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PASTOR'S CORNER...

hat do you do when life throws you a curveball? How you react in the moment speaks volumes about your faith and trust in Jesus. In these times of uncertainty, I personally turn to the Psalms for comfort.

My first time of trusting God as a Christian came in 1979. I had graduated from Dunwoody Institute in June and started my first full-time job. Life seemed great with a bright future ahead of me. In mid-July I succumbed to a ruptured appendix and spent nine days in the hospital receiving intravenous antibiotics and lifesaving surgery.

While I was an active member of our church, I still felt alone during that hospital stay. My parents were in Colorado on vacation with my aunt and uncle. My younger brother was at work during the day. The hospital couldn't reach our pastor. I read Psalm 23 and claimed those powerful words as my own. As I lay on my back at the mercy of God and in the care of the hospital, it gave me time to ponder life. God tends to allow that once in a while to keep us close to Him.

During my most recent health crisis, I never doubted the care of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I put my life in His hands. I was fortunate to (unknowingly at the time) have as an ambulance driver, a friend of my daughter's who attends church with my daughter and son. She prayed for me the whole trip. I was also comforted to have a Christian paramedic watching over and praying with me as we sped with all haste to St. Cloud for my life-saving surgery.

What do you do when life throws you a curveball? I have learned to trust Jesus. When I let go, I can watch Him work on my behalf. I had a great doctor who reminded me that none of us are immune to a health crisis no matter how much we prepare. We can only walk

through the crisis, experience healing, and prepare to live once again outside the hospital walls.

Life in the hospital can be challenging. The staff cares for your every need at all hours. Towards the end of my stay, I was able to open my Bible. I could finally sit up in the recliner and read the Psalms. At age nineteen I claimed Psalm 23 as my own. I still claim that one, but I have added many more. King David wrote so many Psalms as he walked through his life as a man of God. Read them as your own.

"I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing the praises of your name O Most High" (Psalm 9:1-2).



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YOUNG AT HEART

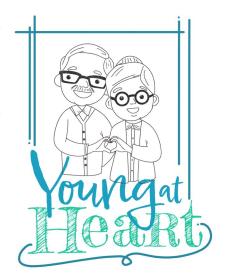
National Grandparents' Day is celebrated on Sunday, September 8!

SERVING TRINITY & FLS

- Rev. Peter Gueldner, Intentional Interim
- Rev. Hal Rex Longshore,
 Visitation Pastor
- Rev. Gatluk, Reat, Sudanese Evang. Lutheran Mission Church
- Bill Kirkpatrick,
 Finance Manager
- Nancy Simonson,
 Family Ministry
- Jennifer Kingland,
 Office Manager
- Bill & Mary Jewison,
 Custodians
- Chrysteena Saehler,
 FLS Administrator/Principal
- Alexia Cates,
 FLS Administrative
 Secretary

- I like to walk with Grandpa and Grandma, Their steps are short like mine. They don't say, "Now hurry up." They always take their time.
- I like to walk with Grandpa and Grandma, Their eyes see things like mine do ... Wee pebbles bright, a funny cloud, Half-hidden drops of dew.

Most people have to hurry, They do not stop and see. I'm glad that God made Grandpa and Grandma Unrushed and young like me.



-Author unknown

52 Week Bible Reading Plan

	Epistles	The Law	History	Psalms	Poetry	Prophecy	Gospels
Week	(Sunday)	(Monday)	(Tuesday)	(Wednesday)	(Thursday)	(Friday)	(Saturday)
35					August 29 Proverbs 20-21	August 30 Hosea 8-14	August 31 John 10-12
36	1	2	3	4	<u>5</u>	<mark>6</mark>	<mark>7</mark>
	2 Tim. 3-4	Num. 13-16	1 Chr. 20-24	Psalm 105-107	Proverbs 22	Joel	John 13-15
37	<u>8</u>	9	10	11	<u>12</u>	13	<u>14</u>
	Titus	Num. 17-20	1 Chr. 25-29	Ps. 108-110	Proverbs 23-24	Amos 1-4	John 16-18
38	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	17	18	19	20	<mark>21</mark>
	Philemon	Num. 21-24	2 Chr. 1-5	Ps. 111-113	Proverbs 25	Amos 5-9	John 19-21
39	<mark>22</mark>	23	24	25	<mark>26</mark>	<mark>27</mark>	28
	Heb. 1-4	Num. 25-28	2 Chr. 6-10	Ps. 114-116	Proverbs 26-27	Obadiah	Acts 1-2
40	<mark>29</mark> Heb. 5-7	30 Num. 29-32	October 1 2 Chr. 11-15				

Bible Study

JOIN A SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

oin a Small Group Bible Study this fall or start a new one! Our Sunday School staff and Bible study leaders will be dedicated during the 10:30 service on Rally Sunday, September 8. Please join us then!

<u>Leader:</u> Pastor or Lay Leader

Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Trinity Fellowship Hall

Leader:

Parent Bible Study: Sunday mornings, 9:15 a.m. in the Nursery

<u>Leader:</u> Vivian Hagre (Women's Bible Study)

Group Meetings: Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at Vivian Hagre's home (405 Jane St. E, Morristown, MN 55052)

Leader: Bev Paschke

Group Meetings: Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Trinity Fellowship Hall

(The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group will begin meeting on September 10. We will be starting at the beginning—studying the *God of Creation: A Study of Genesis 1-11*. Everyone is welcome!)

Leader: Todd & Joyce Trump

Group Meetings: 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in members' homes (Studying Women of the Bible).

<u>Leader:</u> Noel Handberg

Group Meetings: bi-weekly, usually Monday or Tuesday night. (Starting a new Bible study on 1 & 2 Samuel.)

Leader: Jeff Evenmo (Men's Bible Study)

Friday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

<u>Leader:</u> Billie Jo Weeg (Women's Bible Study)

Tuesdays, September 10—November 19, 6:30 p.m. at Trinity, (Studying Genesis 1-11.)



VBS REPORT

n August 4-8 we hosted Scuba VBS where we learned that Jesus is real, we can trust Him, He loves everyone, and he is our friend forever! We had 63 children attend (70 registered)

with 52% of those children being non-members. We raised \$776.20 for the well to be built in Malow, South Sudan. Thanks to the 44+ volunteers and congregational members who purchased supplies, donated money, created the set and prayed. You are awesome!



ally Day is September 7/8 at all services. At the 10:30 a.m. service the Sunday School staff will be dedicated. At 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. our Sunday School year begins with families meeting in the gym for registration and activities.

aith Legacy Series is a parent-training curriculum to help families grow spiritually in their home. Sessions will be held for parents and children at age two and Grade 2.



blessing object. This blessing event will take place in a worship service so the whole church can better support parents helping their children know, love and follow Jesus.

Faith legacy sessions will be held for parents of the 2-year-old class in January and parents of 2nd graders in April.

Parents will learn how to help their child grow spiritually and will be given tools to do so. When the session is completed, parents speak a personalized blessing over their child while giving the child a

GRANDPARENTS

onday Grands" are individual video sessions for grandparents offered via Zoom meetings every Monday at 7:00 p.m. Register to join these weekly sessions at legacycoaltition.org. Check their website for a list of upcoming topics.

Grandparents learn the importance of their role and receive ideas for passing on the faith to their grandchildren.

Our in-person Grandparent Meetings begin Monday, September 16 at 7:00 p.m. We meet to watch and discuss a selected video once a month. Contact Nancy Simonson for more information.



Upcoming Zoom session: SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

Holding Fast to the Word of Truth - Teaching the Difficult Doctrines to Children Sally Michael, Co-founder of Truth 78, Author



Add a smart start to your school day with



that promote a healthy body and mind.

What you need:

- Large bowl
- 1 medium avocado
- 3 hard-boiled eggs
- Salt
- Whole wheat toast
- Pumpkin seeds, chopped
- Adult help

What you do:

- 1. Mash the avocado in the bowl.
- 2. Chop the eggs into cubes and add to the bowl.
- 3. Add salt to taste. Mix well.
- Spread over two pieces of toast.
 Top with chopped pumpkin seeds.
- Adjust this recipe with your favorite flavors. Add herbs, "everything bagel" seasoning or hot sauce.
- 6. Refrigerate leftovers in an airtight container.



AMAZING ILLUMINATION

God grants us knowledge and understanding through his holy Word, which is like a flashlight.

Directions: Arrange the words from Psalm 119:105 (NIV) in order. Then unscramble the circled letters to complete James 1:5 (NIV).

PATH IS LIGHT WORD
YOUR A FEET
MY FOR LAMP A ON MY

Psalm 119:105, NIV

If any of you lacks ___ __ __ , you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. *James 1:5, NIV*

Answer: Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path; wisdom

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Theme 2024-2025: "ENDURE"
Hebrews 12:1-3

eptember is finally here and the school is full again with students and teachers. Teachers arrived in mid-August to begin the school year by setting up their classrooms, meeting together as a staff, and enjoying fellowship with one another before students arrived. We are happy to welcome 142 students to FLS this school year and to see what this year holds for our FLS family.

Each summer it seems that our school is getting improvements accomplished. We are very excited to have air conditioning in all of our classrooms this year. This has been a HUGE blessing to the teachers and the students. They were a wonderful help during the first week of school. (For more info on the air conditioners, see the LLB minutes on page 9.)



We are excited to welcome new staff members to the FLS staff. We want to first welcome Mr. Riley Krieger as our music teacher. Riley is excited to be a first-year teacher and bring traditional LCMS hymns into the classroom. We are also excited to welcome Ms. Alexia Cates as the new Administrative Assistant. Lastly, Kandi Jeno will be joining us as our new after-school care lead. We are excited to welcome all of the new staff members to the FLS family.

The theme this school year is *Endure*. This theme comes from Hebrews 12:1-3, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."

We are very thankful for all you do as a church body and individuals to support Faribault Lutheran school.

God's Blessings,

Chrysteena Saehler FLS Principal



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HYGEINE KITS

Collecting Items

Relief for Human Need Worldwide

In September!

omen In Mission will be collecting Hygiene Kits for Orphan Grain Train. Please bring items to church starting September 1.

It costs an average of \$11 to ship each Hygiene Kit. Monetary donations to assist with shipping are very welcome. Please make checks payable to Joy Zimmerman.

ITEMS NEEDED

- Bath towels (dark)
- Wash clothes
- Bath-size bars of soap
- Plastic soap box holders
- Toothbrushes

- Sturdy combs
- Band-aids (1/2" or 3/4")
- Small packages of facial tissues
- Nail Clippers
- Strong ribbon or cord

Thank you for making a difference in these children's lives. Your love of your Savior, Jesus Christ, is sent with each kit packaged. May God continue to bless your life as you serve Him.

PLEASE NOTE

- Dark colored linens are recommended.
- We recommend leaving contents in the original packaging, but it is not required.
- No additions, deletions, or substitutions.
- Do not add money, photos, or personal notes.
- Do not include items with religious, camouflage, patriotic or military symbols.
- Pack only new or gently used items.
- Do not include plastic bags.

Although well-meaning variations are tempting, please do not do this. It may result in heavy fines and/or the entire shipment being confiscated by customs officials.

Speaking Up for Life in Minnesota

Pro-Life Convocation

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 2500 7th Ave. NE | Owatonna, Minn.

he Christian Church firmly believes in the sanctity of human life. For, as Scripture teaches, human beings are made in the image of God and the will of God is to promote life and see it defended from all danger.

In 2023, the Minnesota Legislature passed laws that defy God's Word. Rather than protect life—a basic duty of government—a series of laws were passed that contribute to the availability and practice of abortion, which ends life. It has been said that "abortion degrades and damages everyone it touches: the baby, the mother, and the doctor." Contrary to what propaganda tells Americans, abortion is *not* healthcare. It

is an evil, flagrant violation of the divine commandment, "You shall not kill."

Throughout history, the moral duty of the Church has been to oppose evil, not cooperate with it or become complicit through silence. Join us for this event and learn how you might speak up for life in Minnesota!

Speakers include Dr. Robin Goldsmith, Catholic Medical Association Midwest Regional Directory and co-founder of St. Gianna Clinic (De

Pere, Wis.); Rev. Fred Hinz, LCMS Public Policy Advocate; Minnesota Family Council CEO Jeff Evans; and LCMS MN South District President Lucas Woodford. Christian ministry display tables and educational materials/resources will be available. Catered lunch for \$10 with RSVP.

Register online by September 11 at:

goodshepherdowatonna.churchcenter.com/registrations/ events/2397242

Sponsored by LCMS MN South District Faribault Circuit and LCMS Life Ministry

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
1 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Special Connection -c with Baptism 12-5:00 Sudanese Worship (Sanctuary)	Labor Day Church & School Office Closed	3 8:30 Staff Mtg. 10:30 Memorial Service & Lunch 2-2:45 FLS (FH) 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4-7:00 Home Extension Gathering 6:00 Sheriff Speaks at Trinity (Fellowship Hall) 4:15 Community Cathedral Café	4 8:00 Pie-makers 8:30 FLS Chapel 2:30 New Perspective -c 4:00 Pleasant View Estates -c 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Connection 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	5 10:00 Prayer Gr. (Marilyn Steele's) 1:00 Joint Peace/ Trinity Women In Mission (Trinity Fellowship Hall) 3-4:00 FLS Choir (MR)	6 8:00 Men's Bible Study	7 5:30 Worship -c		
8 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Rally Day Activities (Gym) 10:30 Connection - Dedication of Sunday School Teachers & Bible Study Leaders	9 8:00 Pie-makers 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)	10 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:45 FLS (FH) 2:45-4:30 Violin (MR) 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 Women's Bible Study 6:30 LLB Mtg. (Conf. Rm)	9:00 Quilting 1:00 Mill City –c 4:00 Emeralds -c 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Connection 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir	12 10:00 Prayer Gr. (Marilyn Steele's) 3-4:00 FLS Choir (MR) 5:45-7:30 AHG Troop (Music Room, Gym, Nursery, Fellowship Hall) 6:00 FLS Brd. Mtg. (Peace)	13 8:00 Men's Bible Study	2-6:00 Youth Group (Fellowship H) 5:30 Worship		
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LAY LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES - AUGUST 2024

6:30 PM, Tuesday August 13, 2024

Members present: Jeff Blume, Deb Malmanger, Mitch Miller, Jim Boldt and Penny Reichert

Members excused: Pastor Gueldner, Barb Beatty, Brian Fuchs were excused.

Opening devotion led by Jeff from the book, "Jesus Calling"

Faribault Lutheran School Report:

Registration for 2024-25 school year is at 140, this is five students above what is needed to meet budget.

Several students are returning after a gap year at a different school.

Confirmation:

• Discussion of 5th and 6th grade, some parent concern, will work with Pastors to understand the plan.

FOC report:

- Work with Bill to see graph metrics with actual figures for more clarity.
- Giving is still a concern, possible Stewardship program discussed.

Sudanese Ministry/Rev Reat:

Pastor Reat had a normal month of attendance at his services.

Pastor Gueldner Update:

- Pastor Gueldner is recovering at home and working with his doctors to gain strength to return as he is able.
- Guest Pastors continue to fill in as needed.

Property/ Property Manager:

- The dishwasher in the cafeteria kitchen needs replacing at a cost of about \$16,000. FLS is paying \$4,000 and the Pie Makers have donated \$8,000. Jeff made a motion for TLC to absorb the balance due after \$12,000, up to \$5,000. Motion was seconded by Penny and approved.
- The volunteer Property Manager position has been filled, details will be confirmed with Bill

Consolidation Discussion Update:

- Work The Constitutional Structure and Operational Governance committee is working to create a new plan to integrate a structured plan and how it could be organized.
- A Synod recommended software package that serves as a guide book of sorts has been purchased to assist with planning.
 This "Ambassadors of Reconciliation" software tool has been helpful with planning and coordination. Half of the cost of the software cost of \$250 will be absorbed by TLC.
- Research is being conducted on commercial property values in Faribault for information and comparison purposes only.

Gym Floor:

Temporarily placed on hold

Nominating Committee:

 Two LLB and FLS positions open for next term, possible candidates discussed

Calendar items:

• Next meeting September 10th at 6:30

Meeting adjourned by Jeff. Closing prayer by Jim

Respectfully submitted, Penny Reichert



JULY PASTORS' REPORT

Each month a Pastoral Report is prepared in the Church Office. Classes, meetings, appointments, worship services, visitations and communions are tracked and reported by each pastor. In each month's newsletter we will be including the most recent form on file (July 2024).

	Home Visits	Hospital or Jail	Office Visits	Pro- spect Calls	Shut Ins/ Others Com- muned Privately	Shut Ins/ Others Visited- No Communion	NH Worship Attended	NH Worship Com-	Worship Services	Classes Taught	Mtgs. Attend
Interim Pastor	0	0	~	0	0	3	Sermon at 6 nursing home services with Lay Leaders		16	3	2
Guest/Visitation Pastors	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Lay Members	0	0	0	0	10	1	54	44	8	0	~

Baptisms: Kashton Lewis

Confirmed: 0 Weddings: 0

eddings: 0 Official Acts:

Released/Removed: Earl & Nancy Graham, Jr.; Joshua & Jennifer Graham (Natalie & Norah)

<u>Transfers Out</u>: 0 <u>Transfer In</u>: 0

Profession of Faith/Affirmation of Baptism: Joyce Velzke (returning mbr)

Deaths/Funerals: Gloria Cloutier

Rev. Gatluk Reat July Report:

Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Church

Worship Attendance

Week 1 - 22, Week 2 - 25, Week 3 - 30, Week 4 - 38

Worship Services conducted in Nuer & English in person and online.

Notes: Jim Boldt led 2 Sunday services; Rev. Longshore led 1 Saturday service, Note: Pastor Gueldner wrote sermon for July 27/28

Pastor Gueldner helped with LERT in Waterville on July 13 (Due to Pastor Gueldner's absence, some info is not available)

Happy September Birthday!

Special Greetings to Trinity members in Care Facilities or Shut Ins with September birthdays. We ask that you remember our fellow members in your prayers and help brighten their day with a card or visit.

9/3 Nancy Appelgren (80th Birthday!)

500 1st St. SE Faribault, MN 55021 9/9 <u>Barbara Roach</u> (95th Birthday!)

843 Faribault Rd Apt. 200 Faribault, MN 55021



9/13 Elmer Schulz (100th Birthday!) 706 9th Ave. SW Faribault, MN 55021

e thank God for all of our church family. You are invited to remember the birthdays of our Octogenarian and Nonagenarian congregation members. Say a kind word, offer a prayer or send a card!

Nancy Dickison (9/1), Dwight Hildebrandt (9/6), Barb Mrosko (9/5 - **80th Birthday!**), Jane Luehrs (9/9), Mertice Reck (9/11), George LaRoche (9/12 - **90th Birthday!**),

Janice Zierke (9/24 - **80th Birthday!** - 2125 7th St. NW Apt.208, Faribault), Sandra Trebelhorn (9/25 - 9502 - 150th St E, Nerstrand, MN 55053), Maxine Schoeb (9/30 - **80th Birthday!**)

PREGNANCY OPTIONS BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

PREGNANCY Options

Pregnancy Options LifeCare Center is a non-profit organization in Faribault which provides free, confidential services to diversely cultured women. There is no cost for any of their services. They offer pregnancy testing, STI/STD testing, pregnancy/parenting education, encouragement, and hope. Clients are greeted with a warm, caring environment. Together the staff, clients and Faribault community build a strong relationship with encouragement, hope and practical support.



Once again, Trinity Human Care is sponsoring the "Baby Bottle Supportraiser" to help support the life-affirming work of Pregnancy Options here in Faribault. The baby bottles will be available at the church services on Sept. 14 & 15 and Sept. 21 & 22. Families and individuals are encouraged to participate by taking a bottle home and bringing it back by the weekend of Sept. 28 & 29 filled with change, bills or checks.

Thank you for your past support of Pregnancy Options and their important work. Please consider contributing this year to help them continue providing these services to women in our community.



MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY FOR OCTOBER 2024

t is our privilege to be asked to deliver Meals on Wheels for people living in Faribault. We will be assigned three routes to deliver during the first two weeks of October.



Meals on Wheels is an easy and good way to get acquainted with people in town who don't get out very often. You will be helping them to have a delicious and nutritious meal, and you will also have the chance to check to see that "your people" are all right!

Please look for the sign-up sheet at the Information Center and sign your name and phone number for the week that you can deliver the meals.

Usually the routes have between 8 and 12 meals to deliver. Once I (Barb Mrosko) know which routes we will have for delivery, I will let you know and provide a list of names and addresses so you can drive the route and find all of the people where you will deliver meals.

The time that it usually takes to pick up the meals, deliver them and return the bags to Buckham West is about an hour. Once I have been given our route assignments, I can give you more information. If you have questions, please contact Barb Mrosko, 332-9853.

Thank you for signing up to help!

JUST OLDER YOUTH

1 I've got the J.O.Y....down in my heart

September will bring songs to our fold,

Connie Wolfe singing "music for the heart and soul."

Wednesday, the 18th, at 1 o'clock, you see.

Is where the **Fellowship Hall**'s the place to be.

After the concert, we'll take a break;

Lots of fellowship \rightarrow (and **strawberry shortcake**.)

Please write your name on the sign-up sheet.

[It helps make our planning be complete.]





BLOOD DRIVE

Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall



Friday, September 27, 2024 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

> To schedule your appointment call, 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

or visit <u>www.RedCrossBlood.org</u> and enter: TrinityFaribault.

Fall into donating! Come to give blood Sept. 16 through 30 for a \$15 e-gift card: rcblood.org/fall.

CALLING ALL YOU TALENTED CRAFTERS & BAKERS



rinity's third annual Holiday Boutique Sale is being planned for Saturday, November 23, 2024, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the FLS/Trinity Auditorium.

Start planning and making your crafts now! We are looking for crafts of all kinds, jewelry, baked goods, jams & jellies, homemade candies, etc.

You purchase a table for \$10 (which will be donated to the Youth program).

Proceeds from the sale of your merchandise will be yours to keep.

The deadline to register for a table is October 15! Registration forms are available at the Information Center.

Questions: contact Nancy Boldt.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR...

IN HONOR OF REV. DR. ARMAND BOEHME'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN THE MINISTRY:

Sudanese Ministry

\$50. by Mr. Dan Christ

IN MEMORY OF GLORIA CLOUTER: Human Care

\$20. by Duane & Diane Schlobohm

Undesignated Memorials

\$50. by Larry and Brad Twedt

\$15. by Helen Velzke

From Your Financial Manager Bill Kirkpatrick.....

AN UPDATE ON PROPERTY REPAIRS HERE ATTRINITY

s you may already know, I'm not really the Property Manager anymore; I'm just the Financial Manager now. Dustin Grund has been the acting Property Manager for about a month and Dale Kelm was for a long time before that. But there is still a kind of transition period in which I'm finishing up some things I started. So I thought I'd write an article listing some of the things the property group has been working on over the last few months.

- Replaced the church kitchen water softener.
- The large church kitchen garbage disposal was completely rebuilt.
- The 414 rental house was scraped and repainted and had the soffits repaired.
 The 418 house had some paint repair done on the front. A broken window was also repaired.
- We added to and updated our outside surveillance cameras for wider views and sharper pictures.
- The thermostat in the music room failed and was replaced.
- Installed new thermostat covers in the church.
- The batteries in all our wireless smoke detectors and door security sensors were replaced.
- The west service door area has had a few problems this past summer:
 - o An inner door had a door-return problem where it closed too hard.
 - o An outside glass panel was cracked and needed replacement.
 - o The outside automatic door opener has had trouble for a while. The service people had a very hard time finding the proper part. This should be fixed soon.
- We've had three pest control companies look at our bat problem over the last few years, and they couldn't find a solution. Just recently, one of our own people found the problem. It has been partially fixed already by interior crack filling and the rest, which is outdoor work, will be done before winter.
- Both parking lots had holes and cracks filled and sealed.
- Several roofing leaks were fixed.
- Shortly, the back-lit screen in the sanctuary will be replaced with a large screen TV for better viewing by the pastor and the contemporary service people.
- This fall, the 414 house will have four windows replaced that are old and leaking.
- Many repairs and upgrades have been done for the school in the last few months:
 - o The outside doors on 4th St. behind the facade had their crash bars and latches replaced.
 - o The main school 4th St. doors (silver) had latch mechanisms rebuilt and weather-stripping replaced.
 - o The school dishwasher was repaired (is planned to be replaced with a new one in the next few months).
 - A failed thermostat was replaced and several bearings in the school baseboard heaters were replaced and lubricated.
 - o School office air conditioning repaired.
 - o School kitchen walk-in cooler A/C repaired.
 - o School kitchen duct work repainted and duct blowers repaired.
 - o A list of small repairs/paint/miscellaneous fixes done before school starts.
 - o Six window-mounted air conditioners have been donated by Camp Omega and will be mounted in some of the school classroom windows. Even though smaller units, they will help in the fall and spring hot weather.

All this work was done by our industrious Property Committee members, who generously donate their time to support our Trinity buildings and infrastructure. Please give them your thanks when you see them.

Also thank our outside caretakers who take care of the mowing, edging, bush trimming, flower watering and other plant and turf care. We have had several comments from outside the church on our excellent property upkeep.

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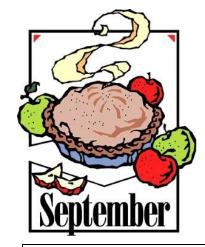
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More Than Reading, 'Riting, and 'Rithmetic

ou may recall that many followers of Jesus called him "Rabbi." In essence, the word means teacher. Clearly the word describes the brilliant Nazarene who was constantly teaching His listeners about God and God's expectations of humans.

In a secular society, it is of paramount importance that the teachings of Christ be proclaimed and affirmed wherever possible. In the early days of our country, it was customary for public schools to teach reading, writing and arithmetic as well as Christian principles. Subjects being taught were presented in a setting of morality, religion and character development.

The reading book compiled by William H. McGuffey in 1836 focused on such themes as self-denial, temperance, obedience, and warned against laziness, profanity, stealing and vanity.



In our time, however, when it is difficult to focus on God and spiritual matters in public schools, our churches and families have a great responsibility. Sunday school attendance, not only for children but for adults as well, must be of primary importance. Prayer, as well as discussion of social issues from a Christian point of view, must be practiced in the home and church. We must learn and teach about Christ.

"Learn from me," Jesus said. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:29 NRSV). Where shall we learn of Him or from Him if not in our churches and homes?

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