

Dear Child of God,

Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday to me! Another year is in the books. As I look back on 2013, there are so many things that come to mind.

I remember every single prayer you sent to me. From the prayer for your favorite team to win the game to the prayer of thanksgiving when you just missed hitting that deer to the one where you asked that you might find strength when your loved one got sick. I've heard every single one. I know that sometimes you get mad at me when they aren't answered in the way you want, but trust that I know what is best for you and have answered in my own way.

Every day I continue to die for your sin. I take those sins against your neighbors, against me, and against yourself and die for them so that you would be made new. I thank you for those times when you came to me in repentance and confession. Please know that you are forgiven not because you went to church or because you gave to the poor or any of those things. Know that you are forgiven because I love you.

However, I do thank you for those times when you worshipped me and heard my word proclaimed in readings, song, and sacrament. I know you felt renewed and strengthened in faith. I thank you for gifts of time, talent, and treasure that you gave in my name. After all, I have given you everything you have and I have done that out of love so that you might be a blessing to others. I especially thank you for that time when you talked to your children about the importance of faith. Continue to keep planting seeds and I will continue to grow them.

Remember that time when you felt like you might give up? Or the time when you felt really lost? I sent you my Holy Spirit so that you would remember that you were not alone and to help guide you in right paths. I will always be there to lift you up, give you hope, and shine light into your darkness.

As a year ends and a new one begins, I will always be there. Loving you. Listening to you. Dying for you. Forgiving you. Showering you with the promise of eternal life. I hope that you will continue to follow me and trust in me each and every day.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Always yours,

Jesus



MERRY

CHRISTMAS

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday School Christmas Program

"Super Hero Christmas"



*When they saw the star,
they were overjoyed.*

Matthew 2:10

Sunday, December 22nd at 9am
(during worship)

Confirmation

'Christmas for Kids' Shopping
December 11th

Please meet at church at 5:15pm

Christmas Program Practice

December 1, 8, 15

Please have your kids in Sunday School
so they can practice their part for the
Children's Christmas Program



NO Confirmation

December 25 & January 1

NO Sunday School

December 29 & January 5

'Spirit of Christmas'

Silent Auction

Saturday, December 14
9am - 3pm

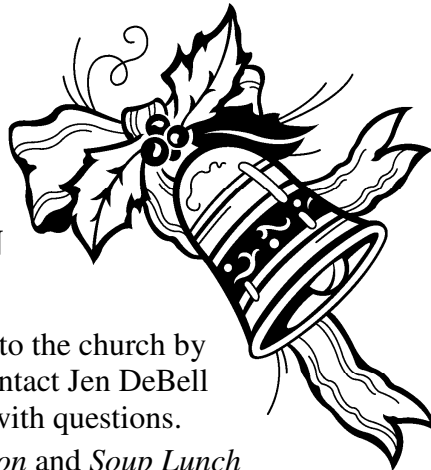
NEEDED:

ITEMS FOR THE AUCTION

Only New Items - Please!

Please have your auction items to the church by
Wednesday, December 11th. Contact Jen DeBell
(coordinator) or Pastor Brad with questions.

All proceeds from the *Silent Auction* and *Soup Lunch*
will go towards the Youth Mission Trip to Pine Ridge.



SOUP LUNCH

'Spirit of Christmas' **Soup Lunch**

Saturday, December 14th

11am - 3pm

Served by
Mission Trip Youth

**5th Grade
Parents**



Class Schedule

Sunday, January 12th at 6:30pm
Sunday, January 19th at 6:30 pm

*Let's go to Bethlehem and see
this thing that has happened,
which the Lord has told us about.*

Luke 2:15

*I bring you good news
that will cause great joy
for all the people.*

Luke 2:10



Ski and Tubing Party

Sunday, January 26th

Look for more info in the
January Good News 2

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



Christmas Carol by Request Worship
Request your favorite Christmas Carol
December 15th & 18th at 9:00am

Sunday School Christmas Program
December 22nd at 9:00am
“Super Hero Christmas”

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Family Christmas Service w/Holy Communion
December 24th at 4:30pm

Candlelight Service w/Holy Communion
December 24th at 10:00pm

NO Worship Christmas Day

New Year's Day Worship w/Holy Communion
January 1st at 7:30pm



New Member Sunday
December 8th
Welcome our newest
Trinity members!

Bible Study
Sunday Mornings
at 10:30am
in the Piano Room



December 1: Narrative Lectionary Story
December 15: Narrative Lectionary Story
December 22: Narrative Lectionary Story



He decided to visit his own people

Acts 7:23



SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS



Wednesday, December 11th

9am-Done

Peel, Cook, Rice Potatoes

Thursday, December 12th

9am—Done & 4pm—Done

Fry Lefse

We encourage young people and men to come and learn about making lefse so the tradition can continue at Trinity. Sign-up sheets on the table in the Narthex.

Need lefse grills, rolling pins and covers, turners, and covers for boards.

Pre-Order Your Lefse

Again this year we are asking Trinity members to pre-order their lefse so that we can better judge what we need for the public.

Price is \$3 per Package
(3 per package)

Order Deadline is December 8th

Pick-up is December 13th –15th

Order sheet is on the table in the Narthex

Thank you

Peggy Danovsky 715-643-5858

Marlene Edlin 715-308-5000

*How is it you don't understand that I
was not talking to you about **bread**?*

Matthew 16:11



AT TRINITY CHURCH

Bake & Lefse Sale

9am-3pm

Trinity's WELCA

Silent Auction

9am-3pm

Trinity's Mission Trip Youth

Soup Lunch

11am-2pm

Trinity's Mission Trip Youth

DOWNTOWN MAIN STREET

Live Nativity at 4pm

Lovelight Tree at 4:30pm

Horse Parade at 5pm

Santa Claus arrives after parade



December 14th

9am—3pm

Families are asked to donate 3 baked items for the Bake Sale. Please have pre-priced baked goods to the Church Saturday morning before the sale begins.

If you have questions, please contact:

Sandy Wheeler

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE



Order a poinsettia to adorn the church for Christmas services. Poinsettias are purchased 'IN MEMORY OF' or 'IN HONOR OF' our loved ones. Order forms can be found below or on the table in the Narthex. Sharon Seeger will coordinate this event. Please fill out the form below and return to:

Sharon Seeger

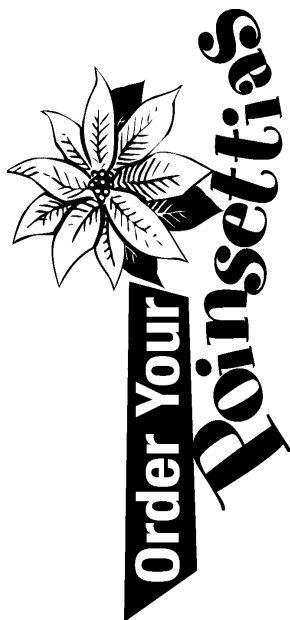
934 West Street

Boyceville, WI 54725

Make checks payable to **SHARON SEEGER**
FOR \$7.00

Deadline to Order is December 15th

*It was majestic in **beauty**.* Ezekiel 31:7



We will once again beautify our church with poinsettias. If you would like to purchase one or more, please fill out the form below and return it to Sharon Seeger along with the purchase price of \$7.00 per plant.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SHARON SEEGER.

The deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 15

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Seeger 643-2533

Number of Plants Ordered _____

Check one if desired:

_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Honor of _____

Purchased by: _____

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_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Honor of _____

Purchased by: _____

Sharon Seeger
934 West Street
Boyceville, WI 54725

Poinsettias

This shrub, native to Mexico, is at the heart of legend about a poor girl who wanted to bring Baby Jesus a gift one Christmas Eve. As she walked to church, she gathered a bouquet of weeds — which Jesus miraculously transformed into lovely red flowers.

Thus the poinsettia (named for Joel Poinsett, the U.S. ambassador to Mexico who first brought the plant to America) is known in Mexico as la flor de la Nochebuena (flower of the Holy Night).

The poinsettia is also an ideal Christmas symbol because its leaves turn red when deprived of sunlight and its flowers (the red inner buds) bloom in December.

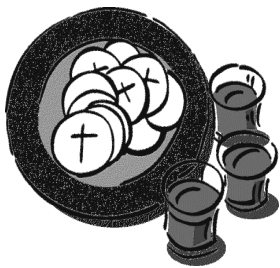


NARRATIVE LECTONARY



*Keep this **Book** of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it.*

Joshua 1:8



**GLUTEN-FREE
DAIRY-FREE
WHEAT-FREE
CORN-FREE
COMMUNION
WAFERS
ARE NOW
AVAILABLE
FOR THOSE
ON
RESTRICTED
DIETS**

To save resources
it's encouraged to
write all family
members on one
Communion Card
and
Re-use Sunday's
bulletin for
Wednesday's
Worship Service

Narrative Lectionary Stories for December 2013

December 1: Daniel 3:1, 8-30 Fiery Furnace

The book of Daniel was written at a time when God's people were in exile. They had been conquered and were being ruled by a succession of kings. These kings held terrible power and regularly behaved with evil intent. Many of God's people remained faithful, even in the face of danger. Three such followers were Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They continued to worship God, even when the penalty was death. King Nebuchadnezzar tried to have them burned in a furnace for failing to worship his gods. The three remained faithful, and God saved them from death. Their faithfulness, and God's dramatic rescue, turned the mind of the king. He decreed that all people should respect their God, and he promoted the three to positions of power.

December 8: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Valley of Bones

The book of Ezekiel was written at a time when God's people were in exile. The first chapters are proclamations of judgment for Israel's unfaithfulness to God. Later chapters, like the ones read today, include promises of restoration. Ezekiel's vision is a dramatic way for God to promise restoration. He tells Ezekiel to prophesy to a valley of dead bones, first renewing them with sinews and flesh, and finally bringing them to life with breath. This was an example of how God intended to bring Israel back to life, despite the despair they experienced at their exile.

December 15: Isaiah 55:1-11 Return From Exile

The book of Isaiah was written at a time when God people, Israel, were in exile. It includes words of judgment and words of promise. Much of the New Testament quotes from Isaiah, since the people had once again been conquered, this time by Rome. They clung to Isaiah's words of deliverance as they heard the new words of promise delivered by Jesus. This passage begins with an invitation to a free and decadent banquet, given by the Lord. God's freedom cannot be bought with money, but is given freely as a gift. It goes on to promise deliverance to a people in exile. Deliverance comes with an upheaval of the system: the lowly will be brought up, and the lofty brought down. Finally, God's word will spread throughout the land. It will not go out and return empty, but will become richer as it is spread.

December 22: John 1:1-18 Word Made Flesh

The gospel of John differs from Matthew, Mark, and Luke in many ways. The three share similar stories. They have similar approaches to interpreting Jesus' presence on the earth. John focuses more on God's word and teachings than on the events of Jesus' life. It looks more at who Jesus was, than on what Jesus did, specifically on Jesus' relationship with God. This first passage provides a lens through which we can view the rest of the book. It sets up images of light vs. darkness, belief, truth, and testimony. Jesus is the one who points toward God, emphasizing that God is the origin of all things and above all things.

December 24: Luke 2:1-20 Birth of Jesus

The gospel of Luke contains the most recognized account of Jesus's birth. It's even been quoted in the mainstream as Linus's speech in the classic, "A Charlie Brown Christmas." The story places Jesus both in Galilee, which is in Nazareth, and in Bethlehem. This geographic placement fulfills prophecies of scripture. Since Bethlehem was the hometown of Joseph, it was likely he had family there. Because of the census, the family accommodations may have been full with other travelers. The late arrival of Joseph and Mary may have caused the need to put them up in the living quarters shared with valued livestock. These subpar accommodations, along with the angelic announcement to the shepherds, may be a foreshadowing that Jesus came for all, not only for the privileged.

December 29: John 1:19-34 A Voice in the Wilderness

John the Baptist lived in the wilderness before Jesus' ministry became public. He baptized and proclaimed the coming of one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit. His testimony unnerved many who were in power. When one comes to bring grace and peace, and to overthrow the bondage to the law, those in power become threatened. They sought out John to discover who he was and in whose name he spoke. John made it clear it was Jesus who came to save, and that he had been sent to proclaim Jesus' arrival. "Lamb of God" would have conjured images of a sacrificial lamb. Such a sacrifice was not historically for the forgiveness of sins, but to celebrate and recognize God's deliverance at the celebration of the Passover. Early Christians were the first to recognize Jesus as the sacrificial lamb for the forgiveness of sins.

HELP PAGE

2-1-1 Provides Free & Confidential Information

2-1-1 is a simple, free way to connect all people in need with vital human services for everyday life or in times of crisis. By dialing **2-1-1** people are linked to information about local resources, from both government and nonprofit organizations. From the single parent seeking food for their children to the senior citizen looking for in-home care, **2-1-1** brings people and community resources together.

Call **2-1-1** for help with food, housing and shelter, employment, education, legal advice, emergencies, health care, counseling, physical and mental health issues, financial assistance, transportation, and more.

When you call **2-1-1**, you will talk to a trained resource specialist who has access to a comprehensive database of nearly all health and human services that exist in your community. Information and referral is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

Webpage: www.211wisconsin.org

Stepping Stones

1620 Stout Road
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-235-2920

Food Pantry Hours

Mondays	11am – 2pm
Tuesdays	3pm – 6pm
Wednesdays	3pm – 6pm
Thursdays	11am – 2pm
Fridays	11am – 2pm
Saturdays	10am – 12 noon
Sundays	Closed

No one is ever turned away, however, recommended eligibility guidelines are that you are a Dunn County resident and your income is below 185% of the federal poverty level. Bring a photo ID, proof of your Dunn County residency (drivers license, utility bill, lease, etc.) and know your household's gross monthly income.

Food Harvest Ministry

Boyceville Community Center
500 Charlotte Street
Boyceville, WI
next distribution December 21
Watch for flyers each month

Coat Closet Distribution

501 Winter St, Boyceville
(Entrance in alley behind
This, That, & Everything)

Saturday, December 7 9am—Noon

United Way C-3

(Located next door to Stepping Stones
in Menomonie) Phone: 715-231-3066
Accepting all items for donation except
electronics and exercise equipment.

Days and Times Open

Monday—Thursday 9am– 3pm
Friday 9am—Noon

Food Access and Resource Center

West Cap
823 Main Street
Boyceville

The pantry will be opened the
following days

Thursday 3pm-7pm
Friday 9am-1pm

Volunteers needed

Call Melissa Wyss 715-977-1191

Free Clinic of Greater Menomonie Area

Mayo Clinic Health System-Red Cedar in Menomonie
2321 Stout Road, Menomonie, 715-233-7655
Level A - Southwest Entrance

Medical services are provided to anyone that is uninsured
or uninsurable and has a household income of 200% or
less of the Federal Poverty Level.

Clinic is open on Tuesdays. Registration is from 5-7pm.
(Please do not arrive before 5pm)

Walk-ins only. Appointments are not given.

What information do I need to bring with me?

- List of current medications
- Health history information
- Recent test results
- Proof of income- required for some services

For more information check the church bulletin board or
www.menomoniefreeclinic.org

Donations can be mailed to the following:
Free Clinic of the Greater Menomonie Area
PO Box 624, Menomonie, WI 54751

TRINITY PICTURES

Homeless Simulation Participants



Third Graders Receive Their Bibles



UP COMING EVENTS



December

- 1 Christmas Program Practice
- 8 New Member Sunday
Christmas Program Practice
- 14 Spirit of Christmas Silent Auction
Spirit of Christmas Soup Lunch
- 15 Christmas Carol by Request Worship
Christmas Program Practice
- 22 Christmas Program During Worship
- 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS
NO Confirmation Classes
NO Worship
- 26 Office Closed
- 27 Office Closed
- 26 - 29 Pastor Brad Gone
- 29 Worship
NO Sunday School

January

- 1 Worship w/Holy Communion
NO Confirmation
- 5 Worship w/Holy Communion
NO Sunday School
Remove Christmas Decorations
Reports Due for Annual Report
- 8 Confirmation Resumes
- 12 Sunday School Resumes
First Communion Class for Fifth Grade
- 19 Cornerstone Performs at Trinity
First Communion Class for Fifth Grade
- 26 Ski and Tubing Trip

February

- 2 Annual Meeting
Super Bowl



SNOWBIRDS

Please let the office know when you are leaving and returning so you can continue to receive the *Good News*. Update your winter address if needed.

Enjoy your winter in the sun.

We'll miss you!

See you in the Spring!

Last Year's CD

Men's Choir Christmas CD "The Peace Carol"



Features 12 Christmas songs along with a special song, "Above All."

Cost per CD is \$10

Half the proceeds will be given back to Trinity.



*Watch for a new
Men's Choir CD
coming out soon!*

The GOOD NEWS Newsletter

If you would rather not receive your newsletter by mail, but access it from our webpage, please let PB or the office know so we can remove you from the mailing list.

If you have a change of address, it's very important to let the office know. We pay about 17¢ to mail your newsletter and pay 66¢ to get it returned.

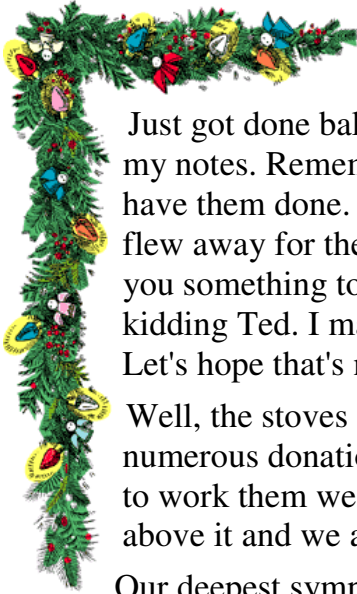
ORGANIZATIONS



WELCA
Joint Meeting
December 4 @ 6pm
NO CIRCLE MEETINGS



Lutheran Men in Mission
Watch for Something
in the New Year



Women of Trinity

Just got done baking some oatmeal raisin cookies, something to snack on while I prepare my notes. Remember, I love to snack when under pressure and notes were due and I don't have them done. Ted, I gave up on baking chocolate chip cookies for awhile, I figured you flew away for the winter, so I have plenty of time to experiment on them. That will give you something to look forward to come spring! Let's just hope I haven't forgotten. Just kidding Ted. I may need you to let me in the church sometime when I lock myself out! Let's hope that's not the case when you're gone. Could be a long wait!

Well, the stoves are finally in. Thanks to everyone that helped in the process and many numerous donations. She's a beauty. Be sure and check them out. If you are not sure how to work them we will give you a short tutorial on them. Next, we need to get a nice hood above it and we are checking into prices. Will keep you posted.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Sophie Olsen, Harriet Suneson, and the Robert Larson families. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Thank you so much to all of you that pitched in to help in whatever way we asked. I know sometimes people don't get called and we are working on some new ideas to help us out with that, so in the meantime when you hear the words that we need "HELP", just pick up the phone and call and say "I want to help, what can I do?" We would truly appreciate the help. We are all so busy, especially this time of the year and the ladies have to make a lot of phone calls and if you're not home, they go to the next one on the list, so sometimes that is why you don't hear from us. These things I never knew a lot about until I got more involved and we hope in the coming year to make this easier for everyone...one baby step at a time.

Instead of starting with WELCA Notes, we kind of like Women of Trinity. It sounds so more powerful and ladies that's what we are. We are all so powerful in everything that we do at Trinity. It is so amazing how this church comes together for each other in so many ways, so we are the Women of Trinity.

Well, for not having any notes ready, I did pretty good and the cookies got me through. We are busy with plans for the December Joint Meeting so keep tuned in and watch for the posters, another new thing we thought would be good for informing the Women Of Trinity. Don't you just love those words? **Women of Trinity!** It is almost the end of my term so I am going to have to find something else to do in place of this, maybe I should write for Sandy?! Anyway, before you fall asleep I will end my notes. God bless.

Merry Christmas from the "Women of Trinity" Board

Submitted by: Becky Nyhus





Trinity Appreciation

Thank you to Herb & Shirley Dow for purchasing and changing furnace filters.
 Thank you to Howard & Marlene Edlin for candy.
 Thank you to OK & Roberta Hedlund for maintaining the snow blower.
 Thank you to Linda Soleimani, Paul Danovsky, Troy Leach, Richard Clack, and Howard Edlin for their donations for the Potato Pancake Meal.
 Thank you to Casey Sutliff for the soup for the homeless simulation and to Kim Guy for serving it!
 Thank you to everyone who brought cardboard and wood for the homeless simulation.
 Thank you to everyone who has brought PB candy for the candy basket.

Thank you to the following Communion Bread Bakers for 2013

Terry Norenberg	Bonnie Oliver
Shirley Dow	Deb Holmlund
Shirley Bloom	Lynda Swenson
Eloise Knutson	Connie Lystrom
Viv Hanestad/Diane Andrews	Darcy Humpal
Evelyn Norrgard	Sandra Wheeler



Dear Trinity Lutheran Church Parish Members:

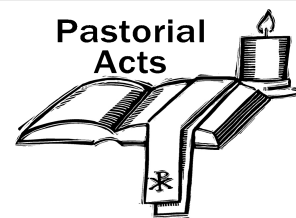
The staff and students at Tiffany Creek Elementary School wish to say thank you for the generous donation of lovely, warm winter accessories recently delivered to our office. We truly feel fortunate that there are so many caring people who wish to help students with these basic winter needs. Thank you once again!

Sincerely, Nick Kaiser

West Cap Holiday Gift Program

On the Christmas tree in the Narthex are tags for needy kids in our area. Please take a tag for a child and help make their Christmas a little brighter. The tag includes items wanted/needed for that child along with the **child's code**. Gifts do not need to be wrapped, but clearly mark them with the **child's code**. You can drop off the gifts at the church no later than December 13th.

**Thank you for helping a local family in need this
Holiday Season!**



BAPTISMS

Myla Sue Mittlestadt

November 3, 2013

Adelyn Rose Jeske

November 10, 2013

FUNERALS

Harriet Suneson

November 5, 2013

Joe Boda

November 7, 2013

Sophie Olsen

November 11, 2013

Robert Larson

November 21, 2013

A Christmas Blessing

May you have the Spirit of Christmas,
 which is Peace,
 The Gladness of Christmas,
 which is Hope,
 The Heart of Christmas,
 which is Love,
 The Gift of Christmas,
 which is Christ.

—Ada Hendricks

TRINITY SERVICE NEWS

SERVING OUR CHURCH—December 2013

Ushers: Chris Novotney, Larry Wheeler, Pat Gretzlock

Readers:

December	1	Pastor Brad	
December	8	Andrea Dominick	
December	15	Lori Bekkum	
December	22	Pat Rettke	
December	24	4:30pm	Hayley Bird
		10:00pm	Peggy Schutz
December	29	Delores Brezina	

Greeters:

December	1	Diane & Wendell Andrews
December	8	Lauryn Dominick
December	15	Tom & Liz Lohfink
December	22	Chad & Shelia Lee
December	24	4:30pm Kathy Hanson
		10:00pm Sue Rose
December	29	Delores Brezina

Acolytes:

December	1	Casey Owen & Kylie Krueger
December	8	Morgan Lee & Bryce Larson
December	15	Trevor DeBell & Luke Knutson
December	22	Lauryn Dominick & Noah Novotney
December	24	4:30pm Noah Novotney & Kylie Krueger
		10:00pm Bryce Larson & Morgan Lee

December 29 Volunteers

WELCA

December

Joint Meeting

December 4 @ 6pm

CIRCLE MEETINGS

NO Meetings

Altar Committee

Leona Steies

Betty Steies

Sandy Wheeler

MEN IN MISSION

No Meeting

WELCA

January

Joint Meeting

December 4 @ 6pm

CIRCLE MEETINGS

NO Meetings

Altar Committee

Carla Stevens

Marlo Stevens

MEN IN MISSION

No Meeting

Volunteers Needed for Snow Removal

We need volunteers to remove snow from the church entrances and sidewalks around the church lot. We have a snow blower for you to use. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex. Remember to check that the sidewalk and entrances are open during your sign-up week.



*He spreads the **snow**
like wool and scatters
the frost like ashes.*

Psalm 147:16

Needed '2014' Communion Bread Bakers

The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

The recipe can be found below and in the WELCA booklet.

Communion Bread Recipe

1½ cups white flour	½ cup whole wheat flour
1 tsp. baking soda	3 tbsp. sugar

Add and mix 3 tbsp. oil and ¾ cup water into dry ingredients. Divide into four parts. Knead each one on floured surface. Form 5" circles about ½" thick. Score tops with fork or pizza cutter before baking. Bake 10 - 12 minutes @ 350°

Serves approx. 75



PRAYER REQUESTS

*I have heard your **prayer**
and seen your tears;
I will heal you.
2 Kings 20:5*



*I will spread out my hands
in **prayer** to the Lord.
Exodus 9:29*

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

Lois Oakland	Tess Mayer	Joyce Hopkins	Virgil Robinson
Frieda Hanson	Marilyn Miller	Phyliss Lundeen	Carol Marlett
Saul Hedlund	Corrine Boda	Phil Herdahl	Keith Oliver
Adella Hanson	Tim Bird	Emma Shearer	Dick Rosen
Warren Benson	Shannon Bauer	Mike Kietzer	Fred Seeger
Rebekah Hoffman	Dave Fetter	Shirl Hetzel	Arlene Clack
Mary Slind	Doris Herdahl	Kayden Ebensperger	Lynda Swenson
Kathy Christopherson	Family of Harriet Suneson	Family of Joe Boda	
Family of Sophie Olsen	Family of Robert Larson		

All Saint's Day, November 1st

Remember all our Saints that have passed away
in the faith and now resides in God's glory:

Leona Amundson	December
*Richard Suneson	February
Orvald Thompson	March
Kevin Flettire	March
Raymond McIntyre	March
Mike Lagerstrom	April
Audrey Pierson	April
Loren Slind	August
Mark Lundeen	August
Alice Schryver	September
*Harriet Suneson	October

*Richard and Harriet were omitted from last month's list

*Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his **saints**.
Psalm 116:15*



Life is Like a Camera

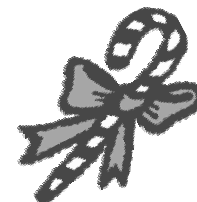
Focus on what's important,
Capture the good times,
Develop from the negatives,
And if things don't work out,
Take another shot.
—Source unknown

A Tale of the Candy Cane

The account of the candy cane's origins circulates every Christmas season and is more likely a fun story than historical fact. No matter; tales often contain truth. This tasty treat can convey important elements of our Christian faith.

The stripes remind us of the heart of Christmas, our Savior, Jesus: white for his purity; red for his blood shed on the cross. The candy cane resembles the curved staffs of the shepherds — the first people to visit the Christ-Child and worship at the manger. And when the cane is turned upside down, it becomes a letter J, for "Jesus."

Indeed, Jesus turns our lives upside down and inverts our presumptions: A poor baby born in a stable becomes King of kings and Lord of lords; enemies aren't for hating but loving; blessings aren't for hoarding but sharing; the world works for war, but Jesus calls us to live in peace; receiving is better than giving; sinners are made saints; and death is conquered as God grants us eternal life.



TRINITY PRAYER LIST

Please add to your Prayer List in December

- 1st Kelly, Albert & Michelle, Robert, Samantha, Zachary, Amber
- 2nd Kersten, Luke & Alesha; Chrissa, Zachary
- 3rd Kerr, Richard & Linda; Jorel
- 4th Kietzer, Michael & Judy
- 5th King, Tom & Alisa; Cody, Shantelle
- 6th Klatt, Chad* & Jennifer; Reyse
- 7th Klaustermeier, Jeff & Janine; Kaitlin, Kelsie, Kori
- 8th Klingman, David & Carla
- 9th Knutson, Lyle {Bill} & Eloise
- 10th Kostman, Troy; Tori, Tyra
- 11th Krig, John & Jeannie; Michael
- 12th Krueger, Jerry & Noelle; Tyler, Kylie
- 13th Krueger, Leonard
- 14th Kuss, Ruth
- 15th Laberee, LaVern & Jolene
- 16th Lagerstrom, Jay & Karen; Michael, Markie, Mya
- 17th Lagerstrom, Klover
- 18th Lagerstrom, Leonard & Mary
- 19th Lagerstrom, Lynelle
- 20th Lain, Ron & Lynn
- 21st Lange, Lenny & Christina
- 22nd Larson, Brent & Jessica; Bryce, Connor, Brooklyn
- 23rd Larson, Jamie & Angie; Sydney
- 24th Larson, Joe & Mary; Kyle, Chelsea
- 25th Larson, John & Charlotte
- 26th Larson, Kenneth & Pam; Elizabeth, Corey, Casey
- 27th Larson, Nicholas & Natosha; Sienna, Kora
- 28th Lauersdorf, Cole & Megan
- 29th Leach, Troy & Angie; Lilly Ann, Abella
- 30th Lee Chad & Sheila; Morgan, Kaitlin
- 30th Lee, Kerby & Darlene



*Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words
of my mouth.
Psalms 54:2*



MEMORIALS



IHO TORI KOSTMAN'S CONFIRMATION

BUILDING

BILL & LONNA BORGERT

IHO TRISTAN TALMAGE'S CONFIRMATION

BUILDING

BILL & LONNA BORGERT

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

LARRY & VIVIAN HANESTAD

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

OK & ROBERTA HEDLUND

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

RICHARD & ARLENE CLACK

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

MARGARET PARKER

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

MARY SLIND

IMO JOE BODA

GENERAL

PASTOR BRAD & AMY PETERSON

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

GENERAL

PASTOR BRAD & AMY PETERSON

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

QUILTERS

LARRY & VIVIAN HANESTAD

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

SHIRLEY BLOOM

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

GENERAL

BILL & JULIE FISHER

IHO SOPHIE OLSEN

BUILDING

DELORES BREZINA

IMO JOE BODA

MEMORIAL YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

OK & ROBERTA HEDLUND

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

BUILDING

MARGARET PARKER

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

BILL & ELOISE KNUTSON

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

CONNIE LYSTROM

IMO JOE BODA

BUILDING

CONNIE LYSTROM

IMO RICHARD SUNESON

GENERAL

NANCY CUMMINGS

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

GENERAL

ROBERT & JOANNE LARSON

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

GENERAL

PASTOR BRAD & AMY PETERSON

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

GENERAL

BILL & MARILYN AVERBECK

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

BUILDING

CHARLIE & DARLA HUMPAL

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

BUILDING

TED & CAROL ERICKSON

IMO SOPHIE OLSEN

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

OK & REBERTA HEDLUND

IMO JOE BODA

BUILDING

ROBERT & MARLYS NUYSBERGER

IMO JOE BODA

GENERAL

BOB & LYNDIA BIRD

IMO JOE BODA

BUILDING

TED & CAROL ERICKSON

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

SHIRLEY MITTLESTADT

MEMORIALS (cont.)



IHO LARRY & SANDY WHEELER'S ANNIVERSARY

GENERAL

PASTOR BRAD & AMY PETERSON

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

GENERAL

ROBERT & PATRICIA MARLETTE

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

CHARLIE & DARLA HUMPAL

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

NORMA WILLIAMS

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

GENERAL

ROBERT & JOANNE LARSON

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

DELORES BREZINA

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

BUILDING

WILLARD & ADELINE TRONRUD

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

MARCIA GRANLEY

IMO HARRIET SUNESON

QUILTERS

TED & CAROL ERICKSON

A Christmas Blessing

May you have the Spirit of Christmas, which is **Peace**,
The Gladness of Christmas, which is **Hope**,
The Heart of Christmas, which is **Love**,
The Gift of Christmas, which is **Christ**.

—Ada Hendricks



And so as
Tiny Tim most
heartily declared,
"May God Bless Us,
EVERYONE."

Grief and the Holidays

*How do I get through the holidays
after losing someone I loved?*

DATE: Thursday, December 5th

TIME: 6:00 pm

PLACE: Mabel Tainter Theater
(lower level)
205 Main Street
Menomonie, WI

We invite you and your family to join us for a presentation given by Richard Obershaw, founder and director of the Grief Center in Burnsville. Dick will examine the extraordinary problems associated with grief during the holidays and methods of coping during these difficult times.

There is no charge for this event.

*Sponsored by Olson Funeral Home &
Cremation Service*

Gifts for a King

Bring him thy precious things
And lay them at his feet;
The gold of love, the hope that springs
The unknown ways to meet.

Bring him thy lovely things;
The joy that conquers care,
The faith that trusts and sings,
The frankincense of prayer.

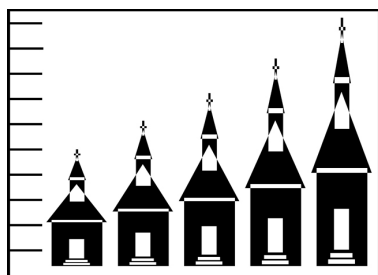
Bring him thy bitter things;
The myrrh of grief and fears,
The aching heart that stings
With pain of unshed tears.

These for thy gifts to him;
And for his gifts to thee,
The comfort of his steadfast love,
His tender sympathy.

—Annie Johnson Flint



FINANCIAL NEWS



Church Building Parsonage Repair Loan

\$83,627.76

as of November 21, 2013



Annual Reports

ALL reports for the ANNUAL REPORT
are due Sunday, January 5th !!!

Late reports will not be included in the
ANNUAL REPORT!

The ANNUAL REPORT will be ready
for viewing on January 19th, two weeks
before the Annual Meeting which is
February 2, 2014.



Please pick up your
'2014' Offering Envelopes.

Inside is an envelope with the words
Initial Offering on it. This offering helps
pay for the cost of the actual envelopes.

'2013' Giving Statements will be
available in January for you to
pick up at the Church.

Financials for October 2013

Checkbook Balance as of October 1 (502.49)

Revenue:

Regular Giving	6,499.75
Cash Giving	1,072.86
Simply Giving	2,830.00
Misc Giving	58.00
Benevolences	61.00
Building	1,407.00
Out of Budget-Youth	995.15
Out of Budget-Sunday School	80.00
Out of Budget-Scholarship	500.00
Out of Budget-Youth Savings	1,069.35
Transfer In	2,606.66
Total Income	<u>17,179.77</u>

Expenses:

Benevolences	0.00
Worship	66.43
Educational Ministry	29.06
Outreach Ministry	0.00
Office	741.58
Personnel	8,735.69
Facilities	951.95
Building Loan Payment	1,808.12
Out of Budget	25.00
Transfer Out	4,479.80
Total Expenses	<u>16,837.63</u>

Checkbook Balance as of October 31 (160.35)

Simply Giving Total October \$3,520.00

General	\$2,680
Building	\$670
Evangelism/Outreach	\$150
Missions	\$20

MERRY
CHRISTMAS



A Child is Born

Jesus received many different names — even before he was born. Isaiah 9:6 (NIV) prophesies about four of these names.

Directions: Unscramble the words on the name tags below. (Hint: The first letter is capitalized.)

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PEACE Wreath

What you need:

- Paint (blue and green)
- Paint brush
- Embroidery hoop
- 24 wooden clothespins
- Scissors
- Craft foam (white, red and green)
- Glue
- 3 white feathers
- Floral wire (two pieces)



What you do:

1. Paint the hoop blue and the clothespins green. When dry, attach clothespins around the hoop.
2. Cut a dove shape (slightly wider than the hoop's diameter) out of white foam. Glue on feathers.
3. Pierce the beak with a scissors tip. Slide a piece of wire through the slit to make an olive branch.
4. From green foam, cut out two leaves. Attach them to each end of the wire.
5. From red foam, cut out the letters P E A C E. Glue them onto clothespins.
6. Place dove in center of hoop. Glue its head and tail to clothespins.
7. Attach wire to the back and hang up your wreath.

Answers: Mighty God, Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace

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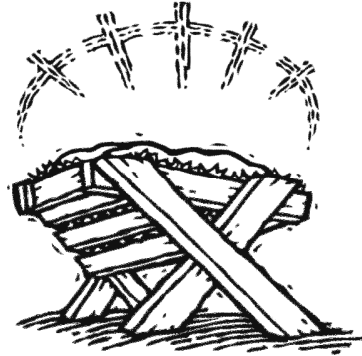
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the peace, joy, and fulfillment that comes through
Jesus Christ*

TRINITY GOOD NEWS

December 2013

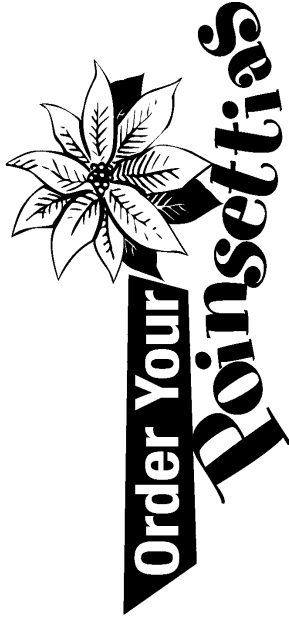


***She wrapped him in cloths and
placed him in a manger***
Luke 2:7

FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1039 NORDVEIEN DRIVE
PO BOX 247
BOYCEVILLE WI 54725

PRESORTED
STANDARD
US POSTAGE PAID
BOYCEVILLE WI 54725
PERMIT NO. 6



We will once again beautify our church with poinsettias. If you would like to purchase one or more, please fill out the form below and return it to Sharon Seeger along with the purchase price of \$7.00 per plant.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SHARON SEEGER.

The deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 15

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Seeger 643-2533

Number of Plants Ordered _____

Check one if desired:

_____ In Memory of _____

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Purchased by: _____

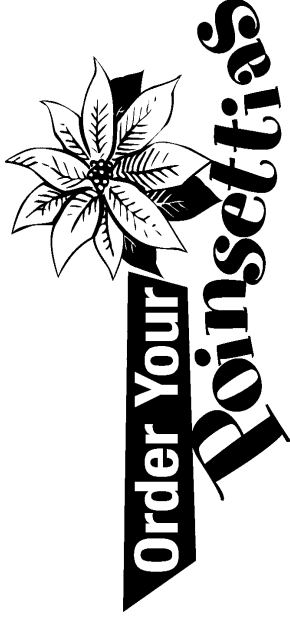
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