

# OCTOBER 2020



## BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Vern Wirtjes  
Maren Subbert
- 2 - La Donna Reynolds
- 3 - Kaleb Kloetzer
- 8 - Deb Vanness
- 10 - Doris Knueppel
- 11 - Jerry Meyer
- 12 - Sanda Lingard
- 13 - Addison Johnson  
Noel Hansen
- 17 - Teresa Groninga  
Marlene Lampe  
Tessa Haller
- 18 - Gene Miller
- 19 - Joyce Hauser  
Jessica Kurth
- 21 - Marlyn Tripp
- 25 - Mitch Vanness
- 27 - Gary Claypool  
Bill Holmstrom  
Christy Eisentrager
- 29 - Mary Sukup  
Marshall Moats
- 30 - Joyce Schomburg  
Jan Rodemeyer
- 31 - Kathy Jones

## Anniversaries

- 2 - Greg and Bradi Moore
- 6 - Larry and Deb Behn  
Dr. James and Pam Koenen
- 11 - Brian and Teresa Groninga
- 18 - Ryan and Katherine Harr
- 29 - Jim and Cheryl Barrick

*Enjoy your special day!*

### Ushers for October

Randy Pooch, Chair  
Chuck Akers  
Mike Betten

### Greeters for October

None at this time

### Acolytes for October

None at this time

The Acolyte and/or Greeter schedule may begin again in November. Updated information will be posted in a weekly bulletin.

### Dates to Remember

- October 7<sup>th</sup> - Church Council meeting
- October 11<sup>th</sup> - LWML Sunday
- October 13<sup>th</sup> - Elders meeting
- October 18<sup>th</sup> - Voters' meeting

Please plan to attend the voters' meeting after the 8:00 AM worship service on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Discussion will take place about going back to 1 worship service beginning in November.

Special small group or individual communion services are still being offered during the week. Please call the church office to schedule if you are interested.



The October-December Portals of Prayer are here. We have extra copies located in the rack across from the bulletin board on your way out of church. Please take one to a friend or family member. This is a great ministry outreach.

## LWML NEWS

October mission: Ft. Wayne  
Seminary Food Bank  
Esther Circle is cancelled for October



The votes are in...  
2021 LWML officers

President:	Stephanie Behn
Vice President:	Sharon Akers
Secretary:	Linda Brower
Treasurer:	Jackie Birdsell
LWML Secretary:	Mary Hadley
Esther Circle Chair:	Dorothy Brinkley
Nominating Committee:	Judy Hankom, Chair Jan Rodemeyer Joyce Schomburg

Thank you to the nominating committee for their hard work and to all those who volunteered for positions.

We will celebrate LWML on Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>. We have our LWML bulletin ready and will be sponsoring the Lutheran Hour. Our quarterly mite offering will take place that day too. In place of "muffins for mites", Ladies from group #4 will provide "take away" cookie baggies for people to enjoy on their way out of church. We hope you are able to join us that day!

Zone News: Linda Allen will continue for another term as our President and Sandy Lettow was elected as our new Treasurer.

District News: The Fall Quarterlies and Alives were put in your mailboxes. Please see the website for any additional information at [www.lwml-ied.org](http://www.lwml-ied.org).

In Christ,  
Joyce Koch, President

Dear Trinity members...

We will be collecting mite offerings on LWML Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Anyone can contribute 😊. Please join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord! Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Mark 12:41-43), the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of "mites" — offerings above and beyond the support given to the congregation and the Synod. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants. The LWML has collected over 127 million dollars since 1942. These coins have, and will, continue to make a difference. Thank you for contributing to the Mite Box and providing the opportunity for us to spread the Gospel to the world.



The Trinity Lutheran Church 1916

This painting, by Dale Knueppel, is now hanging in our fellowship hall. Please stop by and read the description and see the original photograph. Thank you to Doris Knueppel for donating this historical picture of our prior church.

From the Vicar...

At the end of the Gospel of John we read that “these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ” (John 20:31). The Church has been blessed to have access to this written Word of God, which we use for our study and worship. However, the Bible was not originally written in English (or even the very godly language of German). Instead, the writers used Hebrew and Greek, primarily, to document the Words of God. Since most of us do not read these languages, we use translations, such as the English Standard Version that the LCMS has selected.

In our Monday morning study, we have been looking at some passages of Scripture and comparing different translations as well as looking at the original languages. Sometimes the translation just is not able to fully describe what was written. Most recently we learned how in John 3:16, possibly the most well-known verse in the Bible, the word for “only begotten” has such a rich meaning that teaches us so much about who Jesus is. This word can also mean “unique” or “one-of-a-kind,” telling us how there is no one like Him. It also describes Jesus as the Son of God, confessing the truth of the Trinity. Being able to study the Scriptures, especially in the original languages, can sometimes provide great insight into these things written so we believe. But it is also simply a joy to be able to study the Word of God.

Vicar Adam Baumann

Remember our shut-ins, especially during this period of isolation...

- \*Country View Nursing Facility: Mavis Claypool, Jennie Dellinger, Lillian Green, Wendell Schmitt, Arnold Stratmann, Bob Heilskov, Ruth Long, Marilee Collins
- \*Apple Valley Assisted Living: Donna Helmke, Dixie Schmitt, Lois Stratmann
- \*Rehabilitation Center of Hampton: Daisy Bentrrott
- \*Sheffield Care Center: Glen Schnabel
- \*Deerfield Place in Sheffield: Don Fehd
- \*Keelson Harbour in Spirit Lake: Betty Fink
- \*Grand Jivante: Elma Raisch
- \*Home: Mildred Pingel

To the Congregation at Trinity Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your recent Pennies for Life donation to Lutherans For Life of Iowa. Your support is much appreciated. Your donation will help in our educational efforts across the state, support of faith based caring pregnancy centers in Iowa, and support of the national LFL office in Nevada, IA.

God’s Word is making a difference in our state regarding life issues, and it is support from congregations such as yours which help to make that happen.

Thank you again,  
Mike Fiscus  
Treasurer, LFL of Iowa

From the LifeServe Blood Center...

Thank you for hosting the LifeServe Blood Drive on August 24<sup>th</sup>. We had a total of 51 donors which will help save 153 lives.

