

Sunday, December 24th: Christmas Eve

9:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
4:00 PM Christmas Eve Blended Worship—
Sanctuary
10:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship—
Sanctuary

Monday, December 25th:***Christmas Day—Offices Closed***

9:00 AM Christmas Day Traditional Worship—
Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 26th: *Offices Closed**No Scheduled Events***Wednesday, December 27th:**

9:00 AM NO Adult Bible Study
5:30 PM NO Adult Bible Study

Thursday, December 28th:*No Scheduled Events***Friday, December 29th:**

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, December 30th:

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

Sunday, December 31st: New Year's Eve

9:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

Monday, January 1, 2024:***New Year's Day—Offices Closed***

9:00 AM Christmas Day Traditional Worship—
Sanctuary

***Church & School Offices and Childcare Center Closed
on Monday & Tuesday, December 25 & 26, 2023 and
Monday, January 1, 2024***

UPCOMING SPECIAL WORSHIP TIMES:**Sunday, December 24, 2023**

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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 will be no Adult Bible Study, Confirmation Class, Sunday School, or YAT on Sundays, December 24th & 31st.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2024 are available for pick-up 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.

THIS YEAR'S BEAUTIFUL SANCTUARY CHRISTMAS TREE was donated by Allen & Shari Schroeder. It was put up by the Properties Committee, along with members of the custodial staff and the congregation, who all work very hard with ladders, wires, and extension rods to get it standing just right. The tree was decorated again this year by the Stengl family. Thank you to all of those involved for your time and talents in preparing our Sanctuary for Christmas!

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP & PRAISE TEAM We recently sent out surveys and held a Town Hall meeting where we talked about the Saturday night Contemporary worship service and the Spiritual Life Center (SLC). After reviewing all of the feedback, it is clear to the Board of Elders that a majority of Saturday attendees are excited to move the service back to the SLC. Jerry's Music is helping us determine what is all needed to help make this transition, as we plan for February. We'll keep you posted on the progress.

Calling all musicians and vocalists! The Praise Team needs your help if you can sing, play the keyboard, or other instruments. Praise Team rehearsals are held on Monday evenings from 5:45-6:45pm. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Brett Schwantes at schwantes.spirit@gmail.com or 715-302-5438.

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION LUNCHEON FOR REV. DR. DENNIS W. PEGORSCH will be held in the gym on Sunday, January 7, 2024 at 11:30am. Please RSVP using the bulletin insert so that we can get an accurate count for food and seating. RSVP's are due by Friday, December 29th (**we will be unable to accept any late RSVP's*). Also on the RSVP are volunteer opportunities for the event—help this event run smoothly so that we as a congregation can best celebrate and honor Pastor Pegorsch's service to Trinity!

LWML WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP collects a special "Christmas stocking" offering every Christmas for a student attending a Concordia college or going to seminary. This year we would like to send a monetary gift to Garrett Anklam, who is at seminary in St. Louis, MO. If you'd like to contribute to this gift, we will have a purple bucket near the Scrip counter in the Narthex, or you can get it to Sharon Hanke or Pauline Bruss.

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!

ASSOCIATE PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE The Board of Elders has formed a Call Committee to work off the information we gathered at the October 24th Town Hall Meeting. Due to the number of responses, we have increased the number of Call Committee members to 9. The committee will have its first meeting on January 8, 2024 and will meet as needed until an Associate Pastor has accepted the call from Trinity.

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!

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. ***Offices will be closed Monday, December 25th, Tuesday, December 26th, and Monday, January 1st so that our staff can celebrate the holidays with their families.***

SACRED MUSIC & TALK FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON... You can listen 24/7 to sacred talk and music for the 12 days of Christmas as [issuesetc.org](https://www.issuesetc.org), [lutheranpublicradio.org](https://www.lutheranpublicradio.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, TuneIn, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

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.

SCRIP 90% of the Scrip fundraising program is required to be run by volunteers. Thank you to all of our volunteer Scrip sellers on the weekends between worship services, and thank you to Barb for weekly processing orders. *We could not utilize this amazing program that supports Trinity without each and every one of you. **We are in need of volunteer Scrip sellers to sell on Saturday evenings after worship—we currently have no one signed up at this time.*** Scrip will be sold in the offices from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Scrip will continue to be sold at the counter in the Narthex after the 7:30am Sunday service until the 9am service, and after the 9am service until the 10:15am Spiritual Growth Hour.

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!

TRINITY QUILTERS' next meeting will be January 2, 2024.

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!

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR begins January 15, 2024. Tuition Assistance is available! Trinity is a participant of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP), which allows students who reside in a Wisconsin school district to attend any participating private school if certain eligibility criteria are met—applications for this program are accepted February 1st-April 19th. For more information, please visit <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs>.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN is blessed to be able to provide much needed food and clothing to many living in poverty throughout the world. Your gifts help share the love of Christ with many—thank you! OGT's greatest need this Christmas season is new or gently used baby and children's shoes, boots, and clothing. Donations can be dropped off at a packing station near you. Merry Christmas!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASSES will begin again in the new year. They will be flex classes, meaning that class participants will be asked to watch the video lessons (60-70 minutes) sometime before class. We will watch a short recap and then have group discussion. Our first class will be on Sunday, January 7, 2024 at 10:15am. Below is the full schedule of topics we will be covering:

Lesson 1: Baby Step 1 & Budgeting (Jan. 7)

Lesson 2: Baby Step 2 (Jan. 14)

Lesson 3: Baby Step 3 (Jan. 21)

Lesson 4: Baby Steps 4, 5, 6 & 7 (Jan. 28)

Lesson 5: Wise Spending (Feb. 4)

Lesson 6: Understanding Insurance (Feb. 11)

Lesson 7: Building Wealth (Feb. 18)

Lesson 8: Buying and Selling Your Home (Feb. 25)

Lesson 9: Outrageous Generosity (Mar. 3)

Please visit <https://www.fpu.com/28026A> for more information.

THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!

Don't Miss Out on This Opportunity!

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=88062699>

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS:

- † In memory of Dodie Egan, gifts were given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Rodney & Barbara Goetsch, Carol Steidinger, and Chet & Donna Steckling
- † In memory of Laverne Denis, mother of Terry Knoll, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Nancy Maike

HOSPITALIZED AS OF DECEMBER 21ST:

Aspirus:

JoAnne Goelden, Ranae Zeinert, Gertrude Johnson,
Martin Zernicke, Lisa Radke

Marshfield Medical Center—Weston:

No one listed

FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10TH:

\$ 517.74 SCRIP Profit Users: 27
(10% to Church, 90% rebates to SCRIP users)

\$ 415 Debt Reduction
\$ 24,527 General Tithes and Offerings
\$ 21,064 4-Week Average: General Tithes
and Offerings
\$ 19,653 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 16-17, 2023: 380



**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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