

February 28 & March 1, 2026 Weekly Bulletin

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✝ This Week at Trinity ✝

Saturday, February 28: Lent 2

9:30 AM Food Pantry
5:00 PM Divine Service

Sunday, March 1: Lent 2

9:00 AM Divine Service
10:30 AM Education Hour

Monday, March 2:

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, March 3:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (see location p. 2)
6:30 PM Board meetings

Wednesday, March 4: Lent 2 Mid-Week

9:00 AM Lenten Morning Prayer
5:00 PM Confirmation Classes
5:15 PM Lenten Meal
6:30 PM Lenten Order of Compline

Thursday, March 5:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
5:15 PM Handbell Rehearsal
6:30 PM Ensemble Rehearsal

Friday, March 6:

7:00 PM Hymn Sing

Saturday, March 7: Lent 3

9:30 AM Food Pantry
5:00 PM Divine Service

Sunday, March 8: Lent 3 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

9:00 AM Divine Service
10:30 AM Education Hour



✝ We Pray For... ✝

The Sick: Dave & Eileen Acker, Miley Anderson, Kathy Baehman, Tom Baer, Jared Bahn, Steve Baldauf, Mark & Jean Becker, Elisabeth Billings, Jasen Brown, Michael Burns, Carrie Collins, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Judith Durkey, Dave Edwards, Char Elliott, Russell Elliott, Sara Flater, Robert & Karon Flater, Shirley Fleischer, Lorna Forbes, Lana Gast, William, Jahsman, Geri Johnston, Paula Jordan, Alex Kamprath, Carla Kobs, Sandra (Sam) Kollman, Randy LaBelle, Genevieve Larsen, Fritz Larson, Jackie Lenox, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy & Donald Meverden, Phyllis Moran, George Ohlrogge, Diane Peotter, 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: Miley Anderson, Richard Burrows, Paul Collingwood, Nicholas Corrente, Anne Dahms, William Diesch, Shirley Erdmann, Alex Kamparth, Alan Manteufel, Larry Olsen, Hunter Ross, Daniel Siebert, Brittney Voigt, and Jodi Wendler.

Those Celebrating Anniversaries: Carl & Christine Kohler, Noelle & Merle Webber and Timothy & Teresa Wray.

Memorial Service for Barbara Bartel

Saturday March 7, 2026 at 12:00 PM
Visitation 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM
Lewin Funeral Home
210 W. Main St, Fremont WI

MUSICAL OFFERING:

Handbell Choir:
St. Crispin – Gert Schickele

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com or
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Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given by the Ladies Aid
to the glory of God.

This Weekend’s Banners

“Baptism”

† Stewardship †

John 3:16 – *“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”* This is perhaps the most well-known and beloved verse in the New Testament, for good reason. This simple Gospel message is the foundation for our whole life, including our new life in Christ. This new life is characterized by thankfulness and devotion to our Father who has provided for us so lavishly in Christ.

FACILITY ISSUES – 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** and a member of the Board of Properties will get back to you.

Thrivent Choice \$

Thrivent Members - Important reminder that eligible Thrivent members have until March 31, 2026 to direct any remaining 2025 choice dollars. Simply log on to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice and log in to check your account balance, and to allocate your choice dollars. **Please take advantage of this opportunity prior to March 31st!**

BIBLE STUDIES

- SUNDAY: 10:30 AM** Sunday School K4—4th Grade with Elizabeth GeRue—3rd -4th Grade Classroom
- SUNDAY: 10:30 AM** “Ezra” and “Nehemiah” with Pastors Billings & Alliet—SFH
- SUNDAY: 10:30 AM** “What They Didn’t Teach You in Sunday School” with Pastor GeRue, Conf. Room
- MONDAY: 6:30 PM** Women’s Bible Study
“Leaning on Jesus” A Study of God’s Strength by Deb Burma, Contact: Connie Henkel, Menasha Public Library
- TUESDAY: 6:30 AM** Ladies Bible Study
3485 Thornberry Dr., Appleton
Contact: Dottie Kraus
All are welcome!
- THURSDAY: 6:00 AM** Men’s Bible Study
“2nd Timothy”
Contact: Steve Reinke
Conference Room

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.

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church & School Office, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM-3:30 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship Services. Kwik Trip and Fleet Farm have increased their rebate. **This is for a limited time only!**

Lenten Meal – March 4 • 5:15 PM

Hosted by the Board of Worship
Menu: Sandwich Bar

✝ Serving the Lord This Weekend ✝

Saturday, 5:00 PM, February 28:

Elder on Duty: David Little
Usher Team: Jerry Maynard
Communion Asst.: Vern Jahsman
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert
Greeter: Barbara Kester
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Sunday, 9:00 AM, March 1:

Elder on Duty: Michael Bekx
Usher Team: Jim Wittmann
Communion Asst: Paul Collingwood
Altar Guild: Jill & Craig Thomas
Flower Delivery: Jill & Craig Thomas
Greeter: Connie Henkel
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

Wed. 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM, March 4:

Both Services Usher Teams: Maynard/Wittmann
Acolyte: Robbie Kohler

Lamb Cake Sale 2026

Handbell Fundraiser

Order YOURS TODAY!! Only \$20!!

* Pound cake! Shaped like a lamb!

Order Forms available: on posters in the narthex, church office, and from Rose.

Fill out Order Form and return with payment

BY 29 March, Palm Sunday!

Your cake will be ready Easter morning! †

♥ in the library (room off the Narthex)

♪ your name will be on your cake!

ALL Proceeds will help to pay the purchase of

3rd Handbell Octave (due to ship 1 April)!!

Thank you for supporting the Handbell-3-octave purchase!!



Keeping
a Holy Lent

✝ Serving the Lord Next Weekend ✝

Saturday, 5:00 PM, March 7:

Elder on Duty: Robert Allen
Usher Team: Gast/Corrente Teams
Communion Asst.: Steve Reinke
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert
Greeter: Dan & Peggy Dahms
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Sunday, 9:00 AM, March 8:

Elder on Duty: Michael Bekx
Usher Team: Dave Collingwood
Communion Asst: Josiah Nielsen
Altar Guild: Jill & Craig Thomas
Flower Delivery: Jill & Craig Thomas
Greeter: Rosemary Collingwood
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

Wed. 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM, March 11:

Both Services Usher Teams: Gast/Corrente
& Collingwood
Acolyte: Robbie Kohler

FOOD PANTRY s

This month our Pantry is in need of Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, 64 oz. Bottled Juice, Chicken Noodle Soup, Tomato Soup, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Large Soups 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!



Love to Sing? ♪

Join us on **March 6** (Friday Night)

♪ at 7pm to experience

Trinity Monthly Friday Hymn-Sing!

Pastor B will begin with a brief devotion

Followed by Call-Outs from YOU!

♪ ♪ What's **YOUR** favorite hymn??

♪ we'll keep picking people to call out their favorite hymns, and sing 2+ stanzas ... for an hour!

Oh ... Reception follows in the Narthex!! ♪

Any questions, call or see

Bart, 920-734-8843 or Rose, 608-213-2644

Calvary
Psalm 121: 1-8

- ¹I lift my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?**
- ²My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**
- ³He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.**
- ⁴Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**
- ⁵The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your
right hand.**
- ⁶The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
- ⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.**
- ⁸The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

Does anyone remember where Lent is leading us? We're going to Jerusalem, aren't we? We're going to Calvary, where Jesus will die upon the cross for the sin of the whole world.

Psalm 121 is another psalm that might have been prayed as Israelites journeyed and made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. As we prayed Psalm 121, you could hear why it would bring some comfort as they traveled.

Verses 1 and 2: "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth" (**Psalm 121:1-2**). Here, we learn again where to place our trust. Who will lead us throughout this life as we journey with Jesus to His cross and life everlasting?

Verses 3 and 4: "He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep" (**Psalm 121:3-4**). God will protect you from spiritual harm like a father

walking with a child who has just learned to walk. He will never sleep or leave you.

Verse 5 and 6: "The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night" (**Psalm 121:5-6**). To be a "keeper" is to be a watchman. A watchman looks out for danger you may not see and provides security so you may rest and sleep securely.

Verses 7 and 8: "The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore" (**Psalm 121:7-8**). So where might we find and receive such protection as we travel throughout this world? We find it in our Baptism, at the font, where Christ Jesus gives us His name, life and salvation.

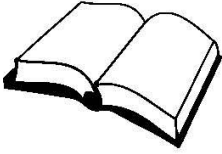
As we journey through Lent and go with Jesus to His cross on Calvary, we should also learn to pray Psalm 121 because it's a prayer for the pilgrimage of life. It's a prayer that leads us to the font, where your help comes from, where your Father in heaven keeps you from stumbling, where there is peace and security, and where the love of Jesus redeems you.

PRAYER

Gracious Father, thank You for watching over us every moment. As we journey through Lent, lift our eyes to the cross, remembering that our help comes from You alone. Keep us secure in Your promises, now and forever. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Events Around School

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| March 2 | 9:00 am Opening Devotion |
| March 3 | 9:00 am Opening Devotion
9:30 am FVLHS "Newsies"
3:45 pm Boys Volleyball Practice |
| March 4 | 9:00 am Lenten Service |
| March 5 | 9:00 am Opening Devotion
3:45 pm Boys Volleyball Practice |
| March 6 | 9:00 am Opening Devotion
2:30 pm Electives |



Have you been reading?

There's still time to participate in the Fang's Reading Program for Adults!

Join our Trinity School students in Reading! They are participating in their **Fang's Reading Program**, and we'd like to offer you a chance to get involved by taking some time to read. At the end of the program, there is an opportunity to celebrate by going to a Timber Rattlers game.

Here's the adults challenge—Parents, Grandparents, Congregation Members:

We'd like to challenge **YOU** to read a total of 8 hours before March 15 (or 2 hours a week if you started at the beginning) -not social media or emails—but books or magazine articles—the Bible would be a great choice!

If you didn't see this at the start, you can still start this week—just finish by March 15!

If you complete that goal, fill out the form below to put your name in a drawing for a pair of ticket vouchers to our school game day, on **Thursday, May 28 @ 6:40 p.m.**



(If you want to do the challenge, but not be in the drawing—just write that On your entry form. We'd still like to know how many adults participated!)

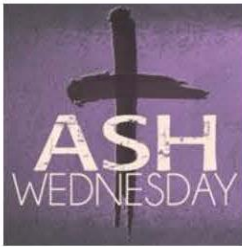
Enjoy Reading Again!!!

Name: _____

Phone # or Email: _____

I have read 2 hours for each of the four weeks for
The Fang's Reading Program.

Please fill out and put the form in the container
near the Scrip area. Drawing will be after March 15.



The Angels of the Passion

2026 Sermon Theme for Lent Mid-Week Services

The theme of our Lent mid-week meditations this year is: “The Angels of the Passion.” This is just a fun way for me to try to tell the passion account in a creative way. Yes, I have taken some poetic license here but believe I remain faithful and true to the passion account. I hope this makes you think about the passion account in a new way and grow in appreciation for it.

Our Lenten Mid-Week Services are at 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM. The weekly topics will be:

- March 4: “Angels of the Passion: A Mission of Mercy, Part 1”
Scripture Reference: Genesis 19:1-16; Matthew 4:1-11
- March 11: “Angels of the Passion: Traitors!”
Scripture Reference: Job 1:1, 6-12; 2:1-8; Luke 22:24-34 and John 13:21-30
- March 18: “Angels of the Passion: A Mission of Mercy, Part 2”
Scripture Reference: Deuteronomy 21:22-23; Luke 22:39-46
- March 25: “Angels of the Passion: Just One Little Word”
Scripture Reference: 2 Kings 6:8-23; Matthew 26:47-56

Join us for the mid-week Lenten meal which begins at 5:15 pm.

Holy Week Divine Services:

Palm Sunday, March 28 & 29: Saturday: 5:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM

Maundy Thursday, April 2: 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM

Good Friday, April 3: Tre Ore Service: 12:00 PM

Tenebrae Service: 6:30 PM

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 4: 7:30 PM

Easter Sunrise Divine Service, April 5: 6:30 AM

Easter Sunday Divine Service, April 5: 9:00 AM

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