



TRINITY Lutheran Church

PARISH NOTICES
November 18, 2018

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► **Today at Trinity**

Sunday, November 18, 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
- 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 NEW MEMBER SESSIONS – (LAST ONE)
FELLOWSHIP HALL & ROOM 105/107
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM

► **Opportunities This Week at Trinity**

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

- 2:30 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE
- 7:00 PM HOSPITALITY TEAM – ROOM 105/107
- 7:00 PM YOGA – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

- 7:15 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL – CHOIR ROOM

Sunday, November 25, 2018

- 9:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 10:15 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME – ALL ARE WELCOME –
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 5:00 PM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE

— **TLC Directory Changes/Additions** —

BILL ILER – email change
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NEW MEMBER SESSION

Sunday, Nov 18 • 6:00-7:30 PM

CHOIR FEST

Sunday, Nov. 18 • 4:00 PM
FUMC, 103 Franklin St, Valpo

YOGA

Tuesdays • 7:00 PM • FH

BOOK CLUB

Sundays after worship • FH

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

Do you like to meet new people?

***Would you be interested
in welcoming people to Trinity?***

Then, the Hospitality Team is for you! We are the ones who organize the fellowship after service, plan the picnic for the summer outdoor worship, and generally provide the food for many activities here. We welcome visitors with smiles and cards, greet new members with name tags, and commemorate members' birthdays. If you are interested, please come to our meeting this Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Room 105-107. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Tognetti at (219) 263-8641. Hope to see you there!



Adult Forum

November 18 – Faith community efforts to strengthen public education with guest speaker, Kristin G McMurtrey, a member of the Northwest Indiana Coalition for Public Education. She has been invited by Pastor Tim.

November 25 – Bible Study, “Creation Stories, Part 2” by Karen Hernes and Beth Jarvis.

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.

Jane Schreiner, Norm and Pat Hellmers

Attention !

The deadline for submitting items for the proposed 2019 Trinity Lutheran Church general fund budget is 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

Name Tag Orders

I will be sending in new orders for name tags soon. The cost is \$6.00 for the clasp type and \$7.00 for the magnet type, paid to me after you receive your name tag. I just need to know how you want your name on the name tag and which type you want. (There is no charge to new members.) The Hospitality and Congregational Life Teams encourage the wearing of name tags!

Contact Pat Hellmers at:
pat_hellmers@yahoo.com
(219)462-6222



From the Deaconess

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM - Two students, Ethan Preston and Mia Webdell, will affirm their baptismal promises at the 9:00 AM worship service, November 18. Come and join us for cake in the Fellowship Hall and celebrate with them!

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:
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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
Pat Jabo
Lauren Maché
Eden Preston
Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson
Susan Swanson
Ruth Swelstad
Bob Tittle

NAME:

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:

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
Lowda 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 Webdell
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.

Spiritual Gifts

Today, eight members of Trinity are celebrating the completion of the course, “**Discovering God’s Vision for Your Life: You and Your Spiritual gifts**”. Through this course, participants had the opportunity to deepen their understanding of their spiritual gifts and to reflect on the ways in which they might be called by God to use their gifts.

In celebration, participants have provided the fellowship refreshments today. Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall!



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:

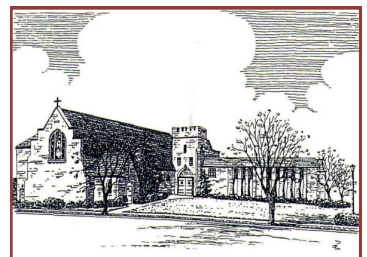
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Health Ministry

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!





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.

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.



Food Pantry Report for October

Our number of families and people provided for were larger in that October had 5 Mondays and 5 Wednesdays: 256 families; 579 people getting food. The number of food items donated is down but fortunately there is money available at this time to purchase the basic items needed for regular distribution. Special items specifically needed for the Thanksgiving 'menu' are **canned sweet potatoes, jellos, gravy, canned fruits, green beans, and French fried onions** for the casseroles. These things need to be at the pantry by November 14th. Turkeys are being provided again this year!! Distribution of the Thanksgiving items for our clients will be on November 14th and November 19th^t— regular pantry days and hours - with no sign-up required.

Even though the holiday menu foods are provided 'extra,' the every-day foods are needed for the basic giving families get on a regular basis. Monetary donations go to the purchase of perishable foods offered with the regular giving. Yes, there are a number of sources in the area for the holiday giving, but we hope to provide those in our area with the 'holiday spirit' at the location they have found convenient for them to reach. Thank you all for your assistance in helping us furnish 'extra' for the holiday.

Hoping holidays are special for all you 'special congregational contacts.'

— Nan, Sharon, and Anne

“Choir Fest”

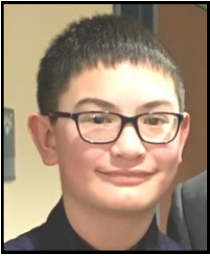
Our church choir is participating in the “Choir Fest” this Sunday afternoon. The event is host by First United Methodist Church of Valparaiso, 103 Franklin St. Valparaiso on November 18th at 4 PM. There are four other churches will participate in the festival. All are welcome.

HELP FIGHT RACISM IN VALPO:

Come the forum on Sunday, November 18 from noon to 2:00 PM. The topic is “White Fragility, Why it’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism,” based on the book of the same title by Robin DiAngelo. You need not have read the book to benefit from the discussion. This event is at Living Hope Church at 1115 Calumet Avenue.

Paul Schreiner

Faith Statements Confirmation 2018



Ethan Preston

A time that God has shown His work in my life was my first Youth Quake. That event was a time when I felt really close to God, and I want to affirm my baptism to strengthen that relationship with God. I believe that God is the creator of all life, and that we will go live with God in heaven. I believe that God will always love us and will forgive our sins no matter what. I believe that Jesus died for our sins.

A gift that God has given me is music. I can use that gift to serve God by using music to proclaim God's word during church, playing hymns, or just by playing music for the enjoyment of others. As a confirmed member of the church, I will stay involved in the congregation by continuing to come to service each week and worshipping God. I will also do His work by participating in Youth Group, and helping with projects that the Youth Group does, such as raking leaves and the Easter breakfast. I will continue to grow in my faith, in and out of the church, by worshipping God through music, prayer, and by spreading kindness and love to the people that I encounter in my life.



Mia Webdell

Throughout my years as a student, my faith formation and confirmation classes have changed my thinking, my processing, and overall, my life. They have been a real eye opener in ways of really understanding the true depths of God's love and why he sent Jesus. When I was baptized, and in my early years of Sunday School, all I really remember thinking about church was that Jesus loved me, and God is good for reasons that I was too young to understand at the time. When I got older, I realized that I wanted to learn more about God and how he works in me every day of my life. One time that I specifically remember God beginning to work in my life is one of the times that I had gone to Quake. The speaker, Packer Dave, had just given a very moving speech about him and his daughter's faith that changed my entire weekend. By the end of the trip, the thing that stood out to me the most was that speech and what it meant to me. One gift that God has given me is strength. Whenever a tough time arises, God has helped me to stand against it and move through it day by day. I can use this gift to help others through hard times and try and give them the strength that they need and by doing this, I am serving God. As a confirmed member of the church, I can serve God by continuing to go to youth group and praise God as often as I can. I can continue to go to church, proclaim the good news, and serve God by helping others in all kinds of ways, big or small. I believe that Jesus died for our sins, rose to heaven, and will come again one day. I believe that God and Jesus love me and will always forgive my sins. I believe that when we die, we will go to heaven and be reunited with God, the creator of life, in eternal life. When I affirm my baptism, I will be affirming all of these beliefs and begin to live a life that praises God.

Sunday Worship Servers

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

NOVEMBER 25, 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	Adult Choir	Adult Choir
Musicians	Guitar Paul Schreiner Flute Debbie Fray Trombone Jeff Hellmers Viola MaryJo Moncheski Violin Elsa Gowan	Paul Schreiner
Acolyte	Isabel Ecklund-Baker	Eden Preston
Assisting Minister	Patricia Cummings	Marty Swinehart
Communion Assts.	Kay Kielpikowski Lu Krieger-Blake Cynthia Breitinger	Marilyn Olson Bill Iler Christine Cawby
Greeters	Kay Kielpikowski Marilyn Hanson	Annamae Wheeland
Lector	Chloe Parsons	Mike Renehan
Ushers	Alan Kielpikowski Bill, Aden, & Caleb Iler	Mike Renehan Christine Cawby Craig & Becky Lutz
Secure Offering	Bill Iler	Mike Renehan

► 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	Valerie Webdell	Dot Pakan
Assisting Minister		
Communion Assts.	Cynthia Breitinger	Sandi Anderson
Lector	Mike Renehan	Sandi Anderson
Usher	Mike Renehan	Chuck Anderson
Bread Baker	Terry Paarlberg	Diann Ptacek
Altar Guild	Marilyn Olson	Pat & Norm Hellmers
Unlock Doors	Marty Swinehart	Chuck Anderson

REMINDER:

*Sign Up for
Worship Servers*

DECEMBER

Schedule is posted on
bulletin board in foyer.



*Do you have
a question
for the pastor???*

Periodically, your Mutual Ministry Team will offer Trinity members an opportunity to ask Pastor Tim a question concerning theology, Trinity worship, Lutheran tradition, or other aspects of our faith. The Mutual Ministry team will select a question, and Pastor Tim will respond in the parish notices.

Submit a question to Betty in the church office in person or via email bserгент@tlcvalpo.com. Questions should focus on faith and worship at Trinity and are not meant as a vehicle for complaint, an alternative to Dear Abby, or a view into Pastor Tim's misguided fan support for the Detroit Red Wings.

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Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for General Fund:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$4,627	\$264,799

2. IN/KY Synod Benevolence:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$463	\$26,480

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
144

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.

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Staff Office Schedule

Pastor Tim's office hours are Mondays 9:00 AM to noon, 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 Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22 and on Fridays, November 23 and 30.



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.