



# The Trinity Times

## Weekly Announcements

December 8, 2024



**NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**  
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 10 AM — 4:30 PM  
THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10 AM — 1 PM



*Advent by Candlelight*

**"A Biblical Treasure Hunt"**

December 8, 2024  
2:00 pm  
\$10.00 per person

We will have a catered meal in the FLC classrooms  
Purchase Tickets before & after  
Worship Services on Sundays



**Advent Worship Services**

Wednesday Evenings  
at 7:00 pm  
December 11  
Good Shepherd:  
Lake Orion  
December 18  
Journey: Oxford

**St. Trinity Children's Christmas Service**  
Sunday, December 15 at 11:00 am


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The Children's Service will be immediately following our 9:30 am Worship Service. All children are welcome to participate. Please contact Mandi Ressler at: [familylife@sainttrinitylutheran.com](mailto:familylife@sainttrinitylutheran.com) if your child will be attending.



**Advent Devotional Booklets**  
*"Come Let Us Adore Him"*

Devotional books are now available on a table in the Narthex.




**Cookie donations are needed.**  
**Please bring 1-2 dozen (NUT FREE) cookies**  
**Sign-up at Information Center in the Narthex**

**No J.O.Y. Group in December**



**Quilter Activity! Tuesday, Dec. 10**  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Quilters will start the day with a Jelly Roll Race, followed by our pre-Christmas fellowship luncheon. Finishing up the day with Jelly Roll quilts and other quilting projects!



### Stewardship Corner

Luke 3:4 – "As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." ' " God makes long-range plans: Isaiah lived more than 700 years before St. John the Baptist preached by the Jordan River. Obviously, God sees farther into the future than we do! That's yet another reason to trust Him when it comes to how He tells us to live our lives. He knows what's coming, and we don't.



### “Lutheran Witness” Subscriptions - Deadline is December 8!

Again this year, we hope you will renew your subscriptions to the Lutheran Witness—the official magazine of the LCMS. The magazine covers many topics such as doctrine, synod events, missions, youth events and our Lutheran history and heritage. **December 8th is the sign-up deadline** to ensure the **discounted rate this year of \$21.20**. A sign-up sheet is available at the Information Center. Even if you received the magazine this past year you must sign-up again for 2025. Your payment of \$21.20 (check payable to St. Trinity) can be included in your weekly offering envelope on the “other” line noting “Lutheran Witness” or drop off your payment in the church office.



### St. Trinity Holiday Train Display December 1 — 22

Check our website and Facebook pg. for special events and to find out when Santa will be visiting!

Hours:

- Sundays: 12:00-2:00pm
- Tuesdays: 12:00-2:00pm
- Thursdays: 5:00-7:00pm



**Order Poinsettias  
Through December 15**

Again this year as part of our Christmas celebration, St. Trinity members will be able to furnish poinsettias for the purpose of decorating the sanctuary. Make sure you include your check with your order form ( forms at Info. Center in Narthex) and write “Poinsettias” on the check that is made out to St. Trinity Lutheran Church. You may bring your order to the church office or place it in the basket provided in the Narthex. **Red plants, \$11.00 per 6” pot, orders due Dec. 15.**

### 2025 Offering Envelopes

The 2025 Offering envelopes are now available. They are on a table in the Narthex in alphabetical order. If there is not box for you on the table, please put your name on the signup sheet.



### Thank You Phyllis Solmen!

Phyllis has been teaching Bible classes for 40 years! On Sunday, December 22 St. Trinity will recognize this wonderful ministry that she has provided for our church. We will honor her with at cake. Please consider bringing her a card, there will be a box available to put them in.





### St. Trinity Staff Appreciation Gifts

St. Trinity Members:

It has been a tradition here at St. Trinity to show our appreciation for our staff at this time of year. In keeping with that tradition, available at the entrance to the Sanctuary are Staff



Appreciation offering envelopes for your use, and a designated box to place your gifts in. You may also include your "Staff Gift" in your regular offering envelope using the "other" line. If you wish, you may specify who your gifts go to. If not specified, all gifts will be divided up among all staff. St. Trinity is blessed with such a wonderful staff and for that we are thankful to God. God's blessings to you and your families this Christmas and in the New Year.

St. Trinity Church Council

### Healing Hearts Grief Support Group

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one will be held **Tuesday, December 10 at 7pm. The topic of this month's meeting is**



**"Honoring My Loved One."** The meeting will be led by a Bereavement Counselor for Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Meeting location is at the Carriage House in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road, Clarkston. No registration is necessary (walk-in); free of charge; Any questions or to be on the invitation list, call the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home (248-625-5231) or email [wintfuneralhome@gmail.com](mailto:wintfuneralhome@gmail.com). Please consider accessing our Online Grief Portal.

### Thank you to everyone who participated in St. Trinity's Samaritan's Purse shoebox project

We packed **55 shoeboxes** for children around the world, sharing with them the hope and joy of Christmas! That is **17 more boxes** than last year!

Thank you to all those who shopped for, filled and returned boxes; donated money for postage; and/or donated items to put in the boxes. A special thank you to Elaine Schultz, who tirelessly wrapped shoeboxes in Christmas paper, and to C.J. Hahn and Carol Trudelle, who helped us check, count and pack up the boxes.

Thank you also to the preschool families who filled and donated an estimated 10 boxes and to Pam Hughes and Mandi Ressler for promoting the project with those families.

Every shoebox matters, and you all have made a difference in the lives of these precious children! Pam Ferguson & Karen Smith



### Bible Study Opportunities

- ◆ **Young (ish) Adult Bible Study** will meet Sunday mornings at **10:45** in the Youth Room.
- ◆ **Bible Study on the book of Genesis** at **8:30 am**. Fred Hohnstadt leads this study.
- ◆ **Bible Study with Pastor Paul** at **10:45** in the FLC classrooms.
- ◆ A list of weekday **Bible Study opportunities at sister LCMS churches** is available at the Information Center. Churches include: Good Shepherd in Lake Orion, Journey in Oxford, and Crown of Life, Rochester.



### Sunday Ministry Assistants

#### Video Schedule

- Dec. 08 Rich Karstensen
- Dec. 15 John Schorsch
- Dec. 22 Joseph Ashley
- Dec. 29 Rich Karstensen

#### Elder on Duty

- Dec. 08 Dan Cardinal
- Dec. 15 9:30 am Bob Altman
- Dec. 15 11 am Rich Trudelle
- Dec. 22 Dave Hahn
- Dec. 24 7:00 pm D. Cardinal
- 11:00 pm A. Meyer

#### Road Sign

- December
- Richard Karstensen
- January
- Richard Karstensen

#### Counters

- December 08
- DeMonaco/DeVries
- Bob/Karen Schroer
- December 15
- Barrie/Schneider

#### Donut/Bagels

- December
- Dave & CJ Hahn

#### Coffee Schedule

- December
- Dave & CJ Hahn

#### Lay Readers

- Dec. 08 Steve Pflieger
- Dec. 15 Julie Schultz
- Dec. 22 Abby Schultz
- Dec. 29 Steve Pflieger

#### Greeter Schedule

- December 8
- Mel & Judy Spresney
- December 15, 22 & 29
- Dave & CJ Hahn

#### Altar Circle

- December
- Dave & CJ Hahn



#### Usher Schedule

- December 08
- Stella Shepherd, Capt.
- Amy Costello
- Kirk Costello
- Jeff Feldmeyer

- December 15
- Richard Karstensen, Capt.
- Paul Orlor
- Joseph Ashley
- Kurt Schroeder

- December 22
- Fred Hohnstadt, Capt.
- John Ehlke
- Richard Meyer
- Bob Schroer

#### Kroger Community Rewards Program

Kroger Community Rewards is a way to donate to St. Trinity based on the shopping you do everyday. Once you link your card to St. Trinity, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Shopper's Card! A digital account is needed to participate in Community Rewards. Create a digital account by installing the app on your phone and create an account. If you already have a digital account, you will need to ensure you have a Plus Card linked to your account. You must select St. Trinity as the organization you wish to donate to in the app by going to the upper left corner where the 3 horizontal lines are, a dropdown list will display, select Rewards from the list, select Community Rewards, then search for St. Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church & Preschool and once you locate, select it as your organization and select save. Please note, a Shopper's Card is required for the Community Rewards program.