

TRINITY NEWS

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, November 24

*** Noisy Offering ~ Mercy Bags ***

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:20 a.m. Bible Study Hour
6:15 p.m. Worship Service

Monday, November 25

10:00 a.m. Scripture Search
5:30 p.m. Boys BB Game @ Home
6:00 p.m. Trustees
6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, November 26

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
3:15 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 27

** ½ Day of School **

8:20 a.m. Chapel
6:15 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Thursday, November 28

*** Happy Thanksgiving! ***

** No School **

Friday, November 29

** No School **

Sunday, December 1

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:20 a.m. Bible Study Hour
6:15 p.m. Worship Service

READINGS FOR DECEMBER 1:

2 Chronicles 17:1-6; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 3:1-3

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Birthdays ~ November 27. Will Gentry

28. Richard Ikens

29. Karl Jonsson

30. Hunter Kruse

Anniversaries ~ November 24. Tedd & Donna Wheeler

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Tedd & Donna Wheeler in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary!

NOISY OFFERING is happening in our worship services this weekend. This month our offerings are going to help support Mercy Bags. Thank you for continuing to support this wonderful mission projects!

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP will take place on Thanksgiving Eve, November 27th at 6:15 p.m. Please make plans to join us for this wonderful worship service as we give thanks to God for all His wonderful works.

MANY THANKS to everyone who created, cooked, baked, worked, shopped and/or ate to support the Christmas bazaar. Items are still available for purchase after morning services; then please take anything of yours that did not sell home. Anything not picked up will be saved for next year.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS! Our students at Trinity Lutheran School are holding their Christmas programs on Sunday evenings starting at 6:15pm. Our Preschool & Kindergarten program will be held Sunday, December 8th. The following Sunday, December 15th, our 1st – 4th graders will present their program. We would love to see all our members come and join us for these special programs. It is always such a joy watching our children show their faith and love of Jesus!

DISHES! We have once again accumulated many dishes that are not ours... please check out the table in the narthex and take home whatever items belong to you. Thank you!

IT'S LUTHERAN WITNESS TIME! This is the time of year when you can order or renew subscriptions of *The Lutheran Witness*, the official periodical of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Published 11 times a year, it provides stories and information that complement congregational life, foster personal growth in faith, and help interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective. A year subscription is \$21.20 (March 2025-February 2026). We are taking your order for the next 3 weekends! Jacquie must have all orders & money turned in by Sunday, December 8th! Please call the office with any questions (832-5186).

WOW! WHAT A BLESSING! In a little over 2 weeks, you packed 50 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and/or provided shipping for at least that many! In doing so, you have helped spread the good news of Jesus far beyond Michigan. Thank you so much for your generosity! God is glorified!

ADVENT DINNERS... We will have Advent dinners at 5:15 p.m., prior to the 6:15 services on December 4th, 11th, and 18th. There will be a congregational potluck dinner on December 4th. Please bring a dish or two to share. The LWML and Altar Guild will host the dinner on the 11th serving hot pasta dishes, salad & desserts. Then the dinner on the 18th is hosted by the Men's Group & Board of Hospitality consisting of a Taco Bar & desserts.

CLEAR OUT YOUR COAT CLOSET - The Reed City Ministerial Association's annual coat drive is in full swing. Please bring new and gently used items, including coats, hats, scarves, and gloves. The drop off box is in the entryway.

DID YOU KNOW... that we provide luncheons after funerals at Trinity (when requested)? This is at no cost to the family. Our funeral luncheon team would love your support with food prep and/or set-up and clean-up. Please let Connie Jonsson know if you wish to be on the call list. Monetary donations for food and supplies are also accepted.

NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH are 6th grader Parker Hasse, 4th grader Blaze Hasse, and Kindergartener Levi Hays. Congrats to all of you! Their posters are on the bulletin board in the school hallway.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: equipping Lutherans and their neighbors to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life. This ministry is our featured November resource, as life issues have been a hot topic during this elections cycle.

Visit <https://lutheransforlife.org/> to learn more about how you can be a voice for life! (They have a Facebook page, too!) You can find articles, podcasts, Bible studies, and more!

CONGREGATIONAL BIRTHDAY PARTY is still a ways away--but is there anyone out there who would like to lead the games? It's not hard, and most anything goes. If you are interested, please see Rosalee Donley or Polly Burns.

COOKIE WALK! Please join us on Saturday, December 14, 8am-11am, for the Youth Group's annual Cookie Walk. There will be a variety of cookies to choose from. If you are interested in providing cookies for the Cookie Walk, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Contact Laura Rohde if you have any questions. Thanks for supporting the Youth Group!

THANK YOU! We greatly appreciate everyone who made food and helped us manage last week's Hunters Dinner. It was a great success, bringing many new faces to Trinity and raising over \$1,500 to support hunter safety education through The Wildlife Center at Legends Ranch.

FOLLOW THE STAR runs Dec 6-8 at Center Lake Bible Camp in Tustin, from 6-8pm. This live, walking nativity experience is a wonderful way to kick off the Advent season. We are hoping to organize a group to go on Friday, December 6. We'll meet at 5:30 p.m. at Trinity and carpool from there. If you're interested in joining this group outing, please sign up in the Narthex.

OUR SCHOOL PRAYER FAMILIES are Travis & Jenna Horstman, Natalie & Adaline, and Michael & Bethany Dorame, Eva, Mikey, Alma, & Irie. **OUR CHURCH PRAYER FAMILIES** are Carrol Bolin, Kevin & Christine Fortier, Emily, Claire, & Mitchell, Earl & Jayne Kage, Luise Ohlendorf, & Bill & Linda Wiersum.

Our Brothers and Sisters who serve God with their Gifts and Talents

Sunday, November 24, 2024

Organist: Scot Gule
Elder: Earl Kage
Acolyte-AM: Sydney Kage
Lector-AM: Aaron Keup
Lector-PM: Larry Root
Counters: Craig & Vicky Bowman
Altar Guild: Linda Forshee
 Jan Tallman

Sunday, December 1, 2024

Pianist: Elizabeth Rivard
Elder: Tom Kienitz
Acolyte-AM: Tabitha Saladin
Lector-AM: Susan Saladin
Lector-PM: Rich Schlicker
Ushers: Jim & Rosalee Donley
Counters: Jim & Rosalee Donley

Worship Attendance:

Sunday ~ 11/17: 9am - 96
 Sunday ~ 11/17: 6:15pm - 30

CEF Loan:

As of October 15, 2024 - \$489,740.54
 As of November 15, 2024 - \$486,592.44

Received for Operating Expenses on November 17, 2024

General:
 Loose 222.00
 Envelope 7,252.00
 Bible Study 21.00
Tuition 768.00
Total \$8,263.00

Dedicated:
 Sunday School 2.00
 Poinsettias 91.00
 Chapel 28.33
 Lunch 146.00
 Reimbursement .. 5,850.83
 PTL 395.00
 Youth Group 676.66
PTW 480.00
Total \$7,669.82