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TRINITY—A MISSOURI SYNOD LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

November 2025

Happy Thankbgiving

Go your way, eat what is rich, drink what is sweet, and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord.

And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

–Nehemiah 8:10–



FROM THE PASTOR...

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

How much are we teaching? Parents, how well did you teach your children about the faith that is in Christ Jesus our Lord? We may reflect on this and say we did all right. We may reflect on this and say, "I could do better," or, "I could have done better." When was the last time you asked yourself, "how much importance is placed on my own spiritual instruction?

Unfortunately, we often, in our Church, catechize (from the Greek κατηχέω, to orally instruct) only during adolescence and then never re-approach the catechism again. Our blue or maroon Small Catechism is often left forgotten on the shelf. Should this be? Luther would be disturbed by such a notion. We ought to be teaching orally the catechism even before reading age.

In Luther's preface to the Large Catechism, he says, "It contains what every Christian should know. Anyone who does not know [the Catechism] should not be numbered among Christians nor admitted to the sacrament, just as artisans who do not know the rules and practices of their craft are rejected and considered incompetent." Obviously, this instruction is important, and we recognize this during confirmation, but what about before? What about after?

A joke:

How do you get rid of church mice? You baptize or confirm them, and they will never return.

We have often neglected the importance of our spiritual instruction. We often are not training up our children sufficiently or consistently in the way they should go. Perhaps this is because our own spiritual instruction was lacking. I pray for all people and families that we pick up our catechism once again and review it frequently.

We would never want to be considered incompetent. We certainly would never want our children to be considered incompetent. We work diligently to teach them reading, writing, and arithmetic; why then is our catechism not taught as earnestly and diligently as these?

Luther also says, "it is the duty of every head of a household at least once a week to examine the children and servants one after the other and ascertain what they know or have learned of it, and, if they do not know it, to keep

them faithfully at it." heads of household, it's time to step up and catechize your children. They can't read? Then teach orally. They can read! Read it with them.

Point them always to God's will for them in the 10 Commandments, to the Christ who forgives sins who is confessed in the Apostles' Creed, and to a life of prayer as our Lord taught us in the Lord's Prayer. Pick up your catechism and make sure you know it.

Pastor Williamson



Watch Our Worship Services at Home!

Weekly recordings will be available on our YouTube page ("Trinity Lutheran—Wausau") and website (trinitywausau.org), as well as televised on Spectrum Channel 980 and TDS Channel 14 at the following times: 9pm Wednesday, 2pm Thursday, and 8am Friday

CALENDAR—NOVEMBER 2025

Saturday, November 1:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors

5:00 PM All Saints' Day Contemporary Worship—SLC

Sunday, November 2:

7:30 AM All Saints' Day Traditional Worship—

Sanctuary

9:00 AM All Saints' Day Traditional Worship—

Sanctuary

9:15 AM All Saints' Day Modern Contemporary

Worship—SLC

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: Book of Acts—Parlors

10:30 AM 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Class—Rm 212

10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms

6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, November 3: No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, November 4:

8:00 AM Trinity Quilters—Parlors

9:30 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge

3:15 PM Grief Share—Parlors

5:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC

6:30 PM JuBellation Handbell Rehearsal—Music Rm

Wednesday, November 5:

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study: Proverbs—Parlors

10:00 AM School Chapel—Sanctuary

5:15 PM TLC Nights—Cafeteria

Thursday, November 6:

6:00 PM Trail Life Meeting—SLC

6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Room

Friday, November 7:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

4:00 PM American Heritage Girls—Lounge

6:00 PM School Family Trivia Night—SLC

Saturday, November 8:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors

5:00 PM Contemporary Worship—SLC

Sunday, November 9:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:15 AM Modern Contemporary Worship—SLC

10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: Book of Acts—Parlors

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10:30 AM 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Class—Rm 212

6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, November 10:

1:00 PM Goetsch/Wadzinski Women's Bible Study—

Parlors

Tuesday, November 11:

8:00 AM Trinity Quilters—Parlors

8:00 AM Blood Drive—Community Blood Center

(211 Forest St., Wausau, 8am-6pm)

10:00 AM Veterans' Day Service & Luncheon—

Sanctuary, Lounge

1:00 PM LWML Women's Fellowship—Parlors

3:15 PM Grief Share—Parlors

5:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC

6:00 PM Board of Elders—Parlors

6:30 PM JuBellation Handbell Rehearsal—Music Rm

Wednesday, November 12:

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study: Proverbs—Parlors

10:00 AM School Chapel—Sanctuary

5:15 PM TLC Nights—Cafeteria

Thursday, November 13:

3:00 PM Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays—Parlors

6:00 PM Church Council Meeting—Parlors

6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Room

Friday, November 14:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, November 15:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors

5:00 PM Contemporary Worship—SLC

Sunday, November 16:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:15 AM Modern Contemporary Worship—SLC

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: Book of Acts—Parlors

10:30 AM 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Class—Rm 212

10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms

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6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, November 17: No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, November 18:

9:30 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge

1:00 PM NO JOY Group

3:15 PM Grief Share—Parlors

5:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC

6:30 PM JuBellation Handbell Rehearsal—Music Rm

Wednesday, November 19:

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study: Proverbs—Parlors

10:00 AM School Chapel—Sanctuary

5:15 PM TLC Nights—Cafeteria

Thursday, November 20:

6:00 PM Trail Life Meeting—SLC

CALENDAR—NOVEMBER 2025 (CONT.)

TRINITY CHILDCARE

6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Room

Friday, November 21:

Bulletin Assembly—Parlors 8:00 AM

4:00 PM American Heritage Girls—Lounge

Saturday, November 22:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors

9:00 AM Quarterly Sanctuary Cleaning—Sanctuary

5:00 PM Contemporary Worship—SLC

Sunday, November 23:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

9:15 AM Modern Contemporary Worship—SLC 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: Book of Acts—Parlors

10:30 AM 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Class—Rm 212

10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms

6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, November 24:

1:00 PM Goetsch/Wadzinski Women's Bible Study-

Parlors

Tuesday, November 25:

8:00 AM Trinity Quilters—Parlors

10:00 AM School Chapel—Sanctuary

Grief Share—Parlors 3:15 PM

Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC 5:15 PM

6:30 PM Altar Guild—Parlors

JuBellation Handbell Rehearsal—Music Rm 6:30 PM

Wednesday, November 26:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Lounge

9:00 AM NO Adult Bible Study

10:00 AM Thanksgiving Eve Worship—Sanctuary

Thanksgiving Eve Worship—Sanctuary 6:00 PM

Thursday, November 27: *Thanksgiving (Offices Closed)*

No Scheduled Events

Friday, November 28: (Offices Closed)

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, November 29:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors

5:00 PM Contemporary Worship—SLC

Sunday, November 30:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

Traditional Worship—Sanctuary 9:00 AM

Modern Contemporary Worship—SLC 9:15 AM

10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: Book of Acts—Parlors

10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms

6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Kylee Dampier has been a part of the Trinity family for almost a year now. Kylee works primarily in our Little Lambs classroom with our infants. She's from Weston and a graduate of DC Everest High School. Kylee is a Gold Star Child—her father was called to glory in 2006 while stationed in Iraq. She comes from a large family, with three sisters and one brother. In her free

time, she enjoys baking and being creative—coming up with her own recipes is a favorite adventure. Kylee thoroughly enjoys working with our Little Lambs friends; she says "it's good for the soul." We agree and consider it a blessing to have her kind and loving personality on our team.

HIRING WE ARE

Growth at Trinity Lutheran Childcare has created the need for more qualified staff. We are seeking Childcare teachers to care for and guide children in a Christ-centered environment. Responsibilities include planning and supervising classroom activities as well as modeling strong faith and Christian values to students and their families. Prior childcare experience is preferred. We offer opportunities to complete necessary certifications and the potential for bonuses when certifications are completed. We are hiring for the following positions:

- -Lead Childcare Teacher, in the 4 year old classroom 10am-4pm, Monday-Friday, \$18/hour*
- -Childcare Teacher Assistants, classrooms vary 6:15am-12:15pm or 12pm-6pm, Monday—Friday; \$14 until certified, then \$16/hour*

Applications can be submitted through indeed.com, search Trinity Lutheran Wausau.

*Pay based on qualifications. Ask us about Retirement, PTO, Tuition Assistance, and Certification Bonuses.

FAREWELL

Abby Northup has resigned as Childcare Director, and will transition to a new role outside of Trinity Nov. 10. She brought many gifts to her role in the past year and a half, and we lift her up in prayers of thanksgiving for sharing those gifts with us. As a value-added member of the leadership team, Abby will be greatly missed. We are grateful that we will continue to see her as a school parent, a mother of a staff member (her daughter works with us), and a member of our congregation.

The Childcare Director position is posted, and we are actively seeking a qualified director to lead this team of 23 staff members. The position is posted with the NWD and on Indeed.

TRINITY SCHOOL, ANDREW HULKE

Here's What's Happening

Fall at Trinity means fall sports. We were blessed this year to have many of our students participate in soccer and volleyball. This year we were able to field two co-ed soccer teams and three girls volleyball teams. All our teams were quite successful. Praise God! We are thankful for the fun and fellowship these programs add for our students, our parents, and with our relationships with other area schools. Thank you to all our volunteer coaches and Mr. Kline, our Athletic Director for all the time they put into fall sports.

We also wish to give a big <u>CONGRATULATIONS!</u> to our Girls A volleyball team. They were invited to participate at the State Volleyball Tournament for the **3rd** year in a row. The tournament took place on October 24-26. Our Trinity Eagles came home Consolation Champions and were recipients of the Spirit Award!





Dates to Remember

- November 4 & 6— Parent Teacher Conferences
- → November 11 Veteran's Day Celebration 10:00am
- → **November 26-28**—No School—Thanksgiving Break

Student Council 2025-26

I would like to introduce to you the students that were elected to this year's Student Council. These students help in planning a variety of events for our student body and serve as leaders in our classrooms. Thanks to Mrs. Grosnick in her leadership and all other staff members that support these young leaders in their work.

This Year's Student Council Members:

Olivia Robinson, Zoey Grosnick, Harper Treu, Eva Knock, Jose Olcott, Archer Strande, Colten Egner, Enzo Murillo, Alijah Prasoeuthsy



Veterans' Day Service & Luncheon

10:00am, Tuesday, November 11, 2025

All veterans and their guests, as well as current military are invited to attend this special service in the Sanctuary. A luncheon honoring veterans and their families will be served following the service.



CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR, TINA DICKENS

Facilities/Properties

The sound system overhaul in the Sanctuary is complete! This project included new speakers, wiring, sound board and mixer, and it totaled \$30,000. The sound system should integrate into our recording software and provide enhancements both in worship services and the recorded services for those watching at home. Hull Audio completed the project ahead of schedule.

September Financial Summary

While we ended our fiscal year in June at 100% of Tithes and Offerings, we definitely saw a decline in giving over the summer, and we have yet to see that recover at the time of this article. Last year's September was a little lower in income, but our year-to-date numbers are lower this fiscal year by about \$22,500. We see that as significant at this point in the year. However, this may be because we have people who give at the end of the calendar year. It may be because Qualified Charitable Distributions are not coming until later in the year...or it may mean that giving is down. We will be keeping a close eye on that as the first quarter of the fiscal year comes to an end. We made staff wages a priority in this fiscal year. If the income is not what we budgeted, we will struggle to meet that commitment.

The financial chart includes 4 line items at the bottom that show the "bottom" line for each area within the church. We added a 5th line this year to reflect the School Choice Reserve Liability. We are all one budget, but we do have individual responsibilities for our respective areas. There is also a comparison to last year in the chart. Highlights from last month's financials include:

Childcare:

- Childcare income in September was right where we expected it to be. We brought in \$10,000 more this month than the same month last year.
- When we have additional children, we often need additional staffing. Expenses were right at budget.
- The bottom line for Childcare was near what we expected.

School:

- School income in JULY was far above what we expected to see, so it is no surprise that the income in September is lower. Many families paid tuition for the whole year at Registration, and Registration took place in July.
- Looking at the YTD bottom line, we are performing \$16,000 better than budget.
- DPI changed the way it handles 4K School Choice, which will actually benefit us this year. That leads to a little more income in School Choice than we expected to receive this year.
- We will have less support from the State to the School this year because the State cut some Title funding from its budget.
 We previously used this money for staff education. We will be able to work with this in the next budget, but we need to look forward and plan for this moving forward.
- The State has also fewer resources for Speech Therapy, which the Wausau School District used to provide in house at Trinity. They are still providing this service, but over a video call. Because of this change, we have increased Teacher Assistant hours to accommodate the service. This was not a budgeted expense, but it is necessary.

Church:

- We have a new service at 9:15am Sunday. The "Modern" service intentionally "feels different" from the Saturday Contemporary service, which is reminiscent of the old 10:40 service. The new service has all of the elements of an LCMS service, but you might have to be focused to recognize that. Don't get lost in the details...enjoy worship.
- TLC Nights is GROWING! If you haven't attended this family-focused fellowship meal (5:15pm-6pm) and educational time (6pm-6:45pm), check it out. Take a night off from preparing and cleaning up, and enjoy a meal with your church & school family! Then join an educational time...it is truly great for all ages, and you can choose a topic tailored to your interest.
 Childcare is provided. If you have ideas about topics for consideration in the winter TLC Nights sessions, share that info with a volunteer at the event.

Overall:

- Overall, we are right where we expected to be at this point in the year (we are \$546 off from budget for the bottom line). That is something to celebrate.
- As always, if you have an idea about how we can be practicing better stewardship of the congregation's funds, or if you feel that we are not being good stewards in one area or another, please discuss that with Chad Schwantes, Chairman of the Congregation (chairman@trinitynet.org). We strive to be good stewards of the LORD's gifts.

FINANCIALS—SEPTEMBER 2025

We continue to pay down debt ahead of schedule. Debt is currently:

- Endowment Loan: \$51,218 ← Perspective...we borrowed \$212,000 from the Endowment in 2018 with the goal of paying it back in 15 years We are WAY ahead of schedule with interest.
- Thrivent Loan: \$421,371 ← Perspective...this was just under \$1,000,000 when I began at Trinity in August 2015!
- TOTAL Debt: \$472,499

Current account balances (as of Sept 30, 2025):

- Checking: \$128,588Savings: \$463,528
- **Original Endowment: \$1,107,718 (Original Endowment that disburses annually based on percentages prescribed decades ago that does not change. You cannot donate to specific areas within this endowment. All income is prescribed just like the disbursements.)
- **Pegorsch Education Endowment: \$185,177 (Set up through Trinity by the Pegorsch children to fund Trinity tuition incurred by workers called to serve at Trinity. If there are no children of Called Workers, the annual disbursement can be used to cover Trinity early childhood or childcare tuition for Called Workers of Trinity).
- **Krienke Properties Endowment: \$105,810 (Set up through Trinity by George H. Krienke, DVM to fund Trinity properties projects that qualify as "capital projects." Disbursements will be banked year over year if there are no capital projects to fund in the disbursement year.)

We are excited about Trinity's Mission/Vision: Teach the faith; Love the lost; Connect all to Christ...and we hope you are, too!

			ACTUAL				ACTUAL		
	Sep 25	Budget	TO BUDGET	Sep 24	Jul - Sep 25	YTD Budget	TO BUDGET	Jul - Sep 24	Annual Budget
Income									
CHILDCARE INC	42,690	44,702	(2,012)	32,385	147,149	149,506	(2,357)	128,730	607,141
COUNCIL INC	85,999	90,636	(4,637)	81,437	254,352	276,880	(22,528)	273,101	1,174,918
ELDERS INC	30	65	(35)	0	130	195	(65)	258	780
SCHOOL INC	158,770	167,428	(8,658)	169,548	321,384	305,393	15,991	309,194	1,365,135
Total Income	287,489	302,831	(15,342)	283,370	723,015	731,974	(8,959)	711,283	3,147,974
Gross Profit	287,489	302,831	(15,342)	283,370	723,015	731,974	(8,959)	711,283	3,147,974
Expense									
CHILDCARE EXP	51,676	51,576	(100)	40,980	171,848	155,740	(16,108)	151,549	667,457
COUNCIL EXP	16,764	18,526	1,762	17,916	45,251	52,713	7,462	50,223	567,470
ELDERS EXP	39,404	39,053	(351)	36,269	123,143	118,961	(4,182)	113,725	497,912
SCHOOL EXP	106,854	110,674	3,820	113,242	318,949	340,190	21,241	308,656	1,365,135
Total Expense	214,698	219,829	5,131	208,407	659,191	667,604	8,413	624,153	3,097,974
Net Income	72,791	83,002	(10,211)	74,963	63,824	64,370	(546)	87,130	50,000
CHILDCARE Net Income	(8,986)	(6,874)	(2,112)	(8,595)	(24,699)	(6,234)	(18,465)	(22,819)	(60,316)
CONGREGATIONAL Net Income	69,235	72,110	(2,875)	63,521	209,101	224,167	(15,066)	222,878	607,448
ELDERS Net Income	(39,374)	(38,988)	(386)	(36,269)	(123,013)	(118,766)	(4,247)	(113,467)	(497,132)
SCHOOL Net Income	51,916	56,754	(4,838)	56,306	2,435	(34,797)	37,232	538	0
School Choice Reserve Balance 50,000									

^{**}Please note that you can donate to ANY of the 3 Endowments, so you should specify which endowment you are donating to in the memo line of your check. If your check memo says "Endowment," your donation will automatically go to the Original Endowment.

BIBLE STUDIES, MINISTRIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Bible Study

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS—in our **9am Wednesday** Bible Study in the Parlors, led by Pastor Sundbom. The wisdom of the Lord underlies and supports the universe. Wisdom is more precious than any worldly wealth, and God wants to give it to all. Through faith strengthened by the Holy Spirit working through His Word, God provides wisdom.

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES—an in-depth study on the book of Acts, held at **10:30am on Sundays** in the Parlors, led by Pastor Williamson.

Women's Ministry

The November meeting of Women's Fellowship will be held on Tuesday, November 11 at 1:00pm in the Lounge coffee area. This is open to all women, so come any month that fits your schedule. We will join in a short Bible Study, and then tie several quilts.



Sunday, December 7 at 3:00pm

Invite your moms, daughters, granddaughters, or girlfriends to join our women for an hour of music, fellowship, refreshments, and being in God's Word. *Watch for sign-up sheets near the narthex and SLC in November.*

We would love to see you as a guest, or you can assist with this event in the following ways:

- Decorate a table for 8 with candles, centerpieces, glasses, utensils, and dessert plates (you may use china, paper, plastic).
- Bring cookies, bars, or fruit and dip
- Prepare the coffee and hot cider, or donate the cider
- Be a reader in the program
- Help plate all the treats for buffet serving
- Help with cleanup
- Help carry table decorations in and out to cars

Youth, Children & Family

YOUTH AT TRINITY Youth grades 6-12 are invited to attend these weekly gatherings in the Youth House from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Stay connected through the TeamReach app, using the code: **Youthattrinity24**.

October was a fantastic month for Youth Group! Our Bible Study continued with the Sermon on the Mount, focusing on what it means to be the Salt and the Light. For our servant event, the youth helped out at the School Carnival—assisting with games and activities as part of our community outreach. We also had a great turnout for our annual Maize Maze trip to Willow Springs, and everyone had a wonderful time!

Looking ahead to November: We'll continue our Bible Study with the theme *Fulfilled*, exploring how Jesus truly is God. Our servant event will involve assembling care packages for former Trinity youth who are either away at college or serving in the military. **Please note:** There will be no Youth Group on November 30 due to the Thanksgiving weekend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Trinity Kids Sunday School has a tradition of putting on a children's Christmas program in December. While we are waiting a little bit longer to unveil this year's program theme, know that you can expect to hear the good news of Jesus' birth through entertainment and song!

Auditions for the Sunday School Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, November 16 at 10:30am in the Library. *ALL Trinity Lutheran Church & School students 4K-6th grade are welcome to participate.* Participants should plan on attending at least 3 out of the 4 program rehearsals on Sunday mornings, 10:30-11:30am, as well as the performance at the 9:15 contemporary service on Sunday, December 21.

11/16/2025	Christmas Program Auditions
11/23/2025	Christmas Program Rehearsals
11/30/2025	Rehearsals
12/7/2025	Rehearsals
12/14/2025	Rehearsals
12/21/2025	Christmas Program at 9:15am in SLC

More information will be posted on the bulletin board upstairs and emailed to all registered Sunday School families and past participants. For students who are new to the Christmas Program/Sunday School, an online form is available on our website. Questions? Please email kimberlyattrinityss@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDIES, MINISTRIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

CHRIST-CENTERED SCOUTING GROUPS AT TRINITY

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS (AHG) is for girls ages 5-18. We meet the 1st and 3rd Fridays of every month at 4:00pm in the Parlors. Connect with us online at https://americanheritagegirls.org/find-a-troop/.

TRAIL LIFE is for boys ages 5-18. We meet every other Thursday of each month, 6-7pm in the SLC. Learn more at https://trinitywausau.org/ministries/children-and-youth-at-trinity/trail-life-usa/.

Men's Ministry

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: *Saturdays, 8-8:45am, Parlors* All men are welcome to come for fellowship and to spend time in God's Word. Contact Dave Christian at 715-410-7012 with any questions.

Ministries & Service Opportunities

GRIEF SHARE is being held Tuesdays at 3:15pm in the Parlors. All are welcome who are seeking hope & healing after a major loss. Each of the 13 sessions has its own theme, so come as you are able. Questions? Contact the church office.

GRIEF SHARE: SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS is a community of people who know what it's like to walk through the holidays in grief. You will find connection and comfort in knowing you're not alone this season. Join us on Thursday, November 13 from 3:00 to 4:30pm in the Parlors.

JOY GROUP will be meeting Tuesday, November 11 at 10am. Please note—this is not the regular day or time. We will be attending the Veterans' Day presentation sponsored by the school.

TRINITY QUILTERS meets the 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays at 8am in the Parlors. Join us in making beautiful creations that honor God and help our community!

QUARTERLY SANCTUARY CLEANING Please consider joining us for a few hours on Saturday morning, November 22 to do a light dust-up before the busy holidays are here! Bring a wash pail and cleaning cloth. One and all are welcome! Thank you to all past helpers! Plan now to join us (use the 5th Ave. entrance).

BLOOD DRIVE will be held on November 11 at the Community Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin (211 Forest St., Wausau) 8:00am to 6:00pm. Join us!

BLIND OUTREACH GATHERING will be held on Saturday, December 6, 11:30am-2:00pm in the Parlors. Those who are blind or visually-impaired and their caregivers are welcome to join us for fellowship, refreshments, and fun!

SALVATION ARMY 5TH SUNDAY November 30 is a 5th Sunday in November—we collect nonperishable food items for our local Salvation Army on this date. Donations are promptly delivered and so appreciated! Thank you for all past donations!

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO VOLUNTEER? JOIN THE ALTAR GUILD Prepare the Lord's supper for your congregation. Are you a confirmed member of the Trinity congregation? Then, you are the perfect fit. Flexible self-scheduling with a minimal time commitment, just one service every 4 weeks & quarterly meetings. Contact the Church office to get involved: email info@trinitynet.org or call 715-842-0769.

Announcements & Events

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS: 7:30am-3pm M-F. Scrip gift cards will be sold 7:30am-2pm, as well as on the weekends between services.

Offices and childcare will be closed on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28.

COFFEE HOUR is in full swing! We're looking for volunteers to help make it a success! Any assistance you can offer would be greatly appreciated. Please consider volunteering and being part of this welcoming tradition. If interested or have any questions, feel free to contact Kelly at 715-574-1584.



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TLC NIGHTS

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm—Contemporary Worship (SLC) Sunday 7:30am — Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Sunday 9:00am — Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Sunday 9:15am — Modern Contemporary Worship (SLC)

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES All Saints' Day

Regular Saturday & Sunday Worship Times To remember our departed members and friends, their names will be read and a bell tolled for each name.

Veterans' Day Celebration

10:00am, Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Thanksgiving Eve

10:00am & 6:00pm, Wednesday, November 26, 2025

Midweek Advent

10am & 6pm Wednesdays, December 3 & 10, 2025

Giving Tree

Look for signs of Christmas on November 22-23 weekend. We look forward to bringing cheer to the residents at the Hagar House (a faith-based organization for women and their children that provide help and home made possible through Christ-centered community support). This year, we will be collecting gift cards from different venues so that the families can enjoy some fun activities together such as ice skating, bowling, movies, and even enjoying a pizza. It's very easy to do! Just take a tag off the tree, purchase the gift card, and return it to the designated box either by the Giving Tree or the secure box located on the wall by the church office. You may also put it in the offering plate when you worship. Each card will have a value on it as a suggestion and you can decide if you would like to do that amount or more. Some of the gift cards might be available through our Scrip program, which, if utilized, would also fundraise for Trinity! Please return your gift cards to Trinity by Sunday, December 14 so we can get the cards to the Hagar House in time for Christmas. Thank you for supporting this outreach adventure! Please contact Pauline with any questions at 715-845-3202.

TLC Nights



Teach the Faith; Love the Lost; Connect All to Christ

Wednesday Nights (September 17 - November 19) 5:15pm—FREE Meal & Fellowship in the Cafeteria 6:00pm—Educational Program / Bible Study

Educational Offerings:

"Pumpkin Palooza"

Kindergarten through 5th Grade

Led by Kim Kramer in Room 104

This program will first focus on planting the seed of faith that can transform lives through Biblical stories. Then, we will explore God's creation in autumn through games and other diverse learning experiences.

"Christianity in 'The Chronicles of Narnia'"

6th-12th Graders through Adults

Led by Rev. James Mayland in Room 203
Do you enjoy fantastical tales full of adventure? Learning about C. S. Lewis' The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe and find clear Christian concepts through the magical world of Narnia and beyond.

"Male & Female: Embracing Your Role in God's Design" Adult Bible Study

Led by Rev. Peter Williamson in the Music Room Examine what God's Word says about the male and female roles in marriage in this Christian book study, as well as how to maintain a health marriage in a world whose views have become incompatible with the Word of God. Participants will receive a free copy of the book, "Male & Female: Embracing Your Role in God's Design" by Jonathan and Christa Petzold.

"Faith Foundations: 10 Essential Christian Truths"

Adult Bible Study

Led by DJ Schult (LCMS NWD Office) in Room 202
In this study, which is centered around group discussion and a short teaching video, we will tackle questions like what we were made for and why/how to live out our faith to become mature disciples of Christ.

"Death and Resurrection of the Messiah" Adult Bible Study

Led by Bob Popelka (Elder) in the Spiritual Life Center A video-based study filmed on location, Ray Vander Laan takes us into the world of the Bible as viewed through a theological window, enabling us to better understand God's mission through cultural and historical context.

*Childcare will be offered for 0-4 year olds from 6-6:45pm.



Register for the meal with the QR code and stay for the 45-minute Educational program!

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. tappy Birthday!

To our members who are celebrating their 80th or more birthday in November!

November 1 Lloyd Wojciechowski

November 2 **Roy Notz**

November 3 Sharon Erdman November 4 Geri Goetsch November 7 Jane Auner November 8 Stephen Mann November 11 **Carol Zastrow** Elaine Strasser November 12 Dale Kanitz November 14 November 26 Virginia Erdman November 29 Theodora Porter November 30 **Mavis Steidinger**

Holy Baptism! We welcome the following into the Lord's family through Baptism.

Kenna Holzem October 12 Hildie Hess October 19

CHURCH OFFICERS & BOARD CONTACTS

Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following who will be celebrating their 50th or more wedding anniversary!

♥ Roy & Ann Notz November 6 David & Gwendolyn McDonald November 15 John & Barbara Krueger November 25

Our Sympathy.

We extend our sympathy to the families of those who have passed away.

Sally Sigmund October 19

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Help us decorate the church for Christmas! If you'd like to place an order for one (or more) poinsettia(s), please fill out the form below and return to the church office by *Sunday*, *December 7*. Cost is \$15 each. Flowers may be picked up after the 9am worship service on Christmas Day. Questions? Please call the church office at 715-842-0769.

Name	9am worship service on Christmas Day. Questions? Pie	ease can the church office at 713-64	+2-0707.
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