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to support its members in proclaiming the Word of God so that all may know the peace, joy, and fulfilment that comes through Jesus Christ. Trinity Lutheran Church exists

# TRINITY GOOD NEWS

## January 2026



## Important Dates

January 11: First Communion Class Annual Reports Due January 12: Lagers w/the Lord 6pm

January 13: Council Meeting @ 5:30

January 18: Make-up Class for First Comm

February 1: Annual Meeting 10 am



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				Psalm 101	Psalm 102	Psalm 103
4 9am Worship No Sunday School	Bible Study 10 am	<u>6</u> Quilting 9am-Noon	Z Confirmation 5:30 pm Worship 6:30 pm	8 Card Club 10am	6	<u>01</u>
Psalm 104	Psalm 105:1-25	Psalm 105:26-45	Psalm 106:1-27	Psalm 106:28-48	Psalm 107:1-22	Psalm 107:23-43
9am Worship 9:45 Sunday School Annual Reports Due First Comm Class 6 pm	Bible Study 10 am Lagers 6pm Buck Shots	Quilting 9am-Noon Council Meeting @ 5:30	<u>14</u> <u>Crew 3:30-5:00 pm</u> <u>Confirmation 5:30 pm</u> <u>Worship 6:30 pm</u>	15 Card Club 10 am	91	<u>17</u>
Psalm 108	Psalm 109	Psalm 110	Psalm 111	Psalm 112	Psalm 113	Psalm 114
9 am Worship— Hymn Request 9:45 Sunday School	19	20 Quilting 9am-Noon	21 Confirmation 5:30 pm Worship 6:30 pm	22 Card Club 10 am	23 PB on Vacation	24 PB on Vacation
Make-up First Comm Class @ 10:30 am Psalm 115	Psalm 116	Psalm 117	Psalm 118	Psalm 119:1-24	Psalm 119:25-28	Psalm 119:29-48
25 9am Worship 9:45 Sunday School PB on Vacation	26 PB on Vacation	27 Quilting 9am-Noon	28 Crew 3:30-5:00 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Worship 6:30 pm	29 Card Club 10 am	30	E
Psalm 119:49-72	Psalm 119:73-96	Psalm 119:97-128	Psalm 119:129-152	Psalm 119:153-176	Psalm 120	Psalm 121

### PASTOR'S PAGE

Psalm 27:1 "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

The great and wise Jedi Master Yoda once said, "Fear leads to anger, anger leads to hate, hate leads to suffering." So much of modern life is driven by fear. We are in a constant state of fear. We fear that we won't have ENOUGH. Enough resources to put food on our table, care for our kids, keep ourselves healthy, or provide for our retirement. We are fear we don't have enough security or assurance of where we are going in life, what our purpose is, who we are as people. We fear that we don't have enough certainty and it seems every other day someone is telling us that the suffering we are experiencing is the fault of this person or thing or circumstance. Fear is all around us, penetrating us and seeping into every core of our being. It is the greatest mechanism the world, and the devil has, to control us.

But as we enter into a new year, we have a choice. We can continue to let fear rule us as people or we can follow our Savior Jesus Christ. As it says above in Psalm 27, "whom shall I fear?" After all, we have the Lord on our side. The Lord is our light, this Son of God who takes away the sin of the world, who defeats death itself on the cross, who goes to the depths of hell to defeat the devil and rises from the grave to bring us to eternal life. This Savior who gives us a purpose to love and serve our neighbor, this Savior who tells us that we are beloved child, this Savior who tells us that nothing can ever separate us from His love, this Savior who is with us always, shows us that we have nothing to fear.

So don't let fear control you. Don't let the people in power in this world, no matter what arena they are in, use fear to stop you from being who you are. You have nothing to be afraid of because Jesus Christ is your Savior. You are free of all things, free to be a servant and use your gifts in the world for others. Free to live boldly as God has created you. Free to worship and give thanks to this Savior who will bring you to eternal life, to let the light of Christ shine in and through you every single day and be the stronghold of your life.

My prayer for you in this new year is that the Lord would banish fear from your heart. That you would trust in your Savior Jesus Christ, that Jesus would be your light and strength every day, and that you would know every single day that you are loved, cherished, and saved by the Son of God who has freed you from sin, death, the devil, and the grip of fear. May God bless you this day and always!

Yours in Christ,



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### POINTS OF INTEREST

- · Lagers with the Lord
- First Communion Class
- Annual Meeting
- Kid's Fun Pages

### Quilter's Corner



### Quilter's Notes

We are now finishing our month of December. Andrea has sent me a message, and I totally forgot once again. Too much is going on, or my brain is getting older. I think it's a brain issue. I guess this one will be short and sweet. We have had some good size groups of getting back in our quilt room. We are finishing our year and have ideas for the coming year. It is nice to see the ladies all coming back and we pray 2026 will be a much better year with our group. We were able to take a wonderful photo by the Christmas tree for our yearly calendar, which I am also way behind on. We all got together at Buckshot's for another crazy group of laughs. Mary is hilarious and this group is the best. We are never dull for sure and PB can agree on that. We are going to be going over to John and Char Larson's to see her beautiful Christmas decorations, and she is also fixing a snack. When it comes to a snack, Char is more like it's a meal. We have really put out the quilts this year and we can't wait to see what we do next year! We are always welcoming new people to our quilting group, and we can teach you as you go.

Thank you for reading!

Becky Nyhus

### YOUTH NEWS



Class will be held from 5:30-6:30pm each Wednesday with 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade meeting alternating Wednesdays.

### **Class schedule:**

January 7– 7th grade January 14– 8th grade January 21– 7th grade January 28– 8th grade





### Calling all 3rd thru 6th Graders!

You are invited to be part of *The Crew* meeting at Trinity every other Wednesday. We will have games, activities, faith time, snacks, and much more. *The Crew* is meant to be somewhere your kids can hang out, grow closer together, grow closer to God, and become stronger in faith. Friends are welcome to attend with you.

January 14 & 28<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:00 pm

Music, snack, games, faith time.
All 3rd-6th grade youth
are welcome!



No Sunday School January 4th



First Communion Class Sunday, January 11th, 6:00 pm

Class is for all youth 3rd grade and above who has not yet been instructed. Can't make it? Make up class January 18th at 10:30 am.

Class is for both parents and kids. Please bring your Bible.

### WORSHIP



Sunday, January 18th ~ Hymn By Request 9 am



### TRINITY EVENTS

### **Bible Study**

Mondays at 10am All are welcome to attend



### January 5th & 12th



### **Quilting**



We will meet Tuesdays from 9am-Noon. All are welcome to attend, you don't need to know how to sew to attend.

### Trinity Annual Meeting Sunday, February 1st at 10 am

### **Card Club Fellowship**

Card Club on Thursdays at 10am. Masks are Optional. Come join the fun and play '500'. Every talent level (beginner to pro) welcome to attend. We'll teach you the game. Cards and scoring sheets provided.



### Cake Walk

Please purchase a ticket or tickets for a chance to win a decorated bakery item. Drawing is after worship on Sundays.

> \$1 for 1 ticket \$5 for 6 tickets



**Church Council Meeting** 

January 13, 2026 @ 5:30 pm

Lagers with the Lord is Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> @ Buck Shots 6 pm

### Women Of Trinity

### **JANUARY 2026**

### In the Know:

During the Month of January is the Time of Epiphany.

'Epiphany' comes from the Greek word meaning 'to reveal', as it was when the baby Jesus was 'revealed' to the world.

It is a special time for many Christians when people celebrate how a star led the Magi - also known as the Three kings or the Wise Men - to visit the baby Jesus after he had been born.

Liturgy colors of white & green with **White** in early January representing purity, divine light & glory during the Epiphany. And Green mid to late January is the color for spiritual growth, sprouting the seed of Faith, Hope & new Life in Christ.

Some Christians celebrate Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River by 'taking the plunge' into blessed icy water, such as some Polar Plunge events taken by many to represent a renewal, a new beginning, a spiritual reflecting & repentance.

This month the ELCA is also focusing on January as the month to recognize as the **Poverty in America Awareness Month** and Slavery and Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

Continuing our mission in Faith & Love with our neighbors in Christ.

### **Inside WOT This Month:**

- \* January 6th—February 17th, 2026 Time of Epiphany
- \* January 11th, The Baptism of Our Lord which is also First Sunday after **Epiphany**
- \* WOT Board Mtg: Sun. Jan 11th @ 10a
- \* January is National Blood Donor Month

Donations drop in the winter season.

How you can help?

- •Schedule an appt to donate.
- •Encourage family & friends to donate.
- Volunteer @ blood donation organizations.

### \* Looking Ahead February 6th, 2026:

December's Gathering mtg held elections of our three new WOT Officers-at-Large:

> Tammy Bloom Trudie Chernak Barb Doty

The new Board Officers will transition into the WOT Board meetings beginning on the second Sunday of the month, Feb 8th, 2026. Along with helping our WOT Board member, Peggy Schutz, transitioning out of the WOT Board after many years of a positive attitude, unwavering commitment and an infectious enthusiasm in her service to Trinity fellowship.





### HELP PAGE



Food Access & Resource Center
823 Main Street, Boyceville
Serving the Boyceville and Glenwood City
School Districts at the
Food Access & Resources Center

### Pantry Schedule Thursdays 1pm - 7pm

Please contact Melissa at 715-977-1191

No appointment needed

(closed on holidays and if school is called off due to the weather)

Volunteers Needed Call Melissa Larson 715-977-1191

### **Snow Movers Needed**

The Snow! As sure as death and taxes!

We are asking for volunteers to remove snow from the Church entrances and the sidewalks around the

Church lot. We have a snowblower for you to use. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

Remember to check that the sidewalk and entrances are clear during the week.



### **Communion Bread Bakers Needed**

**2026** Sign-up is the Narthex to provide communion bread for one month. The recipe is in the church cookbook and in the Women of Trinity booklet



### Stepping Stones of Dunn County

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

### Anyone In Need Of Food Is Welcome!

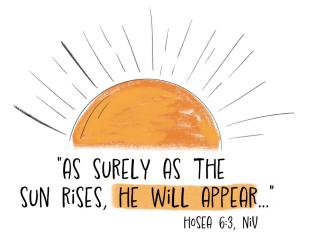
### **Food Pantry Hours**

 $\begin{array}{ll} Mondays & 11am-2pm \\ Wednesdays & 3pm-6pm \\ Saturdays & 10am-Noon \end{array}$ 

Free Produce Fridays 3pm - 4:30pm (Curbside distribution while supplies last)

### **MEMORIALS**

IMO Jessica Larson General Amy Steies



### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

### **Ushers**

January: Dan Debee, Justin Clark, Glenn Guy

### **Altar Guild**

January: Vivian Hanestad, Diana Nutter, Becky Hanestad

### **Acolytes**

Jan 4: Tanner Lindstrom & Justin Stoveren Jan 11: Harper Humpal & Scott Kurshner Jan 18: Brielle/Addie Jeskie & Ella Engemann

Jan 25: Brady Larson & Lucas Lain

### **Communion Bread**

January: TBD



### Fellowship Servers

Jan 4: Tanner Lindstrom & Justin Stoveren Jan 11: Harper Humpal & Scott Kurshner Jan 18: Brielle/Addie Jeskie & Ella Engemann

Jan 25: Brady Larson & Lucas Lain



### **Cake Bakers**

Jan 4: Ainsley Roemhild Jan 11: Charlie Chernak

Jan 18: Isabelle Bohn Jan 25: Arianny Steies



### **Altar Flowers**

If you would like to put flowers on the altar for a special reason, please sign up on the 'Altar Flower Chart' on the Narthex Table. Please include the reason for the flowers so you can be recognized in the bulletin, and a reminder to Parish Manager would be helpful.





### **Snow Removal**

Dec 21- Jan 3: Bill Fisher

Jan4– Jan 17: TBD

Jan 18- Jan31: TBD

Feb 1-14: Ken Carlsrud



### Sunday School Snacks

January 11: Mya Knutson MacKenzie Hellmann



### **Crew Snacks**

January 14: Angie Swenby

January 28: Langes





### NOVEMBER FINANCIAL PAGE

Budgeted Revenue:

Cash Loose 664.14 Regular Giving 4925.00 Simply Giving -General 5585.58 Vanco Credit Card Giving 284.24 Misc/Investment Income 851.88 Designated—Building 599.00 Designated-Missions 1970.00 Scholarship 0.00 VENMO Giving 30.00 Total Revenue 14,909.84

**Budgeted Expenses:** 

Benevolences 1970.00 Worship 381.17 **Educational Ministry** 0.00 **Outreach Ministry** 86.61 Personnel (NET) 10425.71 Office 306.27 **Facilities** 2936.17 Designated-Scholarship 0.00 Withholding 220.12 **Total Expenses** 16,326.05

### This Month's Net Income \$ (1,416.21)

Prior Months Carried over (10,312.69) Year to Date Net Income \$(11,728.90)

Internal Transfers INTO General-Out of Budget

Transfers from Special 3241.00 From Reserve 0.00 From Building 0.00 From Scholarship 0.00 From Men in Mission 0.00 Designated: Youth Savings 902.00 Design: Youth Checking 550.25 Design: WELCA 0.00 Design: Men in Mission 1335.74 Design: Quilters 25.00 Design: Sunday School 0.00 Total Transfers INTO Gen 6053.99

Internal Transfers OUT of General-Out of Budget

Transfers to Special 3081.88 To Reserve 0.00 To Building 599.00 To Youth Savings 902.00 To Youth Checking 550.25 To WELCA 0.00 To Men in Mission 1335.74 To Quilters 25.00 To Scholarship 0.00 To Sunday School 0.00 Total Transfers Out of Gen 6,493.87

### Total Net Transfers \$(439.88)

Reconciled Checkbook Balance Oct 31 \$ 4,209.78
Net Income + Net Transfers 1,856.09
Add Back Withholding 220.12
Reconciled Checkbook Balance Nov 30 2,573.81

### *Simply Giving* \$ 6,955.58

General \$ 5,585.58 Building \$ 580.00 Missions \$ 690.00 Youth General \$100.00

### VANCO Cred it Card \$ 294.12

General \$ 284.24 Garden Fund \$ 9.88

### VENMO Giving \$ 110.00

General \$ 30.00 Missions \$ 80.00

### Financially Supporting Trinity

You can support Trinity financially a number of ways:

• by sending an offering in the mail to

Trinity Lutheran Church PO Box 247 Boyceville, WI 54725

- by using the GivePlus app.
- by going to our website at www.trinityboyceville.com
- By using Venmo

Thank you for supporting Trinity!



### PRAYERS/THANKS/PASTORAL ACTS





### **BAPTISMS**

Leona Steies
Saul Hedlund
Shannon Bauer
Jeanna Hollister
Tom Lohfink
Stub Swenson
Dick & Arlene Clack
Melissa Holden
Lynda Swenson
Brian Moll
Kendra Kostman
Kathy Joles

Randee Mayer Shirley Mittlestadt Kurtis Marlett Ashley Behling Jennifer Marlett Kayden Ebensperger Amy Frieburg Kasen Iverson Lynda Bird Ken Larson Helen Rosen





Dear Lefse Elves! Thank you for turning 350 pounds of potatoes, 27 pounds of butter, 90 pounds of flour and 10 pounds of sugar into 1,536 slices of lefse!

We are a very efficient, joyful, hard working crew of people! We missed Peggy but, we were glad Paul could still help! Thanks a bunch to all our amazing supporters!

Deb&Pete

### THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE THE SPIRIT OF

CHRISTMAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR! FROM HELP WITH DONATIONS, BAKE GOODS, SOUP MAKERS, LEFSE MAKING, AUCTION ITEMS AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU ALL. THANKS AGAIN! We raised about \$6,200 for the Youth Trip in June.



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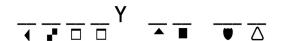


### TRANSLATE GOD'S WORD

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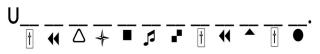
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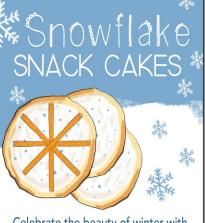








Proverbs 3:13



Celebrate the beauty of winter with these fun snowflake-inspired treats!

### What you need:

- Graham cracker squares or sugar cookies
- White frosting or marshmallow fluff
- Pretzel sticks (snowflake arms)
- Shredded coconut or white sprinkles
- Mini marshmallows or candy pearls

### What you do:

- 1. Frost each cracker or cookie.
- 2. Arrange pretzel sticks in a crisscross for the snowflake base.
- 3. Sprinkle with coconut or sprinkles for snow.
- 4. Add marshmallows or candy pearls to the ends for detail.





### Winter 2026 / January-April

### Larry & Sandy Wheeler 715-308-4684

Jeff & Mary Roemhild Steve & Michelle Andrews Stewart & Emma Bartz Rvan & Amber Benitz Marlin & Diane Bird John & Leah Garbe Debbie Mittlestadt Rob & Lori Sinz Ben & Heidi Wilson Carla Klingman Jeff & Bonnie Hoff Kaleb & Teddi Humpal Travis & Heidi Williams Jackie Lehnartz Brian & Corrie Roemhild Dan & Lori Jensen Glenn & Kim Guy Gerald & Marilyn Bartos Connie Anderson

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<sup>\*</sup>Names in bold are contact people