

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, December 15

Advent Candle Lighters: Kelly, Taylor Browning
 Greeter: Kathy Jensen
 Ushers: Jim & Karen Riley
 Lector (Reader): Zelli Moore
 Slide show: Henry Pommier
 Sound/Video: Ron Pratt
 Youth Program—see bulletin list of names

Sunday, December 22

Advent Candle Lighters:
 Greeter: Jodi Hough
 Ushers: Becky Fowler
 Lector (Reader): Kirk Lyksett
 Acolyte:
 Slide show: Emmie Kost
 Sound/Video: Ron Pratt

Giving

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

12/8/24 - Attendance: 69 Online: 6

November Financial Report

Account Balances as of 11/30/2024

General Fund: \$ 8,061.57
 Youth Org: \$ 4,310.56
 Memorial Fund: \$ 16,887.66
 WELCA: \$ 1,903.69

November Numbers

Income: \$ 14,747.99
 Expenses: \$ 16,332.35
 Income Less Exp: \$ (1,584.36)

Year-to-date Numbers

Income: \$ 161,984.19
 Expenses: \$ 161,539.71
 Income Less Expenses: \$ 444.48

Note: The General fund still owes the Memorial Fund \$2,400.

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, Dec. 15	9:00am	BOLT Program
	10:15am	Fellowship
	10:30am	Council Budget Meeting
	6:00pm	Girl Scouts meet here
Tuesday, Dec. 17	9:00am-2:00pm	Office staffed
Wednesday, Dec. 18	9:00am-2:00pm	Office staffed
	9:00am	Coffee with Pastor Julie at Caribou
	10:00am	Clean Slate group meets here
	NO BAM/Confirmation	
Sunday, Dec. 22	9:00am	Advent Worship with Communion
	10:15am	Fellowship, NO BOLT



Weekly Newsletter December 15, 2024

Sponsored by: Happy Birthday Lenore Moll.
 Love from Bruce & Jo & family.

Trinity Lutheran Church

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Today the children and youth lead the message in worship. The Christmas play is "The Holy Family is Here." Thanks to Mandie for organizing much of the program today, and Mindy and Jessica for their assistance. You can see the entire cast list on the insert. Thanks to families for listening to God's Spirit to bring your child/children to worship and learning. Thanks to the cast for their attention to their parts and learning the Christmas Carols. *****

The Call Committee has been identified and is installed during today's worship. They are Mindy Ramberg – the Chairperson, Betty Johnson, Lois Koosman, Michelle Kost, Sarah Pommerening, Matt Pommier, Carrie Vick, and Dave Roos. Please remember them in your prayers as they meet to prepare themselves for interviewing candidates. Ask that the Holy Spirit guide all that they do. *****

Monday, Dec. 16 is the deadline for returning the wrapped and tagged gifts for families in need. *****

Please notice the Christmas letter from Luther Point Bible Camp posted on the bulletin board. *****

Join us for Christmas Worship at Trinity!

Tuesday, Dec. 24 – 4:30 p.m. Christmas Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion
 Sunday, Dec. 29 – 9:00 a.m. A Service of Lessons and Carols

God came down to us in Jesus Christ bringing love, hope, peace, and joy. God blesses us with abundant provision for daily life. Because God gives to us first, we are able the example of generosity. Good places to give in this Christmas season, especially in honor or in memory of someone you love:

Trinity Lutheran Church General Fund - [Trinity Gen Fund or Mortgage](#)
Trinity Lutheran Church, Mortgage
Northwest Synod of Wisconsin – multiple options - [nswsi giving](#)
Luther Point Bible Camp, Grantsburg - [camping ministry](#)
ELCA World Hunger 50 years - [fight hunger](#)
ELCA Good Gifts Catalog - [shop now](#)

Please note your gifts and offerings to **Trinity** make it possible for this community to thrive. Thank you for your prayers, offerings and support!

Trinity is one of 191 congregations of the **Northwest Synod of Wisconsin** that walk together in mission for regional and global ministries, learn together through synod led events, and are supported, especially in times of transition.

Luther Point Bible Camp is a special ministry of the church. Kids who attend camp often Become leaders in congregations. The goal of Luther Point is to provide the good news of Jesus for everyone who attends camp.

The work of **ELCA World Hunger** is one of the most popular ministries of the church. Almost 1 in 10 people – 733 million – in our world are hungry. As people of conger gations, we are called to respond to this need. We are a church that rolls up its sleeves and gets to work!

The best gift catalog is the **ELCA Good Gifts Catalog**. The items in the catalog are real Ministries supported through the work of the ELCA. Each program is a long-term, partnership- based ministry that focuses on the needs identified by local congregations and global companion churches and their communities. The ELCA focuses on relation- ship building and contextual ministry. Several paper copies of the catalog are at the entrance.

Please note the Christmas letter from Bishop Martin Halom. He was newly elected in June and is now serving the congregations of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. He will be our guest preacher on **Sunday, January 19th**. Please mark that date in your calendars.

Thanks for Garden Clean-up and Christmas Decorating

Many people came to help on Saturday, and a few on Sunday morning. Those decorat- ing inside included: Karen, Barb, Lois, Kathy, Sally, Dar, Sue, Liz, Kaydence, Adam and Matt. Thanks for making the sanctuary and fellowship hall festive and beautiful! Those who worked outside trimming the garden were blessed with unseasonably warm weather. Thank you to Daryl, Dan, Mike, Jim and Bill!



**Coffee with Pastor Julie - Wed. Dec. 18
9:00am at Caribou in Baldwin.
All are welcome!**

Clean Slate group Wednesday mornings

Please note that the meeting will NOT be held on December 25, Christmas Day.

Prayer Ministry

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: Give thanks in your prayers for water, a natural element of the earth which is essential for life. John the Baptist used water to cleanse the people as they prepared for God’s presence. Praise God for all the sources of water that you know: favorite rivers and lakes, deep waters, safe drinking water, water pulled up from wells in our companion synod in Malawi, and the water of the baptismal font.

Spiritual Practice: Lay out a blue piece of cloth with a candle. Light the candle during your daily devotional time. For Advent Devotions, a free resource is at luthersem.edu. Scroll down to “God Pause,” on that page you will find a tab for 2024 Advent Devo- tions. This is a resource of Luther Seminary in St. Paul.

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