



SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2026 - SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 18:

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: James—Parlors  
10:30 AM 7th-8th Gr. Confirmation Class—Rm 212  
10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms  
6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

### Monday, January 19:

No Scheduled Events

### Tuesday, January 20:

9:30 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge  
1:00 PM JOY Group—Parlors  
5:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal—SLC

### Wednesday, January 21:

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study: Proverbs—Parlors  
10:00 AM School Chapel—Sanctuary  
5:15 PM TLC Nights—Cafeteria

### Thursday, January 22:

5:30 PM JuBellation Handbells—Music Room  
6:00 PM Trail Life—SLC  
6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Room

### Friday, January 23:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

### Saturday, January 24:

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

### Sunday, January 25:

7:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser—Parlors  
9:00 AM Traditional Worship w/NLSW Kickoff—Sanctuary

9:15 AM Modern Contemporary Worship—SLC  
10:30 AM Adult Bible Study: James—Parlors  
10:30 AM 7th-8th Gr. Confirmation Class—Rm 212  
10:30 AM Sunday School—Various Classrooms  
2:00 PM American Guild of Organists Member Concert—Sanctuary  
6:00 PM Youth Group—Youth House

## INFORMATION

**GIVING STATEMENTS FOR 2025** will be mailed out at the end of January, you should receive your statement within the first couple weeks of February. *\*If we do not have your correct address on file, the Post Office will send your statement back to Trinity.* To update your address, please call the church office. Statements for which we have an incorrect address or no address on file will be placed in the Narthex for pick-up.

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP** for 2026 has been posted outside the Church Administrator's office. Help beautify our church for worship by signing up! Thank you to everyone who has provided altar flowers in the past—they really brighten up the worship space!

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

**THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS** (Wisconsin River Chapter) will present a members' recital on Sunday, January 25 at 2:00pm right here at Trinity in the Sanctuary. The concert will include compositions by Bach, Pachelbel, Burkhardt, Manz, and others. A free-will donation will be received. Join us for an afternoon of music!

**SAVE THE DATE: February 5**—Katie Coblenz, once identifying as transgender and undergoing medical transition in her early adulthood, later returned to living as a woman and embraced her Christian faith. Now residing in Wisconsin with her husband, she shares her testimony in churches, addressing sensitive topics like transgenderism and LGBT identities while emphasizing the hope she finds in Jesus Christ.

**TRINITY QUILTERS** We are looking for additional volunteers to sew squares for 72 x 90 quilts at home. We will provide all the needed materials. Contact us in the church office for more details.

**TRINITY CHILDCARE IS HIRING** Growth at Trinity Child-care in Wausau has created the need for more qualified staff. We are looking to fill several positions, and will provide certification and bonuses when completed. Ask about retirement, PTO, Tuition Assistance.

**Lead Teacher**—This position offers \$18/hour for those fully certified for this role.

**Teacher Assistants**—we are looking for assistant teachers to work in a variety of classrooms (\$14/hour for those not yet certified, \$16/hour for those that are certified in this role or once certification is complete).

#### **WELCOME OUR NEW CHILDCARE DIRECTOR!**

We are delighted to introduce Tiffany “Tiff” Laffin as the newest member of our childcare family! With a heart for children and a gift for creating joyful, nurturing spaces, Tiff is excited to bring her energy and love into our program.

In her role, she’ll be working closely with our staff and families to ensure every child feels safe and cared for. Her passion for helping little ones grow and thrive shines through in everything she does, and we can’t wait for you to meet her.

Please join us in giving Tiff a warm welcome! She will be starting in mid-January. Be sure to stop by, say hello, and share in the excitement of this new chapter for our childcare ministry.

**BOW THE KNEE** This Passion Play is presented each Easter season, in Wausau. If you would like to be involved please contact Tim Rock at 715-359-5849.

**WATCH FOR OUR NEXT GRIEF SHARE** offering, beginning on February 2, and held Mondays 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.

**DIVORCE CARE** Begins February 2, and runs Mondays for 13 weeks, 6:00-7:30p in the Parlors. Divorce Care is a safe place where caring people come alongside you as you find healing from the pain of separation or divorce. You’ll find helpful counsel to manage the emotional turmoil and practical tools for decision-making.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2026** are available for pick-up in the Narthex through the end of the month. Please let the church office know if you are one of our home-bound members and would like to receive your envelopes via mail/visiting pastor, or if you are not currently assigned envelopes and would like a box for 2026.

**SAVE THE DATE: LEAVE A LEGACY BENEFIT AUCTION**  
April 18, 2026 at the Greenwood Hills County Club

**EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST...Issues, Etc.** is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL & hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent subjects include: The Return of the Jewish Question; Fact-Checking Sermons; Strengthening the Hyde Amendment; Jesus as Prophet, Priest & King; Luther’s Large Catechism & more. Listen on-demand: [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

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#### **YOUTH & CHILDREN**

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##### **SCOUTING GROUPS AT TRINITY**

 **AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS (AHG)**, our Christ-centered scouting program, has expanded to include AHG for girls 5-18. This offering is open to Trinity and non-Trinity families alike. Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month at 4pm in the Parlors.

 **TRAIL LIFE** offers a scouting opportunity for families to raise up their 5-18y/o boys to be Godly men as an alternative to Boy Scouts of America/Scouting America. We meet every other Thursday, 6-7pm in the SLC.

**YOUTH GROUP** Sundays 6-7:30p open to youth grades 6-12. A calendar of events & updates can be found in the TeamReach app using the code: **Youthattrinity24**.

**TRINITY KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL** is launching 2 donation drive service projects, collecting **now through Feb. 8**:

### **HOPE Pregnancy Resource Center DIAPER DRIVE**

Accepting donations for new, packaged diapers, sizes P (preemie) through 4.

### **United Way Marathon County CLOTHING DRIVE**

Now collecting everyday essentials like sweatpants, hoodies, and new socks/underwear. Warm layers or soft fabrics like sweaters/fleece. Clothing is provided FREE to guests of the Community Closet, helping local families stay comfortable and confident as they work toward financial stability.

## **TRINITY SCHOOL**

**SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** will be held on January 26, 2026, 3:30-6:00pm. 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.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR** has begun! Tuition Assistance is available! Please contact the school office for more info. Trinity is a participant of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) which, if certain eligibility criteria are met, may allow for your student to attend Trinity for FREE!

**REFER A FAMILY TO TRINITY SCHOOL—EARN \$500 IN TUITION CREDIT** Know of a family wanting to learn more about Trinity Lutheran School? Refer them to enroll and you could earn a \$500 tuition credit for you and the new family! Stop in the school office and ask about our Trinity Referral Program to learn more!

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER FOR TRINITY SCHOOL** We will kick off National Lutheran Schools week with a pancake breakfast on Sun., Jan. 25, 8:00-10:30am in the Parlors. We hope to see you there!

## **TLC NIGHTS**

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

**Wednesday Nights (January 7 - February 11)**

**5:15pm—FREE Meal & Fellowship in the Cafeteria**

**6:00pm—Educational Program / Bible Study**

**“Wonder Kids” Kindergarten through 2nd Grade**

*Led by Kim Kramer and Shannon Egner; Room 104*  
The world often tells children, “You’re too young.” But kids in the Bible are frequently part of God’s plans. Here is the truth: kids are never too young to share in God’s work.

**“Hard Questions for Pastor” 3rd-5th Grade**

*Led by Rev. Peter Williamson; Music Room*  
Students will choose our topics, asking hard questions that they may have wanted to ask a pastor, and God’s Word will be used to answer. Questions like “Why should we pray? Does God hear us?” Parents are welcome to come & hear.

**“Mental Health Toolkit” 6th-12th Graders & Adults**

*Led by Shannon Grosnick in Room 202*

Using RightNow Media’s “Mental Health Toolkit,” we will look to understand and navigate mental health challenges through a faith-informed lens. This features Christian counselors who help educate about topics such as trauma, grief, anxiety, and depression from both a scientific & Bible-based perspective.

**“Apologetics” High School & Adults**

*Led by Andy Kline; Room 204*

This session of Apologetics will go through many battles Christians are facing in society today: difficult topics such as what God has to say about things like life, identity, marriage, non-humans, God’s plan for our lives, and more.

**“Mission Stories” Adult Bible Study & Presentation**

*Led by Jeff Kelm, Elder; Room 203*

Jeff Kelm served on 12 overseas short-term mission trips to Latvia, Poland, and Nicaragua. He will relate how those mission trips touched the lives of people for Jesus, including how God can use s’mores and change the mission plan.

**“With All Your Heart (Video Series)” Adult Bible Study**

*Led by Bob Popelka, Elder; Spiritual Life Center*

Join us as renowned teacher and historian, Ray Vander Laan guides us through the land of the Bible, illuminating the historical, geographical, and cultural context of the sacred scriptures and transform your understanding of God.

**0-4-year-old childcare offered in Room 102 (6:00-6:45p)**

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



## MINISTRIES & BIBLE STUDIES

### ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

#### —WEDNESDAYS AT 9AM IN THE PARLORS

“The Book of Proverbs”—Wisdom is given by faith in God and the Holy Spirit working through His Word.

#### —SUNDAYS AT 10:30AM IN THE PARLORS

“The Book of James”—A book worthy of examination aside from Luther’s preconceptions. Join us in walking through the Book of James and its implications for us as believers and a church.

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY** is held on Saturdays, 8:00-8:45am in the Parlors. All men are welcome to come for fellowship and to spend time in God’s word. Contact Dave Christian (715-410-7012) with questions.

**JOY GROUP** will meet Tuesday, January 20 at 1:00pm in the Parlors. We will be welcoming a representative from Habitat for Humanity of Wausau to learn about their mission and how people can help them out. Join us for information, fellowship, and refreshments.

### ATTENDANCE

January 10-11, 2026: 324

### GIFTS & MEMORIALS

- † In memory of Judi Nielsen, a gift was given to Trinity Lutheran Church by Roger & Sharon Hanke
- † In memory of Jim Erdman, a gift was given to Trinity School by Karen Zimmermann

### VERSE of the MONTH

*Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world, Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”*

*John 8:12*

## FINANCIALS

### FINANCIALS FOR DECEMBER 30-JANUARY 5, 2026:

\$ 622.96	SCRIP Profit	Users: 38
(Rebates: 10% to Church, 90% to SCRIP users)		
\$ 280	Debt Reduction	
\$ 69,949 General Tithes and Offerings <small>*Includes Christmas Eve &amp; Day</small>		
\$ 39,649	4-Week Average: General Tithes and Offerings	
\$ 21,887	YTD Weekly Average: General Tithes and Offerings	

Our current budget accounts for a weekly offering of about \$21,414.

*Thank you for your generous contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church!*

### HOSPITALS

#### HOSPITALIZED AS OF JANUARY 15, 2026:

**Aspirus:**  
Dan Oelke

**Marshfield Medical Center—Weston:**  
No one listed



**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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