Worship Helpers

You can sign up to help in worship on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or online at: trinityhammond.org

Sunday, November 24—Thankoffering

Leading: Barb Schrank, Dar Sittlow

Greeter: Kathy Jensen

Ushers: Maeve, Molly, Mindy, Joan Ramberg

Acolyte: Maeve Ramberg

Lector (Reader): Kathy Jensen, Joan Ramberg,

Becky Fowler, Karen Riley, Bev Jacobson, Judy Larson

Slide show:

Sound/Video: Dave Roos

Sunday, December 1

Advent Candle Lighters:

Greeter: Brian & Joan Ramberg

Ushers: Sharon Johnson, Jean Peterson

Acolyte: Maeve Ramberg Lector (Reader): Lane Gillis

Slide show: Communion:

Giving

Thank you for supporting the ministry and mission of Trinity Lutheran Church!

11/17/24 - Attendance: 68 Online: 5

October Financial Report

Account Balances as of 10/31/2024
General Fund: \$ 3,527.45
Youth Org: \$ 4,310.56
Memorial Fund: \$ 17,591.50
WELCA: \$ 4.814.41

October Numbers

Income: \$18,301.37 Expenses \$18,297.08 Income Less Exp: \$4.29

Year-to-date Numbers

Income: \$147,236.20 Expenses: \$146,623.84 Income Less Expenses: \$612.36

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, Nov. 24 Thankoffering Worship 9:00am Fellowship, BOLT 10:15am Girl Scouts meet here 3:00pm Tuesday, Nov. 26 9:00am-2:00pm Office staffed Wednesday, Nov. 27 9:00am-2:00pm Office staffed 10:00am Clean Slate group meets here 6:00pm-pizza, 6:30pm-class BAM/Confirmation at Gethsemane Worship with Communion Sunday, Dec. 1 9:00am Fellowship, BOLT 10:15am



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WELCA in honor of Thankoffering Sunday!

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Thankoffering Sunday

Today the women of Trinity will lead the worship using a service provided by of the Women of the ELCA. The purpose statement of the Women of the ELCA is: "As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, society, and the world." The annual Thankoffering of the WELCA supports this bold ministry that offers anti-racism training; addresses domestic violence, commercial sexual exploitation, and human trafficking; and supports families with special needs. In addition to this, WELCA supports women in their faith to live active disciple lives. And it supports Katie's Fund, initiated in 2022, that seeks to foster global relationships and leadership development.

Speaker for Thankoffering Service

Duana Bremer is the Director of Grace Place, a ministry of Salvation Army, serving St. Croix, Polk and Burnett Counties. She has been serving our local communities in this capacity for nearly 15 years. Her leadership, knowledge and more importantly her dedication to the less fortunate in our communities is what guides our decisions, programming and care for our community. Recently Duana was invited to testify before Congress to speak about the needs in rural Wisconsin regarding homelessness and how changes in the way funding is dispersed can help make a difference for those in the most need in our communities.

Advent Candle Lighting

The Sundays in Advent are December 1, 8, 15, and 22. Each Sunday we will light the Advent Wreath and recall the gifts of God that come to us. NEEDED - two people each week to read the dialogue, light the candles on the wreath and lead the congregation in a prayer. This could be a child and parent or a husband and wife, or two friends. Please sign up online or at church. The final dialogue and candle lighting will be on Christmas Eve, December 24 at the 4:30 p.m. worship.

The Story of Grace Place

Grace Place Shelter opened its doors to the community 15 years ago this November. Grace Place has served as a temporary home for many families in St. Croix County needing emergency shelter and has served the community in its Somerset location to the best of its ability but in 2013, an increase of 47% has been noted and unfortunately more than 100 families had to be turned away, prompting the Grace Place crew to consider expanding to meet the community and space needs. Through the good will and generosity of Presbyterian Homes, a multi-unit structure was offered as a donation to The Salvation Army, creating an opportunity to relocate Grace Place to New Richmond, and move forward with expanded rooms and services, including the ability to house up to 64 individuals.

The goal of Grace Place Shelter is to promote self-sufficiency by providing a safe and secure environment, giving individuals the opportunity to overcome unresolved issues. Through education, individuals are encouraged to be responsible for themselves and others. During their 30-90 day stay we identify any immediate needs and develop a housing stabilization plan for the family. Our extensive program empowers individuals and families to become independent, creating a safer community for all of us.

Grace Place serves residents in St. Croix County and surrounding counties. The Pierce/St. Croix Housing Resource Network, United Way of St. Croix County, and The Salvation Army founded and support Grace Place along with the many generous donors who live and work in the community.

Please Note:

Quilts for sale to help with Trinity's Expenses

The handmade quilts will be on display until November 24th. They are for sale at \$35 each. The money from the sale of quilts will go to paying down the mortgage. When you pay for the quilt, you may take it home with you. Make checks out to Trinity Quilts; in memo area put "pay down mortgage". If you have any questions talk to Bev J., June L, Jean P., Becky F. Thank you.

Greeting Cards to Help Trinity

Janet DeLong has generously donated many of her hand-made cards for sale, with all proceeds going to Trinity. Check out the beautiful display in the Fellowship Room!

Lost Rings?

We found some rings tucked away in the office that are from a while ago. One was found in the Fireside Room (not sure when), and one was found in with Moola Money in 2018 (was it meant to be a donation??). If you know anything abut these, please talk to Pastor Julie or Rebecca.

Christmas Dinner Theater Trip for Area Churches

Peace Lutheran is organizing a bus for a fun dinner theater experience in Amery. Camp Wapogasset presents "A Stranger for Christmas", a funny and heartwarming tale of Florence and Myrna in a Pasadena rest home. Price includes a 4-course dinner service in between play acts. See flyer in narthex for details.



Prayer Requests: Prayers for the homebound and those in Care Centers:

Beth Monson, Judy Newton, Dorothy Hage, Lenore Moll
Prayers for Jacki Peterson

Prayer Point: A prayer for the poor: God of compassion, whose Son became poor for our sake: Help us to see the face of Christ in those who are poor, and in serving them to serve you. Give us generous hearts so that those living in poverty may have adequate food, clothing, and shelter. By your Spirit move us to affirm the dignity of all people and to work for just laws that protect the most vulnerable in society, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Spiritual Practice: Arm yourself with information that helps those for whom holidays are times of need, loneliness or rejection. Here are two crisis services that you can share. Mental health support and crisis intervention can be accessed by texting HOME to 741741, or you can go to crisistextline.org. You can reach a crisis counselor 24 hours a day. Also, Veterans Crisis Line is available by dialing 988, press #1. You may also have a Confidential Crisis Chat for Veterans and their loved ones at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to 838255.

Submit a Prayer Request: Please fill out the blue prayer request sheet found in the sanctuary and place in the offering plate, or email: tlchwelca@gmail.com, or call the church office and leave a message at 715-796-2788.