

# January 28, 2024 Weekly Bulletin

Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven S. Billings Principal/Associate Pastor: Rev. Keith E. GeRue Church (920) 722-2662, School (920) 725-1715 Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Church Admin E-Mail: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com



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#### Saturday, January 27:

9:30 AM Food Pantry

Soup and Bread Sale—Before & After Service

5:00 PM Worship Service

## Sunday, January 28:

9:00 AM Worship Service

Soup and Bread Sale—Before & After Service

10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

#### Monday, January 29:

Pastor Billings' Sabbath

Ladies Sewing Group

6:00 PM At Home Prayer Time

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

#### Tuesday, January 30:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

3:45 PM BB Practice

6:30 PM Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting SFH

#### Wednesday, January 31:

5:00 PM Catechism Classes

6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, February 1:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

4:30 PM BB @ Celebration, Appleton

#### Friday, February 2:

6:30 PM Hymn Sing

#### Saturday, February 3:

Soup and Bread Sale—Before & After Service

5:00 PM Worship Service

#### Sunday, February 4:

9:00 AM Worship Service

LAST WEEKEND—Soup and Bread Sale

10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

## 廿 We Pray For...廿

The Sick: Eileen Acker, Kathy Baehman, Dave Bartelme, Linda Bartelme, Mark & Jean Becker, Ken Brusda, Michael Burns, Bruce Christoffersen, Matt Daniels, Nancy Davidson, Rev. Jim Dehne, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Dennis & Judith Durkey, Karen Edwards, Frank Erdmann, Logan Feutz. Sara Flater. Shirley Fleischer. Lorna Forbes, Michael Hastings, Colyn Hopfensperger, Mary Howden, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Sam Koch, Karen Lambert, Bob Lephart, Deb Manteufel, Nancy McMillan, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Dianne Olsen, Brian Oppelt, Norb Pomerenke, Joan Reinke, Dan Schael, Marty Schrampfer, Ray Schroeder, Jordan Schroeter, Bruce Smith, Judy Smith, Jo-Ann Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Jean Toeppler, Karen Toeppler, Elaine Trimberger. Bud & Jovce Tschirgi, Jovce Virchow, Merry Voigt, Betty Wachholz, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Jodi Wendler, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth and Dorothy Wirth.

<u>Celebrating Birthdays</u>: Rosemary Collingwood, Madelyn Graper, Dawn Henrickson, Katelyn Lohr, Michelle Mahoney, Ethan Nielsen, Lisa Olson, Sharon Raleigh, Jean Ross & Sandy Wussow.

Those Grieving: The Family of George Engele The Family of Donna Mies

## **Holy Communion**

We ask that those desiring to commune be members in good standing of Trinity or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. If you have questions regarding this, please speak with one of the Pastors.

#### News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com\_or "Like" Us on Facebook

#### Altar Flowers

The flowers this weekend are given to the glory of God by the Altar Guild.

#### This Weekend's Banners

"Celebrating Lutheran School Week" & "To God Be the Glory, Let the Son Shine Through"

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Mark 1:22 – "And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes." Authority is a word we are sometimes afraid of and don't like to hear. But that's just our sinful flesh talking. Jesus' authority is something we need. We need Him to show us what to believe and how to live, for Jesus' authority is always connected to his love.

## Gluten-Free Hosts Available

If you prefer a gluten-free host for communion, please talk with one of the pastors before the service.

## **Daily Devotions Direct Link!**

There is a link on our website that will give you direct access to Pastor Billings' Daily Devotion videos: https://www.trinitymenasha.com/daily-devotions.

## **Daily Prayer**

The booklet of Daily Prayer is now available in the Narthex for 2023-2024.



the maintenance of our organ & piano.

## **Trinity Shut-Ins**

Please remember these wonderful people in your prayers, send them a card, give them a call, or even make a visit. It is a blessing to be able to see them and experience a wealth of knowledge. We are so grateful to our pastors and especially Pastor Alliet for his ongoing visits as these individuals look so forward to his visits and being spiritually fed with the Word and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you want contact information, call or stop by the church office. We have an updated list of shut-ins.

## **CHECK YOUR MAILBOX**

Please check your mailboxes for your 2024 Offering Envelopes, and your 2023 Contribution Statement.

Thank you!



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#### Saturday, 5:00 PM, January 27:

Elder on Duty: Roger Voigt
Usher Team: Tom Harrmann
Communion Assistant: Vance Pues

Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert Greeter: Betty Allen Acolyte: Payton Lenth

<u>Sunday, 9:00 AM, January 28:</u> Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx* 

Usher Team: Lee Weinig

Communion Assistant: Steve Sexmith Altar Guild: Volunteer Needed Flower Delivery: Volunteer Needed

Acolyte: Simon Kroes

## **Food Pantry**

This month our Pantry is in need of Canned Fruit, Hamburger Helper, Ketchup, Salad Dressing, Instant Oatmeal and Dish Soap. If someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Thank you for all that you do to support our Food Pantry!

# \$ SCRIP News \$

**SCRIP** is sold in the Church & School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00 AM-3:45 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

New! Mark's East Side @ 10% Fleet Farm @ 10% Rebate!

## **January Ladies Aid Meeting**

Our January meeting has been moved to Tuesday, January 30, 2024. Please join us at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Fellowship Hall to be part of this important meeting. May God continue to bless our dear Pastors, Staff, and Congregation as together we serve, thank, and praise God for His never ending love and caring for us.

## ☆ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ☆

## Saturday, 5:00 PM, February 3:

Elder on Duty: Alan Manteufel
Usher Team: Jerry Maynard
Communion Assistant: Bruce Buksyk
Altar Guild: Phil & Mary Conradt
Greeter: Barbara Kester
Acolyte: Emma Schmidt

## Sunday, 9:00 AM, February 4:

Elder on Duty: Bart Nielsen
Usher Team: Steve Sexmith
Communion Assistant: Ron Kraus
Altar Guild: Gail Burrows
Flower Delivery: Gail Burrows
Greeter: Jane Nielsen
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Love to Sing? Aren't Hymns a Delight to Sing?

Join us on 2 February (Friday night)

at 7pm to experience
Trinity Monthly Friday Hymn-Sing!

Pastor will begin with a brief devotion

Followed by Call-Outs from YOU!

II: What's YOUR favorite hymn??

## We'll sing 2 stanzas! : II ♪

(these are repeat signs – we'll keep picking people to call out their favorite hymns, and sing 2 stanzas ... for 1 ½ hours!)

Oh ... Reception follows in the Narthex!! Any questions, call or see Bart, 920-734-8843 or Rose, 608-213-2644

## **Prayer Chain**

Barbara Kester is head of the Prayer Chain. If you desire prayers for yourself or someone else, please call Barbara at (920) 722-3228.

# TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL Closely Connected Mark 1:14-20

"And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him" (Mark 1:20).

James, John, Simon and Andrew were familiar with boat connections. They were fishermen. When they were not out on the water fishing, their boats were safely connected to the docks. Keeping their boats securely connected to the dock was important for business.

As fishermen, they were connected to their father and the family fishing business. However, Jesus had another connection for them.

The four fishermen also had a sin disconnection. When Jesus called them, He told them, "Repent and believe the Gospel." Without a connection to Jesus we are like skiers or "tubers" disconnected from the boat. We are out drifting in a sea of sin. In our sin, we are without lifejackets and left to drown.

Jesus connected Himself to the four fishermen. He offered them the connection of the Gospel. They would hear Jesus teach. They would see Jesus perform miracles. They would see Jesus on the cross suffering and dying for their sins. They would see Jesus risen from the dead.

Connected to Jesus' saving message, they would have the privilege of connecting others to Jesus. Jesus had chosen them to "become fishers of men" (Mark 1:17).

The disciples would go on to see many others who chose not to connect to Jesus and remain adrift in their sins. The disciples, blessed to leave their fishing boats connected, go on to make saving connections to Jesus. We are blessed to do the same.

#### **PRAYER**

"If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you" (John 15:7).

Jesus, thank You for connecting the disciples to Your saving message and for using them to make lifesaving connections. We ask that we may stay safely connected to You in all times and trials. Amen.

## SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Jan. 29-Fel	b. 2 Pastor GeRue will be at an Army Endorsers Training
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Jan. 29	9:00 am School Opening
Jan. 30	9:00 am School Chapel
	3:45 pm Basketball Practice
Jan. 31	9:00 am School Chapel
Feb. 1	9:00 am School Opening
	4:30 pm Basketball vs
	Celebration @ Home
Feb 2	9:00 am School Opening

