



# January 1, 2 & 5, 2022 Weekly Bulletin

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



## ✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

### Saturday, January 8:

Elder on Duty: *Roger Voigt*  
Usher Team: *Jerry Maynard*  
Communion Assistant: *Ian Thomas*  
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*

### Sunday, January 9:

Elder on Duty: *Dave Collingwood*  
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*  
Communion Assistant: *Ron Kraus*  
Altar Guild: *Kari Lindner*

### Wednesday, January 12:

Elder on Duty:  
Usher Team: *Steve Reinke/Bill Diesch*  
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*



## ✠ We Pray For... ✠

Linda Ratzburg, Jill Thomas, The Family of Gulsen Erguvan, Michael Burns, Carla Watson, Gabriel Mlodik, Peter Keller, Mary Howden, Lorna Forbes, Ken Schwerbel, Ralph Lohr, Rosie Michel, 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, Diane Olsen, Frank Erdmann, Alan Manteufel, Debbie Manteufel, Shirley Fleischer, Dan Schael, Ann Keller, Jerry Peotter, Lana Gast, Scott Dontje, Sandy Rammer, Scott Steenepoorte, Norb Pomerence, Brooke Schroeder, Judy Krause, Lynn Olson, Rev. Jerry Stecker, Dominic Hall, Sam Koch, Gloria Williamson, Peter Jochman, Chelsie Wray, Lydia King

**SCHOOL BEGINS JANUARY 3, 2022 AND  
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS CHANGE BACK TO 8:00 AM—3:00 PM**

## 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](http://www.trinitymenasha.com) or  
"Like" Us on Facebook

### Altar Flowers

Given to the glory of God by the Ladies Aid.

### 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 26: \$56,353

### Congregational Voter's Meeting

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Mark your calendars for Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 6:30pm. We will have a Congregational Voter's Meeting in the Sanctuary and online, for election of Officers and Board Members for 2022. Please call the church office by Noon on Tuesday to reserve a spot for Zoom attendance.

### CHECK YOUR MAILBOX

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Please check your mailboxes for the 2022 Offering Envelopes. Thank you!

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### Friends of the Pipe Organ & Grand Piano Soup & Bread Sale January 22—February 20

(Before & After Services)

A variety of Soups and Breads will be available. A ready-made meal to warm the day.

Bring in your favorite soup or bread/quick bread to support the maintenance of our organ and grand piano. Jars and instructions will be available in the Narthex in January.

Contact Elaine with any questions (920) 470-9090. If you have a favorite you'd like us to make - let us know.

## ✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

### Saturday, January 1

5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

### Sunday, January 2

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online

10:30 AM Ed Hour In-Person & Online

### Monday, January 3

Pastor's Sabbath

6:00 PM Prayer Time

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

### Tuesday, January 4

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

4:45 PM Basketball @ St John's Berlin

6:30 PM Voter's Meeting/Board Meetings to Follow

### Wednesday, January 5

8:45 AM Chapel

5:00 PM Catechism

6:30 PM Worship In-Person Church

### Thursday, January 6

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

10:30 AM Admin Meeting

7:00 PM Choir Practice

### Friday, January 7

### Saturday, January 8

9:00 AM Food Pantry

5:00 PM Worship In-Person Church & Online

### Sunday, January 9

9:00 AM Worship In-Person Church & Online

10:30-11:30 AM Ed Hour Online & In-Person

## ✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

**Genesis 46:1 – "So Israel took his journey with all that he had and came to Beersheba and offered sacrifices to the God of his father Isaac."**

Every sacrifice in the Old Testament pointed forward to the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus upon the cross. That is the one sacrifice for sin. But the New Testament tells us to offer sacrifices as well – sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving. We're even called to present our very bodies and selves as "living sacrifices" to the Lord.

## **Thank You!**

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Thanks for our Christmas carols, cookies and our blessings. Thank you for giving and your concern for others. Our Father really decorates each of you as His special gifts. Thank you from us for such a wonderful blessing.

Mercedes and Lee Schaefer

## **Deadline for the Weekly Bulletin and the Monthly Newsletter**

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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 Guild Help Needed**

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There are many opportunities to serve our Lord here at Trinity. We are in need of people to serve on our Altar Guild team. Tasks are: set-up, reset, and clean up communion. On Sundays, after worship, deliver the Altar flowers to members of Trinity. Setting the Lord's Table is truly an honor and blessing. Contact Kari Lindner at (928) 279-7192 to become a member of our team.

## **Altar Flower Donations**

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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.*

## **Prayer Chain**

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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's Food Pantry**

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Thank you for your prayers and offerings on behalf of Trinity's Food Pantry during 2021. Your support has been vital in continuing this outreach effort to those in need in our community.

You can continue to provide for our Pantry distribution. Currently, the following non-perishables are needed—Paper Products, Jell-O/Pudding, Hot Cereal Packets, Salad Dressing, and Soup Crackers. If you or someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

## **Would you like to help in this fundraising effort?**

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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.

You can deposit your bags of cans in the blue recycling bin, inside Door 7. We appreciate your efforts.

## **Lost & Found**

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

## **\$ 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!**

# ✠ SCHOOL NEWS ✠

## “In All Things”

### For All Peoples

Mary and Joseph obediently followed the rules that God had given His people for worship. Forty days after Jesus’ birth, they go to the temple in Jerusalem to offer the sacrifices of thanks and dedication for the infant Jesus. In that setting, they meet Simeon.

Luke tells us that old Simeon had been waiting patiently to see his Savior. The Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon that the baby that Joseph and Mary brought into the temple was the Savior. Simeon immediately praises God, “For my eyes have seen your salvation.”

We have seen again the Child in the nativity scenes. We have heard again in the Christmas story about the baby in a manger and the visit of shepherds. God’s Word through Simeon shares that this is more than a nice scene or story. It is the story of salvation.

God sent His only Son into the world to save the world from sin and death. Simeon saw the baby and saw the Savior with his own eyes and held Jesus in his arms.

As we read God’s Word and hear the words of Simeon, we, too, hear and “see” that Jesus has come to be our Savior. The Holy Spirit works faith in our hearts to believe in Jesus. God had kept His promise to Simeon and the people of Israel. God also kept His promise that the Savior would be the Savior for all peoples of all times. Jesus is our Savior. Just as we need a Savior from sin, so does everyone else. Jesus is the Savior for people of all the countries and cultures of the world.

Our sinful eyes often see the differences in people. With eyes on Jesus, we see with Simeon the light for all peoples, and the Savior of all. Simeon was God’s messenger in

the temple. We are God’s messengers today to share the Christmas Good News that the Savior has been born in Bethlehem. Simeon saw his salvation. We have heard of our salvation. May we share with everyone what we have seen and believed with our eyes of faith.

### In All Things

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Your Son as the baby born in Bethlehem and shown to Simeon at the temple in Jerusalem. May we rejoice with Simeon in the Savior who came for us. Help us to share Your light and Your glory with all people in our family, community and into the world. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

### School Calendar

Jan. 3	School Resumes
Jan. 4	4:14 & 5:15 pm Basketball @ St. John, Berlin
	6:30 Voter’s & Board Meetings
Jan. 5	8:45 am Chapel
Jan. 6	3:45 pm Basketball Practice
Jan. 7	2:45 – 3:15 pm Electives 3 Popcorn Friday



### 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

