



## December 27 & 28, 2025 Weekly Bulletin

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### ✝ This Week at Trinity ✝

**Saturday, December 27: HOLY INNOCENTS**

5:00 PM Divine Service

**Sunday, December 28: HOLY INNOCENTS**

9:00 AM Divine Service

10:30 AM Education Hour

**Monday, December 29:**

Pastor Billings' Sabbath

9:00 AM Shelter Sewing

6:00 PM At Home Prayer

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study (Men. Pub. Lib)

**Tuesday, December 30:**

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

**Wednesday, December 31: NEW YEARS EVE**

6:30 PM Divine Service

**Thursday, January 1: NEW YEAR'S DAY**

No Men's Bible Study

**Friday, January 2:**

NO HYMN SING

**Saturday, January 3:**

5:00 PM Divine Service

**Sunday, January 4:**

9:00 AM Divine Service

10:30 AM Education Hour

**NEW YEARS DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE:  
6:30 PM New Years Eve**



### ✝ We Pray For... ✝

**The Sick:** Eileen Acker, Tom Baer, Jared Bahn, Steve Baldauf, Barbara Bartel, Mark & Jean Becker, Jasen Brown, Michael Burns, Carrie Collins, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Judith Durkey, Char Elliott, Russell Elliott, Richard Evensen, Sara Flater, Robert & Karon Flater, Shirley Fleischer, Lorna Forbes, Lana Gast, Mary Howden, William, Jahsman, Geri Johnston, Paula Jordan, Carla Kobs, Sandra (Sam) Kollman, Randy LaBelle, Genevieve Larsen, Fritz Larson, Jackie Lenox, Bob Lephart, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy & Donald Meverden, Phyllis Moran, George Ohlrogge, Chantay Peterson, Joan Reinke, Rev. Ronald Meier, Kathy Rigotti, Dan Schael, Ken Schmidt, Irene Schwerbel, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Mike Stier, Liz Swaney, Artem Tabakaev, Brian Tobin, Elaine Trimberger, Joyce Tschirgi, Tony & Shellie Van Ark, Joyce Virchow, Rudy Vitek, Kurt Wendler, LaVerne Werth and Martin Wiese.

**Those with Birthdays:** Duane Baehman, Sally Bolen, Justin Bouchard, Bonnie Griepentrog, Joshua Heid, John Henrickson, Nick Kroes and Lynne Schroeder.

**Celebrating Anniversaries:** Nicolette & Tyler Lentz and Craig & Sandy Wussow.

### GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

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

*Our non-alcohol option for Holy Communion is an alcohol removed wine containing less than 0.5% alcohol by volume.*

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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This Weekend's Banners

"Rejoice"

✠ Stewardship ✠

Matthew 1:21 – *"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."* What our good works could never do, Jesus has done: He has saved us from our sins, paid our debt, set us free. How can we not give thanks to Him with lives of generosity and godliness? What God's Law could not do – truly motivate us to truly good works – Jesus' love has done!

**The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

"A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping. Rachel is weeping for her children" (Jer. 31:15). Herod rages and sends to kill all boys two years and younger (Matt. 2:16), desperate to destroy the newborn King of kings. The Church remembers these innocent victims as martyrs. They died for the One who came to die for them. This dark commemoration bears witness to the cruelty of sinful men and the world's hatred of Christ, who has sanctified our fragile life even from His conception and birth. But the boy who escaped Bethlehem's bloody streets unscathed went on to face thorns, nails and spear for them and for us. He is the Lamb whose name is written with the Father's name on the foreheads of His baptized saints (Rev. 14:1). By His death, He has redeemed an inheritance for Himself and brought peace at last by His blood. On the fourth day of Christmas, we sing "a new song" of the Lamb, of Christ the true martyr, whose death testifies that our redemption is won. We "follow the Lamb wherever he goes" (Rev. 14:3, 4), for He will bring our tears to an end.

**BIBLE STUDIES**

- SUNDAY:** *"Ezra" and "Nehemiah"*  
10:30 AM with Pastors Billings & Alliet—SFH
- SUNDAY:** *"What They Didn't Teach You in Sunday School"* with  
10:30 AM Pastor GeRue, Conf. Room
- MONDAY:** Women's Bible Study  
6:30 PM *"Leaning on Jesus"* A Study of God's Strength by Deb Burma, Contact: Connie Henkel, Menasha Pub. Lib.
- TUESDAY:** Ladies Bible Study  
6:30 AM 200 W Packard, Appleton  
Contact: Dottie Kraus/All are welcome!
- THURSDAY:** Men's Bible Study  
6:00 AM *"1st and 2nd Timothy"*  
Contact: Steve Reinke, Conf. Rm

*For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or the church office.*

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, please speak to one of the pastors before approaching the altar.

**JOYCE TSCHIRGI'S NEW ADDRESS**  
Joyce recently relocated from Rennes to American Grand Assisted Living. Her address is: 900 Meadow Lane, Room #5, Neenah, WI 54956

## ✠Serving the Lord This Weekend✠

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

Elder on Duty: Roger Voigt  
Usher Team: Robert Allen  
Communion Asst.: Vern Jahsman  
Altar Guild: Shirley Fleischer  
Greeter: Betty Allen  
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, December 28:

Elder on Duty: Craig Thomas  
Usher Team: Lee Weinig  
Communion Asst: Blaine Henkel  
Altar Guild: Carol Evensen  
Flower Delivery: Carol Evensen  
Greeter: Liz Kamprath  
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

### Wednesday, 6:30 PM December 31:

Elders on Duty: Michael Bekx  
Communion Asst: Michael Bekx  
Usher Teams: Volunteers  
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert  
Acolytes: Robbie Kohler

## ✠Serving the Lord Next Weekend✠

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

Elder on Duty: *TO BE DETERMINED*  
Usher Team: Jerry Maynard  
Communion Asst.: *TO BE DETERMINED*  
Altar Guild: *VOLUNTEER NEEDED*  
Greeter: Barbara Kester  
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

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

Elder on Duty: *TO BE DETERMINED*  
Usher Team: Jim Wittmann  
Communion Asst: *TO BE DETERMINED*  
Altar Guild: Brad & Karen Perry  
Flower Delivery: Brad & Karen Perry  
Greeter: Connie Henkel  
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

## 2026 ENVELOPE PICK UP

Your 2026 Offering Envelopes are now in your mailbox. Please don't use them until 2026. Continue to use your 2025 envelopes until the end of this year. Thank you!

## LWML South Wisconsin District

### Winter Getaway

Jan. 30 & Jan. 31, 2026

Radisson Hotel

625 West Rolling Meadows Dr, Fond du Lac, WI, 54937

### *God is with you*

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.  
Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed,  
for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go"  
(Joshua 1:9).*

## FOOD PANTRY

This month our Pantry is in need of Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, Mac & Cheese, Chicken Noodle Soup, Tomato Soup, Jello/Pudding, Paper Towels, and Dish Soap. If you have questions please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090. Thank you for all that you do to support our Food Pantry!



Contact Carol Evensen at: [even8891@sbcbglobal.net](mailto:even8891@sbcbglobal.net) or call (920) 725-5576 for more information or for a registration form.

## FACILITY ISSUES – PLEASE CONTACT:

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions about facility issues in the church and school buildings, please **send an email to [Property@TrinityMenasha.com](mailto:Property@TrinityMenasha.com)** and a member of the Board of Properties will get back to you.

## All These Things

### Luke 2:22-40

***“For my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel”*** (LUKE 2:30–32).

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 account 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.

## PRAYER

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.

## Events around School

⇒ Dec. 19 - January 4: Christmas break