Trinity's Mission Statement

Uniting us in the worship of the Triune God, Christ gives us our mission: Proclaim the Gospel in order to make disciples throughout the world and to nurture them for lives of service.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 23: **Worship – 8 & 10:30 am**
Sunday School and Bible Classes – 9:15 am

Monday, December 24: **Christmas Eve Worship – 4 pm**
Children's Service – 6 pm
Candlelight Service – 9 pm

Tuesday, December 25: **Christmas Day Service – 9 am**
Senior Choir – 9 pm

Wednesday, December 19: Dycora Service – 10 am

Sunday, December 30: **Worship – 8 & 10:30 am**

Monday, December 31: **New Year's Eve Worship with Communion – 7pm**

Tuesday, January 1: **New Year's Day Worship with Communion – 9 am**

Worship Attendance

Wednesday, December 12
91

Sunday, December 15
255

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 30

1 Samuel 2:18-20,26
Hebrews 2:10-18
Luke 2:41-52

Schools We Support with Our Prayers and Offerings

Trinity-St. Luke's School
Principal James Moeller
Mr. Gregg Birkholz, Mr. Jared Matthies, Mrs. Michelle Wegner, Mrs. Emily Vanderhoof and Mrs. Peggy Uttech
801 S 5th Street – 920-261-3615
303 Clark Street – 920-206-1844
www.fastdir.com/tsl

Lakeside Lutheran High School
(grades 9-12)
231 Woodland Beach Road – Lake Mills - 53551
www.llhs.org
Principal James Grasby

Luther Preparatory School (grades 9-12)
1300 Western Avenue – Watertown - 53094

Bible Classes & Sunday School

Between Sunday Service from 9:15-10:15 am
Most Sunday morning classes can be found on the lower level.
An elevator is located by the 5th Street entrance.

		Sunday, December 23	Sunday, December 30
Adult	**Fellowship Hall - West**	**Genesis 1-11**	**No Class**
Teens	**Teen Room**	**Animals In the Bible**	**No Class**
Gr.1 – Gr. 6	**Fellowship Hall - East**	**Jesus is Born**	**No Class**
2yr. old - K	**Sunday School Room**	**No Class**	**No Class**

Monday Morning Bible Class (next meeting: January 7 – 7 am)
Topic: Gospel of Matthew
Thursday Bible Class (next meeting: January 10 – 10:30 am)
Topic: 1 Kings

SERVING JESUS AT WORSHIP

WORSHIP LEADER: Pastor Dustin Yahnke
PREACHER: Pastor Brett Brauer
ORGANIST: Naomi Fritz

USHERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23: (8a) Pete Nass, Mark Zastrow (10:30) Mike Craig, Steve Pett
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24: (4p) Kent Buss, Herb Staude (6p) Pete Nass, Mark Zastrow (9p) Mike Craig, Steve Pett
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25: (9a) Roger Virgil
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30: (8a) Dave Zastrow, Eric Zastrow (10:30) Jim Schwartz, Troy Thede

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23: (8a) Janell Loescher, Dave and Leni Kahler, Russ and Ann Marcks, Jack Nass (10:30a) Birdie Duin, Amy Maurice, Mona Pett, Joyce Danaher
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30: (8a) Theresa Asmus, Becky Knauth, Herb and Ione Staude, Carl and Margaret Voss (10:30a) Kim Roeseler, Mike Duehring, Don and Kris Hale, Gary and Carole Muir

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23: Matt and Theresa Asmus, Troy Thede
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30: Jenny Frank, Steve and Mona Pett

VIDEOGRAPHERS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23: (8a) Debbie Whiting (10:30a) Bob Turney
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30: (8a) Eric Whiting (10:30a) Matt Zastrow

BULLETIN COMMITTEE FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30: Clare Schmidt, Rita Schulte, Sandy Kastens, Kim Turney

MORNING TREATS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23: Greeter Committee – Group 2 (Birdie Duin)
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30: No Bible Class

ALTAR COMMITTEE FOR DECEMBER: Lyn Quinn, Janell Loescher

FLOWER COMMITTEE FOR DECEMBER: Jackie Arndt, Eileen Sell

Prayer Partners Prayer Requests – Contact Pastor Brauer or Pastor Yahnke
Visitors – Please sign our guest register found in the Narthex

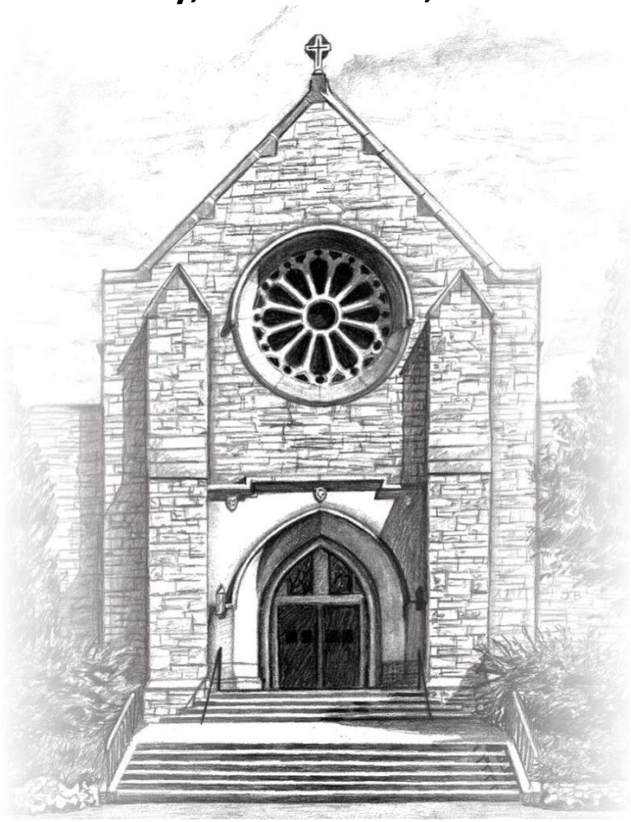
***Available online* – www.trinitywatertown.net**

- *Bulletins, Sermons, Daily Bible Readings*
- *Electronic donation forms*

Available from the Ushers
Large print materials
Personal listening devices
Children's Bulletins and Quiet Bags

Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday, December 23, 2018



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Our Ministry at Trinity

Sunday Adult Bible Class

- **Today** we will begin a new topic, a study of beginnings: the world, humans, sin and God's promise to save. Genesis means "beginnings," and over several weeks we will cover the book of Genesis, chapters 1-11.

Weekly Bible Classes

- **The Gospel of Matthew** – This group meets on Mondays at 7 am in the Conference Room at church. We are exploring our Savior's ministry in the Gospel of Matthew. The next meeting will be on January 7.
- **1 Kings** – The Thursday morning Bible study gathers at 10:30 am in the Conference Room. We are studying the book of 1 Kings, which offers many lessons for our faith and Christian living. The next meeting will be on January 10.

Bible Readings

- Included as an insert is a series of weekly Bible readings (beginning on Sunday, December 23). These readings feature hymns which contain many Scriptural truths. These same hymns and Bible readings are found in the December newsletter.

2019 Offering Envelopes

- The envelope packets for 2019 are available to be picked up. You will find them in the Fireside Room. Note that a sheet is included in the front of the box with an exercise for evaluating our offerings for the Lord's work. It is a follow up to the October stewardship month which had the theme "Supporting Our Trinity Ministry Together." Please take some time to give prayerful thought to this exercise. Thank you!

Thank You!

- Thank you to Bob and Kim Turney for donating the beautiful Christmas tree located in the sanctuary.

Called Workers' Gift

- A special door offering will be collected today to remember and thank our called workers: Pastor Brett Brauer, Pastor Dustin Yahnke, Principal Jim Moeller, Mr. Gregg Birkholz, Mr. Jared Matthies, Mrs. Peggy Uttech, Mrs. Emily Vanderhoof and Mrs. Michelle Wegner, for their service to the Lord and the members of Trinity. The "Give to Text" code is Called.

Trinity Survey

- A month ago, Trinity's Ad-Hoc Committee presented its work at an open forum meeting held between services. The notes from that presentation are still available upon request. We would really like to get your feedback on that presentation! There are four questions in this short survey. All of them are multiple choice. Please take a few minutes to help us in our future work here are Trinity. You can find the survey here: https://tinyurl.com/trinityadhoc.
- Or you can fill out a paper copy of the survey located in the Fireside Room.

Christmas Gift Bags

- The Daddy-Daughter Committee will again be putting together the Christmas Gift Bags for the children on Christmas Eve and we are looking for donations of items to put in the bags. Some suggestions for donations are: apples, oranges, "cuties" oranges, pencils, stickers, candy canes, candy (any kind), fruit snacks, granola bars, hot chocolate packets or any other items you may think the children would appreciate. Giving these gifts to our children after working so hard on their Christmas Eve service is a small token of our appreciation. We also distribute the bags to younger siblings and other young guests who attend the Christmas Eve service. We will need enough for 75 Christmas Bags. Please leave your donations in the box outside the church office, if you are willing to donate fruit, please bring the fruit to church on Sunday, December 23rd. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Zastrow at 920-723-8731 or dnzastrow1976@yahoo.com.

Fireside Room Correction

- The Interior Decorating Committee is not requesting monetary donations at this time. They would like to suggest that if you have items to donate that you contact Sharon Zastrow at 920-262-098 before dropping them off at church.

Thank You

- Thank you to everyone who helped with the Live Nativity. We had to bring our Live Nativity into the church this year on Saturday because of the weather, but we still told the wonderful story of Jesus' birth. We had around 1,171 people come to enjoy the presentation. Thank you to everyone who baked cookies, to those who worked so hard to put this presentation together and to all of you who came to enjoy the Live Nativity. We feel very blessed.

Volunteer Alert

- The Greeter Committee could use more members. You only need to come 15 minutes early, stand at an entrance, smile and greet everyone. You become more acquainted with fellow members and make visitors feel more welcome. This would only be about once a month or less. Call or talk to Birdie Duin 920-262-2413 or duingreat@yahoo.com**.**

Be Cheerful As You Give

- As many organizations and groups invite us to give at this time of year, it is important that we avoid becoming frustrated and upset and that, with God's grace, our gifts are given freely and willingly. For God tells us He loves it when we give cheerfully. To help us give cheerfully to our ROC Youth Center, we want you to know that eternal life through Christ alone is daily shared with so many teens who haven't heard the clear Gospel before. May God's love in Christ fill our hearts with joy that overflows. Please don't forget THE ROC Youth Center as you make your cheerful giving plans. Your gifts are appreciated and needed. Thank you.