



TLC Grapevine

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Worship Services

9:00 am, Sunday

There are no Wednesday Services during vacancy

Sunday School (Sept - May)

10:30 am - 11:30 am



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Resources teach about life in the womb

October 27, 2023 / Reporter / By Caitlin Magness



New and updated resources from LCMS Life Ministry are designed to teach youth about the life of a child in the womb. The resources, under the title "Looking at Life in the Womb," emphasize prenatal development, the sanctity of human life, and God's perfect design and loving care for each person. Through age-appropriate content and activities for early childhood, elementary school students and teenagers, the resources explore God's development of a child in the womb from conception to birth. Scripture passages encourage students to consider unborn children in light of God's Word, with each person being "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14).

"We want to stress the flexibility of the resources, which can be used in LCMS classrooms and also in the home and in Sunday school," said Deaconess Dr. Tiffany Manor, managing director of Human Care and Ministerial Support for the LCMS Office of National Mission (ONM). "There is a curriculum with lessons for schools and also activities and videos. People can pick and choose whatever works for them. We are going to continue to add to this set to offer Christ-centered resources." (In the elementary curriculum, Scripture passages and reflections are included in their own section so that the curriculum may be also adapted for use in secular schools.)

The curriculum (which has two versions, one for teenagers and one for elementary-aged children) is divided into modules according to topic. Each module includes:

- A basic lesson;
- A PowerPoint presentation;
- A teacher's guide;
- Vocabulary terms;
- Discussion questions;
- Further exploration and readings on the module's topic (for teens); and
- Scriptural application.

The resource for early childhood (3–5 years old) consists of activity mats, drawing pages and a poster. The early childhood resource does not cover the issue of abortion like the main curriculum but does present information on development in the womb as well as reflections on Scripture for young children, affirming their inherent worth as beloved children of God.

Stephanie Neugebauer, a registered diagnostic medical sonographer and manager of Health Ministry for the ONM, has been involved with creating the set of resources since its inception. She cites her firsthand experience working in pregnancy resource centers with abortion-vulnerable and abortion-minded women as part of the inspiration for the project.

“It’s hard to put into words the change that happened on the exam table as I performed an ultrasound — most women, who before had considered abortion a mere medical solution to a biological problem, saw the very humanness of their unborn children, and suddenly abortion became an unthinkable solution to a very human circumstance,” she said.

“I’m seeing these [women and girls] come in, as young as 14 and as old as 45, many not understanding how their bodies work, how human gestation and development work. The thought occurred to me: How can we teach people (both young men and young women) about life in the womb so that they get a chance to see what I get to witness every day? ... What if we equipped them earlier with this information and experience, so that hopefully their eyes are opened to the human living in the womb?”

The new resources were created with funding provided by a grant from the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League and reflect the Synod’s ongoing commitment to uphold the sanctity of life. In July 2023, the Synod in convention adopted Resolution 3-01, “To Encourage and Support More Fervent Teaching, Proclamation, and Efforts to Promote Culture of Life among God’s People.” The “Looking at Life in the Womb” resources continue the work of LCMS Life Ministry to support congregations, districts and Recognized Service Organizations who are seeking to build a culture of life in the LCMS and beyond.

“Looking for Life in the Womb” can be downloaded for free after creating an account on the LCMS Life Ministry website: (<https://lcmslife.org/tags/Life-in-the-Womb/>)



MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

Wednesday, Dec. 6th, *Dec. 13th, **Dec. 20th

6:30 pm - Advent Midweek Worship Service

**The Sunday School Children’s Program will be on December 13th.*

*** A Special Christmas Concert will be on December 20th.*

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Sunday December 24

9:00 am - Worship Service w/Communion

4:00 pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service

Monday, December 25

9:00 am - Christmas Day Worship Service w/Communion





C H R I S T M A S D A Y

And the Word became flesh.

(John 1:14)

Christ has a holy birth, immaculate and pure. Our birth is sinful and accursed, and we can only be helped through the holy birth of Christ. Yet Christ's birth cannot be shared with us, but it is offered spiritually to everyone wherever the Word is preached. Those who firmly believe and receive it will not suffer harm because of their own sinful birth.

It was Christ's will and pleasure to be born as a man so that in him we might be born again. "In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures" (James 1:18). In this way Christ takes our birth away from us and immerses it in his own birth, giving us his birth, that we may be made new and clean, as if it were our own birth. Therefore shall every Christian rejoice in this birth of Christ, and glory in it, as if they too were born of Mary. The one who does not believe that, or doubts it, is no Christian.

This is the great joy of which the angel speaks. This is God's comfort and his surpassing goodness, that we (if we believe) may glory in such a treasure, that Mary be our very mother, Christ our brother, and God our father. For all these things have truly happened that we might believe in them.

See, then, that you make this birth your own, exchanging with him, so that you might be rid of your birth, and might take on his, which happens when you believe. Then you surely will rest in the virgin Mary's lap as her darling child. But you must learn to have such faith and to exercise it throughout your earthly life, for it can never be strong enough.

Sermon for Christmas Day, 1522. WA 10/1:71



Trinity Advent Tea
Saturday, December 2nd at 2:00 pm
In Trinity's Fellowship Hall
\$12.00

See Marie Borslien for tickets. *(Seating is Limited)*

GROUP MEETINGS THIS MONTH

❖ **Ladies Aid & Afternoon Guild**

Ladies Aid & Evening Guild will Celebrate Christmas with their joint party on December 7th at 6:00 pm.

❖ **Men of Trinity**

Will meet on Monday, December 4th at 7:00 pm at the Church.

❖ **M.O.P.S.**

Will Meet on Tuesday, December 12th at 6:30 pm at the Church.

❖ **Hannah Circle**

Will meet on Thursday, December 14th at 1:30 pm.

❖ **Active Christian Fellowship**

ACF will Meet on December 11th at 4:00pm to make Popcorn Balls.

❖ **Altar Circle**

Will **NOT** meet in December.

❖ **Eunice Circle**

Will meet at the Green Mill Restaurant on Tuesday, December 19th at 11:00 am. Please bring your offering for Heifer International.

❖ **Christian Singles**

The Christian Singles will **NOT** meet in December.

❖ **Happy Quilters**

The “Happy Quilters” meet on the 3rd & 4th Thursdays of each month at 9:00am at the church.



“HEAD – TO – TOE” - FOR THE HOMELESS!

Sponsored by Trinity's Afternoon Guild

In this special season we are especially thankful for who and what we have in our lives! (We should do this year-round too). Think of the coming cold temperatures and the many ways we stay warm in our homes, cars and offices. While we are thinking, please consider the needs of the homeless in our community and what **THEY** need to stay warm!

To help meet their needs, Trinity's Afternoon Guild is once again collecting the following items to be donated to the homeless before Christmas. Our deadline for donations is **December 17th!**



HEAD: Stocking Caps, Hats, Warm Headbands, Earmuffs, Scarves

HANDS: Warm Gloves or Mittens

TOES: Nice Warm Thick Socks



Warm items in adult and children sizes must be new (Either store-bought or home-made from those talented ones in our congregation!)

**There is a collection tub in the Narthex for your donations.
Remember, the deadline is December 17th! Thank you for your help!**

TRINITY LUTHERAN AFTERNOON GUILD

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(IN . CASE . YOU . MISSED . IT .)



The "Happy Quilters"

The Happy Quilters want to thank those who purchased quilts from us. This enabled us to purchase more batting, material, thread and a new scissors (which was VERY MUCH needed!)

This is a photo of us enjoying a meal at DaRoos in Bagley after our road trip to Oklee for those supplies.

Ladies Aid Bean Packing



Packing



Kathy & Laverne

The Ladies Aid met on November 2nd. After our meeting we joined in the kitchen and packed dry beans, spices and recipe into containers which were delivered to the Bemidji Food Shelf.

This is an annual outreach to the community our group does.



The 2023 "Spice Girls"

The Hannah Circle

The Ladies in Hannah Circle enjoy monthly Bible Study with our Deaconess Bev Parobek.

There is room for more at our table.

Please come join us the second Thursday in the month at 1:30PM.





December 2023

JOIN US FOR
Sunday School
And Youth Bible study!
Sundays, 10:30-11:30am

Ms. Kathy continues to help the Sunday School with a monthly craft.

We made some fall themed crafts to celebrate the change of seasons and remember God's blessings. We are thankful for her!



Our studies in God's word continue and your children have learned; God keeps His Word in Jesus, God sent our Savior to be born as a human baby, Jesus is true God, God's beloved Son was baptized and tempted for our sake, Jesus has called me to follow Him, and Jesus does miracles because He is true God.



Christmas Program

PLEASE JOIN US
FOR THE
SUNDAY SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
DECEMBER 13TH AT
6:30PM



October was Pastor Appreciation Month

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Men of Trinity honored Pastor Uhrinak on October 15, 2023 with a pancake breakfast.

85+ people enjoyed the meal with him.



The Pancake Crew



Tom Checking on the Crew



Feeding The Flock

Thank you
Pastor
Uhrinak
for your
service to
Trinity!



The Pancake Line



Congregation Enjoying Pancakes



Breakfast is Over

October was Pastor Appreciation Month



Scott's Chicks Were Very Busy



Prep Cooks



ACF Group in the Kitchen

*October was
Pastor Appreciation month.
The Active Christian Fellowship
group along with the congregation
honored Pastor Carnicom on
October 29, 2023 with a
scrambled egg & ham breakfast.*

*100+ people enjoyed
the meal with him.*



Thank you Pastor Carnicom for your service to Trinity!



Bemidji Circuit Convocation held October 28th at Trinity

Saturday October 28th Trinity hosted the Bemidji Circuit Convocation with over 75 members of the circuit's 8 congregations attending. 23 attendees were from Trinity in Bemidji. The Bemidji circuit is comprised of congregations located in the communities of Bagley, Blackduck, Cass Lake, Lake George, Bemidji, International Falls, Baudette, and Warroad. Of these congregations there are two full time called pastors and one part-time called pastor.

The goal of this convocation was to meet in worship, to study, and to discuss together our mutual needs and find the opportunities and options the Lord has for providing Pastoral care to the circuit.

After opening prayer and devotion, LCMS North District President Pastor Finnern spoke to the group on the challenges, and hope, that we currently all share. Struggles are not just confined to our region, but across our nation. Today in the LCMS, there are

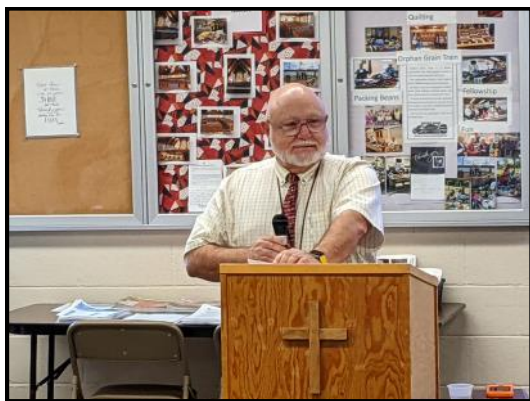
over 571 congregations actively calling pastors (there are 5800 churches in the LCMS). The MN North District has 36 vacant congregations. While his message was to the point; he shared that whatever the obstacles, God has a path, even in challenging times. God's church will not disappear – it will continue to thrive.

Pastor Moeller of Warroad shared a study on 1Corinthians 12 – In Christ: One body with many members.

Pastor Domke presented on the Church and its Ministry with continual focus on history and biblical truth that we can stand upon.

Pastor Wentzel (Bemidji Circuit Visitor) gave a power point presentation providing some options for our circuit on how to minister to our congregations. Topics included outreach via technology, multi-parish pastors, lay ministry, utilizing a hub concept, and the possible 'blessed end' of congregations. It was agreed that the circuit congregations should continue to work together discussing options and being open to all possibilities.

Elder and leader training was tentatively set for January 20, 2024.



Rev. Dan Domke - Redeemer, Bagley



Rev. Robert Wentzel - Bemidji Circuit Visitor



Convocation Kitchen Team



Rev. William Moeller Jr. - Baudette/Warroad



Ron Re-fueling the Lutherans

News & Announcements

IMPORTANT NOTICE

REMINDER: Some of Trinity's groups have stopped their ongoing fundraisers. Please note the following fundraisers that are no longer in effect:

- ❖ **Lutheran Island Camp** is no longer collecting Campbell's Soup Labels.
- ❖ **The Youth Groups** are no longer collecting proof of purchase (bar codes) for the Our Family Brand at Lueken's Village Foods.
- ❖ **The Afternoon Guild** is no longer collecting Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.
- ❖ **TLC Preschool** is no longer collecting ink cartridges or small electronics for recycling.

The Active Christian Fellowship New Years Party!



Sunday, December 31st!
Potluck at 11:30 am followed by



Fellowship, Games, Snacks, Door Prizes and lots of fun!



The Church Office will be closed on Dec 25th - 26th for Christmas. And Jan. 1st - 2nd for New Years!

**Christmas Music Recital
4th Wednesday in Advent
December 21, 2022
6:30 PM**

Please join the Trinity Church musicians for a recital of Advent and Christmas music. A wide variety of Christmas music will be presented.



Trinity Advent Tea

WHEN: Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 2:00 pm

WHERE: The Fellowship Hall here at Trinity

WHO: Women of Trinity, friends and family

WHY: A special time to gather with friends

Lutheran Island Camp UPCOMING EVENTS



DECEMBER 3

Christmas Hymn Sing

Come to the Island for an evening of beautiful Christmas hymns, cookies, hot drinks, and fellowship! The Hymn Sing will be held in the chapel from 4pm - 6pm. Call the office at 218-583-2905 to let us know you're coming!

JANUARY 19-20

Confirmation Weekend

Register your Confirmands for a weekend of fun and instruction at LIC! You take care of the Confirmation instruction and we take care of the fun! The cost is \$90/person which includes food, lodging, and activities. For more information, and to register, contact Olivia at licprogram@islandcamp.org.

JANUARY 24-28

Quilt & Crafting Retreat

Quilters and crafters, do you need a place to get away and get some crafting done? Then look no further than our Quilt Retreat! Food, lodging, and evening devotions are provided by the LIC staff.

Thrivent Financial® Choice Dollars must be directed every year. Trinity has 2 areas that Choice Dollars can be directed:

- 1. Trinity Lutheran Church**
- 2. TLC Preschool/Growing Tree Childcare**

All Choice Dollars directed to Trinity Lutheran Church go into the General Fund. *Please contact Financial Secretary if you have questions.*



All Choice Dollars directed to TLC Preschool and/or to Growing Tree Childcare go into their Scholarship Fund. *Please contact a member of the School Board if you have questions.*

To direct your Choice Dollars, go online to Thrivent.com and log in (you'll need your Member ID to register), or call 1-800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice" (you'll need your Member ID). *Please contact your Thrivent representative with any questions.*



Growing Tree

DECEMBER 2023

Childcare and TLC Preschool Newsletter

SCHOOL CLOSINGS:

Preschool & Learning Center

Christmas Break
December 22nd—January 2nd



Bible Verse of the Month:

Matthew 1:21

She will bear a son, and you shall call his name

Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.

Childcare and Preschool News

It's the final countdown for the Annual Ticket Fundraiser! Tickets are \$10 each with all proceeds going to the preschool. Tickets can be purchased in the preschool office until Thursday, December 7th. The drawing will be held on Friday, December 8th.



Advent Christmas Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6th at 5:30 pm. This will be for all the children in our program. Please come and watch them sing songs for Jesus. Advent supper served by the preschool staff and school board will follow the program.

Tub's of Christmas Love

TLC Preschool and Growing Tree Learning Center will be sponsoring a family to receive a "Tub of Love." There is a labeled tote in the fellowship hall with various items listed that the family is in need of. Please prayerfully consider donating to this family. Please drop the items back off at the church by Friday, December 15th. The true meaning of Christmas is when Jesus came to this earth to save us all. Let's work together to help out others this Christmas Season.

"Northwood's Pregnancy Center Toy Drive"

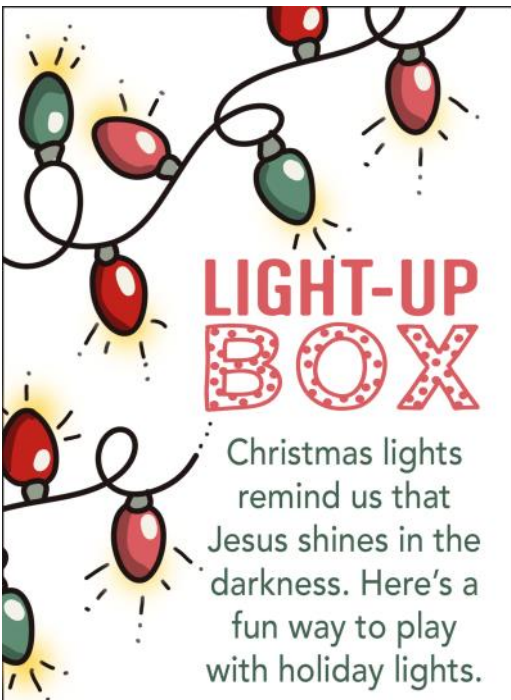
We are also partnering with The Northwood's Pregnancy Center collecting toys for their Toy Drive. There is a labeled tote in the fellowship hall to place an unwrapped toy for a child age: Birth to 10 years old. Deadline to drop off items is Wednesday, December 6th.



New Flooring UPDATE!!

The Design Store will be here the week of December 18-22 to install the new flooring. The preschool and childcare classes will be held upstairs in the fellowship hall that week.

Activity Page

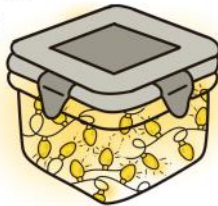


LIGHT-UP BOX

Christmas lights remind us that Jesus shines in the darkness. Here's a fun way to play with holiday lights.

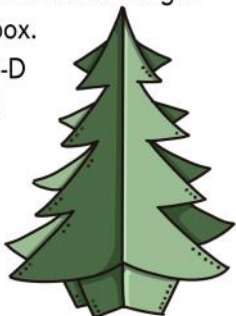
What you need:

- A strand of Christmas lights
- A large clear plastic container and lid
- Green tissue paper
- Colorful beads



What you do:

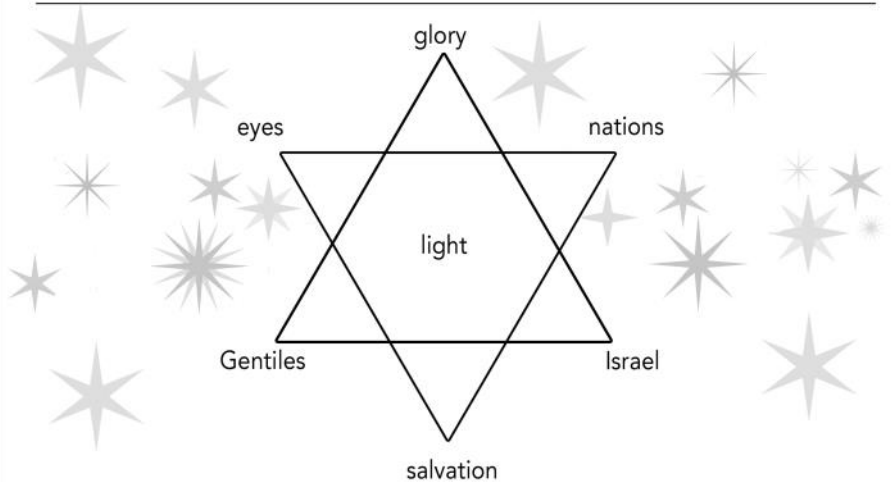
1. Plug in the lights and place them in the container.
 2. Put on the lid. (If the lid isn't transparent, flip the box over.)
 3. Play with your light box, using these ideas as starters:
 - Cut tissue paper into triangles and arrange them in a tree shape. Decorate the tree with colorful beads.
 - Use the light box for tracing. Place a picture on it, with a clean sheet of paper on top. Then trace the drawing.
 - Use magnet tiles to build designs atop the light box.
- Try building a 3-D Christmas tree!



SIMEON'S SIGHT

When Joseph and Mary brought baby Jesus to the temple, they heard a special prophecy from Simeon.

Directions: Using the star key, write the words in the correct spaces to complete Luke 2:30-32, NIV.



"For my _____ have seen your _____, which you have prepared in the sight of all _____: a _____ for revelation to the _____, and the _____ of your people _____."

Luke 2:30-32, NIV

Answers: eyes, salvation, nations, light, Gentiles, glory, Israel

DECEMBER STEWARDSHIP

The Measure of Our Generosity

If you open up the Small Catechism, you'll find a shortened version of the Third Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy." But if you look up the list of the Ten Commandments in Exodus, you'll find the full version:

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. (Ex. 20:8-11)

Why did Luther shorten this commandment for the Small Catechism? Was it so that the kids wouldn't have so much to memorize? No, it was because Luther knew that all the details of the Third Commandment were part of the "shadow" of the Old Testament (Col. 2:16). Or as St. Paul puts it, there is "letter" in the Old Testament law and "spirit" (2 Cor. 3:6). The details of not working on Saturday were fulfilled by Christ. That part of the Sabbath regulation no longer applies. But the spirit of the law does remain: We need to dedicate sufficient time each week to hearing God's Word and giving it honor and respect. Or as Luther sums it up in the Small Catechism's explanation to the Third Commandment: "We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it."

The same sort of analysis applies to our giving. In the Old Testament, God commanded the Israelites to give a tenth of their income to the Levites so that those men could dedicate their lives to serving in God's house, teaching the people, conducting worship, etc. In the New Testament, there is a rigid requirement listed about handing in your tax forms to church to make sure you've given enough. But the mandate to have a full-time ministry, which is the spirit of that law concerning tithing to the Levites, is right there in 1 Corinthians 9:14: "The Lord has ordained that those who preach the Gospel should make their living from the Gospel."

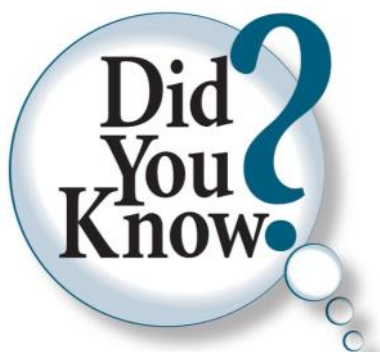
The New Testament church's job is significantly larger than the job of Old Testament Israel. We are commanded to preach the Gospel to all nations. There was only the temple to maintain in the Old Testament, but we have churches, schools, universities and seminaries, plus missionaries everywhere. So you tell me: Can we really undertake the work of the ministry if our giving doesn't even measure up to Old Testament levels of generosity?

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: lcms.org/stewardship



Stewardship Report

| <u>Monthly Receipts/Expenses</u> | <u>October 2023</u> |
|--|------------------------------------|
| General Fund Receipts | \$51,982.34 |
| PS/CC Receipts | \$27,281.00 |
| Interest Receipts | \$252.42 |
| (Transfer to Money Market) Adjustments | _____ |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | \$79,515.76 |
| TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES | \$39,947.26 |
| OVERAGE/SHORTAGE | Monthly +/- \$39,568.50 |



YOU CAN NOW GIVE YOUR TITHE OR OFFERING ONLINE?!

It's Easy, just follow these steps...

1. Visit Trinity's Website at www.trinitybemidji.org.
2. Click on "Donate" at the top right of the Home Page.
3. Fill out the form on the Donation Page and click "DONATE" when you are finished.
4. You will now be directed to our PayPal page. Once there, you can either Log In to your existing PayPal account **OR** if you don't have an account just click "Continue" under the heading "Don't Have A PayPal Account?"
5. From here you just complete using your credit or debit card information and submit.

The Benefits Of Online Giving

STEWARDSHIP

You have the option of giving a one time gift, or having your tithe post monthly.

CONVENIENT

You can continue to support Trinity even if you are away on vacation or gone for the winter.

FLEXIBILITY

You can give to the General Fund or choose to give to a specific Ministry of the church.

If you would like help in learning how make your donation or tithe to Trinity online, just stop in to the office, we are happy to help.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES AT TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

1 Steve Krueger

3 Mark Shaw

4 Stephanie Coyle, Vernon Lee

7 John Egeland,
Marie Porter

8 Hank Dufault

9 Scott & Genise Schuette (17)

12 Bruce Nordick

14 Victor Wolbeck

16 Rene Vorderbruggen

18 Jonathon Molitor
Victor & Barbara Wolbeck (58)

19 Isaac Lahn

20 Scott Schuette

23 Hope Puro,
Bob Woodke

25 Jesus

27 Alyssa Lyons

28 Jay Porter, Rodney Olson
Wayne & Sandy Thorson (60)

29 Jon Chandler

31 Andrea Freye, Elise Uhrinak
Rod Wentzel



A DOSE of HUMOR

"That last 'Glo-ooo-oooh-oooh-oooh-oooh-oooh-oooh-oooria' about did me in."

ALTAR FLOWER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Please sign up to tend the Altar Flowers. We still need volunteers for 2023!

ADDRESS/PHONE

If your address and/or phone number changes, please let the church office know, so your information will be correct in the church database. Thank you!



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LARGE PRINT EDITION AVAILABLE

LARGE PRINT bulletins are available for those that have difficulty with the regular bulletin. If you would benefit from having one of these bulletins, please ask an usher for a copy.

If you are interested in being a Greeter or an Usher, please speak with one of the Elders.



WHEN YOU LEAVE GOD'S HOUSE, please turn out ALL the lights (except in the office hallway) and please check that ALL the entrance doors are LOCKED, even if you didn't unlock them.

Greeting Cards Available!



Individual Cards are \$1.00 each. Boxed cards are priced on bottom. Checks are preferred. Please make your checks out to Trinity Ladies Aid and put your payment in the container provided. Thank you.

Check out the "RESOURCE TABLE" in the Fellowship Hall for FREE Books, Periodicals, Devotionals, and More.



Portals of Prayer are in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.



ALTAR CIRCLE

Advent comes from a Latin word that means "coming" and its emphasis is on preparation for the coming of Christ. The blue paraments used during Advent represent our mood of hope and anticipation of His coming. The festival of Christmas is a time of celebration, thus the paraments are white. Because of the nature of this singular event in the history of the world and its meaning for our salvation, the festival and season of Christmas is a time of great joy.

BEMIDJI AREA FOOD SHELF

Trinity, along with United Methodist Church volunteer the 1st Monday of each month at the Food Shelf. The first shift is from 9am-12pm and the second shift is from 12-3:30pm. Both shifts need 6-7 volunteers.



Update on the Food Shelf in the last year.

1. Persons served up 40%
2. Homes served up 30%
3. Food costs up 20%.

The Food Shelf would not function without all the volunteers who give of their time. Thank you for all you do to help the Food Shelf run smoothly. ~June Roxstrom





Please check the covered bulletin boards in the Church Entrance Hall for posted Letters, Community Events, Concerts, Meals, Fundraisers, local activities and news.

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - DECEMBER

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|------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1 Luke 1:46-55 | 9 Psalm 8 | 17 Psalm 16 | 25 Psalm 24 |
| Revelation 1-2 | Isaiah 1-3 | Isaiah 25-27 | Isaiah 49-51 |
| 2 Psalm 1 | 10 Psalm 9 | 18 Psalm 17 | 26 Psalm 25 |
| Revelation 3-5 | Isaiah 4-6 | Isaiah 28-30 | Isaiah 52-54 |
| 3 Psalm 2 | 11 Psalm 10 | 19 Psalm 18 | 27 Psalm 26 |
| Revelation 6-8 | Isaiah 7-9 | Isaiah 31-33 | Isaiah 55-57 |
| 4 Psalm 3 | 12 Psalm 11 | 20 Psalm 19 | 28 Psalm 27 |
| Revelation 9-11 | Isaiah 10-12 | Isaiah 34-36 | Isaiah 58-60 |
| 5 Psalm 4 | 13 Psalm 12 | 21 Psalm 20 | 29 Psalm 28 |
| Revelation 12-14 | Isaiah 13-15 | Isaiah 37-39 | Isaiah 61-63 |
| 6 Psalm 5 | 14 Psalm 13 | 22 Psalm 21 | 30 Psalm 29 |
| Revelation 15-17 | Isaiah 16-18 | Isaiah 40-42 | Isaiah 64-66 |
| 7 Psalm 6 | 15 Psalm 14 | 23 Psalm 22 | 31 Luke 1:46-55 |
| Revelation 18-20 | Isaiah 19-21 | Isaiah 43-45 | Mark 1 |
| 8 Psalm 7 | 16 Psalm 15 | 24 Psalm 23 | |
| Revelation 21-22 | Isaiah 22-24 | Isaiah 46-48 | |

December 2023

Trinity Lutheran Church - 444-4441

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  | | | | | 1 | 2 Advent Tea 2:00 PM |
| 3 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School <i>Ladies Aid Serves</i> | 4 7:00 PM Men of Trinity | 5 6:00 PM Bell Choir | 6 4:15 PM 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 PM 6th Grade Confirmation 5:30 PM Preschool/Childcare Christmas Concert & Meal 6:30 PM Advent Worship | 7 5:30 PM Board of Elders Ladies Aid & Afternoon Guild Christmas Party 6:00PM | 8 | 9 |
| 10 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School <i>Youth Groups Serve</i> | 11 4:00 PM ACF Meets to make Popcorn Balls | 12 6:00 PM Bell Choir 6:30 PM M.O.P.S. | 13 4:15 PM 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 PM 6th Grade Confirmation 5:30 PM Advent Meal - Ladies Aid Sunday School Christmas Program 6:30 PM | 14 1:30 PM Hannah Circle | 15 | 16 |
| 17 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School <i>Men Serve</i> | 18 | 19 6:00 PM Bell Choir Eunie Circle will meet at Green Mill at 11:00am | 20 4:15 PM 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 PM 6th Grade Confirmation 6:30 PM Advent Meal - Altar Circle Trinity Christmas Concert 6:30 PM | 21 9:00 AM "Happy Quilters" 6:00 PM Church Boards 7:00 PM Church Council | 22 | 23 |
| 24 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 4:00 PM Candlelight Service <i>Evening Guild Serves</i> | 25 9:00 AM Christmas Morning Worship w/Communion | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| OFFICE CLOSED | | | | | | |
| 31 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study ACF New Years Eve Celebration 11:30 AM <i>ACF Serves</i> |  | | | | | |

Join us in a NEW holiday tradition!

We are creating "REVERSE Advent Calendars" by collecting food items for the Bemidji Area Food Shelf. Each day in Advent, collect the item on the REVERSE Advent Calendar and place in a box. You can bring in your own box once it is filled, or you can drop off your donations to the box in the Fellowship Hall.

All items will be delivered to the Bemidji Area Food Shelf to help those in need.



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| 1 CEREAL | 2 PEANUT BUTTER | 3 STUFFING MIX | 4 BOXED POTATOES | 5 CANNED FRUIT |
| 6 PANCAKE MIX | 7 CANNED TOMATO | 8 CANNED TUNA | 9 SYRUP | 10 APPLE SAUCE |
| 11 CANNED YAMS | 12 CRANBERRY SAUCE | 13 CANNED BEANS | 14 BOXED CRACKERS | 15 BAG OF RICE |
| 16 OATMEAL | 17 BAG OF PASTA | 18 SPAGHETTI SAUCE | 19 CHICKEN SOUP | 20 TOMATO SOUP |
| 21 CANNED CORN | 22 CANNED MIXED VEG | 23 CANNED CARROTS | 24 CANNED GREEN BEANS | 25 |