



The Parish Messenger August 2023

Mission Statement

We are a Christian community rooted in God's love growing in Christ through reaching out and serving.

CHURCHES

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WORSHIP TIMES

Georgetown
Worship 10:30 AM

Trinity
Worship 9:00 AM

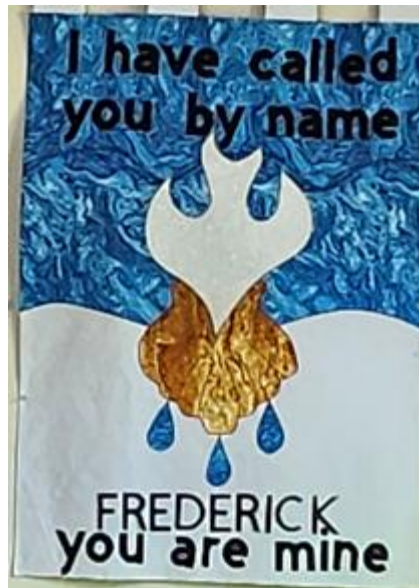
SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES

Georgetown
9:00 AM (Sept-May)

Trinity
10:15 AM (Sept-May)

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM



Baptism of
Frederick Christoph Neal
July 9, 2023
Georgetown Lutheran
Church



UPCOMING EVENTS

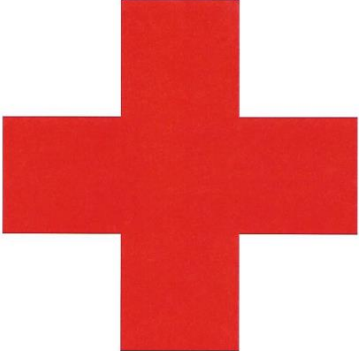
August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 30 Church Service - Georgetown - 10:30 AM Church Service - Trinity - 9:00 AM	31 Bible Study-Georgetown-9:30 AM Bible Study-Trinity-7:00 PM	Aug 1	2 VBS-Trinity - 5:30 PM	3	4	5
6 Church Service - Georgetown - 10:30 AM Church Service - Trinity - 9:00 AM	7 Bible Study-Georgetown-9:30 AM Bible Study-Trinity-7:00 PM	8 Council Meeting (T) - 6:30 PM	9	10 Council Meeting (GT) - 6:30 PM	11	12
13 Blessing of the Animals (GT)-10:30 AM Church Service - Georgetown - 10:30 AM Church Service - Trinity - 9:00 AM	14 Bible Study-Georgetown-9:30 AM Bible Study-Trinity-7:00 PM	15	16	17	18	19
20 Church Service - Georgetown - 10:30 AM Church Service - Trinity - 9:00 AM	21 Bible Study-Georgetown-9:30 AM Bible Study-Trinity-7:00 PM	22 Red Cross Blood Drive (GT) 12:30-6:30 PM	23	24	25	26
27 Church Service - Georgetown - 10:30 AM Church Service - Trinity - 9:00 AM	28 Bible Study-Georgetown-9:30 AM Bible Study-Trinity-7:00 PM	29	30	31	Sep 1	2

Give blood.

Every 2 seconds someone
in the U.S. needs blood.

American Red Cross



Blood Drive

Balsam Lake Community

Located at

Georgetown Lutheran Church

877 190th Avenue/County Road G
(Fox Creek)

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Balsam Lake WI to schedule an appointment.

08/12/22-09/2/2023-AMRT-22445

2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

God's New Creation

Georgetown Lutheran & Trinity Lutheran Church VBS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

(Baptisms are marked with *)



August 2	Heidi Wagner (T)
August 3	Loretta Bay (GT)
August 6	Paul Bergmann (T)
	Carol Mangelsen (GT)
August 9	Deb Monson (GT)
August 12	Lyle Jensen (GT)
	Roy Jepson (GT)
August 13	James Glenna (GT)
August 15	Emilie Springsteen (T)
August 16	Rachel Bystrom (GT)
August 20	Gail Anderson
August 23	Mercedes Madison (GT)
August 24	Mary Ward (GT)
August 25	Travis Sellent (T)
August 26	Colton Braastad (GT)
August 27	Dennis Glenna (GT)
August 31	Mya Anderson (T)
	Alex Binfet (GT)

If your birthday and/or baptism are missing from the list, please email the church office so lists can be updated.

AUGUST BRAIN TEASERS



SUMMER

WORD SEARCH

Q	F	I	G	U	R	P	O	L	E	R	
S	S	H	E	A	T	R	B	U	H	R	S
U	L	D	F	G	A	N	K	Y	B	B	U
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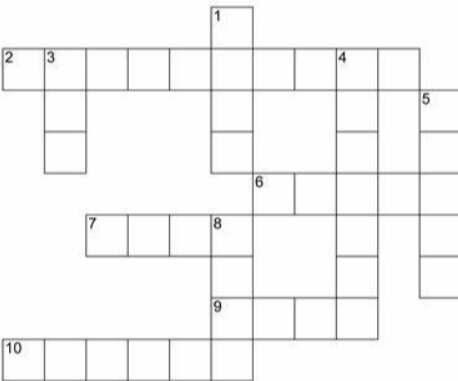
BARBEQUE
LEMONADE
HEAT

VACATION
SWIMMING
POOL

OUTSIDE
BEACH
SUNSCREEN

People in the Bible

Genesis



ACROSS

2 Oldest man in the Bible

6 His name means laughter

7 Killed his brother

9 First man

10 Was a dreamer

DOWN

1 Sold his birthright for a bowl of soup

3 First Woman

4 Father of many nations

5 God changed his name to Israel

8 Built an ark

Dear Coworkers in Christ,

As I write this VBS is going wonderfully. Thanks to all of you who make this happen. Things are going so smoothly! We are very blessed that we can work together so well.

We are also blessed to be small churches that can do great things. Our scripture last Wednesday was the mustard seed. We can do so many great things with just a small idea to start with and the growth that God gives. We did a REALLY big thing at VBS. Both churches have been donating school supplies and with the help of a grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, we collected and packed up approximately \$700 worth of school supplies!

This is a wonderful thing especially as the organization receiving the donations is the Community Referral Agency of Milltown that serves battered women and their children. Honestly, these kids are going through enough without the embarrassment of going to school without the supplies they need. Our supplies were geared specifically to the older kids as it's more common for folks to donate supplies for elementary ages.

To see the little kids and the adults work together with such great joy was amazing. At first our littlest ones didn't understand why there weren't for them, but after explaining they were very enthused to help. God gives us the mustard seed of faith that we may do wonderful things and indeed we did. Thanks to all who donated and helped with the project. It was a night that filled my heart with incredible joy and thankfulness.

Word from Our Pastor



He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

Matthew 13:31-32

To God be the Glory!

In Faith and Thankfulness, Pastor Diane

NEWS FROM OUR COUNCILS

Georgetown Lutheran Church Council Meeting 7-13-23 6:30 pm

Members Present: Stephanie Fansler, Sherry Doornink, Bruce Peper, Nicole Norlund, Dale Jensen, Roberta Hansen, Treasure.

Absent: Felicia Braastad, Judy Gammel, Ryan Braastad, Keith Ward.

Meeting called to order by Elder Stephanie Fansler. Opening prayer lead by Stephanie Fansler.

Secretary report reviewed and approved.

Treasures report read and approved, the church budget is currently \$5,647.55 behind.

Motion made and carried to award McKayla Nelson the monies in the blessing bucket to help with expensed incurred in the loss of her husband and birth of their new baby.

Deacons reported that the VBS kick-off worked well.

Trustees reviewed items that are being worked including pressure washing the deck and fence before staining or painting.

Old Business:

Call committee has been established, members are: Steve Hansen, Nicole Norlund, Bruce Peper, Tim Frenndt. They will be meeting with the members from Trinity Lutheran to arrange a meeting with Pastor Randy Olson to start the call process.

Stephanie Fansler has volunteered to continue recording the Sunday worship services until Gretchen Frenndt is available again. Nicole Norlund and Bruce Peper are also willing to learn to how livestream and record the services. Bruce agreed to pick up an additional SD card for recording purposes.

Administers of the Georgetown Facebook page are Gretchen Frenndt and Ryan Peterson. Our Facebook page is in need of updating.

Bruce and Roberta are submitting paperwork to receive a sales tax refund from Dell.

Nicole Norlund has now received UV protection quality laminating sheets for the confirmation pictures. Stephanie Fansler said she would be willing to give her a hand with that project.

New Business:

Stephanie shared the timeline that was established for conducting the annual Pastoral Evaluation that includes the council, church activity and support and the pastor. August meeting will be a review of data prior to the joint council meeting in September.

Discussion on the Facebook and you tube views. Is the data that is counted as to viewers accurate?

Alcivia propane contract reviewed. Council agreed to accept the pre-by contract for 2240 gallons @ \$1.69. Dale is going to contact to see if we can get a little better rate. Contract due by July 28.

Motion made and passed to pay for bible camp fee for Emily Frenndt.

Motion made and passed to pay for Pastor Kendricks for 2 weeks of fill-in worship coverage and leadership.

CRV Back-Pack assembly will be conducted the last day of VBS.

Need Sunday school teachers for this fall, if there are no volunteers, Nicole would like to have 1 Sunday a month with no class.

Next meeting August 10, 6:30 pm

Closed with The Lords Prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sherry Doornink.

JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT		
	Jun-23	YEAR TO DATE
INCOME	\$3,930.97	\$34,852.75
EXPENSES	\$7,146.97	\$34,458.87
DIFFERENCE	(-\$3930.97)	(\$393.88)

Trinity Church Council Agenda July 11, 2023

Present: Kathy Grenquist, Deedra Wagner, Shane Beecroft, Steve Anderson, Rick Sellent, Lacy Sellent. Not Present: Mandy Rouzer
Shane Beecroft opened the meeting at 6:40pm.

Secretary's Report

Lacy Sellent read report. Deedra Wagner made motion to approve. Second by Steve Anderson. All approved.

Treasure's Report

June 2023 Total Income: \$4,419.50
June 2023 Total Expense: \$4,857.86
Net Income: -\$438.36
TLC Checking: \$8,932 (as of 7-11-23)
TLC Savings: \$637.98
MIF Savings Account: \$13,263.63
MIF CD: \$15,000
Endowment Savings
--ELCA Mission: \$100
--Unrestricted: \$100
--Interest: \$40.82

Motion to approve made by Rick Sellent. Second by Deedra Wagner.
Treasurer's Report approved.

Pastor's Report

Looking for backpacks and school supplies for older kids. Will put together during VBS.

Youth Report

VBS will be taking place Wednesdays at 5:30pm July 12–August 2 alternating between Georgetown and Trinity. Shanty Town/ Campout to take place Saturday, July 15 at 7pm. Bocce ball and a light up version of badminton to be among the games offered.

Old Business

- Looking at options for how to get a light on the roof to shine on the cross.
- Materials for the shed are in at Menards. Shane Beecroft and Steve Anderson to pick up. If we would still like to have the Amish gentleman come out to oversee setup (even if just for a few hours), he is available towards the end of August.
- Looking to get a wedding policy form.
- Lacy Sellent has signed and sent paperwork to DNR for grant money to pay for water filtration system at church.
- Deedra Wagner ordered new 100 cup coffee maker for \$116.04 with the use of palt monies. Motion was made by Deedra Wagner to put \$1,000 of the palt money in the youth group checking account to help cover future expenses/ activities. Shane Beecroft second. Passed.
- Ideas for silent auction/ raffle items? Could be done during the September 16th carnival/ car show to help raise money for shed.

New Business

- Quarterly Mission (July through September)—Steve Anderson made motion for Lutheran World Relief. Second by Rick Sellent. Passed.
- Heidi and Deedra Wagner to change the wick in the candles, but still needs to have oil refilled every 3 weeks.
- Shane Beecroft will check with Georgetown to see how they're coming on their end of organizing for call committee.
- Council to send sympathy basket and card to Norstad family.
- Kathy Grenquist brought up that, the way things are currently, families are not notified if a memorial is made in memory of their lost one. Motion was made by Steve Anderson that, if memorial money is given, the family be made aware that the memorial was made. Second by Deedra Wagner. Passed.
- Motion made by Lacy Sellent to adjourn the meeting. Second by Deedra Wagner. Closed with the Lord's Prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Next council meeting: Tuesday, August 8 at 6:30pm

Respectfully,
Lacy Sellent