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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are still waiting for an interim pastor. Hopefully we will have one by July. If not, we will continue to use supply pastors and lay leaders (if necessary). Keep praying that the bishop finds us an interim pastor soon.

I urge all of you to still come to church even though summer is coming, and other activities may arise. Please make it a point to spend an hour with God on Sunday.

If you would like to send Pastor Brent a get-well card, the address is
Pastor Brent Walsworth

4392 Sequoia Drive
Windsor, WI 53598

We need to be not only a welcoming church, but an inviting church. When we have someone who is interested in becoming a member we must follow through and do what is necessary to assist them in becoming a member of Holy Trinity. If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a member, please let me or any council member know so we can make it happen.

Keep Holy Trinity and its members in your prayers.

God bless you all. Yours in Christ,
Gary Waalkens, Council President

THE EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE *submitted by Stephanie Woodley*

Committee did not meet in May. Next meeting Wednesday June 12, at new time of 6:30pm at the church. Plans to begin for the garage sale in August. All are invited to attend the meeting or express an interest in helping at the event. Donations for the garage sale are being accepted at the church (call ahead, to the church, to see when items can be received and acceptable items). Again thanks to all those involved, the last event, the spaghetti drive-thru went very well.

MAY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS *(not available at time of printing)*

YOUR 2024-2025 CHURCH COUNCIL

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Student Representative	VACANT	

We are still in need of a Council youth representative. All confirmed members up to age 30 are eligible. Please contact Gary Waalkens if you would like to be the voice for youth in our church.

Owen Raisbeck, Treasurer:	608-225-3149	owenraisbeck@yahoo.com
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SUNDAY SCHOOL *submitted by Susy Pawl*

Following Easter the Sunday School children have focused on 'The Great Commission' in which Jesus gave the disciples the mission of spreading His teachings to all people. The children completed several service projects to put this story and task to action. This included the event held on the last day of Sunday School before summer break in which the children hosted a Bake Sale Fundraiser for the World Wildlife Fund. For the event the kids prepared posters about an endangered animal of their choosing and presented them to the congregation. This was followed by the kids packaging up baked treats for a donation to the World Wildlife Fund. The bake sale raised \$91 all of which has been donated to the World Wildlife Fund. Thank you to the kids for doing a fabulous job learning, sharing, and giving. Thank you to our supportive and generous congregation.

Members of church will also be able to 'check out' backpacks from church containing the information on the endangered animal and a stuffed animal. The goal is for the Sunday School children to continue to share the information with others by showing it to family and friends before returning to the church so another child may 'check out' the backpack. There are 5 backpacks being prepared. There will be a sign out sheet to track each backpack and instructions.

Vacation Bible School

With Sunday School officially on break for the summer, we now look forward to Vacation Bible School. VBS will be taking place the week of June 24th on a couple of afternoons. If you are interested in your child/children attending, please reserve a spot by contacting Susy Pawl at susyvsnuffles@gmail.com or calling 655-3437. The teachers are still working out details but there will be Bible stories, games, and crafts and it will be awesome! When you reserve a spot, we will contact you with additional information. Thank you!

APRIL FINANCIALS

Income received in April	\$ 5,095.00
Obligations paid in April	6,939.16
Deficit for April	-1,844.16
BALANCE ON HAND	\$14,309.08

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD PANTRY Second Harvest Food Bank has taken over operation of the Marshall mobile food bank. They have changed the food bank dates to the **SECOND MONDAY** of each month at 3:30 pm in the high school parking lot. Therefore, the next few distribution dates are:

Monday – June 10	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-July 8	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-August 12	3:30 pm	high school parking lot

RENTALS OF FELLOWSHIP HALL The fellowship hall is available to rent. The price for active members is a one-time event fee of \$25.00. The fee for all others is **\$50.00 per hour**. If you are thinking you may be interested in renting the hall, please contact the church office by calling 608-655-4246 or sending an email to htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com, to check on scheduling and details. **REMINDER: No beer, wine, or alcohol of any kind is allowed in the building or anywhere on the church property.**

JOB OPENINGS AT HOLY TRINITY

Volunteer Coordinator to work with our Council and leadership teams to help recruit ushers, readers, communion servers, and other volunteers as needed. A wonderful way to get to know people. *Please contact a Council member or the church office if you are interested.*

PLANNED GIVING TO HOLY TRINITY

One way to ensure a bright future for our church is to make a planned gift that names HOLY TRINITY in your will. A bequest is a meaningful way to support the church's ministry without affecting your cash flow during your lifetime. Your attorney can include it when you prepare or revise your will, or you can add a codicil at any time.

Gifts that do not restrict their use, or **unrestricted gifts**, allow Holy Trinity to use these resources where they are most needed. Of course, we are also grateful for gifts that are designated for a specific purpose that advances our mission, **restricted gifts**, such as support to a specific initiative or program. Or you could make a gift to the church's Endowment Fund. At a time when secular non-profits are realizing the need to build their endowments, churches are still asking for operating support only. An **endowment gift** helps move us into a more sustainable position.

You could also choose to designate a portion of the proceeds of your IRA to Holy Trinity each year. We have been grateful to members who have chosen this option as a way to make a sizeable annual gift.

You may now use our online giving, through holytrinitymarshall.com to make a gift directly to our Endowment Fund.

Another way to help Holy Trinity is to name the church as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy. This could convey assets in larger amounts without disrupting your current cash flow.

The Endowment Committee recently met and Dan Timpel will be joining the Committee. He will replace Jack Erb. If anyone has questions or wants to make a donation to this fund or the memorial fund they should contact Dan Timpel, Todd Madaus, or Owen Raisbeck.

HEADS UP! WAY UP!!!

If you wish to submit an announcement for a bulletin, you **MUST** submit it to the office (htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com) by the Wednesday prior, as bulletins are printed on Thursdays.

For articles to be included in the newsletter for the following month, they **MUST** be received in the office by the 22nd or they will not be included! Waiting for late articles puts more stress on office staff and newsletter helpers. Getting your newsletter information in on time is a courtesy to others involved in the process. Your cooperation is needed and appreciated.

CHURCH NEWS

Wed June 5	Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry, 12:00-1:00 pm
Mon June 10	Second Harvest in HS parking lot, 3:30 pm
Tue June 11	WELCA 1:00 pm/Council meets, 6:00 pm
Wed June 12	Event Planning, 6:30 pm
Sat June 15	Quilting Day 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tue June 18	Quilt Tying, 12:30 pm

Quilts for LWR As quilt-making continues here at Holy Trinity, we always have an ongoing need for the supplies that go into making the quilts. Thank you to all of our members and friends who keep an eye out for fabric that family members are disposing of and fabric that is available at garage sales and estate sales. We continue to request new bed sheets, used bed sheets, tablecloths, large pieces of fabric, etc. Even well-worn sheets are useful as the middle layer of a quilt. We welcome anyone who wants to get involved in making quilts either by meeting at church, by sewing at home or by cutting fabric squares at home.

One of our quilt groups meets at church 12:30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month to sort donations, prepare donations for use in a quilt, and tie the layers of a quilt together. Our other quilt group comes to church on the 3rd Saturday of each month starting at 9:00 am. Sewing machines will be provided.

Please join in various quilt tasks on our quilt days for whatever amount of time you have to contribute. We are grateful for all the support we receive from our Holy Trinity family that allows us to donate quilts to the Lutheran World Relief mission of providing quilts to people in need in the US and around the world. **Please continue to provide new fabric that can be cut into squares for making quilts. It's then possible for someone to take the next step and cut 11-inch squares of fabric and donate them. **

ELCA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS. Per Constitution and bylaws of the ELCA, a person must give a monetary gift and receive Holy Communion at least once every calendar year to be a member. Holy Trinity is required to keep records of both giving and communion. (If you put cash in the collection plate, that is not a contribution of record. We need to know your contribution came from you. (There are extra contribution envelopes on the Welcome Desk.) This is also why we have begun using communion cards. Please use one card per family each time you commune. Place your last name and first name of each person taking Communion on the card along with the date. You may place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. You may also request a visit from the Pastor on this card.

Electronic newsletter to save paper, you may prefer to receive this newsletter electronically if you do not already. Just e-mail htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com and let us know that.

Our website, holytrinitymarshall.com, is regularly updated. With all the latest news and information that you might need. And share the link to our online services with family and friends!

Our thanks and gratitude to those who continue to give so much for the sake of this body of Christ such as our organists, office secretary, treasurer, custodian, ushers, readers, communion assistants, WELCA, Altar Guild, those who lead Sunday School, and worship leaders.

A handwritten-style cursive script that says "thank you". The letters are fluid and connected, with a decorative flourish at the end of the word "you".

Thank you also goes out to those who serve on our Church Council, Call Committee, and the Event Planning Committee. Thank you to our quilters, volunteers who continue to work the Second Harvest mobile food bank, and volunteers on the Wednesday noon shift the first of each month at the Marshall/Waterloo Food Pantry, as well as those who volunteered for Wednesday night and Saturday morning shifts. Special thank you to all the volunteers who worked the food pantry during the month of May. Thank you to the person who cares for our grounds. We also appreciate the helpers who assemble the newsletter for mailing and everyone so willingly donating time and materials to maintain the church. Apologies if anyone was missed. Thank you all.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry The Marshall/Waterloo Food Pantry is in the lower level at 117 E. Madison Street (Hwy. 19) in Waterloo. (Please use the door in the alley.) People may visit the food pantry once each month. If you or someone you know needs help, make use of this resource.

Hours are Wednesdays from noon-1:00 pm and again Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm. Saturday hours are from 9:00-10:00 am.

Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry is Monday –June 10 at 3:30 in the HS parking lot.

Did you know that Staples will take a number of electronic items in-store for recycling? Call your local Staples store with questions or check their website.

Foodshare Helpline 877-366-3635 If you are in need, or know of someone who is, contact this agency to see if they can help.

Wisconsin Home Energy Plus Program at 1-866-432-8947 or 608-267-8601 is available if you need help with your utility bills. Give them a call to find out if you qualify.

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