



Trinity News—December 12, 2021

Growing in Faith ... Reaching Out in Love... Making Disciples

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Micah 5:2-5a Luke 1:46b-55
 Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-55

WE PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATIONAL MEMBERS:

Keith & Linda Shirey Family Russell Showers Family
 Donna Showalter Family Clifford Shrum
 John & Joyce Showalter Scott & Wendy Shust Family
 John Jr & Erika Showalter Family April Simms
 Kelci Showalter Billie Simms Family
 Cody McNutt, Regis Dunn II, Preston Wannamaker, David &
 Cindy Berlin & family, Jimmy Gutowski, Brandon Nicely,
 Andrew Armstrong, Michael Wirick, Brittney Robinson,
 Jonathan Skoloda, Dillan Bellotti, Melissa Durrett, Heather &
 Ivan Rupert, Karalyn Dick Vogel, Kenneth Dick II, Zack Vogel,
 Justin Brasile, Jarrett Patterson, Michael Brasile and others
 serving our country.

ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday—19 Saturday—34
 Sunday 8:15—57 Sunday 10:45—58
 Sunday School—56

Our Newly Elected Council Members are -

3 year terms—Kathy Ferlin, Nick Gebhart,
 Lucinda Nicely, Matt Clever
 2 year term—Linda Reed

Amended Constitution and Bylaws -

C.12.02—110 approved; 10 opposed
 C.12.05—95 approved, 27 opposed
2022 Budget - approved by a vote of 107/16

We are grateful and blessed here at Trinity to have so many of our members willing to be faithful stewards of their time and talents in service to this congregation. The council would like to thank all those that participated in the election process. Leadership within our church comes in many forms outside of serving on church council such as through our committees and various outreach organizations. We encourage all members to participate in our life and ministry here at Trinity and together we can build a strong and active community of faith.

Thank you,
 Zachary Arbore, President Church Council

CHRISTMAS WEEK WORSHIP

No Worship on Thursday, December 23rd

Christmas Eve Worship Friday, December 24th

6:00pm—Service of Holy Communion with Handbells & Choir (*Live on Facebook*)

7:15pm—7:45pm—Drive-Thru Communion

8:30pm—Service of Holy Communion with Handbells & Choir (*Live on Facebook*)

10:00pm—Radio Broadcast of the Christmas Eve Service; *no in-person worship*

Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25th

10:00am—Radio Broadcast of Christmas Eve Service; *no in-person worship*

No In-Person Christmas Day Worship or Saturday Night Worship—Merry Christmas!

First Sunday in Christmas Sunday, December 26th

8:15am—Service of Holy Communion

No Sunday Church School for children or Pr. Clement's class.

10:45am—Service of Holy Communion

PURLS OF PRAYER TREE

Purls of Prayer would like to spread a little more happiness this Blessed Holiday Season! We invite you to visit our "Take One, Give One" Angel tree in the narthex. Take an angel ornament for yourself and one for someone else (preferably someone you might not even know!). Spread some Christmas cheer—small plastic bags are available by the tree, please fill one with an angel and a prayer square and leave it somewhere for someone to find. **Merry Christmas!**

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

Drive thru communion continues, Sunday, December 12 & 26 from 12:15pm to 1:00pm and Christmas Eve from 7:15pm to 7:45pm. Please enter the carport drive from the alley and exit onto Weldon Street.

SUNDAY - 12	MONDAY - 13	TUESDAY - 14	WEDNESDAY - 15	THURSDAY - 16	FRIDAY - 17	SATURDAY - 18
3rd Sunday of Advent 8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Holy Communion (Installation of council at both services)	2:00 Grief Group 3:15 Evangelism 4:00 Grandparents Raising Grandchildren	10-1 Shepherd Shop 10:00 Bible Basics 11:00 Pericope 11:00 Prayer Team 1:00 Archive 2:30 Loyalhanna Service	9:00 WELCA Project Day 12:00 AA Meeting 12:00 Caring for Caregivers	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Pack Christmas Boxes</div>		10:00 Christmas Box Distribution
		7:00 Council 7:00 Handbells	6:00 Grief Group 7:15 Choir	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: \$9,000.75

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

ELCA MISSIONARY SUPPORT: \$898.60

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

FOREIGN & UNITED STATES DISASTER: \$1,566

To help those here and abroad.

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD

In December we are collecting dish soap for our local food pantry. Please place your donated items in Mother Hubbard's Cupboard, located in the front narthex or drop them off in the church office.

CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING

Trinity is continuing our annual Christmas Food box distribution. Monetary donations are welcome.

Loyalhanna Care Center has residents without family. Please purchase sleepwear and non-slip slippers with backs. All sizes welcome. Please drop the unwrapped items off in the church office.

Monetary donations for all of these programs are welcome and generously accepted. **Contact the church office at 724-537-4450 for more information.**

Save the date! Trinity's Women's Retreat will be September 30 through October 2, 2022.

WELCA 2021 Designated Outreach

This year WELCA is collecting baby items for "Blessed Bundles" by providing SWPA families with the following items:

- ◆ Disposable Diapers (Size Preemie through 7)
- ◆ Wipes—Scented, Unscented and Hypoallergenic
- ◆ Baby Toiletries (Baby Wash, Baby Shampoo, Baby Lotion, Diaper Cream, Baby/Toddler Toothbrushes)
- ◆ Gently Used Baby Equipment (Infant Swings, Pack & Play, etc.)
- ◆ Gently Used Toys, Activity Centers, Play Mats, Books, etc.
- ◆ New Bottles, Sippy Cups, Straw Cups
- ◆ Gently Used/New Bibs, Baby and Toddler Utensils
- ◆ Target Gift Cards (This is where most of our diapers are bought)

Please call the church office at 724-537-4450 to schedule a time to drop off items.

Please contact Linda Reed directly with any specific questions at 724-433-2034.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to 'SWPA Women of the ELCA' with a designation of 'Blessed Bundles' and return to the Church Office.



CLUB FRED IS BACK!

Club FRED will be starting up tentatively January 20, 2022!

To make this ministry happen, we need some help!

- *teachers/helpers (clearances are needed)
- *cooking crews (hopefully 4 different crews to cook once a month)
- *donations of small bottles of water and individually packaged snacks
- *dinner companions (to sit and eat with students during dinner)
- *financial support

If you are interested in becoming part of the Club FRED team, please contact Kathy Ferlin at 724-875-8301.

WORSHIP AT LOYALHANNA CARE CENTER

Spread some holiday cheer to the residents of Loyalhanna Care Center! We will worship and sing Christmas carols there on Tuesday, December 14 at 2:30pm. Please join us and bring them Christmas joy! Contact Christine Weller for more information at 724-537-4450.

CARENOTES

Take a CareNote! We bet we have one for you or someone you know! CareNotes are located in the front and side narthexes.



ANGELS FROM A LUTHERAN PERSPECTIVE

Join us for a presentation by Deacon Michelle Kunkle on Thursday, January 13 from 6:00pm—8:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided! Sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office.

FUNERAL PLANNING SEMINAR

We are offering a funeral planning seminar on Tuesday, January 25 from 6:00—8:00pm in Fellowship Hall. This seminar will be led by Lopatich-Brinker Funeral Home. It is never too early to plan! All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. Sign up on the bulletin board across from the church office.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS & WORLD HUNGER MEMORIALS

The congregation is invited to share in the decorating of the Chancel for Christmas by ordering poinsettias and/or donating to world hunger. If you would like to memorialize or honor a loved one, fill out the order form below & return it along with payment (checks made out to Trinity Lutheran Church) by **December 12**.

_____ Poinsettia(s) @ \$9.00

\$ _____ World Hunger



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