January 27-28, 2024 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME TO TRINITY! We are very happy that you are here to worship with us today. Trinity Lutheran Church and Nursery School believes that we are called to be "ALWAYS GROWING IN CHRIST" and we want to do everything possible to help you grow. We pray that the Gospel you hear today will take root in your life and do just that, grow.

THE LORD'S TABLE: We believe that the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, is the real body and blood of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. If you believe likewise, please join us at the altar when it is time to celebrate this holy meal. Even if you do not believe as we do, we still welcome all adults and children to come forward at Holy Communion to receive a blessing from Pastor. Just decline the wafer at Holy Communion and Pastor will give you a blessing. Please note, the center ring of the tray of individual cups is non-alcoholic wine.

Treasurer's Update

Rec'd last week: \$5126.00 Net Gain(12/31 YTD) \$21,836.34 YTD Income (as of 12/31) \$484,708.19 YTD Expense (as of 12/31) \$462,871.85

Giving Tuesday & Budget Deficit Donations \$46,749.18

Attendance Saturday 11, communed 11; Sunday 68 communed 65

ALTAR FLOWERS In honor of Mike & Geri Diciolla on their 47th Anniversary

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. The sermon is titled "Becoming Whatever They Need," and the hymn of the day "How Shall They Hear' Who Have Not Heard" (LSB 831). The scripture lessons for worship are:

Old Testament Isaiah 40:21–31 The Greatness of God Epistle (sermon text) 1 Corinthians 9:16–27 Paul Surrenders His Rights

Gospel Mark 1:29-39 Jesus Heals Many

CLOSING HYMN is "Away from Us!' the Demon Cried" (LSB 541) by Hermann Stuempfle (1923-2007). The tune MCKEE is likely an Irish melody adapted by African Americans. Its first publication was with the text "I Know the Angel's Done Changed My Name," performed by the Fisk Jubilee Singers. In 1940, Henry Burleigh (1866-1949) adapted the melody for the hymn "In Christ There is No East or West" (LSB 653). Burleigh was a prominent African-American singer, composer, editor, and arranger, and served as a vocal coach for some of the best singers of his time, including Enrico Caruso, Marian Anderson, and Paul Robeson.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS– Please check your mailboxes for your year-end contribution statements.

IF YOU WANT TO BAKE FOR MISSIONS, the LWML is having its traditional sweet shop on Sunday, February 11th. Please deliver baked goods on Friday (2/09) or Saturday morning (2/10) before 9:00 am in the Trinity Center. Thank you.

DURING THE EDUCATION HOUR, Pastor will be teaching a class reviewing the teachings of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. If you are interested in joining Trinity, interested in knowing more about our teachings, or interested in reviewing your beliefs, this class is for you. Join us for this class!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 @ **11:00 - 4:00: VILLA PARK COCOA CRAWL** Trinity will be a stop on the VP Cocoa Crawl. If you'd like to help serve cocoa or greet guests, please let us know. Thrivent is a sponsor for the Cocoa Crawl.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14. Worship times will be 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm. Soup supper will be at 5:30 pm.

PANTRY DONATION TUBS - Our pantry donation tubs are empty and feeling lonely. Please consider dropping off an item or two. We're always in need of food, but also toiletries, adult care, pet and baby supplies. Thank you for your support.

SPONSOR-A-BILL: This quarter's bills to sponsor are Plowing (approx. \$4-5k during plowing season) and Gas (approx. \$833/mo.). As you can, please consider sponsoring one of these bills above & beyond your normal giving. Sponsor-a-Bill contributions help keep our budget on track & reduce the need for end-of-year pleas to meet the budget.

PLEASE DONATE GENTLY USED COATS AND CLOTHING for the Ukrainian refugees. We're accepting men's, women's and children's coats and clothing. With the war in Ukraine still ongoing, the need is still great. Please drop in the red bin in the narthex.

GIFTS OF STOCKS & BONDS Donating appreciated securities is an easy & tax effective way to make a tithe to Trinity. The benefits include: avoid paying capital gains tax on the sale of appreciated stock, receive a charitable income tax deduction, and make a lasting impact on the missions of Trinity. If you have a question or are interested in making this happen, please see Bonnie Dale or Debra Banks, Stewardship Committee members.

HOMEBOUND

Aperion, W. Chicago: Deborah Bychowski Downers Grove Rehab: Tom Saunders

Beacon Hill: John & Connie Graham, LaVera Levin, Lowell & Judy Pals

Brighton Gardens, Whtn: Bill Rothenburger The Bickford, Aurora: Grace Finke Lacey Creek: Judy Sheridan The Roosevelt at Salt Creek: Eileen Reese

AT HOME: Greg & Sue Bukowski, Pastor & Carol Drews, Ron & Betty Edwards, Georgianna Ryl,

Edith Schneider, Marcy Seils,

Strength and patience for all the caregivers.

IN NEED OF HEALING: Linda Gibboney (daughter of LaVera Levin), Phyllis McCurdy (Sister of Donna Heuser), Lisa Miller (daughter of Judy Sheridan), Kathy Remus.

We pray for peace throughout the world.

FOR THE CHURCH:

Seminarian: Jackson Scofield Bishops: Matthew Harrison and Jamison Hardy

Missionaries to the Dominican Republic-Rev. Dr. Jonathon and Deaconess Cheryl Naumann

Jay and Julie Dass, Lutheran Confessional Church of Pakistan

Morren Chelsi Lempas (Youth sponsored child from Indonesia) Asian Indian Ministry

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: Commander in Chief – President Joseph Biden Adam Biladeau, Matt Boudro, Noah Brockie, Peter Halpin (son of Dan & Rhonda Halpin), Cameron Littleson (Traci Dale Maher's brother-in-law), Matt & Mary Macella (grandchildren of Arlene Johnson), Josh Preisel (grandson of Alice Bezik), Ella Sperry (granddaughter of Cliff & Olinda Sperry),

BIRTHDAYS 28-Paul Varno, **29**-Debra Banks, Denis Maher **31**- Jackson Scofield **FEBRUARY**: **1-** Barb Tomasek **2**-Alycia Wiegel **3**-Matt Boudro, Katie Egan

ANNIVERSARIES: 29-Mike & Geri Diciolla

FEBRUARY: 2-Celina & Scott Wiegel

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF January 28th:

Sunday: Worship 8:00 AM (FaceBook Live) & 10:30 AM

Monday: 1:00-Al Anon

Paul Stahlke, Quentin Stubbs.

Tuesday: NO Bible Study 8:00 AA

Wednesday: 10:00-Bible Study **NO** Confirmation

6:30 Big House, Growing in Prayer

Thursday: NO Choir

Friday:

Greeters:

Saturday: Worship 4:30 PM

THOSE WHO SERVE January 28th:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm - Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Ensemble: 10:30 Voices of Praise

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Donna Stubbs 10:30 Rich Kumnick & Kate Ilcken

Acolytes: 8:00 Jacob Bruschuk 10:30 Caleb Ilcken

Ushers: 4:30 Bert Dale

8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob Rundgren, & Chris Gore8:00 Cliff & Olinda Sperry10:30 Marilyn Bloechle

Altar Guild Marilyn Bloechle & Olinda Sperry

THOSE WHO SERVE February 4th:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead **8am & 10:30am** Mary Stahlke **Vocalists: 8:00** Art Biladeau **10:30** Jonathan Stahlke

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Henry Meier

10:30 John Dorn & David Sullivan

Acolytes: 8:00 Cruz Collins 10:30 Garrett May

Ushers: 4:30 Rich Kumnick

8:00 Bert Dale, Derek Bruschuk, Josh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rogers

10:30 - Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong

Greeters: 8:00 Bonnie Dale 10:30 Donna Heuser

Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE February 11th:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm - Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke

Vocalists: 8:00 Kate Ilcken 10:30 Christy Crandell

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Donna Stubbs

10:30 Greg Billing & Diane Devermann

Acolytes: 8:00 Hank Pavlovsky 10:30 Lorelai May

Ushers: 4:30 Craig Musa

8:00 Scott Golz & Neal Rodenbostel **10:30** Gary Buehre &, Rich Kumnick

Greeters: 8:00 Marilyn Bloechle 10:30 Carol Edwards

Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE February 14th: Ash Wednesday

Keyboard / Organ: Mary Stahlke Ensemble: Jubilate Choir

Lay Assistants: 12:00 Darren Taylor

7:00 Jodie Esposito & Caroline Marchewka

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7:00 Garrett May
12:00 Ron Boettger
7:00 Gary Buehre &, Rich Kumnick Acolytes: **Ushers:**

Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen