>
19 <b>9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:15am Coffee Fellowship</b>	20	21 <b>10:00am Heritage Worship (cancelled)</b>	22	23	24	25
26 <b>9:00am Worship † 10:15am Coffee Fellowship</b>	27 <b>10am Newsletter Folding</b>	28	29	30	31	

***“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” ~Romans 15:13***

## Trinity Council Minutes Continued

### Committee Minutes/Action items:

1. **Education:** No report
2. **Evangelism:** No current chair
3. **Fellowship:** No report
4. **Mission and Human Needs:** No report
5. **Properties:** Daryl is waiting for a call back from Lindus Construction on some repairs. Dan and Daryl met with a new insurance company; we could possibly save some money.
6. **Stewardship:** June 21st and 28th Ron will have time and talent forms for people to fill out.
7. **WELCA:** No report
8. **Worship and Music:** Working on planning music.
9. **Youth:** Aluminum cans

**Open:** Nothing

Sue Frank motion to close the meeting at 8:51 pm. Kathy Jensen seconds. Motion carried. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by: Sarah Pommerening, Office Secretary

Reviewed By: Marti Peterson, Council Secretary

**Our Next Meeting is Monday July 13, 2020: 7:00 pm at Trinity**



### QUILTING

We have not started to quilt yet.  
Maybe soon.

We have sent out the graduation cards with a letter that the quilts are ready and we would like to video the graduate getting the quilt. It would be just the graduate and parents and the person running the video.  
Probably in the great room.

If you have any questions call me,  
Kathy 715-781-9618.

### Stewardship – Ron Pratt, Chair

Welcome back to Trinity whether it's in the sanctuary, in the parking lot or online. It's great to see familiar faces even though we have to safe distance and wear masks. Also thank you for your continuing generous giving in spite of the COVID-19 quarantine. In the narthex on the table you will find Time and Talent forms for you to select an activity for 2020 that connects you with one of the small group ministries at Trinity. Now that we are meeting weekly in person, we need your participation in all that Trinity does.

Thanks for your cooperation.

God's work, our Hands

Trinity Stewardship Team

### Free Little Pantry

The Free Little Pantry is open! Temporary hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00-11:00 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30-5:00 p.m. The pantry is located inside Trinity by the Fireside room.

Please share with others and let them know it is available!

***“Take what you need, give what you can.”***



### Office Hours:

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday:  
9:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday:  
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday and Thursday:  
2:30-5:00 pm**



# Minutes of Special Congregational Meeting – June 14, 2020

Present: Rose Kuebker, Ron & Glenda Pratt, Treasurer Deb Henry, Sarah Pommerening, Sue and Daryl Frank, Judy & Chris Larson, Kathy Jensen, Pastor Joanne Sorenson, Marti Peterson, Mike and Dar Sittlow, Steve & Jean Peterson, John & Darcy Christensen, Bill Jones, Janet DeLong, Kelly Browning

Voted by Phone: Becky Fowler

Mailed in votes: Rick Kuebker, Dan and Sally Doornink, Barb Schrank

Call to order by President Rose Kuebker at 10:08 am. Zoom call is being recorded.

Quorum of 13 was met.

Opening Prayers by Pastor Joanne Sorenson.

Agenda shared by President Rose Kuebker

Voting Questions

1. Do you approve of the 6-month Budget July-December 2020? **Motion made by Steve Peterson second made by Mike Sittlow to approve the 6-month budget as proposed. Motion Approved.**
2. Do you approve/not approve of the moving the fiscal year of Trinity Lutheran Church from January 1<sup>st</sup>-December 31<sup>st</sup>, to February 1<sup>st</sup>-January 31<sup>st</sup>? **Motion made Steve Peterson, second by Ron Pratt to approve the moving of the fiscal year of Trinity Lutheran Church to February 1<sup>st</sup>-January 31<sup>st</sup>. Motion approved.**
3. Do you approve/ not approve of changing a Council members term from three-years to two-years with two terms (not to exceed 4 years) with one-year off in-between positions? **Motion made by Ron Pratt to approve changing a council members term from three-years to two years with two terms (not to exceed 4 years) with one year off in between positions. Second by Bill Jones. Motion approved.**

Motion to close meeting at 10:50 am by Ron Pratt, second by Becky Fowler. Motion approved.

Closed in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by: Sarah Pommerening, Office Secretary

Reviewed by: Marti Peterson, Council Secretary

## Youth – Christine Pommerening, Chair

### Hammond Heartland Days is coming!!

The Youth would like to still hold their annual garage sale (August 6-8) and pancake breakfast (August 8). With COVID, we are working on precautions to safely continue these fundraisers. Please watch for more information as we work out the details of how we could make this happen.

Also, thank you to all who contribute Aluminum cans to the Youth. We recently emptied the donation area! There were A LOT of cans in there!

Thanks to my Uncle Pete for allowing us to use his trailer and for hauling the cans for us! We are excited to work with Baldwin Machine and Fab to get our Can Hauler built!

We appreciate your support!

Christine

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR HELP!

We are in need of someone to help coordinate this year's FUN FEST during Heartland Days on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> after the Parade!!

Interested in helping on the FUN FEST Committee?

Contact the church office if you are interested!



## Mission and Human Needs – Marti Peterson, Chair

Hammond Healthcare (the nursing home in Hammond) along with other area nursing homes is still under lockdown. They would appreciate cards and pictures drawn by your families to brighten their day.

We are still collecting food for the area food shelves and little food pantry (as well as donations for Grace Place). With posted office hours we now have families utilizing our little food pantry in Hammond. Thank you for your donations.

Normally in July we begin collecting school supplies for SCC. Although we hope that our children will be able to go back to school, this is still uncertain. They will return eventually so if you would like to include back to school supplies on your list toward the end of the month of July, we will have a basket available.

Thank you for your prayers for those in need and for our troubled nation. God's work, Our Hands.

*Marti Peterson*



Luther Point Bible Camp Board of Directors decided to suspend all summer programming for 2020.

**What can you do to help Luther Point?** If you are able to give, please consider a donation. Luther Point needs about \$20,000 a month to meet the demands of paying monthly bills. While they have some reserve, it is not enough to cover their expenses for the summer.

Another way is to rent out the family cabins. There are five individual cabins available for families to get away, relax and visit camp.

Last way is to keep Luther Point in your future planning of events, whether it is summer camp 2021, retreats, family reunions, volunteer projects, etc.

Thank you for you love of Luther Point Bible Camp and your partnership in this ministry.

Sam Campeau, Executive Director

## Church & Council Contact Information

Have a question, but not sure who to contact, ask one of the following team leaders:

**Church Properties** – Dan Doornink (715)684-2067 or Daryl Frank (612)357-2621

**Education** – Kelly Browning (715)222-2996

**Evangelism** — position is open and looking for a volunteer to lead it

**Fellowship** – Becky Fowler (612)280-3760

**Financial Secretary** – Betty Jacobson (715)684-3834

**Mission/Human Needs** – Marti Peterson (715)246-2705

**Stewardship** – Ron Pratt (715)796-5554

**Treasurer** – Deb Henry (715)781-1934

**WELCA** – Kathy Jensen (715)781-9618

**Worship & Music** – Sue Frank (612)817-5901

**Youth** – Christine Pommerening (715)441-8286 or our

**President** – Rose Kuebker (715)796-5307.

Pastor Joanne Sorenson: [tichpastor@gmail.com](mailto:tichpastor@gmail.com) or (651)398-3989 or (715)796-2788 (office)

**Office Secretary:** Sarah Pommerening and Kathy Gustafson [trinityhammond@centurytel.net](mailto:trinityhammond@centurytel.net) (715)796-2788 (office)



## Tuesday Community Supper

The Tuesday Community Supper is served the first Tuesday of every month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community, served from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Area churches, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food every month.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church will be handing out Bag Suppers in the Gethsemane parking lot on July 7th, 2020. The menu will be hot dog, potato salad, and watermelon. Thank you for understanding and being flexible.

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