# WEEKLY NEWS & NOTES

**NOVEMBER 22, 2026**

## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**Homebound:**
Tom Blanchard, Anne Cook, Greg Schroeder, Bill Schneider, Lynn Stuhlman

**Military:**
John Becker, Evan Brenner, Julie Cluver, Jonathan Couture, Megan Dierking, Nathan House, Cole Going, Grant Going, Reece Going, Aaron Green, Justin Grell, Jesse Harrison, Cody Kollmeyer, Kori Lehenbauer, Kendrick Logan, Evangeline McKay, Eli Nadler, Cameron Sanford, Jaden Sutcliffe, Josh Suthoff, Colby Thomas, Tyler Thomas

*Call the church office or email keithdenisez@gmail.com*

## ATTENDANCE

*Please be sure to fill out the attendance pad.*
**Last Weekend**
**6:00pm 111** **8:00am 152** **10:30am 127**

**TOTAL: 390**

## OFFERING

| Last Weekend Total Giving | Amount Required For Budget |
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| $23,265.36 | $20,000.00 |

## FLOWERS & BULLETINS

*If you would like to sponsor bulletins (suggested donation is $50) or provide altar flowers for a weekend, contact the church office or sign up at signup.com/go/TLCFlowers.*

## STAY IN THE KNOW.

Update your contact information at:
trinityjc.breezechms.com/form/MemberUpdate
or through your Breeze account

## SERVANT SCHEDULE

| | | THIS WEEK | NEXT WEEK |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6:00 PM | Deacon | Jared Kesel<br>Ty Morris<br>Cliff Sutcliffe | Jason Lale<br>Scott Homfeldt<br>Rick Hardin |
| | Usher | Nate Roettgen | Rick Hardin |
| | Acolytes | Sophia Frates<br>Sarah Kesel | |
| 8:00 AM | Deacon | Ross Walquist<br>Randy Seidel<br>Cory Esselman | Kyle Gretlein<br>Mike Doggett<br>Cody Seidel |
| | Usher | Michael Johnson | Ross Walquist |
| | Acolytes | Emerson Powell<br>Henry Voss | Eliza Goetz<br>Henry Voss |
| 10:30 | Deacon | Joe Kollmeyer<br>Matt Fife<br>Russ Brenner | Joe Kollmeyer<br>Adam Frankenbach<br>Andrew Wachter |
| | Usher | Kevin Bateman | Will Fife |
| | Acolytes | | Serenity Johnson<br>Garrett Dougan |

**Beware of Clergy Scams**
Please be alert for emails or text messages pretending to be from our pastor or other church leaders. Be especially suspicious of requests for money, gift cards, personal information, or an urgent favor. We will never ask you by email or text to purchase gift cards, send money, or provide personal financial information. When in doubt, do not respond. Call the church office or contact the person using a phone number or email address you already know is legitimate—do not use the contact information provided in the suspicious message.

**THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE**
**Wednesday, November 25, 6:30pm**

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**
**Friday, November 27**




**FALL DINNER PARKING**

For volunteers, we ask that you park in the upper church parking lot and come down through the elevator, or use the parking lot near the end of the playground equipment, providing adequate parking on the three levels for guests. Mike Doggett will provide a shuttle from the fry shack area! He would love to give you a ride!

**EMS MEALS for the Fall Dinner are being sponsored again this year by Thrivent Action Teams.**

If you have a Thrivent Action Team, please consider donating to cover our EMS meals for the community. If you have questions, direct them to Pastor Powell or Janelle Schulte.




**Thankful for Your Faithful Support**

As Thanksgiving approaches, we have much to be thankful for at Trinity. God continues to bless our congregation through His Word, the ministry of our church and school, and the faithful generosity of His people. From July through October, general offerings totaled $378,576. Thank you to everyone who has supported Trinity through regular offerings, special gifts, and the generous sharing of time and abilities. Your support helps sustain worship, Christian education, and care for our congregation and community. Our greatest reason for thanksgiving is the forgiveness and salvation we have through Jesus Christ. Our giving is a grateful response to what He has already done for us. As we enter the busy holiday season, please remember Trinity's ongoing ministry in your prayers and giving. The commitments we make to our staff, school families, and congregation continue each week. Consistent support helps us meet those commitments and plan responsibly. Thank you for the many ways you share God's blessings with your Trinity family.

*"For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you." — 1 Chronicles 29:14*

**MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

It is that time of year again. Missionary Society is selling PECANS! The price is $12 per bag. Feel free to contact a Missionary Society member, the Church Office, Calvary's Gift or Denise Ziegelbein (573)690-0881. The money raised goes toward various mission projects!

**LADIES EVENING GUILD**

Our next meeting will be on Monday, December 7, at 6 p.m. This will be our Christmas celebration with a catered meal prepared by Sandy Siebeneck, Leslie Franklin, and Janelle Schulte. Guests are invited to attend. Please call Pam Rustemeyer at 573-338-7337 for more information. We will be bringing in food items and paper products to give to two families we will adopt for Christmas. The nominations of Sheila Rustemeyer for President, and Leslie Franklin for Treasurer, were accepted and passed for the new year. The chili and soup meal will be on February 7, 2027 in the cafeteria. More information to follow.

**HAPPY DRIFTERS**

Our group went on a detailed tour of Calvary Lutheran High School's new addition, and it is wonderful to see just how successful the school has become! We followed the tour with our annual Thanksgiving luncheon.

In December, we will be filling and delivering Christmas bags for Trinity members who are home bound or nursing home residents. If you would like to help with the work on this project, meet at Carol Beck's home, 1200 LeCar St. on Thursday, December 3 at 10am. This year we will be delivering approximately 40 bags.

If you haven't been attending our activities you will want to **start in 2027!** We will be going on exciting tours and trips and all are fun and educational. We invite you to become an active member of our church and a participant in our group!

**MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER**

The Men's Club of Trinity Lutheran Church wants to thank all those individuals who helped prepare barbecue and sell pork steaks during it's 2026 fundraising events. To show our appreciation for the hard work and time that went into each event, we invite those of you who helped with each fundraiser to dinner on Thursday, December 3, at Veit's Pub and Grill, 2314 Lorenzo Greene Drive in Jefferson City. The event starts at 5:30pm with a social gathering. Dinner will be served at 6pm. While there is no formal program, this event simply gives everyone in attendance an opportunity to visit and enjoy each other's company and to say thank you for a job well done! If you plan to attend or have any questions, please contact Michael Doggett or Jay Wunderlich.

**HELP NEEDED AT TRINITY LUTHERAN CEMETERY**

On Tuesday, November 24, (8:30-noon) weather permitting, an experienced group of volunteers will be working to straighten, restore, and clean the tombstones. The cemetery is located next to South School on Linden Dr. If you have always wanted to know how to clean a tombstone properly, this is a great opportunity to learn and also help preserve our church cemetery. Please bring a spray bottle, soft bristle brush, and bucket for water. Also, you may need a snack, drinking water and a folding chair for resting. Dress for working outdoors! For more information, call Doris Schmutzler (573)353-6784 or Gary Schmutzler (573)353-3676.

# CHRISTMAS Cookie SCAVENGER HUNT

## Saturday, December 5











Youth group is hosting a Christmas cookie scavenger hunt! Any size team can sign up to join the scavenger hunt for $25 per cookie box. By the end of the hunt, the team will collect about 3 dozen various cookies.

Pick up your first clue at the church between 9:00-10:00am.

The hunt should take about an hour or two to complete as you use the clues to locate and pick up cookies at various locations around Jefferson City.

Sign up in the church office or at the link below. Payments should be made to the church office.

www.trinityjc.org/NYG




# Pecans

## $12/BAG

available in the church office, at Calvary's Gift, and through members of Missionary Society

*Proceeds support various missions supported by Trinity Lutheran Missionary Society*

# TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**Important Dates**

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| November 23-27 | Thanksgiving Break |
| December 8 | Christmas Band Concert, 6pm |
| December 13 | 2-4th Grade Christmas Program, 2pm |
| December 13 | PreK-1st Grade Christmas Program, 4pm |
| December 18 | Early Dismissal |
| December 21 – Jan 1 | Christmas Break |

**Wednesday Chapel**

We invite you to join us for chapel each Wednesday at 8:15. Our chapel offerings for the 2nd Quarter will be going to support **LCC K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry, Home of the Comfort Dogs**. Launched in August 2008, the Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry is a national human-care ministry embracing the unique, calming nature and skills of purebred Golden Retrievers. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, presence and proclamation of Jesus Christ.

# CALVARY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

**CALVARY INSIDER –** Curious about what went on at Calvary this week?

- Students and families celebrated awards from the Fall athletic season on Tuesday.
- Pastor Preus led Wednesday chapel with a message on vocation.
- Friday afternoon was spent giving thanks! Following a special Thanksgiving chapel led by Pastor Powell, Calvary students, staff, alumni, and families joined together for a potluck feast and fellowship!

**CALVARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT –** Join us Friday, December 11th at 7:00 p.m. for the annual Calvary Christmas concert! Enjoy pieces performed by the Calvary Choirs and Band that are sure to get you ready for the Christmas season!

**WEEK OF GIVING THANKS** – As we enter this week, we are giving thanks for you – your prayers, your financial support, your gifts of time – all to make a Christ-centered, relationship-driven high school experience a reality for teenagers and their families. Thank you for supporting Calvary during its 8th annual Week of Giving! You are a blessing!

**SHADOWS WELCOME** – Applications for Calvary's class of 2031 are incoming! 8th grade students are welcome to schedule shadow days at Calvary with interest in applying for the 2027-28 school year! If you know an 8th grader who would benefit from a Christian high school education, please invite them to visit the school with you. Parents, call us today to set up a shadow day for your child to experience Calvary.

**$50 EARLY REGISTRATION BONUS –** Registration is OPEN for the 2027-2028 school year! Incoming 8th graders and current 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students can already register for next year! When you apply or re-register for next school year with your $100 registration fee before January 4, 2026, you will receive a $50 credit toward your student's '26-'27 tuition. REGISTER TODAY!

**OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING** – The school office will be closed for Thanksgiving Monday, November 23 through Friday, November 27 to allow for time with family. Happy Thanksgiving!

**Save the Date-**

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| Nov. 23-27 | Thanksgiving Break |
| Dec 11 | Calvary Christmas Concert, 7 PM |
| Dec 23 – Jan 1 | Calvary Christmas Break (Office Closed) |

**CALVARY COMMITMENT**

Trinity is one of 6 association churches that own Calvary Lutheran High School. Together with Trinity, Calvary provides the opportunity for a PreK-12 Lutheran school experience in mid-Missouri. Along with the other co-owner congregations, Trinity has committed to supporting Calvary financially with $15 per communicant member per year. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this support with your offering envelope designated to Calvary or through online giving. Thank you for your support of Lutheran education!

## SAMARITAN CENTER CHRISTMAS STARS ARE HERE!

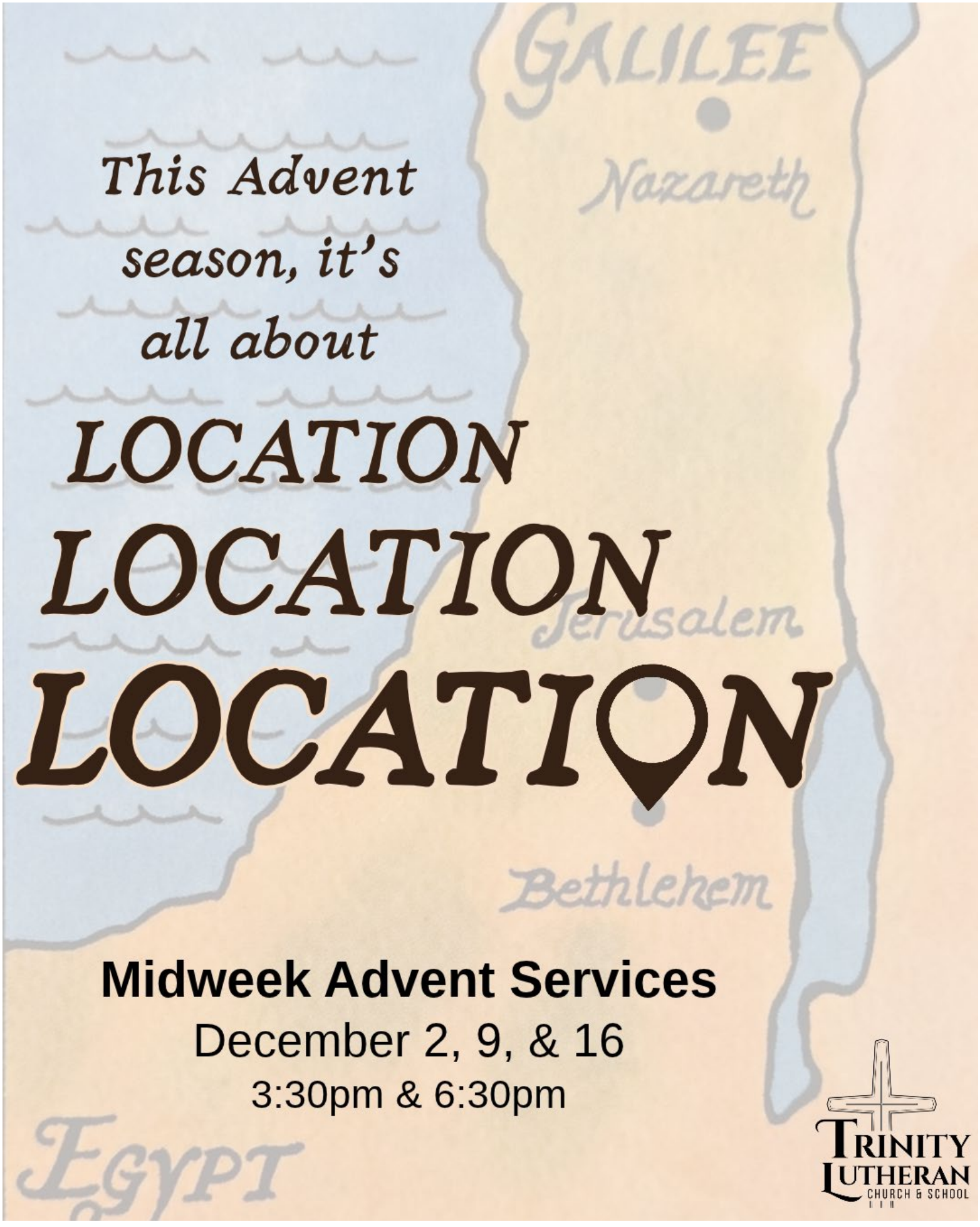
Thanksgiving is quickly approaching and Christmas is just around the corner! So many families are struggling to make ends meet. The need is great, but so is the generosity of our congregation members! The stars for the Samaritan Center families Trinity is sponsoring this year are now on the tree in the Narthex.

To donate, all you need to do is select one or more stars from the tree; then write down the star #, the name on the star, and your name and phone number on a sign-up sheet on the table next to the tree. Then shop, wrap the gift/gifts, attach the star securely to the package/packages, and bring to the church office **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30th**. You do not have to buy everything listed on the star--these are only suggestions from the family.

Each family sponsored by Trinity will receive grocery gift cards to a grocery store near them. The gift cards will be purchased by the Church office from the Trinity School Scrip Program. The white stars on the tree are for this purpose. Simply select a white star, record the information on the sign-up sheet and then drop off the star and the money (cash or check made payable to Trinity Scrip) to the church office by November 30th.

If you want to participate but are not into shopping or if you have any questions, please contact Carol Fischer at (573) 619-2149. Thank you for your generosity and support.






*This Advent season, it's all about*

# LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION

**Midweek Advent Services**

December 2, 9, & 16

3:30pm & 6:30pm

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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## Responding in Love



One of the greatest joys for parents of young children is when their child first responds to their face or voice.

The smile that appears upon seeing a mother's face, the giggles that erupt when a father sings a silly song, the happiness parents experience from their child's response fills them with joy.

The beauty of response comes with the connection it brings to a relationship.

## A Rhythm of Response

As you work through the liturgy for the Divine Service, you note the many responses found there. The pattern of statements and responses begins at the very start of the service. Sometimes, responses are spoken; other times, they are chanted or sung. Some responses seem quiet and reflective, while others are filled with joy and celebration.

As a family, consider reading through the Divine Service together over a period of days. Discuss favorite portions of the service. Sing together the various responses: Gloria in Excelsis, "This Is the Feast," Offertory, Sanctus, Agnus Dei, Nunc Dimittis, and others. Repeat favorite musical responses as a part of your regular family devotions or bedtime prayers.

## A Lifelong Connection

Over time, your children will commit these responses to memory. As they occur in the worship service, your children will be able to respond along with the rest of the congregation. The pattern of responses becomes a lifelong connection to the church, and the Father delights in hearing His children respond to His love.



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# Family Discipleship

November 22, 2026

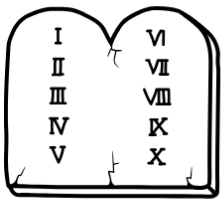
## NEXT WEEK'S HYMN

| LSB 332 | Savior of the Nations, Come<br>*Link to music playlist @ trinityjc.org/family* | MFH 40 |
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## LEARN THE TEN COMMANDMENTS WITH YOUR FAMILY

If you memorize two commandments each week, you will have all 10 commandments memorized just in time for Christmas!




### The Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?*
We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

### The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother.

*What does this mean?*
We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Find all the commandments--and all parts of the Small Catechism--at https://catechism.cph.org

# Family Devotions

**Tips for Family Devotions:** Follow the simple outline to the right or use another order of worship to guide your devotional practice at home. Try using the a hymnal, the Treasury of Daily Prayer, My Treasury of Faith, or other book.
Schedule time each day for intentional family discipleship. Ask questions and dig deeper into the Bible reading together.

**Invocation:** Make the sign of the cross in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to remember your Baptism.

**10 Commandments:** Recognize your need for repentance and God's forgiveness.

**Creed:** Confess your faith by saying the Apostles' Creed.

**Devotion:** Read a devotion or part of Luther's Small Catechism. Talk about the Bible reading and apply it to your life.

**Bible Reading:** Read God's Word out loud. Read a Psalm, and/or passage. Use a story Bible or study Bible with notes.

**Song:** Sing a hymn, Psalm, or children's song.

**Prayer:** Speak to God with your words and thoughts. Say the Lord's prayer, repeat-after-me, or specific requests.

**Blessing:** Say Num. 6:24-26, "repeat-after-me" with a Psalm, etc.

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Worship

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Sun** | 8:00 am | DIVINE SERVICE |
| | 9:30 am | Bible Study & Sunday School Classrooms |
| | 10:30 am | DIVINE SERVICE |
| **Wed** | 8:15 am | School Chapel |
| **Sat** | 6:00 pm | DIVINE SERVICE |

### Weekly

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Sun** | 6:30 pm | Jr Youth (6th-8th) **YR** |
| | 7:15 pm | Sr Youth (HS) **YR** |
| **Mon** | 8:00 am | Quilters **Lobby** |
| **Wed** | 9:30 am | Lectionary Class **L** |
| | 5:30 pm | Handbell Practice |
| **Thur** | 7:00 pm | Choir practice |

### Upcoming Trinity Music

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|---|---|---|---|
| 12/9 | Bells | 6:30 pm | Midweek Advent |
| 12/16 | Men/Women's Choirs | 6:30 pm | Midweek Advent |
| 12/20 | Bells/Choir | 8:00am and 10:30am | |
| 12/24 | Bells/Choir | 11:00 pm | Candlelight |

### Monthly

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|---|---|---|
| **Mon** | 6:30 pm | Evening Guild *(1st Mon)* **L** |
| **Tue** | 1:30 pm | Women's Auxiliary *(2nd Tue)* **FH** |
| | 6:00 pm | Men's Club *(2nd Tue)* **L** |
| | 6:00 pm | Missionary Society *(2nd Tue)* **FH** |
| **Wed** | 11:30 am | Widow Support Group *(3rd W)* **L** |
| **Fri** | 7:00 pm | Singles' Game Night *(3rd Fri)* **FH** |
| **Sat** | 7:15 pm | Social Game Night *(1st Sat)* **FH** |

### Church Meetings

| **Council (6:30pm)** | **Boards (6:30pm)** | **Voters (7:00pm)** |
|---|---|---|
| 11/24 | 11/17 | |

### News Deadlines

*Send to churchoffice@trinityjc.org*

| **Weekly Bulletin** | **Newsletter** |
|---|---|
| 12pm, Wed | 12pm, 22nd of mo |

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