
TRINITY TIDINGS

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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A loving, Christian community, feeding God's people in mind, body, and spirit

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THANK YOU!

by Pr Jacqui

This is it. This is the last newsletter from Pr Jacqui directly to the people of Trinity Lutheran Church in Phoenix. Wow! We have been on a great ride. When Mr Chuck Lowery invited me to come preach, we never would have guessed that almost nine years later Trinity would boast the most culturally diverse ELCA worship in town, have received over 100 new members, have lush grass and such a nicely painted building filled with so many wonderful people.

Thank you for confirming my call to pastoral ministry. The people, the praising God, the struggles we have shared have helped make me the pastor I am, and I want to be sure you know I am thankful. It has not always been easy, changes have been made that no one wanted, stretching was done by all of us when we were completely comfortable staying the same ol' way. You all let me love you

and walk with you, and you all loved me back and through it all we all learned more about God's love.

Thank you for sending me into service to the greater church so that we can be better and stronger together. Saying goodbye is never easy. If the goodbye is easy the hello should have never happened. Praise God, our hello was meant to be. Now I look forward to waving hello to churches across the synod and the country and sharing with them about the church on the corner that is filled with so many wonderful people who are willing to do so much with so little. Trinity can; we all can.

May Trinity Lutheran Church be blessed. May the people who call her home be blessed. May all who enter her know that truly God is here and God loves us all no matter what.



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 11, 2018

New Business

Administrative removals from membership – Council reviewed list of members recommended for administrative removal from membership for year-end 2018. Inactive status determined by no longer attending or communing or giving for over a year. Susan moved to accept the list with exception of Mike and Lisa Lynch who have been active at Trinity. Council voted to accept the list. MSC

Congregational meeting date – January Congregational meeting will be Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 11:00 am after church service.

Thanks and Recognition:

We appreciate and applaud:

- our Parish Nurse Jo for her devotion in preparing Advent devotionals and leading our annual Memorial Service program.
- Pat Heath for planning and preparing a luncheon for Memorial Service attendees.
- the “gang” who started the ball rolling on getting our organ repaired: Jerry and Marge Cook, Noreen Baldwin, Susan Miller, Robin Peterson, and Judy Vogt.

ADDENDUM TO THE DECEMBER COUNCIL MINUTES

On December 13, 2018, Dave Koschney and Wally Secosky presented a proposal to Council President Dave Hawkey to purchase a used scissor lift for \$2,000. This would greatly increase the safety of some chores such as replacing light bulbs in the sanctuary ceiling and projectors mounted on the ceiling and in the parking lot light fixtures. In the past we have used extension ladders (unsafe) or rented a lift (at about \$250 an occurrence). This would allow us to do these tasks safely without incurring costs other than for materials.

Dave Hawkey was able to contact five of the seven council members on Friday, December 14, 2018, and explained the proposal. He received unanimous approval to proceed with the purchase.





CAUGHT YOU CARING

The following people were cited for performing random acts of kindness during the past month. Thanks to all who took the time to recognize others. A random selection was made and a small token of appreciation was given. Each act gives honor and glory to God as we reach out to others in His name. Please, continue to notify Jo (in person, by phone or email) with names of those doing acts of kindness; let's keep this program going!!!

- Pat Heath, Linda Balderrama, Ute Wilfong — for their help with the refreshments for the Pre-holiday Memorial Service
- Michael Green — for his help with the set up for the Pre-holiday Memorial Service
- Ute Wilfong — for helping and filling in for Jen Talcott for Sunday refreshments
- Dave Koschney, Wally Secosky and Bill Taylor — for replacing lights and cleaning the fixtures in the parking lot
- All those who decorated the sanctuary and parish hall and the men who hung the Christmas lights on the outside trees
- Those who helped make Christmas special for a few families in need
- Larry Pagel — for helping with the pot pies
- The youth for the wonderful Christmas program
- All who provided soup for the Advent suppers
- Latoya and her son — for helping with decorations and vacuuming the parish hall
- Don Brethauer and Bill Michaelson — for spotting guys trying to break into cars in our parking lot on Christmas Eve and chasing them away

