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FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Brother's and Sister's in Christ,

As I told you in church on June 16, we might be able to get a pastor. I am attempting to set up a meeting with her now. I will keep you informed on my progress. Pray that we can work out an agreement that is satisfactory with both churches.

It was great to see some children in church in June. I would like to see more, but I know that trips and outings happen on the weekends. Even if you can't be in church, don't forget God. Thank him for the wonderful adventure you will be experiencing. When you can please attend church.

I am in the process of arranging an employee/volunteer dinner some evening. I will let you know when we have worked out all of the details. We are thinking of having it catered so no one will have to do anything. We may ask for a donation to help cover the cost of catering. If that cost is too much, we may just have a potluck dinner. This will be a good way to share fellowship with our fellow congregants and say thank you to everyone who does so much for Holy Trinity.

We need help with ushering and reading. Please if you can, become an ushering team or if you would rather just read, become a reader. Please search your hearts and either become an usher or a reader or you can as some of us do be an usher and reader. We need your help. You young people are encouraged to do so also. Thank you in advance.

Keep Holy Trinity in your prayers and its congregation also.

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

THE EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE *submitted by Stephanie Woodley*

Our group met to continue planning the garage sale on August 1,2 and 3. Publicity, banners, flyers etc are in the planning. This year we are tentatively planning to not price the items and have customers make offers. It was explained that other churches have done this with excellent results. Items continue to be donated, best times being Tuesday through Thursday 9-1 (office hours) at the church, otherwise contact Gary Waalkens 608-655-4989, Linda Baldrige 608-655-4178 for possibly additional times.

We continue to reach out to anyone willing to volunteer their time for the event.

We are all excited for the completion of our dishwasher project. It is going to be very helpful for events that involve dish washing.

2024 SPAGHETTI DINNER DRIVE-THROUGH *submitted by Linda Baldrige*

Final tally of profit: \$1800. This is an important fundraiser for Holy Trinity and we can score another success for our Spaghetti Dinner Drive-thru. Two things came together on April 25th, pleasant weather and a great community event. Thank you to our dedicated volunteer team who organized and participated in this event in any way.

DISHWASHER UPDATE *submitted by Linda Baldrige*

Have you wondered why there were signs on Holy Trinity's kitchen doors restricting entrance? Here's the scoop. Many years ago, a used dishwasher machine was obtained for Holy Trinity's kitchen. In recent months, it had become apparent that a new dishwasher was needed. Two of our WELCA members took on the task of obtaining a new dishwasher. Good Outcome! Brian Hammond, an employee of the DeVere Company in Janesville, located a used dishwasher of the same make and size as our old dishwasher at the cost of approximately \$2,400. Maintenance of the machine will also be available from this company. This unit fits into our kitchen in the same way as the old unit and uses the existing sink and nearby prep area. The funds for the dishwasher will come from Holy Trinity's account and WELCA will contribute \$500. Going forward, those who host and clean up after an event will have an efficient and safe machine to wash the dishes.

2024 GARAGE & BAKE & BRAT FRY *submitted by Linda Baldrige*

News Flash! This popular Holy Trinity fundraiser will happen again August 1-3. Start now setting aside donations to the garage sale. Donations can be brought to the church on Tuesday-Thursday from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. There will be a garage sale planning meeting on Wed, July 10 at 6:30 at church. We welcome anyone who would like to help during the planning phase or during the days of the garage and bake sale. Please spread the word. More details about the Garage and Bake Sale and Brat Fry will be given in upcoming newsletters. Questions can be directed to Linda Baldrige at 608-655-4178.

GARAGE SALE ITEMS WHICH HOLY TRINITY CANNOT ACCEPT:

- **VCR TAPES**
- **TV'S**
- **ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS**
- **MATTRESSES OR BOX SPRINGS**
- **SOFA SLEEPERS / RECLINING SOFAS**
- **FUTONS**
- **EXERCISE EQUIPMENT**
- **BABY ITEMS SUCH AS CAR SEATS, CRIBS, AND WALKERS**
- **LARGE APPLIANCES**

- ITEMS THAT ARE PROHIBITIVELY LARGE AND HEAVY TO HANDLE
- HAZARDOUS or CONSTRUCTION-TYPE MATERIALS

All donations should be in good condition and clean.

Do NOT leave any donations outside the church itself.

Preferred drop-off time is 9:00-1:00 Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. If the church is locked, leave a message on the church machine (608-655-4246) asking for a callback to set up a drop-off time or call the following people and they may be able to come and let you in:

Linda at 608-655-4178, Kathy at 608-655-4636, or Gary at 608-655-4989.

THANK YOU!

FREE NATIVE PLANTS *submitted by Cheri Harwood*

Do you know of a school or community group that is looking to start or expand a native garden or rain garden? Encourage them to apply to "Plant Dane" Free Native Plants for School and Community Groups Program to receive free native plants. Plants for the summer cycle are grown by volunteer growers. Applications are due July 19th, 2024 and plants are distributed in August. For more information or to apply visit: <https://lwrd.countyofdane.com/grants-and-costshare/free-plants>

JUNE 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
Laurine Martin, Financial Secretary:	608-712-4069	laurinemartinbk1010@gmail.com

MAY FINANCIALS

Income received in May	\$ 8,319.93
Obligations paid in May	3,520.87
Balance for May	4,799.06
BALANCE ON HAND	\$19,108.14

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 – July 8	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-August 12	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-September 9	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@holyltrinity-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 July 3	Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry, 12:00-1:00 pm
Mon July 8	Second Harvest in HS parking lot, 3:30 pm
Tue July 9	WELCA 1:00 pm/Council meets, 6:00 pm
Wed July 10	Event Planning, 6:30 pm
Tue July 16	Quilt Tying, 12:30 pm
Sat July 20	Quilting Day 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thurs Aug 1- 3	Garage & Bake Sale & Brat Fry

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@holyltrinity-marshall.com and let us know that.

Our website, holyltrinitymarshall.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 June. 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 –July 8 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.

July Word Search



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| JULY | SWIMMING | AMERICA |

