



TRINITY Lutheran Church

PARISH NOTICES
November 25, 2018

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► Today at Trinity

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

► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

- 2:30 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE
7:00 PM COUNCIL MEETING – ROOM 103
7:00 PM YOGA – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

- 6:45 PM HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
7:15 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL – CHOIR ROOM

Saturday, December 1, 2018

- 8:00 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – FELLOWSHIP HALL

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

— TLC Directory Changes/Additions —

BOB & NANCY TITTLE — address change
2824 Rustic Crooked Circle, Valparaiso, IN 46385

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

YOGA

Tuesdays • 7:00 PM • 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



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. (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

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.

THIS SUNDAY’S
ALTAR FLOWERS
ARE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD
IN MEMORY OF
MY HUSBAND

Bill Wheeland

AND IN HONOR OF
THE BIRTHDAY OF
MY SON

Tom Wheeland

ANNAMAE
WHEELAND

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
deich@comcast.net

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:

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
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 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.



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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(219) 242-4035

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!

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



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.



You can find us on Facebook at:

[tinyurl.com/tlcvalpo](https://www.facebook.com/tinyurl.com/tlcvalpo)

“Like” our page & share events with your friends.

The Hospitality Team



Good Job Rachel and Caleb!

We offer our congratulations and prayers to Caleb and Rachel in new Comfort Dog Ministries! Isaiah 8:8b Its outspread wings will cover the breadth of your land, O Immanuel!



- Rachel joins the ministry of Immanuel Lutheran Church and School of Charleston, IL! Her Passing of the Vest ceremonies will take place during worships at 8:00 and 10:45 on Dec 2nd.
- Caleb joins the ministry of Immanuel Lutheran Church and School of Valparaiso, IN! His Passing of the Vest ceremonies will take place during worships at 5:00PM Dec 1st as well as 8:00 and 10:45 Dec 2nd.
- Rachel and Caleb have been helped to their placements with the invaluable love and support they received training at TLC! They and member Dannette Lowry thank you for your help in training with Lutheran Church Charities K9 Comfort Dog Ministry.
- **PLEASE CONSIDER THE COMFORT DOG MINISTRY IN YOUR GIFTS OF HOPE 2018!**



Let's continue to follow and pray for Rachel and Caleb!

<https://www.facebook.com/RachelComfortDog/>
or <https://www.facebook.com/CalebComfortDog/>

Meet more dogs or donate to their ministries at www.lutheranchurchcharities.org



Sunday Worship Servers

NOVEMBER 25, 2018		DECEMBER 2, 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	Joyful Noise! Adult Choir
Musicians	Guitar Paul Schreiner Flute Trombone Viola Violin	Paul Schreiner
Acolyte	Eden Preston	Isaiah Carter
Assisting Minister	Marty Swinehart	Thais Carter
Communion Assts.	Marilyn Olson Bill Iler Christine Cawby	Nan Paarlberg Christine Cawby Bill Iler
Greeters	Annamae Wheeland	Marilyn Hanson
Lector	Mike Renehan	Larry Chew
Ushers	Mike Renehan Christine Cawby Craig & Becky Lutz	Lucas, Sally, & Isabel, & Jackson Ecklund-Baker
Secure Offering	Mike Renehan	Lucas Ecklund-Baker
► 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	Dot Pakan	
Assisting Minister		
Communion Assts.	Sandi Anderson	Sandi Anderson
Lector	Sandi Anderson	Sandi Anderson
Usher	Chuck Anderson	Chuck Anderson
Bread Baker	Diann Ptacek	Pat Hellmers
Altar Guild	Pat & Norm Hellmers	Gloria Cornman
Unlock Doors	Chuck Anderson	Darrel Eichhorn

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 3

Monday, December 17

JANUARY 2019

Wednesday, January 2

Monday, January 7

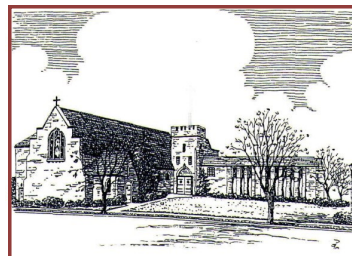
Monday, January 21

**CHRIST LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Valparaiso

1:00 PM

Led by
PASTOR JANE AICHER



STAFF

Pastor

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Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for General Fund:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$3,896	\$268,695

2. IN/KY Synod Benevolence:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$390	\$26,870

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
147

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 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 and on Fridays through the end of the year, hours for Monday, December 24 & hours will be 9:00 AM - noon, and closed Christmas 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.