WEEKLY NEWS & NOTES

NOVEMBER 29, 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 101 **8:00am 145** **10:30am 146**

TOTAL: 392

OFFERING

Last Weekend Total Giving	Amount Required For Budget
$11,521.02	$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	Jason Lale Scott Homfeldt Rick Hardin	Jason Lale Scott Homfeldt Cliff Sutcliffe
	Usher	Rick Hardin	Carol Fischer
	Acolytes		Sophia Frates Jacob Fischer
8:00 AM	Deacon	Kyle Gretlein Mike Doggett Cody Seidel	Ross Walquist Randy Seidel Nate Rottegen
	Usher	Ross Walquist	Keith Ziegelbein
	Acolytes	Eliza Goetz Henry Voss	Eliza Goetz Rylee Porter
10:30	Deacon	Joe Kollmeyer Adam Frankenbach Andrew Wachter	Jared Kesel Tom Proctor Will Fife
	Usher	Will Fife	Todd Fetters
	Acolytes	Serenity Johnson Garrett Dougan	Serenity Johnson Ryan Boos Jr.

A huge **Thank You** to our awesome volunteers for the Fall Dinner! We had great participation from the students, teachers, youth, and parishioners young and old! The dinner was a success! Look for updates in the next few weeks on net proceeds! We could not do any of this without **YOU**!



Seeing the Whole Financial Picture

During the first quarter of our fiscal year, July through September 2026, Trinity received **$295,442 in general offerings**, compared with **$222,573** during the same period last year—an increase of **32.7%**. Thank you for your generous support of our church and school ministries.

So how are we doing against the budget? That can be harder to answer than a single month's numbers suggest.

Our September electric bill was considerably higher, mainly because August and September were so warm. Tuition payments also come in unevenly. Some parents pay for the whole year, some for half a year, and others monthly. Our giving has traditionally varied with the time of year, too.

Lower-than-expected enrollment also put tuition income below budget projections. That is a different challenge from the timing of payments.

That makes it important to look beyond one month. We need to compare income and expenses with the budget since July 1 and consider what is causing the differences. Is it simply when a payment arrived, or is it a change we need to address?

Through every season, your gifts help sustain worship, Christian education, and care for our neighbors. Thank you for sharing God's blessings as a grateful response to His grace in Jesus Christ.

Writing about a collection for fellow Christians in need, Paul reminds us that generosity both helps others and brings thanksgiving to God:

"...this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God." — 2 Corinthians 9:12, ESV excerpt

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

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.

TRINITY WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Women's Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2026, at noon in the Fellowship Hall for their Christmas luncheon. Members are asked to please bring a covered dish to share. The congregation and members are also invited to bring canned goods or other nonperishable items for the Samaritan Center. Mite Box offerings will be collected at the sign-in table. We welcome all women of the congregation to join us in Christian fellowship. For more information, contact Judy Bangert at 573-635-1131.



Christmas at Heit's Point

Sat., Dec. 5, 10:00 am to 2:00pm

Featuring:

- **Rev. Dr. Quintin Cundiff describing his life as a missionary**
- **Piano music by Adam Fosse**
- **Meal of cordon bleu, scalloped potatoes & Christmas desserts**
- **Celebration of 2026 camp activities**
- **Voting on new board members**
- **Camp tours**

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TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Important Dates

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 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!

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!

Save the Date-

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!



Songs of Thankfulness

When we gather with other believers to worship our Lord, we offer Him our thanksgiving and praise. The practice of giving thanks and praise to God is at the center of our life of worship. The various elements of worship—music, the spoken word, visual images, and other things—all contribute to the overall experience of worship and praise. One of the greatest joys for parents of young children is when their child first responds to their face or voice.

Thanks Throughout the Year

Hymns provide one of the greatest methods for us to offer God our thanks. The words and music serve as conduits for giving God our praise in response to His gifts of faith and salvation through the work of Jesus Christ. The words of the Epiphany hymn "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" both praise our Lord and Savior and recount His work in the life of His people. As we prepare to enter the season of Advent and once again look forward to the birth of Jesus, our Savior, consider the words of this timeless hymn.

A Hymn to Sing

Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem
In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to Thee addressed,
God in man-made manifest.
Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord,
Present in Thy holy Word—
Grace to imitate Thee now
And be pure, as pure art Thou;
That we might become like Thee
At Thy great epiphany
And may praise Thee, ever blest,
God in man-made manifest.

Christopher Wordsworth
Public domain
LSB 394:1, 5

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Family Discipleship

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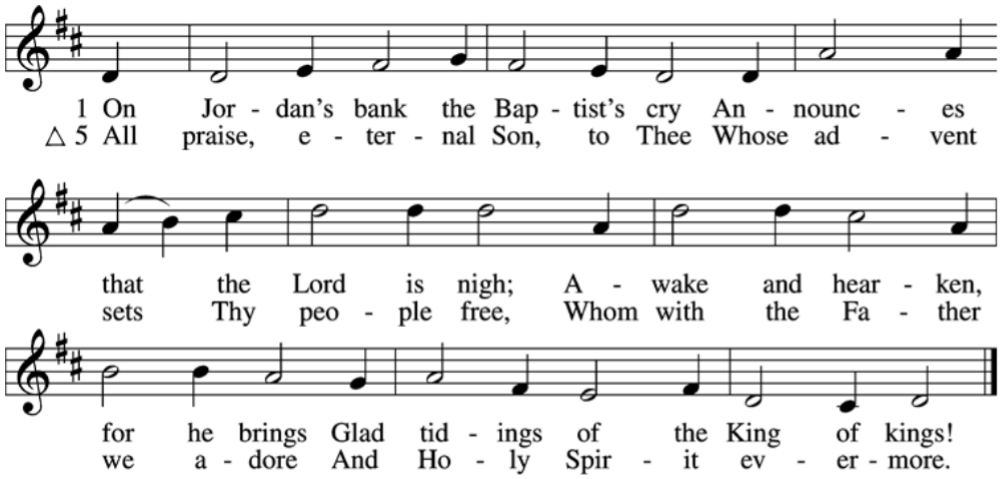
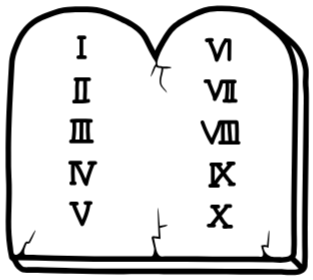
NEXT WEEK'S HYMN

LSB 344	On Jordan's Bank the Baptists Cry *Link to music playlist @ trinityjc.org/family*	MFH 39



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 Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

The Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

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
	3:30 pm	Midweek Advent Service *Advent Meal*
	6:30 pm	Midweek Advent Service
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

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

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)
1/26	1/19	2/2

News Deadlines

Send to churchoffice@trinityjc.org

Weekly Bulletin	Newsletter
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