
TRINITY TIDINGS

March, 2019

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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AN UPDATE FROM YOUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

by Dave Hawkey

Hi, everyone. I wanted to give you an update on our status of getting an interim pastor. On Wednesday, February 20, 2019, I met with an assistant to the bishop, Pastor Mark Holman. The synod is looking at several options for Trinity. He assured me that the synod is giving our situation a high priority. I tried to pin him down as to dates since March is just around the corner. He assured me that we should know something by the end of February. I commit to giving you an update on our progress on Sundays during the announcements. I invited him to come to

Trinity to worship with us. If you have a question or concern please feel free to talk to myself or any member of the council.

Council meetings are open to any member of the congregation to observe. We meet the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. It would be great if you could attend sometime! My phone number is in the directory; please feel free to call me at home if you want to talk.





COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2019

Old Business

Nursery Attendant – The services of a nursery attendant were discussed. It was noted that we contract with Arizona Lullaby Guild for an attendant at an average of \$300 per month, including a mileage charge. The nursery often has no children present. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried that David, as Council President, would talk with Arizona Lullaby Guild and terminate nursery services as of March 1, 2019. The nursery room will remain open for use by parents as needed. Audio of the worship service is piped into the nursery for parents tending their own child.

New Business

Sound System Presentation by Erik Andersen – Erik Andersen of Live Sound Associates was introduced. Erik is offering to volunteer his professional services at no charge to evaluate and improve our sound system. This would be a one week project with a video presentation and would include discussion of website development. This project will begin March 11, 2019

Interim Pastor – Pr Mary Louise Frenchman has been well-received and appreciated by the congregation as our temporary Sunday pastor. David proposed that we ask Mary Louise if she would consider being our permanent part-time pastor. Motion was made that David contact her to determine if she would consider this option. Motion was seconded and carried.

Transfer of Funds from Good Sam to Budget Reserve – Proposal was made to transfer some funds from the Good Samaritan Fund to put into Budget Reserve. Motion was made not to pass. Council agreed that Good Samaritan Funds should continue to be used for purpose intended by the donors. (Clarifications to this proposal will be made at the next council meeting for reconsideration.)

Thanks and Recognition:

We appreciate and applaud:

- Thanks to all who were willing hands to “un-decorate” the sanctuary after the Christmas holiday.
- Thanks to David Koschney and Wally Secosky for repairing the pews that needed repair.
- Thanks to all who helped for the memorial service luncheon for Chuck Lowery.
- Thanks to all who donated items for our parking lot sale on March 2, 2019.
- Thanks to Ruth Texidor for helping a mother and four young children in need of shelter on New Year’s Eve. Ruth arranged transportation to a woman’s shelter and gave the mother her own coat.
- Thanks to Pr Wilfong for stepping in to take over the Wednesday morning Bible study.
- Thanks to Penny Marx and Jen Talcott for collecting and distributing blankets to the homeless in January.
- Thanks to Jen Talcott for creating the snack schedule for fellowship time on Sunday mornings and to those who sign up to bring refreshments, especially Rowena Zenk who has made treats every week for years.

Next meeting date and time: Tuesday, February 12, 2019, 6:30 pm

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



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!!!

- Dave Koschney — for his hard work in repairing the sanctuary pews, much of which involved laying on his back
- Margaret Rude — for coordinating and all those who helped at the Lowery memorial luncheon
- Jan Hoopingarner — for going above and beyond in helping a person in need
- Bill Taylor, Wally Secosky, and Dave Koschney — for helping the Lowery family empty Chuck's house
- Penny Marx and Jen Talcott — for collecting and distributing blankets to the homeless



Anyone who would like to contribute to the Tidings is welcome to do so.

Articles could be a biography of one of our members, an interesting faith experience of yours or someone you know, a perspective on our Lutheran beliefs or heritage, reflections on meeting challenges during the call process, vision for Trinity's future, or other information of general interest. Articles should be from one half to one page long. Ruth needs your article by the 20th of the month for the next month's Tidings. Please let her know a couple of weeks in advance if you will be providing an article so she can plan the space for it. We look forward to seeing the written word from some of our members!

