

THE YELLOW SHEET

DECEMBER 10TH-DECEMBER 17TH, 2023

Sunday, December 10th:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
9:00 AM Blended Worship—Sanctuary
10:15 AM Adult Bible Study: Revelation—
Parlors*
10:15 AM Sunday School: Christmas Program
Auditions & Rehearsal—Sanctuary*
10:15 AM Confirmation Class—SLC*
3:00 PM Advent By Candlelight—Parlors
6:00 PM Sr. YAT—Youth House

Monday, December 11th:

1:00 PM Goetsch/Wadzinski Women's Bible
Study—Parlors
5:45 PM Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC
6:00 PM JuBellation Handbell Rehearsal—
Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 12th:

8:00 AM Blood Drive @ Blood Center of
Northcentral Wisconsin (8am-6:30pm)
9:30 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge
12:00 PM LWML Women's Fellowship Christmas
Potluck—Parlors
6:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting—Parlors
6:00 PM School Board Meeting—SLC

Wednesday, December 13th:

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study: Revelation—Parlors
10:00 AM Advent Midweek Worship—Sanctuary
5:30 PM Adult Bible Study: Revelation—Parlors
6:30 PM Advent Midweek Worship—Sanctuary

Thursday, December 14th:

6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary

Friday, December 15th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, December 16th:

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study—Parlors
5:00 PM Contemporary Worship—Sanctuary

Sunday, December 17th:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship: Choral Service—
Sanctuary
9:00 AM Traditional Worship: Choral Service—
Sanctuary
10:15 AM *NO Adult Bible Study*
10:15 AM Sunday School Christmas Program—
Sanctuary
10:15 AM Confirmation Class—SLC*
6:00 PM YAT Christmas Party—Youth House

PLEASE NOTE: On Sundays at 10:15am through December 17th, Adult Bible Study will be held in the Parlors, Confirmation Class will be held in the Spiritual Life Center, and Sunday School will be rehearsing for/ having their Christmas Program in the Sanctuary during Spiritual Growth Hour.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2024 are available for pick-up beginning this weekend in the Narthex. They are arranged in alphabetical order—thank you to Lynn Wadzinski for volunteering to set them out! If you are one of our homebound members and would like to receive your envelopes via mail or visiting pastor, please let the church office know. If you are not currently assigned offering envelopes and would like a box for 2024, please let the church office know.

JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH, SHEPHERDS, AND...ANGELS
Prepare your heart for the birth of our Savior and hear the Christmas story from a new angle. Join us for Advent Midweek Worship on Wednesday, December 13th at 10:00am or 6:30pm in the Sanctuary for Mary's Angle on Angels.

GIVING TREE UPDATE If you took off a Giving Tree tag and purchased a gift card, we need the card returned to church by December 17th to be delivered to the Hagar House in time for Christmas. You can place that card in the offering plate or in the lockbox outside the church office. Thank you so very much for making this outreach project a huge success!

CHRISTMAS CHORAL SERVICE For 40 years now, Trinity has held a Christmas Choral Service in December. This unique service enables the various choirs and instrumentalists of Trinity to lead the congregation in worship and reflection as we approach the birth of our Savior. This music-filled service will take place next Sunday, December 17th, at both 7:30am and 9:00am. Spread the word with family and friends.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE On Wednesday, December 20th at 10am and 6:30pm, the students of Trinity Lutheran School will present “Prepare the Way” at our final Midweek Advent service. Join us as our construction crew takes us through the work zone on the way to Bethlehem to meet the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ!

UPCOMING SPECIAL WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday, December 24, 2023

9:00am—Traditional Worship

4:00pm—Christmas Eve Blended Worship

10:00pm—Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Monday, December 25, 2023

9:00am—Christmas Day Traditional Worship

Saturday, December 30, 2023

5:00pm—Contemporary Worship

Sunday, December 31, 2023

9:00am—Traditional Worship

***Please note there is no 5:00pm Contemporary Worship on Saturday, December 23, 2023.*

ASSOCIATE PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE On October 24th the Board of Elders held a Town Hall meeting to discuss our next Associate Pastor. The Board of Elders has formed a Call Committee to work off the information we gathered at that meeting. The complete committee consists of 7 members: 2 from the Board of Elders, 1 from the School Board, 1 Teacher and 3 congregational members. The committee will begin meeting this month and will meet as needed until an Associate Pastor has accepted the call from Trinity.

THANK YOU A sincere thank you to all who helped with the Sanctuary cleaning on November 25th. We are blessed to have willing workers!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Join us on Sunday, December 17th at 10:15am in the Sanctuary. Our Sunday School students are excited to present “Celebrating the Nativity” and share the Good News of Jesus’ birth!

FELLOWSHIP & PR is looking for more volunteers to serve on their committee! Under the supervision of Trinity’s Church Council, the Fellowship & PR Committee oversees the bringing together of our congregation through various events, such as Coffee Hour, Years of Service and Retirement recognitions, and other annual events like the Brat Fry & Corn Roast. If you are interested in serving on this committee or would like more information, contact the church office. Thank you!

THE HOT CHOCOLATE GIVEAWAY is an outreach event that Trinity has participated in for many years. The Wausau Christmas Parade goes right past Trinity, so we have a large number of families that gather in front of our church to watch the event. This year, we gave out about 500 cups of “tummy warming” hot chocolate.

Thank you to those who helped make and distribute the hot chocolate: Gloria Ninnemann, John Ninnemann, Deb Neuman, Pastor & Regina Mayland, Sam & Chris Swisse, Alice Swisse, Lisa & Herb Lessmiller, Logan and Ryder Lessmiller, Macy Streeter, Brooke Prochnow, Emmalin Grosnick, Naomie Weiss, Enzo Murillo, Olivia Budzynski, Jack Budzynski, and Kendall Mell. Also, thank you to Todd & Reyne Hauer, who donated cups! Your time helped us keep the reason for Christmas in front of those we served.

ALTAR FLOWERS Thank you to all who provided altar flowers this year—they really brighten the Sanctuary and make our worship experience even more beautiful! The 2024 Altar Flower chart is now posted outside the Church Administrator’s office—sign up today!

BLOOD DRIVE Did you know that every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood? Help save a life—come to our next Trinity Blood Drive day at the Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin on Tuesday, December 12th, 8:00am-6:30pm.

DON'T FORGET! We collect non-perishable foods for the Salvation Army on the 5th Sundays of the month (Dec.. 31st). Please help us fill the totes by the Parlors—all gets delivered and is much appreciated. Thank you!

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS are 7:30am-4:00pm. Door #1 (the main door entering the lobby) will be open during office hours—anything else will need to be scheduled through the church or school offices. ***Please Note: Offices will be closed Monday, December 25th and Tuesday, December 26th for Christmas.***

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT will be held this Sunday, December 10th at 3:00pm in the Parlors. Women of all ages are invited for a time of fellowship, music, and delicious desserts. You can choose to set and decorate a table, bring cookies and treats, or just be a guest in preparing our hearts for Advent, with the theme, “The King Shall Come.” Sign-up sheets are located in the Narthex. We look forward to seeing you there!

Our offering this year will go to support a son of our congregation, Garrett Anklaam, as he studies at our LCMS seminary. If you are not able to attend, you can still contribute by labeling an envelope (Trinity seminary student) and putting it in our big mite box or handing it personally to Sharon Hanke or Pauline Bruss, our treasurer.

JOY GROUP (“JUST OLDER YOUTH”) meets on Tuesday, December 19th at 1:00pm in the Parlors. There will be a Special Presentation by Chilsen Straub, Curator of Education at the Marathon County Historical Society to look at a collection of vintage Christmas decorations and collectibles to see if they trigger any memories. If time permits, there will be a video presentation on the entire historical story of “Silent Night” with the Vienna Boys Choir. Bring along a friend or neighbor. Refreshments will be provided after the presentations. For further information, please contact the church office or Pastor Dennis Pegorsch at 715-675-4074.

TRINITY QUILTERS will continue meeting through December 12th before taking a break for Christmas. They will meet again on January 2, 2024.

LWML WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS POTLUCK All ladies of the congregation are invited to meet in the Parlors on Tuesday, December 12th at 12:00pm for a potluck luncheon. We will play some games and sing some Christmas carols, too. Please bring a dish to pass and a small women's hygiene item to donate to the Women's Community. Beverages, plates, and utensils will be provided. Please let either Sharon Hanke or the church office know if you plan to join us so that we set enough places for all.

RAMSEY+ (FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY) It's not too late to get your FREE 12-month membership if you sign up before December 31, 2023:

<https://www.ramseysolutions.com/ramseyplus/hosts/trinitylutheranwi?pc=29518150>

YOUR COMPREHENSIVE SOURCE FOR NEWS, INFORMATION & TRUTH...ISSUES, ETC. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Christian Decision Making & the End of Life; Biblical Inerrancy; Has Evolution Disproved the Creation Account; Gender Fluidity; Pre-Marital Sex and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS NOW! Christmas cards are on sale now in the lobby at a price of \$8 per box. Buy yours today for the best selection.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT We will be making blankets for all our homebound members on February 11th. The blankets will have a pocket sewn into them to store the Portals of Prayer devotional books! Please consider donating polar fleece fabric in adult, faith-friendly prints (1 yard +) to the reception area bin. Thank you for supporting our service project!

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE will be held on January 29, 2024, 4-6pm. Take a tour, meet the teachers, and get a personal look at what sets Trinity apart! At Trinity, we educate for character as well as intellect; for faith as well as citizenship; for virtue as well as knowledge. We partner with families to meet needs and develop disciples.

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS:

- † In memory of Bernice Kickbusch, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Jessica Bonifas
- † In memory of Gerald Erdmann and Ken Ziegel, gifts were given to the Altar Guild by Carol Stengl and Elgart & Eunice Baumann
- † In memory of Gerald Erdmann, gifts were given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Beverly Erdmann, Lyle & Ellen Krohn, Mavis Steidinger, Jody & Tamara Friers, Dan & Linda Sherfinski, David & Rosemary Groth, Donald & Karen Grade, Bill & Carol Zastrow, Bernice Steidinger, Dean & Dawn Krahn, Lynette Block, Robert & Paula Hintz, Standly & Jane Miller, James & Phyllis Wiederhoeft, Dan & Kathy Ohrmundt, Burnell & Jeanette Utecht, Tom & Phyllis Riiser, and Mike Hertting
- † In memory of Roger Lutz, a gift was given to Trinity Sunday School by Richard & Rebecca Piontek
- † In memory of Roger Lutz, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Robert & Connie Kamke
- † In memory of Roger Lutz, a gift was given to Trinity School by Don & Adele Bluhm
- † In memory of Roger Lutz, a gift was given to the Properties fund by Martin & Joyce Zernicke
- † In memory of Roger Lutz, gifts were given to the Sanctuary Choir by Mark & Ramona Schultz and Dan & Jody Seybold
- † In memory of Darlene Gutknecht, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Brickner's of Wausau
- † In memory of Otto Imm, Bernice Kickbusch, and Gerald Erdmann, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Sharon Erdman
- † In memory of Kenneth Ziegel, a gift was given to Trinity School by Beverly Erdmann

HOSPITALIZED AS OF DECEMBER 7TH:

Aspirus:

JoAnne Goelden, Ranae Zeinert

Marshfield Medical Center—Weston:

No one listed

FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26TH:

\$ 219.47 SCRIP Profit Users: 18
(10% to Church, 90% rebates to SCRIP users)

\$ 1,705 Debt Reduction

\$ 25,869 General Tithes and Offerings

\$ 19,184 4-Week Average: General Tithes and Offerings

\$ 19,456 YTD Weekly Average: General Tithes and Offerings

Our current budget accounts for a weekly offering of about \$21,692.

Thank you for your generous contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church!

"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6 NKJV)

ATTENDANCE:

December 2-3, 2023: 340

Midweek Advent—December 6, 2023: 85 (+ school)



**TUNE IN TO TRINITY ON SPECTRUM CHANNEL 980
AND ON TDS CHANNEL 14**

9 PM WEDNESDAY.....Traditional Worship

2 PM THURSDAY.....Traditional Worship

8 AM FRIDAY.....Traditional Worship

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