November 18-19, 2023 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH www.TrinityLutheranVP.com

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: \$7109.00 Giving Tuesday TD \$5,000.00 As of 10/31 - Net Loss: (\$46,077.93) YTD Income: \$337,613.45 YTD: \$383,691.38

Attendance Saturday 42, communed 36; Sunday 66 communed 58

ALTAR FLOWERS – In thankfulness and praise from Kirk Golz

FLOWERS are needed beginning **Jan 14th**. Please mark your envelope "Altar Flowers" with your donation of **\$30.00**.

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The Last Sunday of the Church Year. The sermon is titled "It's not that hard really." and the hymn of the day is "Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing" (LSB 847). The scripture lessons for worship are:

Introit	Psalm 39:4–5, 7–8, 12a	What is the Measure of My Days?
Old Testament	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	The Lord God Will Seek Them Out
Epistle	1 Corinthians 15:20-28	The Resurrection of the Dead

Gospel (sermon text) Matthew 25:31-46 The Final Judgment

HYMN OF THE DAY is "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go" (LSB 854) by Charles Wesley (1707-1788). The hymn describes daily labor in which the believer tries to know God in "all I speak or think or do." Born in a small English town as the youngest son of 18 siblings, Charles Wesley was educated in London and Oxford, where he joined the first band of "Oxford Methodists." Members of this group, led by Charles' brother John, eventually established the Methodist Church, but Charles Wesley never left the Church of England. He wrote over 6,500 hymns, including "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" and "Christ the Lord is Risen Today."

BAKE SALE TODAY! Dorcas Guild's fall bake sale is in the Trinity Center after services. Check out the variety of goodies prepared by guild members. Proceeds will support Redeeming Life maternity home in East Dundee.

THANKSGIVING worship takes place on **Wednesday, November 22, at 7:00 pm**. Please consider bringing canned goods or other non-perishable food to donate.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who attended Trinity's 110th Anniversary Celebration. There was "A Bountiful Harvest" to enjoy and musical entertainment to hear. Thanks to everyone who donated to the raffle prizes. We appreciate your support and we raised \$875 for Trinity missions.

ATTENTION ALTAR GUILD We still have a few open dates in December to fill. Please check the signup sheet in my mailbox so that we can get the month finalized and then I can get everyone a copy. Thank you. Marilyn Felz

GIVING TUESDAY Nov 28. Once again, Trinity is participating in Giving Tuesday. We hope that you will help support our efforts to Close the Gap on our current deficit. *Our goal this year is \$50,000.* Donations can be made on Facebook, sent to Margaret via envelope, eOffering, or placed in the offering plate labeled Giving Tuesday. *Please keep in mind that there are so many ways to give to Trinity, financially or with time or talents.*

NOT SO SILENT NIGHT Not So Silent Night is returning on **Friday, December 1st at 6:00 pm**. Help is needed for the following: sound system set-up, state set-up/take down, chair set-up, clean up, performers. If you are able to help with any of these items, please contact Margaret; <u>margaret@trinityvp.com</u> or 630-834-3440. Thank you.

THE GIVING TREE SPONSORED BY DORCAS IS UP! This year toys will be donated to York Township. Toys should be unwrapped and returned to church by **Sunday, December 3rd**. Toys can be any amount, but not more than \$25. Thank you for taking a tag or two.

HANGING OF THE GREENS Please join the Hanging of the Greens on Wed, Dec 6th. We will hang the greens immediately after the 7:00 pm worship service, please join us.

DECEMBER 6, 13, 20 @ **5:30-6:30 ADVENT DINNERS:**_The youth will serve dinner before the Advent worship services. Sign-ups are coming soon for those who'd like to help out by donating to the meals.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 @ 9:00-11:00 BREAKFAST WITH SANTA & 11:30-12:30 SANTA

PAWS PET PICTURES The youth are hosting the breakfast to raise funds for upcoming events. Pastor Rogers is making pancakes and Santa Dave will be there for pictures. If you'd like to lend a hand: Set up on 12/8 @ 6:00 (there will be pizza), make something for the bake sale, or help on event day

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS – If you would like to purchase a poinsettia plant, \$20.00 foiled, for the altar for Christmas please forward your request to the church office in an envelope marked "**Christmas Poinsettia**" with your name. Plants may be picked up after the 10:00 am service on Christmas Day. Orders are due by **Monday, December 11**th.

HOMEBOUND

Aperion, W. Chicago: Deborah BychowskiBeacon Hill: John & Connie Graham, LaVera Levin, Lowell & Judy PalsBrighton Gardens, Whtn: Bill RothenburgerThe Bickford, Aurora: Grace FinkeLacey Creek: Judy SheridanLexington Elmhurst: Eileen Reese

AT HOME: Pastor & Carol Drews, Ron & Betty Edwards, Georgianna Ryl, Edith Schneider, Marcy Seils, Strength and patience for all the caregivers.

IN NEED OF HEALING: Greg Bukowski, Grace Finke, Linda Gibboney (daughter of LaVera Levin), Jerry Juzwiak, Kara Lentine (cousin of Margaret Cotterill), Michael McCleavy (friend of Elaine Bruschuk), Phyllis McCurdy (Sister of Donna Heuser), Lisa Miller (daughter of Judy Sheridan), Laura Nettleton, (daughter of Alice Bezik), Tom Saunders, Betty Sennholtz-Graham (mom of Gloria Marchewka), Liz Suriano, Laurie Trapp (niece of Judy Wardo), Judy Wardo. 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 Pastor Sifuentes and St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in the city

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: Commander in Chief – President Joseph Biden

Adam Biladeau, Matt Boudro, Noah Brockie, Peter Halpin (son of Dan & Rhonda Halpin), Will Hinckley (grandson of Ed Gustovich), Cameron Littleson (Traci Dale Maher's brother-in-law), Matt & Mary Macella (grandchildren of Arlene Johnson), David & Alexander Nordman (grandsons of Ron Nordman), Josh Preisel (grandson of Alice Bezik), Ella Sperry (granddaughter of Cliff & Olinda Sperry), Paul Stahlke, Quentin Stubbs.

BIRTHDAYS 19-Henry Meier 23- John Graham 24-Gary Bach, Kristen Scofield 25-Michael Carroll

ANNIVERSARIES: 22-Shelly & Bob Bychowski 24-LeRoy & Dawn Reinke 25-Judy & Bob Wardo

CALENDAR FOR	THE WEEK OF November 19 th :
Sunday:	Worship 8:00 AM (FaceBook Live) & 10:30 AM
Monday:	1:00-Al Anon
Tuesday:	6:00 Bible Study 8:00 AA
Wednesday:	7:00 Thanksgiving Worship 10:00-Bible Study
	4:00 Confirmation 6:00 Big House 6:30-Growing in Prayer
Thursday:	Happy Thanksgiving
Friday:	
Saturday:	Worship 4:30 PM
THOSE WHO SE	RVE November 19 th :
Keyboard / Org	Jan: 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke
Vocalists:	8:00 Jim Bruschuk 10:30 Greg Billing

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Lay Assistants:	8:00 Donna Stubbs	10:30 John Dorn & Kate Ilcken
Acolytes:	8:00 Hank Pavlovsky	10:30 Lorelai May
Ushers:	4:30 Craig Musa	
	8:00 Scott Golz, Dante A	puzzo, Dino Apuzzo, Neal Rodenbostel
	10:30- 10:30- Gary Bueh	۱re &, Rich Kumnick
Greeters:	8:00 Celeste Golz	10:30 Nancy Rex
Altar Guild	Denise Airdo & Donna Heu	Jser

THOSE WHO SERVE November 22nd:

Organ:	Mary Stahlke
Ensemble:	Jubilate Coir
Acolytes: J	acob Bruschuk
Ushers:	Bert Dale, Derek Bruschuk, Josh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rogers

THOSE WHO SERVE November 26th:

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 Rich Kumnick & Gloria Marchewka
Acolytes:	8:00 Jacob Bruschuk	10:30 Caleb Ilcken
Ushers:	4:30 Bert Dale	8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock
	10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob	Rundgren, & Chris Gore
Greeters:	8:00 Cliff & Olinda Sperry 10:30 Carol Edwards	
Altar Guild	Denise Airdo & Donna Heuser	

THOSE WHO SERVE December 3rd :

Keyboard / Organ	: 4:30	pm – Kurt Linstead	8am &	10:30am Mary Stahlke
Vocalists:	8:00	Jim Bruschuk	10:30	Jonathan Stahlke
Lay Assistants:	8:00	Darren Taylor	10:30	Jodie Esposito & Greg Billing
Acolytes:	8:00	Cruz Collins	10:30	Garrett May
Ushers:	4:30	Rich Kumnick		
8:00 Bert Dale, Derek Bruschuk, Josh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rog		osh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rogers		
10:30 - Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong				

THOSE WHO SERVE December 6th:

Organ:	Mary Stahlke	
Ensemble:	Jubilate Coir	
Acolytes:	Hank Pavlovsky	
Ushers:	Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock	

THOSE WHO SERVE December 10th:

Keyboard / Organ:	4:30pm – Kurt Linstead	8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke
Vocalists:	8:00 Kate Ilcken	10:30 Christy Crandell
Lay Assistants:	8:00 Henry Meier	10:30 John Dorn & Carlo Airdo
Acolytes:	8:00 Hank Pavlovsky	10:30 Lorelai May
Ushers:	4:30 Craig Musa	8:00 S. Golz, D. Apuzzo, D. Apuzzo, N. Rodenbostel
	10:30 Gary Buehre &, Ri	ch Kumnick