

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 20, 2015

SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Schedule this week:

TODAY!

Miracle on Main Street, Trinity Troupers Winter Musical, 9:45 a.m., social hall

Tues., Dec. 22nd:

Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 a.m., church parlor

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Zumba, 6:30 p.m., gym

Wed., Dec. 23rd:

Placement of pew torches, greenery and poinsettias, 11:00 a.m., sanctuary

Thurs., Dec. 24th:

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED AT 12:30 P.M.!

Fri., December 25th:

CHRISTMAS DAY! CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED!

Sun., Dec. 27th:

One Worship Service, 10 a.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: 8:45 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday through Friday

Church office email: admin@trinitynn.org Phone number: 245-7861



PASTOR COBB'S CORNER:

Dear Friends:

According to all research studies I have seen and read, the single most important part of faith formation for children is worship attendance! (see vibrantfaith.org). Think about this for children and grandchildren and any and all family members that we might influence and model as witnesses! The week ahead offers just such special opportunities: Christmas Eve: Dec. 24: Children and family worship at 5:30; Festival Worship at 7:30 and Lessons and Carols at 10:30; Next Sunday, Dec. 27th, please remember there is only one service at 10:00 AM. Thanks always for your faithfulness in worship; for your tithes and offerings and alms which fuel the church's mission and for your prayers and labors in our ministry tasks through committees and tasks that we take up. Your "yes" like Mary's "yes," is "spirit empowered" and is so appreciated.

Blessings to you in this season, Pastor Cobb



WELCOME GUEST MUSICIAN:

Trinity welcomes Kim Gilman as our guest musician playing the horn at both services today. Thank you for sharing your musical gift, Kim.

ADVENT READERS:

Thanks to Jessica and Michaela Moye at the 8:30 a.m. service and the Belote family at the 11:00 a.m. service who will be lighting the candles on our advent wreath this morning.

USHERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

Trinity has been blessed with so many servers over the years. Please consider being an usher for one of the Christmas Eve services. Dick Davis has posted a sign up sheet on the main church bulletin board. Please sign up! If you need some brief instructions on how to be an usher, please call the church office or come in and Anne can walk you through it.

TROUPERS WINTER MUSICAL:



TODAY, Trinity Troupers will present their third production, *Miracle on Main Street*, at 9:45 AM in the church social hall. Our

cast is made up of 25 youth and 5 adults. This 40 minute musical combining new songs and traditional carols chronicles the dilemma of a group of children who want to celebrate the birth of Jesus in the town square but face opposition from the politically-correct mayor. Please plan to join us for this festive production!

NURSERY CAREGIVERS WEBLINK:

We're using *VolunteerSpot* (the leading online Sign-up and reminder tool) to organize our nursery volunteer sign-ups.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see our Sign-Up on *VolunteerSpot*: <http://vols.pt/Xq6qEt> 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like. 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on *VolunteerSpot*. Note: *VolunteerSpot* does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Charlotte Duff and she can sign you up manually. You can also sign up on the church bulletin board.

YOUTH GROUP LOCK-IN:

The youth group will be locking ourselves into the church January 8. We will meet at the church at 6 PM, and parents can pick you up at 8 AM on January 9. This is a fun evening of wild and crazy games, movies, free time, and gym time that is spent at our church. It is a great group building evening, and I highly encourage all youth to come and hang out for the night. Youth will need a sleeping bag, pillow, PJs, flashlight for a game of hide and seek in the dark, \$5 for pizza, and your favorite snack to share with your friends. We will feed you breakfast in the morning before you depart for your Saturday events. If you plan to attend, sign up on the youth group bulletin board.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Bible Study continues this Tuesday, December 15 at 10:30 a.m. in the church parlor. We will be discussing the Gospel lesson, Luke 2:41-52. We welcome all to join us.

2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES:

The 2016 offering envelopes are available to be picked up in the church library. At the end of January, boxes that have not been picked up will be mailed to you. The cost of mailing is approximately \$3.00 per box. If you visit any of our shut-in members, please feel free to take that member's box to him/her. Thanks for helping to save the church the cost of mailing!

FLOWER CHART 2016:

The 2016 flower chart is now posted on the bulletin board nearest the nursery. The cost of the chancel flowers for the new year is \$18 per vase. Please be sure to sign up for the Sunday(s) you wish to provide flowers for our sanctuary. If you have any questions, contact the church office.

MEN'S PICK UP BASKETBALL:

Starting in January, a men's pickup basketball league will begin on Wednesday evenings, in the TLS gymnasium through March, from 7:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. This will be a great opportunity to bring church, school and school parents together for a fun, healthy event.

HELP KEEP TRINITY SAFE!:

If you open a window, please remember to close it or make sure that someone else does for you. The same goes for unlocking and/or opening a door around the church, especially in the evening hours. Thank you!

TRINITY TIDINGS INFORMATION:

The deadline is passed for information to go into the January Tidings. Even if it is late, please send your article or suggestions for an article to Cliff at cliffordobara@cox.net.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty:

Jared Behrens, Navy; **Andrea & Mike Cobb**, USCG; **Tim Coffman**, Marine Corps; **James Fielding**, Marine Corps; **Elijah Harter**, Army, Georgia; **Bryan Hunt**, State Dept., Guyana; **Jared Klajnbart**, Army, Colorado; **Eric Lindfors**, Navy, Yokosuka, Japan; **Chip Nassau**, Navy; **Tyler & Kelsey Obara**, Air Force, Utah.

Our Missionary: Robin Strickler, serving in the ELCA Mission: The Rwanda School Project.

Our Confirmands: Laura Madler, Thomas McWithey, Sophie Moore, Matthew Mynoymany, and Carson Turnage.

Our Transition Team: Suzanne Beckstoffer, Carol Bessom, Anne Evans, Brad Goodman, John Lunsford, Pete Mizelle, Jessica Moye, and Todd Recuperero.

Church and school weekly prayer families: Connie Hoover; Cheryl Rowlands, TLS Middle School Science teacher.

Illness/Surgery/Recovery: **Recovery at Home:** Carolyn DeLauder; **Home:** Millie Christensen and Roy Mozingo; **Retirement Home:** Gloria Driver (Patriots Colony), Betty Hasel (The Mennowood), Wilma Johnson (Envoy), Charles and Viola Kessler (The Chesapeake), Arlene Stone (Dominion Village) and Marge Zender (The Mennowood).



SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: **The Ahlen Family**, requested by Kathy Stevens;



Richard Anderson, requested by the Anderson; **Patsy Davis**, Jenny Davis' mother; **Jacob Dambach**, nephew of Sandy and Don Sniady; **Bill DeLauder, Jr.**; **Thomas Benkowski**, requested by Jenny Davis; **Megan, Michael and Edith Eason**, requested by Jenny Davis; **Marty Klais**, nephew of Jon and Denise May; **Sandra Klegseth**, Jim Thompson's step-daughter; **Will, Mindy and Charlotte Irene Larmore**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **Christina McManama**, requested by Richard and Sandra Anderson; **Tom Miller**, requested by Laura Jay; **Bill Nuckols**, father of Patricia Fielding; **Effie Rex**; **Charlotte Rogers**, requested by Richard and Sandra Anderson; **Olivia and Rachael Smith**, requested by Jenny Davis; **Dot Wright**, requested by Judy Hunt.



ATTENTION!

All "Special Prayer" requests will be kept in the bulletin announcements for one month unless the church office is notified otherwise. *Thank you!*

CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND . . .

in loving memory of the anniversary of his father's birthday,
Mr. Louis Krause, by Spindler Krause
and
in memory of our parents, by Dick and Maureen Sallade

Serving as:	8:30 a.m. Service	11:00 a.m. Service
Music Ministry	Chancel Choir	
Crucifer	Shawn Murphy	John Savage
Acolytes	Alex Murphy Melissa Quist	Lina Recupero Emma Recupero
Communion Assist.	Melissa Quist	Reagan Belote
Lector/Reader	Sue Moeslein	Donna Owens
Presenters	Jason and Katherine Harry	David and Judy Hunt
Greeters	Dale Goodman	David and Diane Roselius
Usher Captain	Dale Goodman	David Roselius
Ushers	Dale Goodman James and Susan Deagle	David and Diane Roselius Terri Hoffeditz, John Lunsford, Jarvis Edwards
Altar Guild Saturday Set-up	Karoline Ardis	
Altar Guild	Astrid Quist	Anne Obara
Nursery Supervisor	Charlotte Duff	
Nursery Attendants	Tricia Wessler	May Family
Building Lockup	N/A	Clifford Obara

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