



TRINITY Lutheran Church

PARISH NOTICES
December 2, 2018

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► Today at Trinity

Sunday, December 2, 2018

- 9:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 10:15 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME – ALL ARE WELCOME –
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT FORUM
- 10:45 AM CONFIRMATION LEVELS I-III – ROOM 109
- 11:45 AM JOYFUL NOISE! REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 5:00 PM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM

► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

- 2:30 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE
- 7:00 PM CONGREGATIONAL LIFE TEAM MTG. – ROOM 105/107
- 7:00 PM YOGA – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

- 6:30 PM HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER – NAVE
- 6:45 PM HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL – ROOM 103

Friday, December 7, 2018

- 7:15 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL – CHOIR ROOM

Sunday, December 9, 2018

- 9:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 10:15 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME – ALL ARE WELCOME –
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 10:30 AM TIE REHEARSAL (*Trinity Instrumental Ensemble*) –
CHOIR ROOM
- 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT FORUM
- 11:45 AM JOYFUL NOISE! REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 5:00 PM ADVENT / CHRISTMAS CONCERT – NAVE
- 6:15 PM YOUTH CHILI SUPPER FUNDRAISER – FH

— TLC Directory Changes/Additions —

BRITTANY BARKUS — address change
1001 Rivage Lane, Burnsville, MN 55306

ANNUAL ADVENT / CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, Dec. 9 • 5:00 PM
followed by
Chili Supper Youth Fundraiser

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, Dec. 16 • 10:30 AM
Fellowship Hall

Advent & Christmas Worship Opportunities

Sundays of Advent

December 2, 9, 16, 23 –
8:00 AM & 5:00 PM
Holy Communion

Wednesdays in Advent

December 5, 12, 19 – 6:30 PM
Holden Evening Prayer

Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24
4:30 and 7:30 PM
Candlelight
Holy Communion Service

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25
9:00 AM
Festival Holy Communion

First Sunday of Christmas

Sunday, December 30 –
9:00 AM & 5:00 PM
Holy Communion

***We give thanks and praise to God
as we welcome our new members:***

Jeannette Banko

Matthew, Marlo , Abraham, and Elia Berg

Angela Book

Benjamin, Amanda, and Hugo Brobst-Renaud

William Iler

Jeremiah, Rachel, Judith Jackson,
Willa, and RaeAnne Wingard

Attention !

The deadline for submitting items for the proposed 2019 Trinity Lutheran Church general fund budget is this Sunday, December 2, 2018 by 7:00 PM Team chairpersons and leaders of various ministries are asked to send their 2019 budget requests to:

Erma Eichhorn

Finance Team Chairperson

dleich@comcast.net

Decorating for Christmas

Mark your calendars: Christmas decorating after the 5:00 PM service on December 23.



***Advent/Christmas Concert
& Chili Dinner***

Join us on Sunday, December 9 for our annual Advent/Christmas concert and chili dinner. The concert begins at 5:00 PM. The chili dinner follows at approximately 6:15 PM.

***Hymnals lost
or donated?***

Two hymnals were found in the gathering space. One is the old “red” service book and hymnal. There is an inside label that says: “Bethlehem L.C., Fairfax, VA.” The other one is the old “green” hymnal called the Lutheran Book of Worship. If these belong to someone or if they were meant to be donated, please let Pat Hellmers know. They are temporarily in the archives room for their safe keeping.

pat_hellmers@yahoo.com

or

(219) 462-6222

MISSION STATEMENT

**Trinity Lutheran Church is a Christian community
Gathered by God,
Living in grace,
Called to love and serve.**

We do this through:

Worship – Meeting Christ in Word and sacraments

Hospitality – Welcoming all people into worship and fellowship

Congregational Life – Nurturing the community of faith through faith formation, spiritual growth, building relationships, and caring for one another

Faith in Action – Spreading God’s love through Word and service in the community and world



ANNUAL ADVENT / CHRISTMAS CONCERT

*Festival of
Lessons & Carols*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018 • 5:00 PM

A freewill offering will be collected for the Trinity Youth Group at this annual event. Please join us for a chili dinner downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after the concert.



Adult Forum

December 2 – Adult Forum will be welcoming new members on December 2nd. We hope our new members who are joining that day will come to Adult Forum. And, we hope that many of the rest of you will come to introduce yourself to them as well. We will use the time together to learn a little bit about each other. Most importantly, we want our new members to know that we care about them. All are invited and all are welcome always at Adult Forum.

December 9 – Each week Trinity's building is alive with visitors. Among our most consistent visitors are the students, faculty, and staff of the Valparaiso Adult Learning Center. Courses are offered in high school equivalency and English as a Second Language, mornings and evenings. These courses happen in Trinity's basement almost every week. On December 9th we are blessed to have with us Danni Mancusi-Shreve and Ghusoon Altameemi from the Adult Learning Center, who will share with us some of what the Center does, and the ways in which Trinity's hosting the Center serves the greater Valparaiso community. (For more information, see **Valparaiso Adult Learning Center** in this parish notices.)

December 16 – No Adult Forum. Everyone invited to attend the Sunday school program.

December 23 & 30 – No Adult Forum.

Jane Schreiner, Norm and Pat Hellmers



*Christine Cawby
&
Bill Iler*

wish to invite you to a

*Worship Service
&
Marriage Ceremony*

Trinity Lutheran Church
201 Washington Street
Valparaiso

Saturday,
January 12, 2019
12:00 pm

This is a full
worship service that
includes our commitment
to each other.

An RSVP would
be appreciated
but not necessary.

Please email:
christine.cawby@gmail.com
or call/text
(219) 252-8530

*A private luncheon
follows the ceremony.*

Valparaiso Adult Learning Center

Inside Trinity Lutheran Church--Rooms 105 & 107

219-916-7444 | valparaisoalc@cwicorp.com

Providing **FREE** classes and services!

High School Equivalency (HSE) Preparation

Prepares students to pass the exam for the HSE diploma; the equivalent to a credential for high school completion. You could earn your HSE in three months or less*.

*depending on assessment levels and commitment

English Language Learner Class (ELL)

Provides English language instruction to non-English speaking adults along with practical skills for everyday personal, social, and working situations.

Certification Courses

Certification courses are offered in the Adult Learning Center classroom or online for Internet & Computing Core, ParaPro, & Medical Administrative Assistant.



Visit and like our
Facebook page!

Adult Education and Learning Centers of
NW Indiana or search @adulthoodeducationnw



1-877-607-0680



Adult Forum

December 9, 2018
10:45am

Join us in Room 105/107 to learn more about the Valparaiso Adult Learning Center's FREE classes and services.

A Special Thank You

The Valparaiso Adult Learning Center would like to send a special thank you shout-out to Trinity Lutheran Church for their tremendous support and involvement with the Valparaiso Adult Education program!

We welcome
volunteers!



Ask us how you
can get involved!



From the Deaconess

CHILI SUPPER YOUTH FUNDRAISER - Join us Sunday, December 9 after the Advent/Christmas Concert. Enjoy various types of chili, cornbread, and your favorite toppings while supporting the youth ministry of Trinity.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - Come hear the children tell the Nativity story on Sunday, December 16 at 10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We will have snacks and coffee *after* the program is over.

Any questions, please contact Deaconess Barb at:
(219) 462-9624 ext. 4 • bherzinger@tlcvalpo.com

ADVENT CHRISTMAS VESPERS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018 • 6:30 PM & 8:30 PM
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

For information on tickets, see poster on the bulletin board.

Electronic Giving

Trinity has a link on our website to enable an electronic giving option. You may find this link on our website at:

<http://tlcvalpo.com/>

Scroll down our home page to the "donate" button. Clicking here takes you to a secure page for simple registration. You may give via credit/debit card, checking, or savings account, as a one time donation, or schedule regular contributions.

For Friends & Family

Prayer Requests

For the Parish:

THOSE IN NEED:

Sandi Anderson
Brandon Brkljac
Richard Cornman
Carole Gilliland
Pat Jabo
Lauren Maché
Eden Preston
Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson
Susan Swanson
Ruth Swelstad
Bob Tittle

NAME:

Don (*father*)
Yvonne (*cousin*)
Sue (*daughter*)
Steve (*son-in-law*)
Matt (*friend*)
Mike (*brother*)
Tom (*nephew*)
Gerald "Bo" (*spouse*)
Cheri (*friend*)
Kelley (*daughter*)
R.J. Johnson family
Margie (*friend*)
Dan C.
Susan (*niece*)
Martha (*aunt*)
Cheryl (*friend*)
Jim (*brother-in-law*)
Karen (*niece*)
Vicky (*friend*)
Diane (*friend*)
Mary
Mitch
Donna (*aunt*)
Lowell (*uncle*)
Aubrey (*niece*)
Liesch family
Ruth Anderson family

FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Jennifer Hora
Karen Tognetti
Annamae Wheeland
Annamae Wheeland
Patricia Cummings
Patricia Cummings
Lu & Brian Blake
Marilyn Hanson
Ann Baas
Nan Paarlberg
Jennifer Hora & Craig Heisel
Jennifer Hora
Mike & Lynn Kinsey
Barbara Pearson
Juanagene Nietert
Juanagene Nietert
Erma & Darrel Eichhorn
Judy & Roger Phillips
Jennifer Hora
Jennifer Hora
Juanagene Nietert
Juanagene Nietert
Vonda Young
Vonda Young
Erma & Darrel Eichhorn
Rick & Pat Broadstone
Diann Ptacek

NAME:

Bill (*friend*)
Bess (*mother*)
Rita (*friend*)
Nathan (*brother*)
Lily Grace (*cousin*)
Colten
Amy (*sister*)
Fred (*father*)
Zach, Erin, Andrew,
& Stella Rongers
Caron (*sister*)
Christine (*wife*)
Sherry (*aunt*)
Robert (*uncle*)
Robert (*grandfather*)
Mildred (*grandmother*)
Teresa (*cousin*)
Ted (*cousin*)
Dean (*father*)
Bridgette (*aunt*)
Lucas
Linda (*sister*)
Garlan (*brother-in-law*)
Jim (*cousin*)
Mike (*father*)
Thomas (*grandson*)

FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Roger & Judy Phillips
Linda Beach
Patricia Cummings
David Burow-Flak
Patricia Cummings
Patricia Cummings
Christine Cawby
Amy Parsons
Mike Beaver
Lori Olson
Mark Forker
Reese & Madi Mayernik
Reese & Madi Mayernik
Christine Cawby
Christine Cawby
Lauren Maché
Cheryl Dieter
Carey Johnson Young
Valerie Webdbell
Arlene & Will Gross
Barbara Pearson
Barbara Pearson
Larry & Ann Baas
Matt & Karen Hernes
George Reichler

Names will appear for approximately one month. To "renew," call (219) 462-9624 before noon on Wednesday for Sunday's parish notices.



Caring Tips from Stephen Ministry

(Rev. Justin Schlueter)

As Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's approach, many people are hurting due to the loss of a loved one, a cancer diagnosis, divorce, job loss, or some other significant life challenge. These experiences can make an ordinarily joyous season difficult, lonely, and perhaps even painful.

When you know someone is struggling during the holidays, here are some simple ways you can make a big difference:

- **Offer to help in specific ways.** Try to anticipate needs and ways you can help. For example, you might ask, "Can I help you prepare Thanksgiving dinner?" or "Can I help put out the Christmas lights?" Remember, however, to follow the person's lead and not just impose your help.
- **Help people pace themselves.** The holidays are busy, and those who are hurting may need help or permission to slow down or do less than they ordinarily would. Let people know it's okay to conserve energy, take breaks, and pick which activities and traditions to take part in.
- **Ask people how they're really doing.** During the busyness of the holidays, it can be easy to just interact with people on a surface level. Finding a good time to ask hurting people how they're *really* doing—and then listening—is a powerful way to care.
- **Validate feelings.** When people do open up and share, listen and then show that you believe them and accept their feelings. Letting people know it's okay to feel whatever they're feeling can provide a lot of comfort.

By relating in these ways, you can help hurting people find comfort and hope in a difficult time.

For more information, contact:

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Health Ministry

YOGA – Tuesdays from 7 PM to 8 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Susan Rizer leads beginners and experienced in basic yoga poses. Children are welcome when accompanied by an adult. \$5 per class, or \$20 for a 5 session punch card. Come care for your mind, body, and spirit!

Remote Area Medical Clinic

On July 13-14, 2019, the Valparaiso Rotary and Kiwanis groups are hosting a free mobile clinic at TJ Middle School in Valparaiso. RAM clinics give free medical, vision, and dental care to uninsured and underinsured. Please contact Ann O'Heir at ahnoheir@gmail.com to volunteer in one of the local planning committees that are to meet, or go to www.ramusa.org to register as a volunteer for medical or non-medical positions during the clinic. This is a great opportunity for Trinity to serve our community.

Sunday Worship Servers

DECEMBER 2, 2018		DECEMBER 9, 2018
► MORNING SERVICE - 9:00 AM		
Presiding Minister	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Minister of Music	Szu-Ping Chang Wong	Szu-Ping Chang Wong
Choir	Joyful Noise! Adult Choir	Handbell Choir
Musicians	Guitar Paul Schreiner Flute Piano Nicole Lee Tenor Saxophone Ethan Preston Violin	Paul Schreiner
Acolyte	Isaiah Carter	Eden Preston
Assisting Minister	Thais Carter	Nicole Lee
Communion Assts.	Nan Paarlberg Christine Cawby Bill Iler	Gloria Cornman Nan Paarlberg Judy Phillips
Greeters	Marilyn Hanson	Mike & Lynn Kinsey
Lector	Larry Chew	Isaiah Carter
Ushers	Lucas, Sally, & Isabel, & Jackson Ecklund-Baker	Dennis & Linda Beach
Secure Offering	Lucas Ecklund-Baker	Dennis Beach
► EVENING SERVICE - 5:00 PM		
Presiding Minister	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Minister of Music	Szu-Ping Chang Wong	Szu-Ping Chang Wong
Musician		
Assisting Minister	Valerie Steil	
Communion Assts.	Sandi Anderson	Sandi Anderson
Lector	Sandi Anderson	Sandi Anderson
Usher	Chuck Anderson	Chuck Anderson
Bread Baker	Pat Hellmers	Jane Schreiner
Altar Guild	Gloria Cornman	Marilyn Olson
Unlock Doors	Darrel Eichhorn	Mike Kinsey

REMINDER:

*Sign Up for
Worship Servers*

DECEMBER

**Schedule is posted on
bulletin board in foyer.**

GRIEF GROUP

*If you are struggling to cope
after the death of a loved
one, join us for support
and conversation.*

DECEMBER 2018

Monday, December 17

JANUARY 2019

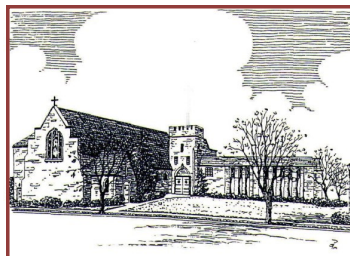
Wednesday, January 2

Monday, January 7

Monday, January 21

**CHRIST LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Valparaiso
1:00 PM**

*Led by
PASTOR JANE AICHER*



STAFF

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Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for General Fund:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$4,349	\$273,044

2. IN/KY Synod Benevolence:

<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$26,870

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
128

1. The offerings total for general fund excludes any designated or restricted gifts.
2. Trinity Lutheran Church is a "tithing" congregation. We send the Indiana/Kentucky Synod 10% of our general fund offerings each week.
3. Attendance at all services last week through last Sunday.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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Staff Office Schedule

Pastor Tim's office hours are Mondays 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM, and Wednesdays & Thursdays noon to 2:00 PM. Outside office hours, please call (219) 462-9624, ext. 3.

Deaconess Barb's office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM and Wednesdays 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Outside of office hours, call (219) 561-3887.

Special Office Hours

The office will be closed on Fridays through the end of the year. Office hours for December 6, 13, 24, 27, & 31 will be 8:30 AM - noon, and closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Notice of Hospitalization

Please notify the church office at (219) 462-9624 if you or a loved one is hospitalized or recovering at home and wishes a visit. Because of the HIPAA laws, that information is not shared by the hospital.