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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Holy Trinity Members,

Well, the weather is getting warmer. It looks like spring is finally here. Let us thank God for the new life he is creating in this season.

We are still trying to get an interim pastor. The council met with the Bishop on March 24. She said she wanted to know what we could afford for an interim pastor. Owen Raisbeck told her we could afford a 40% interim pastor, which means he or she would work only 40% of the time as opposed to full time. The Bishop said she was going to talk to someone about being our interim pastor. She is still waiting to hear back from him. She feels we can only afford a 33% interim with what we have budgeted for a pastor. I will keep you posted as further developments happen.

The council appointed an event planning committee to come up with events that will promote fellowship among us and bring back members that have not been in church for a while. We hope this will also bring in new members as well. The committee will also be planning fund-raisers to help with upcoming building maintenance costs that we will be facing. The committee met on March 22 and there is an article submitted by them elsewhere in this newsletter.

Once again, I would like to thank Larry Legro for filling in when we had no supply pastor.

Again, I ask you to keep Holy Trinity in your prayers that we get an interim pastor and soon a call pastor. All things are possible with God.

God bless you all.

Yours in Christ, *submitted by Gary Waalkens council president*

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday 10:00 AM Worship, pancake breakfast following worship

*******NO Wednesday evening worship during Holy Week**

Maunder Thursday 6:30 PM Worship

Good Friday 6:30 PM Worship

Easter Sunday 8:00 AM Worship

9:00 AM, egg hunt with games and pictures

10:30 AM Worship

EASTER LILIES

Easter is Sunday April 17th. If you would like to share an Easter lily with the church for Easter, please mark it with your name and bring it to the library some time during Holy Week. (The church will not be placing an order for lilies.) The flowers will then be placed around the altar **AFTER** Good Friday.

If you wish to share the Easter lily in memory of (or to honor) a loved one, please complete a form in the folder on the wooden shelf next to the office door marked EASTER LILIES, and then return the completed form to the folder. This information will be noted in the bulletin and newsletter. You may take your lily home any time after Easter. Thank you!

PASTOR CONTACT

Since we do not have a pastor at the present time, please direct any emails that would ordinarily go to the pastor to htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com. Kathy will forward them on for appropriate action.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS from March 8, 2022 *respectfully submitted by Carol Woldt*

Secretary and Treasures reports were read and approved.
Property and COVID-19 reports were read and approved.

Election of Officers was held. Gary Waalkens was voted in as President, Dan Timpel was voted in as Vice President, and Stephanie Woodley was voted in as Secretary.

There is an upcoming meeting with the synod office soon; continuing discussion about Pastor Wiebe's salary.

Holy Trinity is setting up an Event Planning Committee. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. The committee will meet on March 22, 2022 at the church at 7.00 pm. Please bring your ideas. More information to come.

It has been suggested that we raise the price of renting our fellowship hall from \$25.00 to \$50.00 per hour for those who are not active members. The price of \$25.00 per event for active members would remain the same. Council voted to implement this change.

Next meeting: April 12,2022

YOUR 2022-2023 CHURCH COUNCIL

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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.

FEBRUARY 2022 FINANCIALS

Mortgage balance as of 2/28/22	\$16,502.39
Monies received in February	5,792.04
February obligations	4,404.18
FEBRUARY BALANCE	\$ 1,387.86

EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE, *submitted by Stephanie Woodley*

The Event Planning Committee met on Tuesday March 22 at 7:00 pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. There were 12 members in attendance. Fellowship and fund-raising events were discussed. Events for the month of April 2022 will be a Pancake Breakfast to be held on Palm Sunday, April 10th following the 10:00 am service. There will be a sign up sheet for volunteers posted for the event. On Easter Sunday, April 17th, Susy Pawl and Kathy Deneen will host an Easter Egg Hunt and games between services, beginning at 9:00am. There will also be a photographer on site to take pictures with a special Easter back drop. You can look forward to hearing about many events happening throughout the year.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES continue on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 pm, being taught by Kathy Deneen. **Confirmation has now been set for May 1, 2022.**

If anyone has questions regarding confirmation classes, they can reach Kathy directly at kldeneen@gmail.com or by calling her at 608-279-0588.

FIRST COMMUNION was held on Sunday, March 6. Those receiving their First Communion were Brody Chadwick, Sierra Stensven, and Lilly Poster. Thank you to Gary Waalkens for providing the instruction to them on what communion means.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS *submitted by Susy Pawl, Sunday School Superintendent*

Get egg-cited! Easter is coming and so is lots of fun! We will continue with more stories from the New Testament and incorporating some activities to help us get ready for Easter. Speaking of Easter... This year's egg hunt is being hosted by Kathy Deneen and the confirmation class and is being held between services at 9:00 outside (inside in case of inclement weather). Following the egg hunt, there will be fun Easter-themed games for families to enjoy. Be on the look out for a special visitor hopping around the church and helping with games. Please note there is no Sunday school class on Easter Sunday, April 17th.

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD PANTRY Second Harvest Food Bank has taken over operation of the Marshall mobile food bank. They have decided to change 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 – April 11	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday – May 9	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday – June 13	3:30 pm	high school parking lot

RENTALS OF FELLOWSHIP HALL

Since COVID cases have declined, the fellowship hall is now available to rent once again. 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, for scheduling and details.

JOB OPENINGS AT HOLY TRINITY (**all volunteer positions, but you get the fancy-sounding title!)
Please contact a Council member or the church office if you are interested.

Tech Director This position may include making videos of worship services and posting them to our YouTube channel; creating PowerPoint slides and running the projector during worship; or other innovations that would put technology to work for the benefit of the Holy Trinity community.

Volunteer Coordinator Work with our Council and leadership teams to help recruit ushers, readers, communion servers, and other volunteers as needed. A great way to get to know people.

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 very 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.

Please contact Endowment Investment Committee Chair Jack Erb with any questions at jackaerb@gmail.com or 608-215-5098. Thank you for your consideration.



ATTENTION REGARDING DEADLINES!!!!

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, no exceptions! This is a courtesy to our secretary and those who assemble the newsletter for mailing. Thanks for your cooperation.

CHURCH NEWS

Confirmation classes continue on Wednesdays at 5:00 pm at the church with Kathy Deneen leading the way. Confirmation is set for Sunday – May 1.

On Palm Sunday – April 10 there is a pancake breakfast following 10:00 AM worship.

WELCA meets at 12:30 pm on Tuesday – April 12 for “lunch out”.

The Council’s next scheduled meeting is Tuesday - April 12 at 6:00 pm at the church.

Holy Week worship schedule – Maundy Thursday worship at 6:30 on April 14

Good Friday worship at 6:30 on April 15

Easter worship at 8:00 and 10:30 on April 17

****Egg hunt and games beginning at 9:00 between services, no Sunday School****

There will be NO quilting day in April due to Holy Week.

Quilt Tieg is scheduled for Tuesday – April 19 at 1:00 pm at the church. Quilt tying is the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm.

Quilts for LWR “The Beat Goes On!” Well, actually the quilt making goes on here at Holy Trinity. There is 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 from 1:00-3:00 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 are provided on Saturday. Please join in various quilt tasks on our quilt days for whatever amount of time you have to contribute. We are grateful for all of 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 of 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 possible, also, for someone to take the next step and cut 11-inch squares of fabric and donate them.**

Offering Envelopes If you are giving electronically we will no longer be sending you weekly offering envelopes as well. However, if you DO wish to receive weekly offering envelopes, please e-mail htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com and let us know that. Thank you.

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 organist, secretary, treasurer, custodian, ushers and worship leaders. Thank you to all involved with Sunday School classes and fundraisers, confirmation classes, and who serve on Altar Guild and now the Event Planning Committee. Appreciation goes out to the handlers of our Facebook and website. Thank you to volunteers who continue to work the Second Harvest mobile food bank, our quilters, our dedicated Council members, those serving on the Call Committee, those who assemble the newsletter for mailing, everyone so willingly donating time and materials to maintain the church, and those who keep our grounds looking great. 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 – April 11 at 3:30 in the HS parking lot. If there are questions, please check the Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry schedule on 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 If you need help with your heating bills, give them a call to find out if you qualify.