

# November 14, & 15 2020 Weekly Bulletin

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



## ✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

### Sunday, November 15

9:00AM Worship in Church & Online

10:30AM Education Hour - Online & In Person

10:30AM Zoom w/ Amanda Groshek

### Monday, November 16

Pastor's Day Off

School Food Drive

6:00PM At Home Prayer Time

6:30PM Women's Bible Study Online

### Tuesday, November 17

School Food Drive

6:30AM Ladies Bible Study

### Wednesday, November 18

School Food Drive

8:45AM Chapel

3:45PM All Staff Meeting

5:00PM Catechism

### Thursday, November 19

School Food Drive

6:00AM Men's Bible Study

6:30PM Worship in Church

### Friday, November 20

School Food Drive

### Saturday, November 21

School Food Drive

9:00AM-9:30AM Food Pantry Drive Up

5:00PM Worship in Church & Online

### Sunday, November 22

School Food Drive

9:00AM Worship in Church & Online

10:30AM Education Hour - Online & In Person

## ✠ We Pray For... ✠

Family of William Buksyk Jr, family of Connie Hanson, Maggie Sphatt, Kari Lindner, Karen Beard, Roger Kempf, Ken & Irene Schwerbel, Joan Reinke, Joyce Plautz, Bev GeRue, Tom Drum, Merle Webber, Joyce Virchow, Wendy Kondzela, Oliver Siegel, Roy Mehl, Jeff Dionne, Laurel Wirth, Pastor Marvin Ahlborn, Laverne Werth, Donna Mies, Carrie Heyn, Roman Brockman, Kathy Rigotti, Dianne Olsen, Alan Manteufel, Luke & Marlee Wyngaard, Shirley Fleischer, George Ohlrogge, Don Mader, Ann Keller, Mark Becker, Roman & Flora Turenko, Layken Lesperance, Scott Dontje, Scott Steenepoorte, Tom Howden and family, Lynn Olson, Norb Pomeranke, Barbara Thomas, Mona Bahrke, Lee Weinig, and Rose Kosloski.

## ✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

**Matthew 25:30a** – “**And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness.**” Why did the worthless servant act the way he did? Because of what he believed about the Master. He didn't trust or love the Master. So, his actions did not demonstrate love and trust but rather hate and mistrust. It's the same with us, but in reverse. Since we know our Lord God to be faithful and kind, we desire to serve Him and render faithful service with what He has given us.

## **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 Altar Guild.

### **\$ Current Finances \$**

Monthly Income Needed: **\$75,637**

Income as of November 8: \$25,425

### **This Weekend's Banners- The Lectern**

**Banner** – "People of God in the Word." **The Pulpit Banner** - "Sent to Serve." Matthew 20:28 **Banner in Narthex**- "Scripture Alone, Faith Alone, Grace Alone."

**Church Office**- The church office hours are Monday-Friday 8AM-3PM. The church office will be closed after 11AM on Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup> and will open on Monday November 30<sup>th</sup> at 8AM.

**Teaching the Faith Bible Study**- with Pastor GeRue. We meet Sundays from 10:30–11:30 AM in the meeting room. Some topics will be Holy Scriptures, God's Law, Creation, Salvation, The Trinity, God, Confession, Sacraments; things you were afraid to ask & more. The study is open to all. It is a review of the Lutheran Christian Faith and serves as an Adult Information / Confirmation Class.

**TODAY, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>**- Please join Amanda Groshek for a special Zoom meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82719250283?pwd=\\_RG53a2J6UDhOeFRWZ3R4S1ZOV3RWZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82719250283?pwd=_RG53a2J6UDhOeFRWZ3R4S1ZOV3RWZz09)

Meeting ID: 827 1925 0283

Passcode: 837099

...during Ed. Hour at 10:30 AM as she discusses her Mission work in Kyiv, Ukraine.

**Sunday School**- will restart soon.

**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.

**Women's Bible Study**- If you wish to join the online Women's Bible Study contact Connie Henkel by email at [sonshine.54952@yahoo.com](mailto:sonshine.54952@yahoo.com) or call (920) 725-0694.

**Altar Flowers**- If you wish to donate flowers please contact the office. The cost of providing Altar flowers is \$25.00.

**Portals of Prayer**- Devotional books are \$.75 each. Please let the office know if you wish to purchase one.

**Shelter Blanket Sewers Wanted!** If you can sew a straight seam, or close to it, we have a need for you. We have a lot of squares and strips ready to be sewn together into quilt tops. This is a project you can do at home. Contact LaVerne Werth @ 740-0381. Machines are also available for your use.

**Volunteers**- to help with temperature taking on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to help, please contact Mary Howden (920) 730-9521.

**From Board of Properties** Hello everyone, Cold and snowy weather is upon us. Which means it's time to dust off the shovels! Please prayerfully consider signing up for one month, multiple months, or the entire season! If you are interested, there are two ways to sign-up: contact Eric Voigt (property@trinitymenasha.com) or contact Beth through the Church Office.

We are also looking for help with shoveling before school starts in the morning and before school is released in the afternoon. Please contact Eric Voigt or Lee Colby with any questions or for more information.

Thank you, Board of Properties.

**Christmas Caroling-** We are hoping to be able to find a creative way to sing to our Shut-Ins. We will post something soon.

**Face Masks-** We are in need of Single use disposable face masks for our Worship Services. You can drop them off at the church office Monday- Friday 8AM-3PM or leave them outside the church office door.

**New 2021 Church Directory-** Please look for your new 2021 Church Directory. They will be in your Church mailbox by Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>. If you do not get one, please contact Beth in the office and she will give you one.

**Church Mailbox-** Please look for your name on your church mailbox.

## **Food Pantry**

Thanksgiving is a special time to share our blessings from God with others. This year, more than ever, so many are in need! Prayerfully consider bringing non-perishable items to one of the Thanksgiving Eve services, or drop them off at the church office, as a way of sharing those blessings with our Food Pantry guests. Current special needs are canned pasta, canned fruit, cream soups, mac & cheese, tuna, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. Thank you to all who continue to support our pantry through food & monetary donations. We have truly been blessed by your generosity! If you or someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please ask them to contact Steve Reinke at 920-540-5090.

## **\$ SCRIP News \$**

**SCRIP** is sold in the Church Office Mon-Friday from 8:00AM-3:00PM.

How to Order Scrip? You can call the office Monday-Friday 8:00AM-3:00PM, Or email Beth with your order -- [bwohlrabe@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:bwohlrabe@trinitymenasha.com). She will put it together and you can receive your order at door #7 when the office is open.

Kwik Trip Scrip is back to a 10% rebate, limited time only. Get yours today!

## **† Tastes of Trinity †**

Place your orders for immediate pick-up of:

- Our Fish Fry Coleslaw - \$1 pint, or \$5 ice cream pail.
- Rose's Jams - 8 oz. are \$1 or freewill offering. The flavors are Strawberry/Raspberry/Blackberry, Blueberry, Raspberry, Strawberry, and several other combinations. Call Elaine for full list - 920-470-9090.

## **† School News †** **"Sent to Serve"**

**Welcome-** Jillian Wilcox to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and Mya Worm to 1<sup>st</sup> grade. We are glad to have you join the Trinity Family.



## **Upcoming Events**

Sun. Nov. 15: 3-4 Graders Sing at 9:00 AM  
Mon. Nov. 16 – Tue. Nov. 24: School Food Drive for Food Pantry  
Wed. Nov. 18: School Chapel 8:45 AM  
Fri. Nov. 20: Electives 2:45 PM  
Tues. Nov. 24: Student Thanksgiving Lunch  
Tues. Nov. 24: Food Drive Count 2:00 PM  
Wed. Nov. 25: School Chapel 10:30 AM  
Wed. Nov. 25: Noon Dismissal

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### School Christmas Services

Sign up with Mr. Dahms for any of these services. They will fill up quickly because of limited seating. All of them will be live streamed on the Trinity Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-and-School-137682064805>.

Thursday, Dec. 10 6:30PM 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Graders  
Monday, Dec. 14 5:30PM K5, 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders  
Tuesday, Dec. 15 5:30PM 3 – 4 year Old's  
Wednesday, Dec. 16 10:30AM & 6:30PM 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

### This week's theme: Faithful Servants

#### **Matthew 25:14–30**

“Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master” **(Matt. 25:21)**.

What are some of your talents: spelling champion, athletic tournament champion, honor student, etc.

It's obvious that we are have very talented people in our congregation and school.

The Gospel of Matthew includes many of the parables that Jesus told about His kingdom. The parable today is another of Jesus' parables about the end times. Jesus will come back again on the Last Day. He wants all of us to welcome Him and be with Him.

Jesus gives us the gift of faith through our Baptism. The blessings of forgiveness of sins, life and salvation are ours. We are members of His family, the church. Together we wait, excited about His return and being with Jesus forever. God not only gives us the gift of faith, but He gives us abilities and gifts that we can use to give Him glory and to share the Good News with others while we wait for His return.

Jesus' parable tells about “talents” a master gives to his servants. The master is Jesus. The servants are us. In Jesus' time, the “talents” were generous amounts of money. The servants were to use their talents wisely. Jesus commends the wise servants and harshly judges the unwise servants.

The God who through the Holy Spirit so generously gives us our spiritual blessings also gives us gifts to glorify Him. If God has given us musical gifts, we are to use them to sing and play to His glory. If God has given us artistic gifts, we are to use them to share the beauty of His creation. We are to use our minds to learn about His Word and to be the best students possible and to develop abilities to serve others. We use the talents God has given us to learn in school, to help our parents at home, to serve in our community and to bless His church. In every place, we use our talents wisely to serve Jesus.

Because we have been blessed with faith in Jesus, we will be with Him when He comes again. It will be exciting to hear Jesus also say to us, “Well done, good and faithful servants.”

**PRAYER:** Jesus, all that we are and all that we have is Your gift to us. Thank You for the talents You have given to each of us. Help us to use those talents to give You glory and help Your kingdom to grow. Amen.