TRINITY WINFIELD CELEBRATES 125TH

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Winfield, began its year long celebration of its 125th anniversary on September 9 with a service of thanksgiving and dedication followed by a presentation of the history of the congregation and a meal. The Rev. Walter Behrhorst was the preacher and Dr. Roland Mueller gave the overhead history presentation. A new elevator and seven renovated or new lavatories were also dedicated at the service.

The Rev. "Wally" Behrhorst had been the president of the congregation when it celebrated its 100th anniversary and had been a professor of St. Johns College, formerly in Winfield, from 1954 till its close. Dr. Roland Mueller had also served the college as a professor of history from 1956 till its close.

Trinity congregation will continue its celebration with another service of Praise and Thanksgiving on November 18. On April 13, 2008 there will be a special service followed by a banquet at the former St. John's College, now the Winfield Community Center. The year of celebration will end coinciding with the St. John's College alumnae celebration on June 22, celebrating Lutheran Education in Winfield.

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Roderick Hathaway is the Pastor of Trinity. Members of the Facilities Committee which planned the building project and led the congregation through its completion were Julie Utt, Chairperson; Ken Adamek, who interfaced with the construction companies on behalf of the committee and congregation; Kurt Grimm, Ken Haskell, Rick Meyer, David Ray, Con Spainhour, and Mary Wacker. The 125th Anniversary Committee was chaired by Sara Deepe. Committee members included Pastor Hathaway, Kathy Grimm, Ken Haskell, Margaret Schmitz, Tim Smith, and Mary Wacker.

The congregation invites former members, staff, and fellow members of the Body of Christ to join them in this celebration of God's blessings over these 125 years.

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