

Pastor's Message

March Worship

10:30 am



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Wanamingo Lutheran Church

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When I graduated from high school one of the books that was given to me was, "Oh, The Places You'll Go!" I have lived this book many times over in my brief time here on this earth. I have served some 24 congregations and lived in 16 different places and visited all but two states. When I think of the places I have been, the many different jobs, friends I have made, the many opportunities and challenges, the trying of new things and the adventures I have had, I keep coming back to one place where I feel the most peace, with people gathered around the Word and Sacraments.

Our Lenten season this year starts of with Jesus coming down the mountain with his face set towards Jerusalem. We will travel with Jesus to places he visited on his way each week discovering how God was present with Jesus, and the disciples. We will get a peek of what these places meant to them and what they may mean for us in our life today.

I know there have been places I have visited where I feel closer to God, where I feel I receive some clarity as to where God would like me to go next in my spiritual life. As we journey with Jesus, I encourage you to think about the places you might have encountered the living God and to write a little story of your experience to be passed onto a family member or shared with a friend. Remember these encounters in these places help to reassure us God has been in our life and continues to be present.

God through Jesus has created a place for God to be present for us and in turn when we then can be present for others, to create a place for them to experience the love of God and to help others be a place for others to go when life gets a little hard at times and when we have life events we can celebrate together. Having sacred spaces, places and people in our lives makes a difference in the world.

Join me in prayer: Lord God, help us to remember the places we have been with you and the places we will go next under your tender care. Amen

In the Sacred Place,

Pr. Kris D. H. Ferkin

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Pastor Office Hours

Please call Pastor Ferkin
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Wanamingo Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Present: Karissa Wood, Callie Van De Walker-Sellers, Birdeen Thoreson, Sue Flotterud, Mike Parrett, Pastor Kris Ferkin

Absent: Bruce Baker, Laureen Otto

Openings Devotions: Lead by Karissa Wood

Pastor's Report: Presented by Pastor Kris

Secretary's Report: Presented by Callie, motion to approve by Birdeen, 2nd by Mike, passed 5-0.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Laureen Otto and presented by Karissa Wood, motion to approve by Birdeen, 2nd by Mike, passed 5-0.

Balances:

Music: \$485.00

Building: \$8,244.84

Memorial: \$8,547.88

ELCA Mission Investment Fund: \$51,335.68

Old Business:

1. Transition/Call process Update - Review of MSP - looking at what we do have, rather than what we don't, expectations of the congregation, we're almost there, upgrade budget/demographics as they were from 2021, creating a call committee - Karissa will start recruiting for this - we need 5

New Business:

1. Officer Elections: discussion of options for treasurer, Karissa is going to reach out to some folks and let us know more
 - Treasurer: TBD
 - President: Karissa Wood
 - Vice President: Sue Flotterud
 - Secretary: Callie Van De Walker-Sellers
2. Lent offerings: ELCA Disaster Relief if Trinity is ok with that
3. Places of Passion - Ash Wednesday - Feb. 22nd - Communion - 4pm: Sue 7pm: Karissa
4. Bible Study Meeting Wednesday afternoons: Irene Ree has been meeting for 20 years 1-3pm, they can use the WLC basement
5. March Communion Servers: 10:30am Service - 5th: Birdeen 19th: Callie

Motion to adjourn by Mike 2nd by Sue, passed 5-0.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by, Callie Van De Walker-Sellers

Church News & Events

Lenten Services 2023

Theme: "Places of the Passion"

**Ash Wednesday with Holy Communion
February 22nd**
4:00 & 7:00 pm at WLC

March 1st
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

March 8th
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship at WLC

March 15th
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

March 22nd
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship at WLC

March 29th
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday—April 2nd
9:00 am Worship with First Holy Communion at WLC
10:30 am Worship with First Holy Communion at Trinity

Maundy Thursday—April 6th
7:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion at WLC

Good Friday—April 7th
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

Easter Sunday—April 9th
7:00 am Worship at WLC
10:30 am Worship at Trinity



Ushers and readers needed
for March, April & May!
Sign up in the entry way.



CHRUCH COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday March 14th at 6:30 in
the church basement

WELCA Updates

WELCA HOLY COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Holy Communion Thursday
March 2nd 1:30pm at Trinity Lutheran
Church. Bible study to follow at 2:00pm.



PRAYER SHAWL

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will
meet Tuesday March 14th
7pm Irene Ree's home

540 E 5th Street
Wanamingo

QUILTING

Mondays at 8:30am TLC

Newcomers are welcome! Come enjoy
fellowship and fun.

Want more information? Please call Becky
Solberg at 507-319-9099

Community News & Events

COMMUNITY MEAL

Will be served Sunday March 19th 11:30 am-12:30pm at
the Wanamingo Community Center

Sponsored by The Wanamingo Lions Club

DONATE HERE:

Use your smart phone to scan the QR
code to donate to WLC



Youth & Family

First Holy Communion Classes:

Classes will be held for all students in 5th Grade and above who have not yet received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 1st from 5:30-9:00pm in Trinity's basement.

NOTE: a parent must accompany their child to this class.

Questions: please contact Pastor Kris.

First Holy Communion: Sunday, April 2nd during worship service



SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children welcome age four-6th grade.
Every Sunday from 9-10am at TLC.



CONFIRMATION

Every Wednesday at TLC

5:30pm 7/8th Grade & 7pm 9th Grade

SUPER SUNDAY EVENT MARCH 19th

will be held DURING Sunday School 9am at Trinity

March Madness Game Day!

Bring your favorite board game to play! Family, friends, and congregation member's welcome!



Thank you to **Donna Hegseth** for baking 70 sugar cookies for our February Super Sunday Event! The Sunday school had a BLAST decorating them!