

Servant Thoughts

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

The canticle above is sometimes sung after communion to offer a word of thanks and praise to the Lord for all that He has done for us, especially in the gift of Jesus and the Sacrament. I share these words with you this month as a general gratitude and thanksgiving to the Lord for so many things this month. This isn't meant to be a complete list, but here are a few things that I am especially thankful for and sing praise to the Lord for at this time...

A successful surgery and the medical doctors, nurses and others who are a part of my healing process.

Amy, who I already knew was one of the greatest blessings I have from the Lord, but even more evident during and after my surgery and recovery.

My children who continue to support me in my recovery, and who I am deeply proud of as they continue to grow and mature in their endeavors.

Trinity and its members... How can I even begin to express my thanks for everything that you have done for me, especially at this time. From giving me the privilege of serving as your pastor, to supporting us with financial assistance for our time in New York, to the love and support in cards, meals, help at home and your patience as I recover. Words fail at how thankful I am to the Lord for all of you!

So many other friends and family who have expressed concerns, prayed and reached out to me in this time. I am overwhelmed at how blessed the Lord has been to me through so many family and friends throughout my life.

For all the small things that I took for granted and for which the Lord graciously deserves all praise and thanks!

And of course for my Lord, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who have not only provided life and health, but the gift of salvation and eternal life through the blood of Jesus!
In the service and love of Jesus,

Pastor Rob

Hebrews 13:20-21



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Dear Christian Friends,

This morning, I have been reflecting on the past almost 8 weeks where I have had many of the responsibilities which are ordinarily taken care of by our senior pastor, Pastor Rob. Much of this time, I was walking in his moccasins, so to speak, and feeling the everyday pressures and demands that are put upon him. My own responsibilities are somewhat different from his and I have fully come to realize what he does for us as a matter of routine. My question is, do we sometimes expect too much?

Part of the reason that I ask that question stems from a Facebook article that I read this morning. It was written by a company executive who related an experience of her own. She wrote that one recent evening, her husband had called in their evening meal from a take-out restaurant and when she arrived to pick it up, the young man who was there to provide the meal, sheepishly reported that he didn't have their meal because they lacked the ingredients to prepare it. She saw how distressed and apologetic the young man was and reassured him over and over how she understood and wasn't holding any animosity toward him. She then went on to tell of how so many people today are under a huge amount of pressure and are being persecuted by people who vent their own frustrations on them. Hence, they cause them to be depressed and make them feel that they are worthless.

I write these words to you today because I feel that so many have forgotten the words of Jesus when he told us to live by the Golden Rule. As Christian people, we, above all others, should show compassion and understanding for those that we share this life with. I urge you, when you are frustrated with that waitress in the understaffed restaurant, that merchant who can't get inventory, that delivery boy who is overwhelmed with the work load, take a moment to try to understand what it is like to walk in their moccasins, then treat them like Jesus has treated you. Show them your love and compassion. Thank Jesus for putting them in your life.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always,

Pastor Bill



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH
AFTER THE LATE SERVICE

COME PICK YOUR FAVORITE CHILI!

FREE WILL OFFERING TROPHIES AWARDED
ALSO SERVING SILENT BID
CHRISTIE'S KITCHEN ON AUCTION ITEMS
CINNAMON ROLLS THRIVENT GRANT
& RELISHES MISSION PROJECT




- ♦ Name Suggestions Needed— The Inreach/ Outreach Committee is looking for Thanksgiving Basket suggestions. If you know of someone in the congregation or in special need, please pass along the name to Pastor Rob or drop it off in the office. The deadline for names will be November 21st. Thank you!



LMA Clerical Cookoff

It's Back! Clerical Soup & Chili Challenge
Give Big Day — November 10, 2021
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall



Come and vote for your favorite clergy or laity prepared chili or soup. Vote by donating for your favorite! All proceeds go to support the **Lexington Ministerial Association** Benevolent Fund which is used to help with assistance to those in need in the community of Lexington! Best Soup and Best Chili trophy will be awarded to the soup and chili that gets the most donations! Costume creativity will also be applauded and encouraged! Checks can be made out to the Lexington Community Foundation with a note that it is for the LMA



◆ NEW CARDS HAVE ARRIVED INCLUDING CHRISTMAS.

Birthday for young and old, Get well, Pastor Appreciation, Thinking of you, Sympathy, Graduation and Thank you's. Individual cards are .50 cents boxed \$4.00. 100% of your card dollars go to LWML mission projects. Thanks to a Thrivent Action Grant.



LUTHERAN HOUR— KRVN(880 AM)
Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

◆ **November 7**

◆ **"The Father of Solomon, by Uriah's Wife"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
The story of David and Bathsheba is a scandalous tale of adultery, treachery, and murder—but it also shows God's undeserved mercy for David and for us.
(2 Samuel 12:13)

◆ **November 14**

◆ **"TBD"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

◆ **November 21**

◆ **"Between Now and Eternity Thee is Much To Do!"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Hector Hoppe
(Jude 1:20-25)

◆ **November 28**

◆ **"TBD"**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler



◆ November 11, 2021

LWML Meeting 9am. In the Social Hall

Opening: "Our White Table" by Marcia Holtz

Program: "Are you Encourager" by Marilyn Licking

Hostesses: Barb Batie and LaDonna

NOVEMBER CFN MENUS

Nov. 3

Pizza
Carrots
Bars or cookies

Nov. 10

Ramen Noodle Casserole
Bread
Carrots
Apple Crisp

Nov. 17

Macaroni and Ham Bake
Sweet corn
Chocolate pudding

Nov. 24

No CFN, Thanksgiving break



Prayers

In order to keep our prayer requests up to date, those prayers that are short term in nature, will be listed for two weeks. If, after that time, you would like your request to remain, please resubmit your request to the church office. Members will be in bold.

Health Concerns

**Joyce Wolfe, Marilyn Licking, Lynn Hueftle, Ron King, De-
lores White, Deb Porath, Pauline Thornburg, Jo Swartz, Elaine
Cox, Alan Gierhan, Pastor Rob, Carol Shutz, Lacy Bowman,
Gerry Bauer, Arlene Peterson**

Chronic or Long Term Health Conditions

Barb Horn, Jackie Rowan, Jon Buhlmann

Mission & Ministry

Ferry Family, Chelsea Irwin
Kearney Circuit Pastors and Congregations

Special Prayers



THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

**Lucas Horn, Randy Kwiatkowski, Jason Murray,
Dylan Samway, Jennifer Ballenger, Perry Pierce,
Andy Howard, John C. Moore, Ben Wichelt, Devin
Hueftle, Nic Van Cura, Tyler Schukar.**



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John Moore, Nov 3rd
Jessica Dailey, Nov 4th
Tyler Callahan, Nov 3rd
Fred Klintworth, Nov 4th
Cynthia Petersen, Nov 7th
Gary Albers, Nov 7th
Larry E Buhlmann, Nov 7th
Jack Maxcy, Nov 8th
Sherry Area, Nov 9th
Sandra Jensen, Nov 10th
Lessa Gierhan, Nov 11th
Katie Alvarardo, Nov 13th
Josie Bauer, Nov 17th
Casey Arnold, Nov 17th
Jared Bauer, Nov 17th
Easton Young, Nov 19th
Ron Hastings, Nov 19th
Zachary Kopf, Nov 20th
Addison Callahan, Nov 20th
Chase Horn, Nov 22nd
Carrie Jewett, Nov 24th
John Jordening, Nov 24th
Morgan Area, Nov 25th
Matthew Hendricks, Nov 28th



Jack and Teresa Maxcy, 11-21,
Darrell and Sally Leu, 11-25,
Steven and Lori Gierhan, 11-26,



- ♦ Our Anniversary and Birthday list is generated by information in the computer. If there is a mistake or we missed something, please let us know in the office. Thank you!

TRINITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 2, 2021

7:00 PM

Began the evening with a potluck BBQ to thank the past board members and welcome our new board members. Meal and conversation were enjoyed by all.

CALL TO ORDER AND DEVOTIONS

The meeting was called to order by Eric Young. Pastor led the attendees in an opening prayer and devotion. Acts 17:16. Pastor introduced us to a new bible version, a reading bible that we will be using in Sunday School & Confirmation, the NiRV. This is a version that is more readable for younger people or even someone new to the English language. Pastor feels that our kids aren't getting used to reading through the bible, we are hoping to change that. We will hear more about the "thinkers" of Athens next month.

Secretary, Kim Richman made a correction to last month's minutes. The minutes should have included a discussion that was started by Quentin regarding summer worship schedules. He brought up that some churches do a different schedule in the summers. It was discussed that maybe we look at going to one service for next summer.

ATTENDENCE

Pastor Rob, Pastor Bill, Eric Young, Kyle Hoehner, Peg Fisher, Shirley Swanson, Kat Cavannaugh, Steve Gierhan, Julie Loudon, Don Batie, Deb & Marcus Porath, Josie & Jared Bauer; Kim Richman

TREASURER'S REPORT

Sitting the same, with a balance of around \$45,000. Some items were over budget, ie. Pastor Rob's salary because of when he got pd in July. Report shows a change for Pastor Bill, as he has elected more for housing and less for salary. We don't have anything we are paying interest on. Don asked if there was a fee for the on-line giving, no fee charged. LCEF recalculates our interest each year and we have paid down enough that we will only have to pay \$720 a month now.

EDUCATION REPORT

Josie reported that the fall rally is set for September 4th, here at Trinity. There will be a bouncy house, games and bingo. Amy and Wendy will continue teaching Sunday School with Peg teaching the older kids.

ELDER'S REPORT

Kyle reported that the last 2 months they have done congregational visits and it has been very good, very inspiring. They have been asking people what we can do for them as a church family. Anyone that knows of someone in need of a visit, we should let the Elders know. They have been meeting at the church at 6:45 for a short meeting and then try to see 2 families a night. Josie asked how many Elders we have, and we are thinking 12 or 13.

INREACH/OUTREACH REPORT

Per Peg, LaDonna has been very faithful in sending out Birthday & Anniversary cards to members. 50 boxes will be sent to Orphan Grain Train. Their next project will be collecting plastic bags for Trinity Serves.

PLANNING REPORT

New chairman, Shirley Swanson stated that she plans to listen and learn. Members of her committee include Deb Porath, Kelly Harvey, Loretta Anderson, Marilyn Licking, and Pam Trampe. She is wanting to include someone that regularly attends the Saturday night service. Don Batie reminded her that the Planning Committee is also part of the Foundation.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

No report

TRUSTEE REPORT

Kat reported that he fixed a couple of sprinklers, replaced a bathroom handle. The dishwasher is not using any soap. He blew out the line- but that is not going to be the fix.

YOUTH REPORT

Julie is looking forward to starting some bible studies with the youth. Looking to not only build members, but also build faith. She has been listening to a LCMS podcast and getting some good ideas.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Pastor Rob reminded new board members that we use a voucher system, each board has a category on the voucher that they can fill out. He is working with Maria to see how the bills are categorized while he is gone for his surgery. Each board has an account for when we collect for coffee, this money can be used if you need something. You can complete the form, pay now, borrow a card, Visa charges can be done online by Pastor Rob and Pastor Bill. You can be reimbursed if needed. Trinity has accounts in town at Plum Creek Market, and Mead Lumber. We also have an Amazon account. Regarding his upcoming surgery, all tests are done except for his stress test. He will be flying out on September 2nd and surgery is set for September 7th, 4 to 5 days in the hospital and then stay close by in case there are issues. Plans to return on the 17th. Henry Potter from L2 for Kids is donating the food for Trinity Serves Sunday. Trinity Serves is planning on giving out bottles of water at the soccer fields. Planning to talk to Keep Lexington Beautiful to team up with them on projects and maybe going to Grand Island to help with Orphan Grain Train. He will be meeting with the youth to see who may be interested in attending the youth gathering. Confirmation classes will begin in August. Pastor Bill report that there have been several members that have inquired about how they can help Pastor Rob with expense for their travel and medical needs for his surgery. If anyone is writing checks as a gift, they will need to make the checks payable to Pastor Rob and not Trinity. He is working on sermons for while Pastor Rob is gone. Don Batie has been helping with bible class on Sunday mornings, 3 more videos left. He will be going on vacation and will be back the week before Pastor Rob leaves.

OLD BUSINESS

We are still needing a candidate to fill the Inreach/Outreach position. Regarding forming the By-law committee, we will hold off until Pastor Rob is back. RE: Lawncare, we are going to wait until next summer to make any changes. Mike Thome will finish up with the mowing. A couple of companies are coming next week to look at the landscaping. Yanda's music will also be here next week to look at the sound system.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Batie moved to accept the transfer in of the Caraways, Jared Bauer seconded the motion, and it was approved. We are working on getting the Yilks transferred in from McCook.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Request was made for a transfer out for Steve Neil. Ann motioned that we approve the transfer out for Steve Neil and Josie seconded the motion. Approved.

Next Meeting – Tuesday September 7th, at 7:00 PM

Closed with Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted

Kim Richman

Secretary

Please note the minutes from the August Board of Directors Meeting weren't published last month, which is why they appear here. The October minutes will be in the next newsletter once they have been approved at the next BOD meeting