

**November 25-26, 2023**  
**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: \$23,511.90 (as of 10/31): (\$46,077.93)  
YTD Income (as of 10/31): \$337,613.45 YTD Expense as of 10/31): \$383,691.38

**Attendance** Saturday 21, communed 20; Sunday 84 communed 74

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – In honor of Kelsey King on her birthday from Darren & Erin Taylor

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

**NEXT WEEKEND** we celebrate The First Sunday in Advent. The sermon is titled "Save Us Lord!" and the hymn of the day is "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet" (LSB 444). The scripture lessons for worship are:

Old Testament (sermon text)	Isaiah 64:1-9	<i>Prayer for Mercy</i>
Epistle	1 Corinthians 1:3-9	<i>Thanksgiving</i>

Gospel	Mark 11:1-10	<i>The Triumphal Entry</i>
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**HYMN OF THE DAY** is "Christ Our Human Likeness Sharing" (LSB 847) by Timothy Dudley-Smith (born 1926), a bishop of the Church of England. Educated at Cambridge, he began writing comic verse while still a student, but did not write hymns until the 1960s. Dudley-Smith has written over 400 hymns, averaging six to eight hymns per year even as a nonagenarian. He served as a parish priest, archdeacon, and eventually bishop before retiring in 1992. The tune GRAFTON is a traditional French melody, first published in 1881 but probably originating over a century earlier.

**GIVING TUESDAY** Save the date for Giving Tuesday, which falls on **Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>** this year. Our goal will be \$50,000 to meet the budget.

**NOT SO SILENT NIGHT** Not So Silent Night is returning on **Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> 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; [margaret@trinityvp.com](mailto:margaret@trinityvp.com) 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 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Toys can be any amount, but not more than \$25. Thank you for taking a tag or two.

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

**HANGING OF THE GREENS** Please join the Hanging of the Greens on **Wed, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>**. 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<sup>th</sup>**.

## **ADVENT WORSHIP TIMES:**

**Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>** – 7:00 PM (dinner at 5:30 PM)

**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>** – 4:30 PM (Advent 4)

**Christmas Eve Sunday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>** – 12:00 (noon), 7:00 pm (no morning services)

**Christmas Day Monday, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>** – 10:00 am

## **HOMEBOUND**

Aperion, W. Chicago: Deborah Bychowski

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

Brighton Gardens, Whtn: Bill Rothenburger      The Bickford, Aurora: Grace Finke

Lacey Creek: Judy Sheridan      Lexington 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 Littleton (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 27**-Ben Pennacchio, Madilynne Sauter **29**-James Kehring, Nancy Rex  
**DECEMBER 1**- Christina Billing **2**-Sam Batjes, Carol Edwards, Frank Ilcken

**ANNIVERSARIES: 26**-Donna & Joe Stubbs

**DECEMBER 1**-Stephanie & Chris Gilliland **2**-Chas & Aldo Datoli, Deb & John Serna

## **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF November 25<sup>th</sup>:**

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

**Monday:**      1:00-Al Anon      7:00-Women's Bible Study

**Tuesday:**      6:00 Bible Study      7:00-Rest Your Soul      8:00 AA

**Wednesday:**      10:00-Bible Study      4:00 Confirmation      6:00 Big House

6:30-Growing in Prayer

**Thursday:**      7:00 Choir      8:15 Voices of Praise

**Friday:**      **6:00 NOT SO SILENT NIGHT**

**Saturday:**      **Worship 4:30 PM**

## **THOSE WHO SERVE November 26<sup>th</sup>:**

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> :**

**Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm** – 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** B. Dale, D. Bruschuk, J. & E. Bruschuk, N. Rogers

**10:30** - Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong

**Greeters:**      **8:00** Bonnie Dale      **10:30** Denise Airdo

**Altar Guild**      Jenny Swensen

**THOSE WHO SERVE December 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM:**

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

**THOSE WHO SERVE December 10<sup>th</sup>:**

**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 &, Rich Kumnick  
**Greeters:** 8:00 Celeste Golz      **10:30** Marilyn Bloechle  
**Altar Guild**

**THOSE WHO SERVE December 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM:**

**Organ:** Mary Stahlke  
**Acolytes:** Cruz Collins  
**Ushers:** Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong

**THOSE WHO SERVE December 17<sup>th</sup>:**

**Keyboard / Organ:** 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead      **8am & 10:30am** Mary Stahlke  
**Vocalists:** 8:00      **10:30**  
**Lay Assistants:** 8:00 Darren Taylor      **10:30** Kate Ilcken & Rich Kumnick  
**Acolytes:** 8:00 Jacob Bruschk      **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 Olinda & Cliff Sperry      **10:30** Carol Edwards