

December 25 & 26, 2021 Weekly Bulletin



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Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am to 3:00pm



✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, January 1:

Elder on Duty: *Roger Voigt*

Usher Team: *Tom Harrmann*

Communion Assistant: *Lee Colby*

Altar Guild:

Sunday, January 2:

Elder on Duty: *Dave Collingwood*

Communion Assistant: *Blaine Henkel*

Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*

Altar Guild: *Kari Lindner*

Wednesday, January 5:

Elder on Duty:

Usher Team: *Steve Reinke/Bill Diesch*

Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*

✠ We Pray For... ✠

Linda Ratzburg, Jill Thomas, Gulsen Erguvan, Bob Flater, Michael Burns, Carla Watson, Gabriel Mlodik, Peter Keller, Mary Howden, Lorna Forbes, Ken Schwerbel, Ralph Lohr, Rosie Michel, Scott Schara, Dorothy Wirth, Karen Lambert, Liz Swaney, Shannon Braun, Jim Perry, Mona Bahrke, Ronald Virchow Sr., Rose Kosloski, Pr. Ronald Meier, Joan Reinke, Tom Drum, Michael Hastings, Merle Webber, Dennis Durkey, Joyce Virchow, Pastor Timothy Kinne, Jeff Dionne, Sue Maynard, Donna Mies, Kathy Rigotti, Dianne Olsen, Frank Erdmann, Alan Manteufel, Debbie Manteufel, Shirley Fleischer, Dan Schael, Ann Keller, Jerry Peotter, Lana Gast, Scott Dontje, Sandy Rammer, Scott Steene-poorte, Norb Pomerence, Brooke Schroeder, Judy Krause, Lynn Olson, Rev. Jerry Stecker, Dominic Hall, Sam Koch, Gloria Williamson, Peter Jochman, Chelsie Wray, Lydia King

On Monday, 12/20, a son was born to William & Jennifer Voigt, named Henry Roger Voigt.



SCHOOL OFFICE IS CLOSED 12/27—12/31

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN FROM 8:00 AM—NOON, 12/27-12/31

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.

New Daily Prayers for 2021-2022 Available in the Narthex

The 2021-2022 Daily Prayers, Psalms, Readings, Hymns & Prayers for Individuals and Families have been printed. You will find them in the narthex, on the ledge, near the tables. May they be a blessing to you and your family.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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

Altar Flowers

Given to the glory of God by the Board of
Worship as part of the Christmas decorations.

This Weekend's Banners

"Shepherds and Star"

"Rejoice, Glory to God in the Highest"

\$ Current Finances \$

Monthly Income Needed: \$75,637

Income as of December 19: \$39,782

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.

Thank You!

Bob Flater would like to thank everyone for
their prayers and concerns after successful eye
surgery.

Jean and Mary would like to thank everyone for
their generosity and love during Christmas!

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

Acts 7:54-55 "Now when they heard these
things they were enraged, and they ground
their teeth at him. But he, full of the Holy Spir-
it, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God,
and Jesus standing at the right hand of God."
The world will always rage against Christ and
His Christians. From St. Stephen's day down to
ours the Church has faced persecution. But let
them rage. We have peace with God through
His Son, who took up our flesh and saved us.
This gives us confidence to live the lives God
has called us to live without fear.

✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, December 25

5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

Sunday, December 26

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online
NO Sunday School or Ed Hour

Monday, December 27

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN 8AM-NOON
Pastor's Sabbath
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, December 28

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN 8AM-NOON
6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, December 29

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN 8AM-NOON

Thursday, December 30

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN 8AM-NOON
6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Friday, December 31

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN 8AM-NOON
6:30 PM New Years Eve Worship (with communion)

Saturday, January 1

5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

Sunday, January 2

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online
10:30-11:30 AM Ed Hour Online & In-Person

Add an Angel

If you'd like to add an angel in memory of a
loved one, you may do so by placing the angel in
the box under the tree. Please include the in-
formation of whom the angel is in memory of
and your name or family name. There is always
room for more beautiful angels.

Deadline for the Weekly Bulletin and the Monthly Newsletter

Please help us achieve our deadlines. We need your weekly Bulletin articles by Wednesday of each week.

The newsletter articles are due five business days prior to the end of the month.

Thank you for your help with this. It will enable us to have the Bulletin and Newsletter done on time.

Altar Flower Donations

If you wish to donate flowers, the "Altar Flowers" envelopes are again available in the Narthex. You may also contact the office. The cost of providing altar flowers is \$25.00. **PLEASE NOTE:** *Specific flower requests are dependent upon availability. If you want a specific arrangement, the Board of Worship is asking that you work directly with a florist.*



Thank you to all the people involved in decorating, singing, playing and all the behind the scenes activities that helped

to enhance the Christmas Worship experience.
From: Trinity's Board of Worship

Would you like to help in this fundraising effort?

Did you know Trinity will take your aluminum cans for our recycling effort? The price Trinity is getting, per pound for aluminum, is the highest we have gotten in the past few years.

With the holidays coming, please save your aluminum cans. You can deposit your bags of cans in the blue recycling bin, inside Door 7. We appreciate your efforts.

Order Your Sauerkraut!

If you missed ordering kraut you can still purchase some by calling Elaine @ 920-470- 9090

Lost & Found

Our lost and found basket is in the narthex by the coat racks. Please check here if you left something at church.

Trinity's Food Pantry

On any given month, we provide up to 100 orders of both perishable and non-perishable foods and household items to families that are in need through our Food Pantry. Your continued support of Trinity's Food Pantry, through food and monetary donations, is a blessing to so many. We thank you!

Our needs change throughout the year. Currently we are in need of the following non-perishables: Salad Dressing, Tuna, Mac & Cheese, Tomato Soup, Canned Tomatoes & Jell-O/Pudding. If you or someone you know would benefit from the pantry, call Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

\$ SCRIP News \$

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

How to Order Scrip? Call the office Mon.-Fri., 8:00AM-3:00PM, or email your order to: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com. They will put it together.

Fleet Farm Scrip—get yours now at a special 10 percent discount!

Tom's Drive In Scrip—10 percent rebate thru the end of the year!

✝ SCHOOL NEWS ✝

“In All Things”

All These Things

Scripture Luke 20:1–20

Text “But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart” (LUKE 2:19).

The Main Thing

The Gospel writer Luke shares the “things” of the first Christmas. The Bible tell us:

- Jesus was born in Bethlehem.
- Jesus was wrapped in swaddling cloths and laid in a manger.
- An angel announced Jesus’ birth to shepherds.
- A “host” of angels sang a song of praise.
- The shepherds went to Bethlehem and saw their Savior.
- The shepherds shared the Good News with others.

As the mother of the Savior, Mary saw and heard everything that happened at Jesus’ birth. When Mary had been told by the angel that she was to be the mother of the Savior, Mary had humbly accepted her role and had told the angel, “I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word” (LUKE 1:38). Mary now saw how God had kept His promise through her.

Mary would “ponder” many More Things throughout Jesus’ life. She would be a concerned mother as her 12-year-old Son seemed to be lost. She would be amazed at His miracles. She would be at Jesus’ cross pondering the agony of the crucifixion. She would be at Jesus’ tomb to see that her Son, and the Son of God, was alive again. Christmas is a time to ponder — not how many things we get or didn’t get

— but to remember the most important thing of all. God has sent His Son as the greatest gift of all. We are blessed to know that Jesus is with us this Christmas and always. Jesus is The Main Thing of Christmas.

In All Things

Heavenly Father, we confess that we too often focus on the things of Christmas — the gifts, the celebrations, the decorations and so on. We celebrate The Main Thing — the birth of our Savior. Thank You for the example of Mary who was blessed to “ponder” all that had happened in her life and all that had happened at Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem. Bless our Christmas worship in our church and our devotional times with our families. Deepen our faith in the Christ of Christmas. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Christmas Vacation December 18 – January 2
Classes resume Monday, January 3

THANK YOU!

Thank You to....

All Trinity congregation members for your gifts, beautiful cards, prayers & kind thoughts during this Christmas season. We are blessed to serve you.

Happy New Year!

-Rev. Steven S. Billings

-Rev. Keith E. GeRue

-And the entire Faculty and Staff of Trinity

