



Trinity News—December 23, 2018

Grounded in Faith ... Reaching Out in Love

Household Prayer: Morning

Lord Jesus, as you listened to your teachers, may I also, this day, listen to others with care and grace, and receive whatever wisdom they may offer. Amen.

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Psalm 148
Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED MEMBERS:

LAH: Larry Kowatch

Let Us Pray For Our Congregational Members:

Darlene Schultz Roger & Gwendolyn Shaffer
Charles & Jill Seik Ruth Shaffer
Kelsey Senft Wendy Shaffer Family
Eric Shaffer John & Marigretta Shafron Family
James Shaffer Kelli Shafron Family
Regis Dunn II, Preston Wannamaker, David & Cindy Berlin & family, Jimmy Gutowski, Brandon Nicely, Andrew Armstrong, Dan Krall, Greg Krall, Michael Wirick, Brittney Robinson, Jonathan Skoloda, Dillan Bellotti, Melissa Durrett, Ivan Rupert, Karalyn Dick Vogel, Kenneth Dick II, Zack Vogel, Justin Brasile, Jarrett Patterson, Meagan Norris, and others deployed in areas of unrest.

ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

Shepherd Shop - 15 Thursday - 26
Saturday - 64 Sunday 8:15 - 114
Sunday School - 97 Sunday 10:45 - 92
Morning Devotions - 50 Healing Service - 6

Calling all acolytes! We are in desperate need of acolytes. **All ages, all services!** Please contact Kelly at krs26@comcast.net for more information or questions.

Christmas Worship Schedule

Christmas Eve

6 pm Family Service with Bells of Praise, Children's Choir & Chimes

8 pm Carol Service with Choir and Trinity Ringers

10 pm Carol Service with Choir and Trinity Ringers

(Live broadcast on WCNS 1480 AM)

Christmas Day

10 am Come and worship in the quiet and peace of Christmas Morning.

(Live broadcast on WCNS 1480 AM)



Altar Flowers

Flower & broadcast charts for 2019 are available on the front narthex bulletin board. Please sign up if you would like to honor or memorialize a special date or person in this way. When signing up for a whole broadcast (\$80) please sign on both lines or for a half of a broadcast (\$40) sign on one line. Flowers may be ordered from your favorite florist.



Baptism of Our Lord January 12 & 13, 2018



This weekend we invite all parents who had children baptized in 2018 to come and receive their baptismal shell. We pray that it will continue to remind them of this important date and God's promise to deliver us from sin and death and to raise us to new life in Christ!

SUNDAY - 23	MONDAY - 24	TUESDAY - 25	WEDNESDAY - 26	THURSDAY - 27	FRIDAY - 28	SATURDAY - 29
Advent 4 8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Holy Communion 12:00 Decorating 12:00 Children's Choir 12:30 Children's Chimes	Christmas Eve Office closes at noon. 6:00 Christmas 8:00 Eve 10:00 Services	Christmas Day 10:00 Christmas Day Service 12:00 Community Lunch @ Latrobe Presbyterian Church	12:00 AA Meeting	2:00 Purls of Prayer Party		
				6:30 Spoken Communion 7:30 AA Meeting		5:30 Holy Communion



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Thank you for your special offerings that are bringing God's love and hope to a hungry, hurting, and broken world.

ELCA World Hunger Offerings: \$12,362.74

Offerings collected are used where help in the world is needed the most.

ELCA Disaster Response: \$2,992.50

Offerings received will help those suffering from natural disasters, including hurricanes.

ELCA Missionary Support: \$1,524.99

YOU can make a difference in spreading the gospel around the world through your offerings to help support our missionaries.

Please use the special envelopes that are in the pew rack for these offerings.

California Wildfires: \$287

Lutheran Disaster Response, working with the Sierra Pacific Synod and Lutheran Social Services of Northern California, is monitoring the situation. We stand ready to provide assistance in the long-term recovery efforts once the fires subside. Make checks out to "Trinity", use any pew envelope and clearly mark it "**Wildfires**".

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

In January we are collecting boxed macaroni and cheese.

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard is located in the front narthex.



Reading "Luke" as a Synod – Our Synod is encouraging all within (and beyond) our Synod to read through the Gospel of Luke and share in conversation together. Beginning this Advent and continuing through the year, the Synod will be sharing weekly readings and questions for conversation on their Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/swpasynod

Simeanna Visitors have been visiting our homebound members for over 26 years. Just one hour of your month is needed to have a friendly visit with a homebound member. Information and devotional materials are provided. Contact John Carlson or Pr. Schock today if you are interested.

Volunteers needed to spend an hour a week on a rotating basis to **tidy up the pews**; straightening the hymnals, Bibles, and refilling the envelopes. Please call the church office at 724-537-4450 if you have an hour to spare.

The Shepherd Shop is in need of **men's socks**. Please drop your sock donation off in the office. Thank you!

TLC House dinners are in full swing and more cooks are needed. If you would like to prepare a meal with the help of the TLC residents please contact the church office at 724-537-4450. The guys are eager to learn some cooking skills and share a meal and conversation with us. Meals are prepared and shared the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

WELCA Wednesday Project Day will not meet on December 26. Meetings will resume on January 9, 2019. Everyone is invited to join this group that meets Wednesday mornings from 9am to noon and makes quilts. No experience necessary! There are opportunities for sewers and non-sewers. Please join us!

Committee chairs, it's time to get your committee reports together for the annual congregational report. Please email them to jennyobstarczyk@trinitylatrobe.com or drop them off in the office by January 20th.

Have you noticed the new signage around the church? Our new red signs will help visitors navigate their way around our (sometimes confusing) building. As a result, the **main bulletin board was relocated to across from the lounge**. Our announcements and sign-up sheets can now be found there. The CYFM information is now on the bulletin board by the office. Thank you!

★ **EXTRA! EXTRA!** ★ The guys will kick off the **Men's News** new year on Saturday, January 12 at 8:00am at the Coffee Bean on Route 30 in Latrobe. Come and join the discussion and fellowship!

Faith in Action – is a ministry coordinating volunteer caregivers from all the local churches for persons 60 years and over. Do you have a few hours to help provide rides, go shopping, make a monthly phone call? Call Jane Kerr at: 724-539-4357 or faithinaction@msn.com.