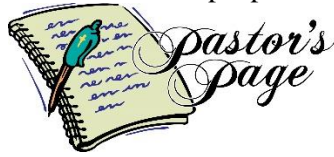




Building His Body  
By  
Reflecting the Son

# TRINITY TIDBITS

A monthly newsletter for the people of Trinity Lutheran Church of Sealy, Texas



## No Pain, No Gain

In the early 1980's, the phrase, "no pain, no gain" came into being. Largely in part due to Jane Fonda who produced numerous aerobic workout videos. She would constantly use the phrase along with other catchphrases as, "Feel the burn." These sayings she used to convey the idea that one must experience working out past the point of experiencing muscle aches.

Numerous other fitness gurus after her have also jumped on the "no pain, no gain" band wagon. These terms of discomfort for the sake of beneficial muscle and aerobic gain seemed to motivate those working out. Simply put in terms of physical development, muscle soreness comes from the tearing down of the muscle tissue so that the body will rebuild more dense fibers, making a bigger, stronger muscle.

However, one must realize, while working out, the difference between a "sore pain" versus a detrimental pain. This sort of pain can be caused by many factors such as joint arthritis. In my personal case, I experienced pain from walking (as many of you already know) for the last three to five years. Yet after my hip replacement surgery, the pain no longer is a detrimental pain but a "sore pain." For me the phrase, "no pain, no gain" was not a good phrase because it meant more destruction for my hip joint. Now, while going through physical therapy, the phrase means a lot more.

During my surgery and now as I continue to recover, you, my brothers and sisters in Christ have been extremely supportive with your cards, visits, and prayers. For these and for all of you, I thank you with great appreciation.

I would like to share with you one more thought based upon the phrase, "no pain, no gain." Whether you are one who constantly works out or one who never even thinks about lifting one finger for physical exercise, the phrase is relative to us all. For God sent His Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life that we can't live. For God sent His Son, Jesus, to suffer cruel and miserable "pain" for us on the cross. He suffered true pain that we all really deserve. And through His "fatal pain", God gives us the gain of eternal life.

As you continue your summer schedules, please always keep in mind, "no pain, no gain" or in other words: with Jesus - His pain is your gain.

In Christ,  
*Pastor Ken*



## CHAT AND CHEW



Everyone is welcomed to stay after church in the narthex each Sunday for coffee and cookies giving time to fellowship among each other.



**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED EVERY FRIDAY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE AND JULY**



## JULY 2017



**Advance!!! BBQ Tickets!!**  
**\$10.00**  
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 **Before/After**  
**Worship/Church Office or Call**  
**Patsy Romano**

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
8:30 am Fellowship  
9:00 am Sunday School  
&  
Bible Study  
10:00 am Worship

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**Greetings to you on this Special Day**

7/02	EVA KRUZEL	7/16	Melinda Schiller	7/24	David Novosad
7/05	Ashley Vojtek	7/16	Rae Marie Kveton	7/24	Joyce Park
7/10	Brett Carter	7/17	Julie Ebers	7/26	EMMA FOLTZ
7/10	Angelia Ramon	7/18	Dennis Tipton	7/31	David Cash
7/11	Brad Kent	7/18	Robert Richter	7/31	Jerry Schroeder
7/11	Heath Novosad	7/23	Mark Romano		

**Happy Anniversary**

Let's rejoice with these couples as they celebrate the designated anniversaries.

7/6/1991	Pastor Kenneth and Melissa Bersche	7/16/2011	Travis and Brittany Pavelka
7/7/1990	Barry and Rachel Wolf	7/18/1953	Fred & Ruth Paben♥
7/14/2012	Doyle and Kimberly Kornegay	7/18/1976	Dennis and Becky Tipton

**Prayers for Nursing Home and Shut Ins**

<u>Ethel Donnelly</u> Colonial Belle - Sealy	<u>Rae Marie Kveton</u> Colonial Belle - Sealy	<u>Joyce Meyer</u> Colonial Belle - Sealy
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**Sympathy** for the family of Mike Michalke who went to be with his Lord on June 2, 2017. He was the son-in-law to Billy and Doris Schaffner. Please keep the entire family in your prayers.



**Sympathy** for the family of Anthony Hlavinka who went to be with his Lord on June 4, 2017. He was on our cancer prayer list. Please keep Barbara Havemann and the rest of his family in your prayers.

**Bell Choir**



**Handbell Choir** – We are looking for anyone that is interested in ringing bells for the Bell Choir. If you are interested in ringing (no experience necessary or need to know about music to participate) please contact Pam Epperly [pgepperly@gmail.com](mailto:pgepperly@gmail.com) or the church office by the end of July. Without enough ringers we will not have Bell Choir for Trinity Lutheran Church. We are praying that some of our members will consider ringing bells.



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**Sunday Morning**



**Adult Bible Class** continues through the summer. Please join us for furthering your Christian education. Only those who can recite the 10 confessions our church subscribes to can be exempt. Otherwise see you Sunday at 9:00 am.



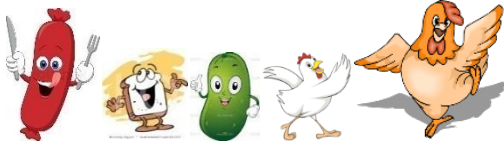
**TLC BARBECUE!**

August 13<sup>th</sup> is the day for our annual BBQ this year. The live and silent auctions bring a unique opportunity to donate something handcrafted. We all love to own one of a kind items made by our friends. We are in the canning season--how about donating some jellies, vegetables, or fruits? It doesn't even have to be processed--a nice box of fresh tomatoes, cucumbers, or okra is a treat for someone without a garden! Also, watch your local stores for big sales on items--it could be the big ticket item of the day! Some merchants may even be willing to donate an item! Be sure to ask all of your neighbors and friends to attend this year.



**Houston Lutheran Chorale** invites you to come celebrate Singing Songs of Faith and Freedom at 6:00 pm, July 4, 2017 located at Downtown Houston, 800 Houston Ave. Bring your folding chairs to stay for hot dogs and the fireworks. Happy Birthday to the USA. No tickets required.

# Annual BBQ



Our annual BBQ and auction is fast approaching! The date this year is Sunday, August 13th in our fellowship hall. There will still be a pit service at KC Hall at 6:30 a.m.-regular service at church will be at 9:00 a.m. The meat, sauce, & potatoes will be cooked at KC Hall-everything else will take place here at the fellowship hall.

Please get in touch with your committee leader to let them know you are helping this year. If you are not on a committee but would like to help, please check out the list of committees and volunteer! There will be a total of 700 tickets sold at \$10.00 each so don't wait until the last minute to purchase yours.

As in past years, there will be live and silent auctions, kids games, Country Store of sweets and stuff, and Ladies Aid desserts. Start looking for that perfect auction item to donate and get out your cookbooks for that delicious cake, pie, or cookie recipe.

Once again, we have posters up letting you know all the ingredients that are used in preparing our meal-envelopes are available if you would like to help with the cost of those items. See you at the BBQ! We WILL find a spot for you to work that day!! If you have any questions, please call George or Janice Wied at 979/865-5357. Let's make this another successful year!

## BBQ Kid's Let's Get Wet at the BBQ! \$5.00 Increments!

A water slide will be part of the excitement outside for all the children. But we need your help to defray the cost of the water slide! On the glass window as you enter the building there is a poster for you to help by donating \$5.00 per line. Families, Friends and Guests! Come with your child's bathing suit and towel and enjoy your barbecue meal, enjoy the auction, desserts and fellowship while the kids enjoy outside and get wet on the water slide!



## Dessert Menu For Ladies Aid



Ladies Aid is in need of desserts for the BBQ. Please sign up on the glass window if you would like to bring cakes, cobblers, pies, cookies or whatever you would like to bake for sale at the BBQ for desserts.

## Country Store of Sweets, Jellies and Relishes



Country Store of Sweets & Stuff will be selling with your help in baking and canning: homemade food items only such as cakes, cup cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, rice crispy treats, muffins, breads, candy, chex mix etc. along with jellies, jams, preserves, and canned items (pickles, fruits, vegetables). No bought items this year. Please dress your items up (be creative). Prices will range from \$1 to \$20 for bake sale items. If you would like to donate an item(s), please sign up in the glass hallway on the Country Store of Sweets & Stuff donation sheet. Items will need to be brought to the Fellowship Center on Saturday, August 12th after 10 am and on Sunday, August 13th before 10 am. We appreciate your helping us with this adventure. For any questions, please contact Mary or Johanna Buechmann at 979-885-2730.



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## Puzzle!

Read the Old Testament book of Ruth, which is a great love story. Then search for these words, which are all from that book.

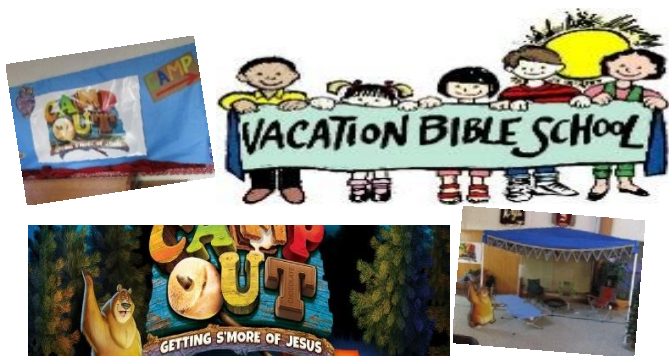
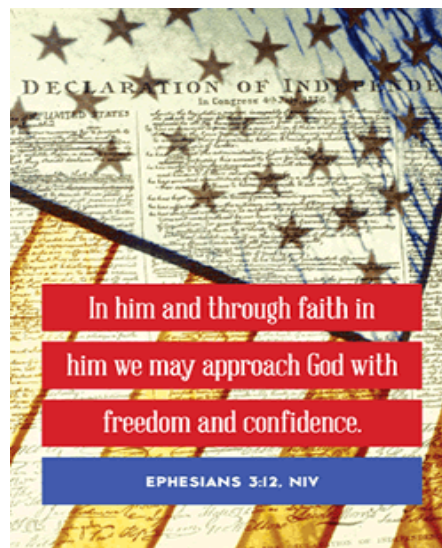
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Thank You!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered to help with CAMP OUT this year.

Thank you to all of the station leaders, crew leaders, & crew/station helpers. The kids really enjoyed their week and that was all because of you. Also, thank you to everyone who helped set up, decorations, food donations, and tear down. So much time goes into putting on VBS that without the congregation and friends of the church this would not happen. You are all greatly appreciated!



Thank you again,  
 Kimberly Kornegay and Board of Education



Wow, it is hard to believe that Preschool will begin in a few weeks! My first day back to preschool will be Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> and the teacher's first day back will be Monday August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Preschool parent letters will be mailed out the second week of August notifying parents of orientation and necessary forms to be turned into the office.

On Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> I will be with the preschool staff in conference 9:00 am - 12:00 pm for staff orientation and staff training.

Preschool Parent Orientation will be Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm-7:00pm in the sanctuary. During Parent Orientation parents are given new Minimum Standard updates that pertain to them and last minute information about the preschool. This is also a great time for parents to ask questions and meet their child's teacher.

The first day of Preschool will be Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. I would like to say a Great Huge Thank You to everyone in advance for all your support and prayers for the preschool. You are greatly appreciated!



**SIGN UP TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE BBQ!** To help defray the cost of the BBQ we are asking for help in monetary donations. Please check out the donation listings on the glass windows as you walk in through the glass doors and sign up for the items you would like to help in \$5.00 increments. Please place your money in the envelope and give to the church office or place in the offering plate. Be sure to register your name and the amount contributed on the envelope so your donation can be properly credited. Thank you for all your help in defraying the cost!

Let's make this a successful year!

COMMITTEES FOR 2017 – Committees are responsible to get their own volunteers:

Committee of	Contact Person	Number	Email
BBQ/Potatoes	Troy Tesch Justin Tesch	979-885-6601	<a href="mailto:teschtroy@gmail.com">teschtroy@gmail.com</a>
Coordinator	George Wied	979-865-5357	<a href="mailto:jlw.tx115@yahoo.com">jlw.tx115@yahoo.com</a>
Donations	Maggie Kent	979-865-9797	<a href="mailto:secmaggie@tlcsealy.org">secmaggie@tlcsealy.org</a>
Serving Inside	Paul & Loyce Orsak	979-335-6354	<a href="mailto:loyce.orsak1@gmail.com">loyce.orsak1@gmail.com</a>
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Ticket Sales	Patsy Romano	979-885-2384	<a href="mailto:mpromano@sbcglobal.net">mpromano@sbcglobal.net</a>
Ticket Sales	Linda Blume	979-885-3285	<a href="mailto:lblume48@gmail.com">lblume48@gmail.com</a>
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**CUT OUT AND MAIL YOUR DONATION TO TLC**

If you would like to help in defraying the cost of the BBQ but cannot get to the church office to drop it off, you can mail your donation and let me know where you want your donation money to go towards.

In \$5.00 Increments

Offering Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not know your offering number stewardship will take care of this for you.

	Quantity	Total Cost
Chicken	_____	_____
Sausage	_____	_____
Pickles	_____	_____
Bread	_____	_____
Potatoes	_____	_____
Pit Rental	_____	_____
Paper Goods	_____	_____
Ingred/Supplies	_____	_____
BBQ Sauce	_____	_____
Charcoal	_____	_____
Beans	_____	_____
Water Slide	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DONATED:</b>		

*Thank You*  
FOR YOUR HELP

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Your Donation Is Greatly Appreciated. You Can Mail Your Donations To The Church.

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## MINUTES OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING June 12, 2017

The Trinity Lutheran Church Council meeting was called to order by President, George Wied. George opened the meeting with prayer. Johanna Buechmann presented the devotion, True Freedom, stressing that we not only have the freedom of living in the greatest country, but we also have freedom in Christ. We are free in our Spirit to serve the Creator of the whole Universe.

### **Council members present:**

- George Wied – President
- Ron Hartmann – Vice President
- Carol Jean Hauschild – Treasurer
- Ruth Szymanski – Secretary
- Valerie Engelbrecht – Education Chairman
- Jerry Leiber – Stewardship Chairman
- Bill Blume – Trustee Chairman
- Johanna Buechmann – Usher Chairman
- Susie Hartmann – Fellowship Chairman
- Pastor Bersche
- Maggie Kent – Preschool
- Johnnie Sodolak – Representing the Elders

### **Council members absent:**

- Lee Hobratschk – Elder Chairman
- Becky Tipton – Evangelism Chairman

The Minutes from the meeting held on May 8, 2017, were presented for review and approval. A motion was made by Carol Jean Hauschild, seconded by Bill Blume, to accept the minutes as presented. All Council members approved and the motion passed.

### **Unfinished/Old Business:**

- The hall rental rates were discussed and it was decided that the rental contract would be revised.
- The facility will only be rented to members. Rental of the gym and kitchen area will require a \$100.00 cleaning deposit. This deposit is refundable, after the event, if there is no damage and if the facility is left in a clean state. The cost for 5 hours will be \$150.00, with \$50.00 per hour for every hour that exceeds 5 hours.
- Rental for the upstairs room will require a \$50.00 cleaning deposit and will cost \$75.00

for 4 hours, with a charge of \$50.00 per hour over 4 hours.

- Cancellation must be made within 5 days prior to the event, or the deposit may not be refunded. This will be based on the reason for the cancellation.
- After this discussion, a motion was made by Ron Hartmann and seconded by Ruth Szymanski to have Bill Blume and Maggie Kent draw up a new contract to be reviewed by Council. All Council members approved and the motion passed.
- The pictorial directory was discussed and an attempt will be made to schedule more dates for pictures to be taken.

### **Chairmen Reports**

Carol Jean Hauschild – Treasurer

- The May 31, 2017, Treasurer's report was presented. The cash balance in the General Fund is \$115,496.17. The Building Fund balance is \$50,952.63 and the Designated Funds balance is \$46,731.75. The Total of all Funds is \$213,180.55.
- The funds from the Lenten, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services have been moved to the General Fund.
- The money in the Designated Funds for the Ice Machine has been paid out, and that project is complete.

Jerry Leiber – Stewardship Chairman

- Jerry reminded Council that the budget items are due by September.

Johnnie Sodolak – for Lee Hobratschk - Elder Chairman

- Johnnie reported that the Elders will be sure that the nursery is open on Sundays for parents with small children to use.
- The Elders approved that Maggie's office close at noon on Fridays, effective June 16, 2017 through August 5, 2017. After discussion, the council suggested that Maggie be given off all day on Fridays, from current through August 5, 2017. The motion was made by Ruth Szymanski and seconded by Susie Hartmann. Council approved and the motion passed.

Ron Hartmann – Vice President

- Nothing to report

Pastor Bersche

- Pastor reported that his first day back at work was June 12, 2017, and he appreciated all the prayers and all of the support he received. He will return to the Pulpit on Sunday, June 18.

Valerie Engelbrecht – Education Chairman

**George Wied – President**  
**Ruth Szymanski – Secretary**

- Vacation Bible School will be held Tuesday, June 20, through Thursday, June 22, from 6 to 8 pm.
- The Mission of VBS is to collect camping type of food for the Sealy Food Pantry.
- Valerie has received “Seed” money from Thrivent to help defray the costs of VBS.

Susie Hartmann – Evangelism Chairman

- Thrivent “Seed” money was used to offset the cost of the Picnic on the Playground, which was very successful and enjoyed by all who attended.

Bill Blume – Trustee Chairman

- There was a discussion on the salary of the Janitorial staff. The Council decided to leave the salary as is, but will review at the time of the budget for next year.
- Bill will be reviewing other cleaning businesses to look at their costs.

Johanna Buechmann – Usher Chairman

- Nothing to report

Maggie Kent – Preschool

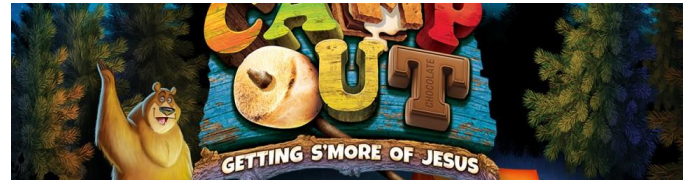
- Nothing to report

A motion was made by Carol Jean Hauschild to accept the Chairmen Reports as presented. Ron Hartmann seconded the motion. All Council members approved the Reports and the motion passed.

#### **New Business**

- Jeannette Simmons donated a beautiful plaque to the church. Council discussed where it should be displayed and it was decided that the Altar Guild will make that decision.
- The Church has received a generous gift of \$25,000.00 from the Estate of Sidney Dell Johnston Remmert. These funds will be placed in a Designated Fund to use for a special project.
- The Pastors’ wives retreat will be held on September 22 and 23 at Camp Lone Star. A motion was made by Carol Jean Hauschild, and seconded by Susie Hartmann, approving Pastor’s wife to attend if she would like to. All approved and the motion passed.
- Discussion continued about finding someone to re-finish the front doors to the Church.

There being no further business, Ron Hartmann made a motion to adjourn. Susie Hartmann seconded the motion. All approved and the motion passed. George Wied will have the devotion for the next meeting, July 10, 2017. The meeting closed with prayer by Pastor Bersche.



## **VBS Camp Out**





# More of VBS





