

## Our Sunday School

Today the children will study Luke 1:57-80, the story of John's birth. Zechariah spoke God's Word announcing that this baby John would give people knowledge of salvation in the forgiveness of sins. God speaks through His holy Word to give me knowledge of salvation & forgiveness through Jesus, His Son.

**Mission Project-** The Winter quarter project mission will be "Feed the Poor." The last two weeks offerings have collected enough funds to feed 884 children.

**Traveling Trophy-** for the highest class attendance last Sunday was the Preschool with 90%. To God be praised-Keep up the great attendance!

**"The Real Story of the Twelve Days of Christmas"-** Sunday School program today at 10:30, please join us!

## Our Youth Group

**Youth Information/Upcoming Events-** IMPORTANT NOTICE! Snow Bowl 2010 has been moved to Jan 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at Clovis Field. ♦Be sure to join us for Youth Bible Class on Sunday's in the Youth Room with Mr. Boettcher as he leads a study by David Nasser on Paul's ministry in Rome. ♦Sub Sales begin Sun, Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**National Youth Gathering 2010-** Fundraisers are in full swing! Please check out the Youth table in the Narthex to see how you can help our Youth program. Upcoming Fundraisers: Super Bowl Sub Sales & Easter Breakfast

## Our Day School

**Christmas Break Begins-** Tues, Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> with classes resuming on Mon, Jan 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Holiday Office Hours-** Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> (8-Noon), Closed Dec 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, Dec 28<sup>th</sup> -Dec 30<sup>th</sup> (8-Noon), Closed Dec 31<sup>st</sup>-Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>. Hours resume Mon, Jan 4<sup>th</sup> (7:30am-4pm).

**Thank You-** to everyone that dined at Chili's during the month of Nov. The monies raised are going toward everyday expenses for the School.

**Our School Website-** Go ahead & log on to [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com) to register & see what's new. Read about the faculty & staff & get the latest forms for Scrip as well as view calendars of upcoming events for the school & church.

**School Open House-** on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am to 7:30pm. Please call 725-1715 for more information. Go ahead & invite your friends & family to visit our day school!



**Members & Guests.....please don't forget to sign the pew pads!**



Sunday School

## Christmas Program

## December 19 & 20, 2009-Weekly Bulletin

(920) 722-2662 phone

Rev. Steven S. Billings, Pastor

Michael Stapleton, DCE

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church & School, Menasha in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A special invitation is extended to all who are visiting to return and worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, please inquire about the mission and ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church & School by calling the Church office.

Weekly Bulletin and Order of Worship can be viewed online at [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com)

### † Serving Our Lord This Weekend†

**Acolyte-** Kayla Olsen

**Ushers-** 5:00 Harrmann

9:00 Reinke/Weinig

**Lector-** 5:00 Brian Wendler

9:00 Char Elliott

**Communion Assistants-**

5:00 Becker/Kopitske

9:00 Nielsen/Flater

**Greeters-** 5:00 Cheryl Wendler

9:00 Don & Gail Burrows

### † Serving Our Lord Next Weekend†

**Acolyte-** Bernard Zimmermann

**Ushers-** 5:00 Kopitske

9:00 Wray/Sexmith

**Lector-** 5:00 Laurel Wirth

9:00 Steve Reinke

**Communion Assistants-**

5:00 Manteufel/Voigt

9:00 Nielsen/Mehl

**Greeters-** 5:00 Juliet Colby

9:00 Laura Van Ark

**Elders of the Month-** 5:00 To be Advised 9:00 Bart Nielsen

**Organist-** Nancy Lephart

**Choir Director-** Michael Peitsch

**Altar Flowers Have Been Given-** to the Glory of God by the Altar Guild.

**Prayer Chain Coordinator-** Barbara Kester 722-3228 or [barbarakester@att.net](mailto:barbarakester@att.net)

**Parish Nurse-** Mary Howden 730-9521 or [mchowden@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mchowden@sbcglobal.net)

**Attendance Last Weekend-** 0 (Wed) + 105 (Sat) + 193 (Sun) = 298

Corinthians Class: 11 Pastor's Class: 26 Sunday school/Youth: 29

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

9 am Worship

BP Checks

10:30 am SS Christmas Program

3 pm Deaf Service

3:30 pm Men's BB

### Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

Winter Begins

*Pastor's Day Off*

6:30 pm Scouts

### Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

No School-Christmas Break Begins

### Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

6 am Women's Bible Study

No School

8-Noon Office Hours

No Confirmation

### Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> –Christmas Eve

No School-Offices Closed

4 pm Worship

6:30 pm Worship

### Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> –Christmas Day

No School-Offices Closed

10 am Worship w/communion

### Saturday, December 26<sup>th</sup>

5 pm Worship

### Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

9 am Worship

10:30 am Education Hour

No SS Teacher Meeting

3:30 pm Men's BB

## Pastor's Notes †

Pastor Billings is on campus 6 days a week, maintaining the hours Tues-Thurs from 8:00am–4:00pm. He is also available Fridays & Saturdays by appointment. If you would like to contact him, please call the church office. In an emergency he can be reached at (920) 385-8170.

**Attention-** due to concerns over the Swine Flu (H1N1 virus) the sharing of peace has been omitted from the services until further notice.

## Weekly Bulletins, Orders of

### Worship & Monthly Newsletters

Can be viewed on our website [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com) or pick up your copy of each at church. A recorded copy on CD of worship can also be checked out through the office. See what is new & improved on the website & please don't forget to register! **Registering will give you access to church & school calendars as well as updates to the church directory. Check it out today!!!**

## Year to Date Finances \$\$

### General Fund as of 12/13/09-

Offerings: \$531,710

Expenses: \$570,526

### Building Fund as of 12/13/09-

Offerings: \$102,774

Expenses: \$126,961

## News, Events, Requests, Etc.

**Mail Box Tags-** Please DO NOT remove or switch around the name tags. This is making it difficult for people to find their mail! If you have concerns about your mailbox, please contact the church office.

**Scrip Order Dates-** Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>

**Please Turn Off or Silence-** ALL cell phones and pagers during worship!

**Workers Needed-** for the final Packer game of the season. We are in need of 4 volunteers for the Sun, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> game. Sign up in Narthex.

**Young Adult Ministry-** What is Young Adult ministry? Young Adult ministry may include social outings, Bible studies, servant events, or any other activity the group determines. Anyone who is interested in helping to form a Young Adults group is asked to speak with Ann Reinke & Lillie Kroes.

**The Board of Stewardship Could Use the Help-** of 5 or 6 people to serve on this newly constituted body. If you would like to help please contact Larry Olsen at (739-8486) or [lolsen1@new.rr.com](mailto:lolsen1@new.rr.com)

**Church Night at NEW Lutheran HS Basketball Games-** On Fri, Jan 8<sup>th</sup> for girl's games (6 JV & 7:30pm Varsity), Tues, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> for boy's games (4:30pm Fresh, 6pm JV & 7:30pm Varsity) you are invited to attend for free. Please come and enjoy some excellent basketball action and meet fellow Christians who are committed to raising kids to be leaders for Christ. Concessions available.

**Sewing for World Relief-** being held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues of the month starting at 9am in the SFH. Come sew anytime during the day. No experience necessary- if you can tie a knot you can help make quilts. If you prefer to sew at home, materials are available. Contact Elaine Weinig (470-9090) or Joan Reinke (738-9176) with any questions or if you would like to help sew at night.

**Blessings of Holy Baptism-** today for Emberli Rowena Groshek, daughter of Benjamin Groshek & Jozie (Lemberg) Groshek. Emberli's sponsors are: Amanda Groshek, Nicole Sebestead & Michael Travieso.

**Needed This Winter-** sidewalk salt or ice-melt for the Church & School sidewalks & entryways. If you can donate in any way, please contact the Church Office or drop off your donation at any time. God Bless You!

**12 Ordinary Men Bible Study (aka Corinthians)-** will now meet in room 312 located next to the School Library for Sunday morning bible study.

**Congregational Meetings-** Tues, Jan 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for the election of 2010-11 Officers & Board Members. Sat, Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at 11am to 3pm - Congregational Planning Workshop (lunch will be provided). Please plan to attend!