

February 10-11, 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: \$5906.00	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

Attendance Saturday 29, communed 28; Sunday 76 communed 69

ALTAR FLOWERS In thankfulness and praise from Brust Funeral Home

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The First Sunday in Lent. The sermon is titled "A test for which you cannot study," and the hymn of the day is "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (LSB 657). The scripture lessons for worship are:

Introit	Ps. 91:9-13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15-16	<i>My Refuge and My Fortress</i>
O.T. (sermon text)	Genesis 22:1-18	<i>The Sacrifice of Isaac</i>
Epistle	James 1:12-18	<i>Testing of Your Faith</i>
Gospel	Mark 1:9-15	<i>The Temptation of Jesus</i>

FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA is an ancient custom in the church. Our recessional hymn today is "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" (LSB 417). Note that stanza 3 describes the seriousness of Lent and that we do not sing "Alleluia" during that time. We will next sing "Alleluia" on Easter Sunday. In stanza 4, the hymn writer prays that we will someday keep Easter with the saints in heaven, singing "Alleluia" together.

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.

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

ALTAR GUILD will be having a meeting on **Tuesday, Feb. 20** in the Trinity Center at **7 p.m.** Anyone interested in learning more about the important duties of the altar guild are invited to attend. Contact Marilyn Felz (630) 627-2409.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP GROUP would like to invite you to their February Potluck on **Wednesday, February 21st @ 11am** in the Trinity Center. All are welcome! Please add your name to the sign up sheet posted in the Narthex next to the Usher's closet. Any questions, feel free to contact heuser.donna@gmail.com or call 630-913-6631.

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: Plowing bills for January have totaled **\$3,495.00**. As you can, please consider donating to this expense, as your contributions in sponsoring our bills 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.

THOSE WHO SERVE February 21st:

Organ: Mary Stahlke
Ensemble: Jubilate Choir
Acolytes: Lorelai May
Ushers: Dave Heuser & Harley DeJong
Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE February 25th:

Keyboard / Organ:	4:30pm – Kurt Linstead	8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke
Vocalists:	8:00 Kate Ilcken	10:30 Greg Billing
Lay Assistants:	8:00 Donna Stubbs	10:30 Carlo Airdo & Gloria Marchewka
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 Cliff & Olinda Sperry	10:30 Marilyn Bloechle
Altar Guild	Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen	