



November 22 & 23, 2025 Weekly Bulletin

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✝ This Week at Trinity ✝

Saturday, November 22:

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

Sunday, November 23:

9:00 AM Divine Service
10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

Monday, November 24:

Pastor Billings' Sabbath
9:00 AM Shelter Sewing
6:00 PM At Home Prayer Time
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study— Menasha Pub. Lib.

Tuesday, November 25:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, November 26:

NOON SCHOOL DISMISSAL
9:00 AM Chapel
No Confirmation Classes
6:30 PM Thanksgiving Eve Divine Service

Thursday, November 27: THANKSGIVING DAY

NO SCHOOL

Friday, November 28:

NO SCHOOL

Saturday, November 29:

ADVENT 1
5:00 PM Divine Service

Sunday, November 30:

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9:00 AM Divine Service
10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

**Trinity School & Church
Offices are closed
Nov. 27, & 28
for Thanksgiving.**

MUSICAL OFFERINGS—Sunday

Handbell Choir—"Beautiful Savior"
Gertrude Schickele

✝ We Pray For...✝

The Sick: Eileen Acker, Tom Baer, Jared Bahn, Steve Baldauf, Barbara Bartel, Mark & Jean Becker, Jasen Brown, Michael Burns, Carrie Collins, Val Dehne, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Judith Durkey, Char Elliott, Russell Elliott, Richard Even- sen, 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, Chantay Peterson, Joan Reinke, Rev. Ronald Meier, Kathy Rigotti, Dan Schael, Ken Schmidt, Irene Schwerbel, Jo- Ann 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, Lori Wendricks, LaVerne Werth, Martin Wiese, and Dorothy Wirth.

Celebrating Birthdays: Michael Bursack, Timothy Kamprath, Donna Kohler, Samuel Lawrence, Lyanna Manteufel, April Schmidt, Caden Sommerfeld, Jacinda Vanden and Adina Weinig.

Celebrating Anniversaries: David & Karen Edwards.

PLEDGE REMINDER

Reminder - your pledges of financial support for the Ministry work of Trinity Lutheran Church and School are due back this weekend. These pledges are made between you and our Lord. Once received, they will be blessed, and then they will be filed away and will not be available for viewing.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com or
“Like” Us on Facebook.

This Weekend’s Flowers

Flowers this weekend have been given in thanksgiving to God for His many blessings with the success of our Trinity Bazaar, and in honor of Carol Evensen, for her leadership and servant’s heart.

This Weekend’s Banners

“O Give Thanks Unto The Lord...”

✠ Stewardship ✠

Last Sunday of the Church Year

Colossians 1:18a – “And he is the head of the body, the church.” We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

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.

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

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

DAILY DEVOTIONS DIRECT LINK!

There is a link on our website that will give you direct access to Pastor Billings’ Daily Devotion and his Daily Prayer videos: www.trinitymenasha.com/daily-devotions.

NEXT DINE-OUT DECEMBER 8TH!

Mark your calendar for the Panda Express Dine-Out fundraiser for our school. It will be December 8th from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. More info to come!

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY: “Ruth” with Pastors Billings & Alliet—SFH
10:30 AM

SUNDAY: “*What They Didn’t Teach You in Sunday School*” with Pastor GeRue
10:30 AM
Conference 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 Public Library

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. Room

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

ADOPT A BILL HAS A NEW LOOK!

The bills on the paper strips are taking a rest (let us know if you want them back).

You still choose how much you wish to pay by writing on the envelopes provided. Drop them in an offering plate, the office or the mailbox outside the office door. We have a second Thanksgiving envelope in appreciation of the work our Food Pantry does for our community.

In thanksgiving for the services our Food Pantry offers our community, we are asking you to consider helping them behind the scenes by adopting utilities, and other expenses, to keep the freezers running, the elevator working and all the other expenses that keep this outreach available.

ANNUAL TRINITY LADIES COOKIE & CANDY SALE

We invite you to help us bake cookies and make candy; you can simply bring the with you when you come to worship. Our first weekend is December 6 & 7. You need not wrap or bag the items separately as we sell them right out of the container you bring them in.

All proceeds go for numerous missions as well as for Trinity Church & School projects. We thank you for serving with us and bringing joy to our customers!

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, November 22:

Elder on Duty: Bruce Gast
Usher Team: Roger Voigt
Communion Asst.: Vern Jahsman
Altar Guild: Shirley Fleischer
Greeter: JoAnn Schultz
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Sunday, 9:00 AM, November 23:

Elder on Duty: Bart Nielsen
Usher Team: Steve Sexmith
Communion Asst.: Ron Kraus
Altar Guild: Gail Burrows
Flower Delivery: Gail Burrows
Greeter: Jane Nielsen
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, November 26:

THANKSGIVING EVE DIVINE SERVICE

Elder on Duty: Bart Nielsen
Usher Team: Voigt/Sexmith Teams
Communion Asst.: TO BE DETERMINED
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert
Acolyte: Robbie Kohler

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church & School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00 AM-3:30 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

Kwik Trip, gas and groceries has doubled their rebate. Also, increased rebate on Fleet Farm. Limited time only!

FREE THANKSGIVING MEAL

Peace Lutheran Church in Neenah invites you to a free Thanksgiving Meal served on site, Thursday, November 27th from 11:00am—2:00pm.

If you don't have family or friends to eat with, please come and enjoy the fellowship. We provide a full Thanksgiving Day meal. Members of community also come as they don't want to be alone on Thanksgiving. Even married couples come who won't have their families with them join us. No reservations needed. Delivery not available.

Location: 1228 S Park Ave, Neenah

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, November 29:

Elder on Duty: Bruce Gast
Usher Team: Robert Allen
Communion Asst.: Steve Reinke
Altar Guild: Shirley Fleischer
Greeter: Betty Allen
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Sunday, 9:00 AM, November 30:

Elder on Duty: Bart Nielsen
Usher Team: Lee Weinig
Communion Asst.: Scott Gutzmann
Altar Guild: Gail Burrows
Flower Delivery: Gail Burrows
Greeter: Liz Kamprath
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

Mark your calendar! Sunday, December 7th at 1:30 pm we will be meeting to go caroling. A pot-luck will be enjoyed after caroling at Ron and Dot-tie Kraus' home! Bring a salad or dessert to share. See you there!

2025 FOOD PANTRY THANKSGIVING INGATHERING

November is a special month where we ask for food donations as a Thanksgiving for all our Heavenly Father blesses each of us with. We ask that you drop off your food donations at church anytime this month, or plan to bring them to the Thanksgiving Eve worship service on the 26th. Thank you!

Specific items needed (*listed in order of need*):

- ◆ Canned Vegetables- Peas, Carrots, Corn & Green Beans
- ◆ Canned Fruit
- ◆ Large cans of soup
- ◆ Mac & Cheese
- ◆ Tomato Soup
- ◆ Canned Ravioli/ SpaghettiOs
- ◆ Jello/Pudding
- ◆ Ramen
- ◆ Chicken Noodle Soup
- ◆ Hamburger Helper
- ◆ Instant Oatmeal (packets)

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

Thanks Psalm 67

**May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
2 that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.
3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!
4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!
6 The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.
7 God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

A cornucopia is a common symbol of harvest and Thanksgiving celebrations. A symbol of God's abundant and gracious blessings upon mankind.

Throughout history, God's people didn't always have plentiful harvests and full bellies. For instance, when the Israelites were led out of Pharaoh's slavery, they had no food (Ex. 16). Still, God provided manna in the wilderness, that is, bread from heaven, so they would have the strength to journey to the Promised Land.

The people of Israel were again taught how to depend upon their heavenly Father.

Do you remember to depend upon your heavenly Father for all your body's and life's needs today? Do you remember where your food comes from as you grumble in the backseat of your parents' car for another fruit snack?

Let's review the meaning of the First Article of the Creed: "I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily

provides me with all that I need to support this body and life".

The First Article of the Creed reminds us that God provides for the needs of our body. But He also provides for the needs of your soul by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, into the wilderness of this world to die upon the cross for you and for your forgiveness, to become the manna of eternal life as we receive the Lord's Supper.

Jesus is our food and sustenance to journey through this life and be led to life everlasting.

As you look at your table this Thanksgiving, with all the food filling it like a cornucopia bursting and pouring out, remember how Jesus poured out His life for you upon the cross, so that you will receive eternal life, feasting with Him forever.

PRAYER

Gracious Father, we praise You for providing the fruits of the earth, our daily bread and especially the bread of life, Jesus Christ. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, help us remember that all good gifts come from Your hand. Make our hearts truly grateful to You in all seasons, especially for the gift of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Next Week at Trinity School

Nov. 24	9:00 am	School Opening
Nov. 25	9:00 am	School Opening
	3:30 pm	Basketball Practice
Nov. 26	9:00 am	School Chapel
	12:00	Dismissal
Nov. 27-28		No School Thanksgiving Break

