

From Pastor Jason's desk

Greeting friends,

Summer for me is a time when I get to spend time with my wife and kids in the outdoors, we love to hike and bike the trails in the Black Hills. As your pastor, I am already in the planning stages for the upcoming holiday season. With the schedules that we all keep, I try to use this time of year to get out into nature and communion with God. The picture attached to this article is one that I took several years ago in the Grand Tetons of Wyoming. From this we get a glimpse of the wonderous creation that God placed us into.



I find myself thinking about the people that we come in contact with on a daily basis, do they know that they are a loved child of God? Do they know that Jesus died for them just like he did all of us? What is it that you and I are doing right now to reach these people? Are we inviting them to church to help with some of our projects? Are we visiting with them about our faith and about the love of Jesus Christ? If you are answering no, why not?

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”
John 3:16 NIV

Friends the time is now to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with those around us. So many times I hear things like someday when I have time I will do that, or I am not a pastor I am not trained on how to do that. Let me share this with you, the love of Jesus Christ and his forgiveness of our sins needs to be the motivation for sharing the faith with others. The words and what to say in those situations will come to us from the Holy Spirit. Often times when we step out in faith and take that chance to share our faith the person's life changes forever and that is true. What I have also found is that our lives and the ones sharing our faith are forever changed as well.

Throughout my ministry, God has blessed me with individuals that I have gotten the opportunity to share the gospel with, these individuals have gone through a transformation from God by the Holy Spirit, they will tell you that it was me that lead them to Christ, but I was just doing what God asked me to do. We have established lifelong friendships because of this.

Christ is counting on all of us to do our part to bring people to him. What I challenge all of us to do right now is identify some people, two or three that need to hear about Jesus and share His love and compassion with them. Don't worry that you don't have the words, God will give them to you. Step out in faith and trust God to help us transform this world and be the disciples that he has called all of us to be.

If you would like to hear some of the stories of the people that God has brought into my life that I helped lead to Christ, come see me for coffee on Tuesdays or visit me in the office. I believe that the people of Trinity United Methodist Church are up to the challenge. Let's get out there and win some souls for Christ!

Until next time,

Pastor Jason

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Administrative Council/Finance Meeting
Thursday, June 15, 2023

The Trinity United Methodist Church Administrative Council meeting was held on Thursday, June 15, 2023, CMC, 5:30 p.m. Members present: Pastor Jason Christensen, Gary Linn, Bob McNeill, Cindy McNeill, Jim Wolff, Jane LaFollette, Sue Holloway, Cheryl Wolff, Theo Rogers and Lynn Larsen.

Gary Linn opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

There were no changes to the agenda.

Sue Holloway moved/ Jane LaFollette seconded to **approve the April 23, 2023 minutes. Motion carried.**

Jim Wolff, Treasurer, reviewed with the Council the Financial Report. Sue Holloway moved/Jane LaFollette seconded to **approve the Financial Statements** as presented. **Motion carried.** Sue Holloway, Finance Chair, discussed the Financial Policy Manual with the admin council members.

Bob McNeill, Trustees Chair, reported to the Council they have a list of projects that will be done on the Work Days which are June 23-24.

Pastor Jason reviewed his report with the council and his report is in this newsletter.

Jane LaFollette, Worship Chair, noted they have not met recently. She is hearing many positive comments on the new addition of "Centering" at the beginning of each worship service.

Sue Holloway reported there are 27 families with 59 kids that have requested help from Clothe-A-Kid. Donations for this worthy cause are coming in. Meals on Wheels needs more couples to deliver the meals to shut-ins. Four men will be coming from Winnipeg, Canada to help with Biker Breakfast and the Canadian women will help us by giving us a head start on the Christmas cards we send out.

Cindy McNeill, Staff Pastor Parish chair, noted they will be preparing the Assessment report on the status of the church and clergy. One of the items they will be looking at this coming year will be working on outreach that will be a big opportunity for growth in our church.

Sue Holloway reported on July 6 and August 3 the Women in Faith will gather to work on the cards we send to Adopt-A-Platoon for those months. After working on the cards on August 3 the women will hold their annual picnic in the park.

Pastor Jason informed the Council he and the pastors in the Northern Hills have been in discussion on the few youth who attend youth gatherings in their church. Since these youth are isolated how can they provide programs and activities for the youth.

Jim Wolff is cleaning up the Building Use Agreement that will include the cost of the cleaning.

Pastor Jason gave an update on the Practical Church Leadership (DWU class) he will be attending in Mitchell on July 7-10, 2023.

Theo Rogers was in attendance to inform the Council she is now the Fellowship Chair and she gave a brief report. The Council thanked her for becoming the chair.

Pastor Jason and Gary Linn went to the Annual Conference and Gary reported he and Pastor Jason attended many meetings. The conference was very interesting and it gave him a good insight on the business that is done at this conference.

The next Administrative Council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2023, 5:30 p.m., CMC.

Pastor Jason closed the meeting in prayer.
Lynn Larsen, Recording Secretary

Trinity United Methodist Church



Statement of Faith

Trinity United Methodist Church, Lead SD

WHEREAS the Administrative Board of Trinity United Methodist Church has diligently and prayerfully monitored the discussion within the United Methodist Church over inclusivity and

WHEREAS the Administrative Board of Trinity United Methodist Church has prayerfully considered the teachings of Jesus as they apply to our relationship to our church members and neighbors, local and worldwide, and

WHEREAS the Administrative Board of Trinity United Methodist Church adheres to the philosophy of “Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”, believing this motto reflects our grace-based theology, and

WHEREAS The Administrative Board of Trinity United Methodist Church believes our role in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world cannot be accomplished if we limit access to the grace of our Lord within our congregation,

THEREFORE, the Administrative Board of Trinity United Methodist Church has determined that the current path of love, acceptance and inclusion will continue to be a foundational principle of the Trinity United Methodist Church.

Administrative Board of TUMC

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Open Hearts
Open Doors
Open Minds

Trustee Meeting Minutes June 15, 2023

Pastor Jason Christensen opened the meeting with a prayer.

In attendance were Bob McNeill, Pastor Jason Christensen, Larry Howell, Jim Wolff, Wayne Holdcroft, John Hauge, Mike Darling, Ron Pray and Lee Ann Paananen.

The minutes of the April 20, 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved. Jim/Pastor Jason

Church Building Items

The ceiling in the main entry of the sanctuary was damaged from roof leak that resulted from a rock falling from the bell tower and tearing the rubber roofing. The ceiling needs to be repaired and painted. A roofer will be found to repair the roof. The stone on the bell tower needs to be caulked and sealed. It will require a lift to do it safely. Estimates will be needed for this project.

The vents in the sanctuary need to be cleaned. This will be a workday project.

Fans were discussed - no action needed.

Chain link fence, basketball hoop and other garbage have accumulated by the shed and need to be cleaned out. Ron will clean it out and take it to the dump.

Johnson Room - Florescent lights out. Ballast needs to be repaired. John suggested LED conversion.

The small closet door in the loft needs to be shaved, as the door sticks and the slider doors need to be lubricated. This will be a workday project.

The pews need to be cleaned and polished. Lee will do pews and windows on workdays.

There are lights out above the trim in the sanctuary that need to be replaced.

CMC

The flooring in the CMC kitchen, hallways and bathrooms is loose and coming up in many places. Options discussed were to get a third-party moisture test to ascertain the cause of the problem and John will talk to the company who does epoxy flooring for an estimate.

Projects for Workday include fixing the holes in the concrete on the outside of the building, cleaning the vents, cleaning up the parking lot by sweeping and power washing it. The parking lot strips will be repainted when it is clean. HVAC company needs to be scheduled on an annual basis to check the filters and replace them. Teah and Theo will be in charge of the kitchen cleanup.

The outside rug in the entry to the CMC needs to be replaced.

The retaining wall on the Fuller side of the parking lot has been cleaned up and looks very nice. There was discussion about a memorial garden. No decision was made until further review and discussion.

Parsonage

Workday projects for the parsonage include pulling and killing the weeds around the air conditioner, sealing the bricks on the siding, touch up paint on the siding and around the windows and the basement lights that need to be replaced.

Workdays are June 23 and 24 starting at 9:00 am.

Bob closed the meeting.

Next Meeting will be August 17, 2023, at 4:30 pm.

Secretary

Lee Ann Paananen

Mission U 2023 will be held in July at two locations, Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, July 14-16 and University of Jamestown, Jamestown, ND, July 20-22. There will also be a Zoom presentation on August 10-12.

Registration forms are on the bulletin board in the church and in the CMC. Registration is due early July so make your plans quickly.

This will be a two-year study, with a distinct curriculum created for both 2023 and 2024 under the broader theme of Living the Kin-dom. Join us as we explore the good news and what it means for our lives.

The author of "Living the Kin-dom", Riva Tabelisma gives fresh eyes to the Lord's Prayer. Each of the sessions examines a section of the Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:9-13. "Come" she says, "let's explore together the heart of Jesus as we seek to be in mission today."

Study leaders are Pastor Marty Toepke-Floyd and Pastor Debra Ball-Kilbourne.

Remember also Adopt-A-Platoon card preparation on July 6 at 10:30 in the CMC.

Missions Ministry

Mission and Outreach Committee

By Sue Holloway 605-920-7788

ADOPT-A-PLATOON: During the past 2 weeks, I have been contacted by 4 service people who received our letters. They all have expressed their appreciation for the encouragement and prayers. God puts our cards and letters into the hands of those that need them. The next date for assembling will be Thursday, July 6th in the CMC. We start at 10:30 and usually are done by 12:30. We have a good time fellowshiping and laughing.

MEALS ON WHEELS: Our next dates are Monday, July 17th through Friday, July 21st. We are still looking for a couple more teams to deliver. The commitment is 1 day every 5 weeks and is less than 2 hours.

CLOTHE-A-KID: Many thanks to those that have donated over the past 3 weeks. At this writing, you raised around \$1000. Those that register by July 11th will receive a 'Diggers' sweatshirt. Others can register until July 31st. Shopping days are the Wednesday and Thursday after Rally. We could use help from a few more people to be at WalMart during 1 of the 2 hour shifts as the families check out and receive their sweatshirts. You would work with another person.

BIKER BREAKFAST: This event is our only fund raising event for the year. After expenses, funds are available for outreach, missions and special outreaches such as Halloweenie, Christmas Pageant and brochures. The paperwork is being processed. Sign up sheets will be available after Hills Alive which is July 15th and 16th. Food will be ordered 2 weeks before the event. Our timeline is setting up on Friday, August 4th; getting food and primary inspection on Saturday, the 5th; then the breakfast Sunday, the 6th through Friday, the 11th. Please look at your schedules and set aside time to help during any of the 2 hour shifts.



Please remember our homebound members
by sending them a greeting card



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Upcoming events and notices on the church calendar
(Subject to change in date and time)

- Office Closed, July 4, 4th of July
- Spearfish Canyon Care Center Worship, July 7, 10:30
- Pastor Jason at Continuing Education, July 10-14
- Community VBS, July 17-20, 5:30-8:30, Lead Park
- Pastor Jason on Vacation, July 25-August 1
- UWF Picnic, August 3, 12:00
- Biker Breakfast, August 6-11, 7-11 am
- Rochford Chapel Worship, August 20, 7 pm
- Spearfish Canyon Care Worship, September 1, 10:30
- Welcome Back Sunday, September 3
- Office Closed, September 4, Labor Day
- Third Grade Bible Presentation, Either September 10 or 17
- Youth Group Starts, September 13, 6:30-8:00
- Community Fellowship, September 17, 2:00, Lead Park
- Christmas Greenery Sales, October 4-October 25
- Halloweenie, October 31
- Spearfish Canyon Care Center Worship, November 3, 10:30
- Home Party, November 4, 10:00 to 3:00
- Advent Study, November and December
- Live Nativity, December 2, 3:00-5:00
- Christmas Eve Services, December 24

Please let the office know if you would like to add or
change any information to the church calendar

Bible Study

*The Women's Bible Study will
meet starting July 13th.
They will gather in
the CMC at 9:30 a.m.
on Thursdays.*

*The Men's Bible Study won't
be meeting over the
summer months, but will
resume in September.*



GOT MUSIC?

Are you looking to provide special music during worship service? We would enjoy hearing you sing, playing your instruments, sharing your musical talents, please contact the office.

Are you wanting to help with worship through song? Come practice with the praise team on Sundays at 8:00 am

I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Psalms 104:33

Contact Information for
Pastor Jason Christensen
Cell Phone: 605-490-2601
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Pastor Jason will be holding coffee hours at Lotus Up on Tuesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. Please stop by for a visit.

He will honor the Sabbath on Fridays.

Worship Help Needed

It takes a village to have the church services go smoothly! We all have talents we can use to help make that happen, as an usher, praise team singer, furnishing flowers, media or fellowship provider. Please prayerfully consider helping. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church or you can call the office (584-1328) to volunteer. You could sign-up online at leadtumc.com (under the worship tab).

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays:

July 4-Timothy Kosters
July 6-Hennesey Mattson
July 6-Jim Wefso
July 8-Aubree Berglund
July 9-Dean Geiman
July 9-Robert Thorp
July 11-Robert McNeill
July 11-William Pearson
July 13-Kashton Dillman
July 21-Diana Metzger
July 22-Wayne Holdcroft
July 24-John Narem
July 25-Jaedyn Pontius
July 27-Drew Christensen
July 30-Donald Rogers
July 31-Laura Stewart

Anniversaries:

July 5-David & Therese Pontius
July 6-Chad & Micole Davis
July 8-Benjie & Margie Stoflet
July 11-Jason & Stephenie Campbell
July 17-Dale & Carolgene Peters
July 19-Luke & Clancey Fisher
July 21-Brian & Cindy Specht
July 24-Ron & Teah Pray
July 26-Gary & Jane LaFollette
July 27-Gerald & Cheryl Rogers
July 30-Robert & Cynthia McNeil

SERMON SERIES

GREAT STORIES OF THE BIBLE
July 2-Samaritan Woman at the Well
July 9-The Good Samaritan
July 16-Ananias and Sapphira

PARABLE STORIES WITH PURPOSE
July 23-Parable of the Weeds
July 30-Pulpit Fill

Vacation Bible School

July 17th, 18th, 19th & 20th

5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Manuel Brothers Park, Lead

Supper provided

For Kids entering pre-K to 5th grade

Shine a light on Jesus' love!

Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on a out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun.



CLOTHE-A-KID

Clothe-A-Kid provides the opportunity for school age families in the Lead-Deadwood School District to shop for new clothes for the school year.

Any family is eligible to sign up online from May 20th-July 31st, go to www.clotheakid.org. Any questions can be directed to Sue Holloway at 605-920-7788.

Last year, 112 students shopped. Each year, we have a growing number, we are planning for 120 kids for the 2023-2024 school year.



**Rochford Chapel
Worship at 7:00 p.m.**

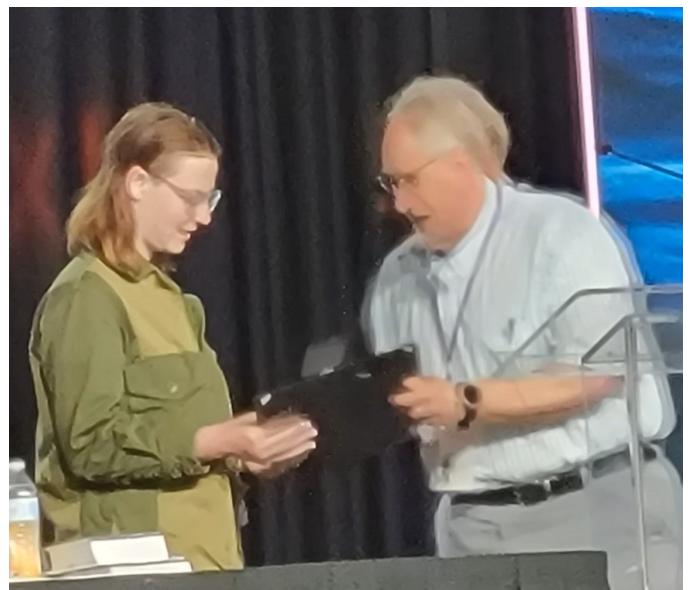
Sunday, August 20, 2023

**22585 N. Rochford Road
Rochford, SD 57745**

**Hope you'll join us
for worship at the
"Church in the Wildwood"**

Congratulations Rejoice!

Rejoice Davis received the Denman Evangelism Award for Youth at the Dakotas Annual Conference. The Harry Denman Evangelism Award program honors United Methodists in each annual conference whose exceptional ministry of evangelism – expressed in word (what), sign (why), and deed (how) – that brings people into a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ.



Rejoice was presented this award by Dan Bader, the Southwest District Superintendent.



July 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<i>1</i>
<i>2</i> Music practice at 8 Worship at 9 Fellowship at 10 Communion Sunday 5th Sunday after Pentecost	<i>3</i> SC Board 10:00 am Mahjong 12:00 pm Kiwanis 5:30 pm	<i>4</i> Office Closed Independence Day	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> Pastor's Meeting 8-10 Platoon Cards 10:30	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>9</i> Music practice at 8 Worship at 9 Fellowship at 10 6th Sunday after Pentecost	<i>10</i> SC Potluck Noon Mahjong 12:00 pm Kiwanis 5:30 pm	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i> Women's Bible Study at 9:30 am	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>16</i> Music practice at 8 Worship at 9 Fellowship at 10 7th Sunday after Pentecost	<i>17</i> Mahjong 12:00 pm Kiwanis 5:30 pm	<i>18</i> CMC Rental Pastor Jason Coffee Hours 9-11, Lotus Up	<i>19</i> Staff Meeting 10:30	<i>20</i> Pastor's Meeting 8-10 Women's Bible Study at 9:30 am Meeting Night	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i> Music practice at 8 Worship at 9 Fellowship at 10 8th Sunday after Pentecost	<i>24</i> Mahjong 12:00 pm Kiwanis 5:30 pm Newsletter Articles Due	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> Women's Bible Study at 9:30 am	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>30</i> Music practice at 8 Worship at 9 Fellowship at 10 9th Sunday after Pentecost	<i>31</i> Mahjong 12:00 pm Kiwanis 5:30 pm					
Pastor Jason on Vacation July 25—August 1		Community Vacation Bible School July 17-July 20 5:30-8:30 Meals on Wheels July 17-July 21		Pastor Jason on Vacation July 25-August 1		

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Trinity United Methodist Church is a welcoming congregation where God can be found in worship, music, and fellowship. Children always welcome.

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING AT 9 AM.

