

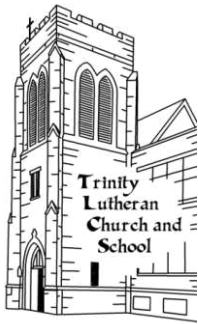
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300 Broad Street  
Menasha, WI 54952

Come let us  
*Adore*  
Him



December 2025  
Newsletter





**Trinity Lutheran Church and School**

300 Broad Street  
Menasha, WI 54952

**Church Phone:** (920) 722-2662 / **School Phone:** (920) 725-1715

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

**Website:** www.trinitymenasha.com

**Divine Services**

Saturday – 5:00 pm; Sunday – 9:00 am; Wednesday – 6:30 pm

**Education Hour:** Sunday - 10:30 am

Services will continue to be available for streaming on Trinity’s Facebook page, and for later viewing on YouTube. Check the church website for more details.



**IMPORTANT DATES IN DECEMBER**

- December 2: Board Meetings
- December 3: 9:00 AM Mid-Week Advent Worship  
5:15 PM Mid Week Advent Meal  
6:30 PM Mid Week Advent Worship
- December 4: : 5:00-7:00 PM Gather Round The Christmas Trees / Caroling, Curtis Reed Square, Menasha
- December 5: 7:00 PM Hymn Sing
- Second Week in Advent**
- December 6: Food Pantry  
5:00 PM Divine Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie & Candy Sale
- December 7: 9:00 AM Divine Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie & Candy sale  
1:30 PM Caroling w/ Potluck After
- December 9: Board of Directors meeting
- December 10: 9:00 AM Mid-Week Advent Worship  
1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale  
5:15 PM Mid-Week Advent Meal  
6:30 PM Mid-Week Advent Worship  
1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie & Candy sale
- Third Week in Advent**
- December 13: 5:00 PM Divine Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale
- December 14: 9:00 AM Divine Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale  
11:30 AM Hanging of the Greens w/lunch

**Third Week in Advent (Continued)**

- December 15: 6:00 PM PS3 – K5 Christmas Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale
- December 17: 9:00 AM Mid-Week Advent Worship  
5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>rd</sup> Grade Christmas Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale  
5:15 PM Mid Week Advent Meal  
6:30 PM Mid-Week Advent Worship  
5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>rd</sup> Grade Christmas Service  
Ladies Aid Cookie & Candy sale
- December 18: Day School Children Christmas Caroling & **Noon Dismissal**
- December 19 - January 2 **No School-Christmas Break / School Office Closed**



**Fourth Week in Advent**

- December 20: Food Pantry  
5:00 PM Divine Service
- December 22: 9:00 AM Divine Service
- Christmas Eve**
- December 24: 4:00 PM Divine Service  
6:30 PM Divine Service  
11:00 PM Candelight Service w/ communion
- Christmas Day**
- December 25: 9:00 AM Christmas Service w/ communion
- December 27: 5:00 PM Divine Service
- December 28: 9:00 AM Divine Service
- December 31: 6:30 PM New Years Eve Service

**Our Mission Statement:**

Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Menasha, is a fellowship of Lutheran Christians being empowered by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God and His Sacraments to encourage, refresh, and strengthen both adults and children in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, while sharing His love with those who do not yet know their Lord and Savior.







**Senior Pastor:**  
✠ Rev. Steven S. Billings

**Assoc. Pastor/Principal:**  
✠ Rev. Keith E. GeRue

**Choir Director:**  
Mrs. Connie Henkel

**Music Director/Organist:**  
Mrs. Nancy Lephart

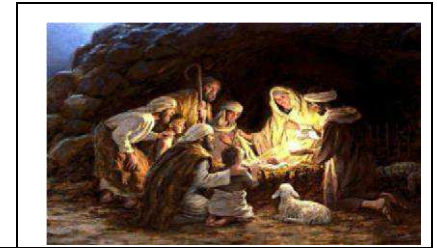
# December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ADVENT 1	1	2	3 MID-WEEK 1	4	5	6 ADVENT 2
	Rev Billings' Sabbath 9:00 AM Sewing 6:00 PM Home Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	6:30AM Ladies Bible Study  6:30 PM Board Meetings	9:00 AM Advent Service 5:00 PM Catechism 5:15 PM Mid-Week Meal 6:30 PM Advent Service	6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 5:45 pm Caroling Gather Round Curtis Reed Square Menasha 5:15 PM Handbell Choir 6:00 PM Choir	7:00 PM Hymn Sing	9:30 AM Food Pantry 5:00 PM Divine Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale 
7 ADVENT 2	8	9	10 MID-WEEK 2	11	12	13 ADVENT 3
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Ed Hour /Sunday School Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale Christmas Caroling: 1-30PM -5PM followed by potluck	Rev Billings' Sabbath 9:00 AM Sewing 6:00 PM Home Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study 	6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Board of Directors Mtg	9:00 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> - 4th Grade Christmas Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale 5:00 PM Catechism 5:15 PM Mid-Week Meal 6:30 PM 1 <sup>st</sup> - 4th Grade Christmas Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale	6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 5:15 PM Handbell Choir 6:00 PM Choir		5:00 PM Divine Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale 
14 ADVENT 3	15	16	17 MID-WEEK 3	18	19	20 ADVENT 4
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Ed Hour /Sunday School Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale 11:30 AM Church Christmas Decorating w/Lunch	Rev Billings' Sabbath 9:00 AM Sewing 6:00 PM PS3-K5 Christmas Service Cookie & Candy sale 6:00 PM Home Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	6:30AM Ladies Bible Study	9:00 AM 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale 5:00 PM Catechism 5:15 PM Mid-Week Meal 6:30 PM 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Service Ladies Aid Cookie and Candy Sale	6:00 AM Men's Bible Study School Caroling 5:15 Handbell Choir 6:00 PM Choir <b>School, Noon Dismissal</b> <b>School Office Closed at Noon</b>	<b>No School/School Offices Closed</b>	9:30 Food Pantry 5:00 PM Divine Service
21 ADVENT 4	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Ed Hour 	<b>School Office Closed</b> Rev Billings' Sabbath 9:00 AM Sewing 6:00 PM Home Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	<b>School Office Closed</b> <i>Pastor Billings, Pastor GeRue, the faculty &amp; staff of Trinity Lutheran Church &amp; School wish you a very Blessed Christmas</i>	<b>No School, School Office Closed</b> 4:00 PM Divine Service 6:30 PM Divine Service 11:00 PM Candlelight Service w/communion	<b>No School, School &amp; Church Office Closed</b> 9:00 Christmas Divine Service w/communion	<b>No School, School &amp; Church Office Closed</b>	5:00 PM Divine Service
28	29	30	31	<b>CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED, DECEMBER 25 &amp; 26, AND NEW YEARS EVE &amp; NEW YEARS DAY. SCHOOL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED BEGINNING AT NOON ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18 THROUGH JANUARY 2.</b>		
9:00 AM Divine Service 10:30 AM Ed Hour	<b>School Office Closed</b> 9:00 AM Sewing 6:00 PM Home Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	<b>School Office Closed</b>	<b>School &amp; Church Offices Closed</b> <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b> 6:30 PM Divine Service			



## Serving Our Lord with Gladness – December 2025

Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven S. Billings  
 Associate Pastor/Principal: Rev. Keith E. GeRue



<b>Divine Service Date/Time</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Elder on Duty</b>	<b>Communion Assistant</b>	<b>Usher Captain</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Altar Guild</b>
Dec 3: 6:30 PM	Robbie Kohler	Bart Nielsen Michael Bekx		Allen/ Weinig	Betty Allen	No Communion
Dec 6: 5:00 PM Dec 7: 9:00 AM Dec 10: 6:30 PM	Richie Sprouse Emma Anderson Robbie Kohler	Roger Voigt Bart Nielsen	Ian Thomas Lee Weinig	Jerry Maynard Jim Wittman Maynard/Wittman	Barbara Kester Connie Henkel	Jean Zeinert Jill & Craig Thomas No Communion
Dec 13: 5:00 PM Dec 14: 9:00 AM Dec 17: 6:30 PM	Richie Sprouse Emma Anderson Robbie Kohler	Roger Voigt Bart Nielsen Craig Thomas	Dan Siebert Paul Collingwood	Gast/Corrente Dave Collingwood G&C/Collingwood	Dan & Peggy Dahms Rosemary Collingwood	Shirley Fleischer Jill & Craig Thomas No communion
Dec 20: 5:00 PM Dec 21: 9:00 AM Dec 24: 4:00 PM 6:30 PM 11:00 PM Dec 25: 9:00 AM	Richie Sprouse Emma Anderson Robbie Kohler Richie Sprouse Emma Anderson Robbie Kohler	Roger Voigt Bart Nielsen Bart Nielsen Micheal Bekx Thomas / Voigt Craig Thomas	Vance Pues Josiah Nielsen  TBD TBD	Roger Voigt Steve Sexmith Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer	JoAnn Schultz Connie Henkel	Paula Reichert Carol Evensen No Communion No Communion Jean Zeinert Jean Zeinert
Dec 27: 5:00 PM Dec 28: 9:00 AM Dec 31: 6:30 PM	Richie Sprouse Emma Anderson Robbie Kohler	Roger Voigt Bart Nielsen TBD	Vern Jahsman Blaine Henkel TBD	Robert Allen Lee Weinig Volunteer	Betty Allen Liz Kamprath	Shirley Fleischer Carol Evensen Jean Zeinert

## Wedding Anniversaries – December 2025

12/09 BILLINGS, Rev. Steven & Liz  
12/17 SIEGEL, Scott & Amy  
12/20 KRAUSE, Darrell & Vera  
12/27 BOUCHARD, Jeremy & Dana  
12/28 WUSSOW, Craig & Sandy



## Birthdays – December 2025

12/01 DEHNE, Jim  
12/01 NOLAN, Madeleine  
12/02 COLLINGWOOD, Joel  
12/02 MLODIK, Sarah  
12/04 REUNING, Abigail  
12/05 HURST, Brandon  
12/08 GAST, Sydney  
12/09 FROST, Sue  
12/10 MIES, Kevin  
12/10 RISKE, Karen  
12/11 PUES, Dane  
12/12 REINKE, Steve  
12/13 KESTER, Thomas  
12/13 MEYER, Scott  
12/15 BORGAN, Breanna



12/16 BECKER, Jean  
12/16 FUCHS, Hannah  
12/16 WEBBER, Noelle  
12/18 ANDERSON, Megan  
12/18 EMERY, Matthew  
12/18 PUES, Ella  
12/19 SEIGEL, Scott  
12/20 HEYN, Carrie  
12/20 JAHSMAN, Vern  
12/20 MANTEUFEL, Rebekah  
12/20, VOIGT, Henry  
12/28 GRIPENTROG, Bonnie  
12/29 HENRICKSON, John  
12/31 HEID, Joshua

### ✝ Trinity Membership Update ✝

**New Members/Transfers In:** Michael Booth (November 09, 2025)

**Released/Transfers Out:**

**Baptisms:** Kalani Amor Moctezuma ( great-great Granddaughter of LaVerne Werth)

**Members Who Have Passed:**



For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. 26And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God. Job 19:25-26

**Trinity Lutheran Church and School invites you to join us each weekend for our regular worship services. Soon Thanksgiving and Advent services will begin leading up to Christmas and the New Year. We hope to see you!**

### **Weekend Services:**

**Saturday, 5:00 PM & Sunday, 9:00 AM with 10:30 AM Education Hour which includes 2 Bible Study Classes & Sunday School for the Children**

**Advent Mid-Week Divine Services & Grade School Christmas Services  
9:00 AM and 6:30 PM (no communion)**

**December 10—Advent 2: 1st—4th Grade Christmas Service Monday,  
December 15, 6:00 PM: PS3—K5 Christmas Service  
December 17—Advent 3: 5th-8th Grade Christmas Service**

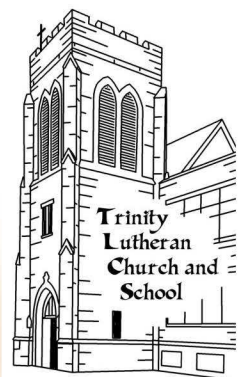
### **Christmas Divine Services**

**December 24, Christmas Eve Divine Services:  
4:00 & 6:30 PM Divine Services (no communion)  
11:00 PM Candlelight Service (with communion)**

**December 25, 9:00 AM—Christmas Day Divine Service**

### **New Years Eve Divine Services**

**December 31, 6:30 PM— New Years Eve Divine Services:**



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# Catechetical Comments

A Series

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

This month we continue our consideration of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed by taking up question 110.

110. *What does God do to take care of me?*

A. He gives me food and clothing, home and family, work and play, and all that I need from day to day.

The *Catechism* continues its explanation of the First Article of the Creed by asking the question:

*What does God do to take care of me?*

It answers this question first of all by saying:

*He gives me food and clothing, home and family, work and play, and all that I need from day to day.*

It then presents the following Scriptures in support of this answer:

**Psalm 145:15–16** – The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**1 Peter 5:7** – Casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you.

What an appropriate time of year to encounter this question!

You don't have to look too far to see God in action as we approach the Christmas season. Many people feel extra generous at this time, and this is exhibited just about everywhere you look. There are food drives (ours this year was a joy to see), bell ringers stand by those red kettles (and people drop money into the slot);

our sister congregation, Peace Lutheran in Neenah, hosts a Thanksgiving lunch every year and feed hoards of people who have nowhere else to go. It seems that holiday cheer still exists despite the enemy's efforts to suppress it.

But, as you may be aware, charity in our neck of the woods doesn't just crop up during the holidays; our food pantry serves up free groceries two weekends a month, one of which also offers an opportunity to have prayer with the pastor. Our ladies aid provides care boxes for children and families in need and our sewing group makes handmade quilts for needy people all over the world. It's heartwarming to witness all of this outpouring of love throughout the year.

Some people think that the government should be in charge of our charity work, but honestly, government is not well equipped to do this, nor does it have the constitutional authority to play Robin Hood – taking money from one group (without their permission, mind you) and just handing to another. One of the problems with this is that it trains people not to live charitably. Nor is the government actually – biblically and morally – responsible for taking care of the poor. Do you know who is? You are! The Good Samaritan didn't wait around for the government to lend a hand to the man who had been attacked. Neither should we.

Besides, as we can easily see, the Church is better equipped to serve those in need. And, by God's grace and with His help, we do. And they don't just get a full belly; they get a good dose of the Good News of Jesus in the process. God be praised! ✠

Humbly in His service,  
Rev. Steven S. Billings  
Senior Pastor



## From the School December 2025

“Skipping Christmas?” John 1:14

A great commotion has arisen the past few weeks over the fact that some churches, some large churches, and a few very prominent churches, decided to cancel Christmas. Oh, they didn’t cancel the *holiday* – but they did cancel the Holy Day. They decided that they would not be holding services on Christmas. They wanted to make it a family day.

Now, not holding services on Christmas really isn’t that much of a surprise – many churches, for years, have not held services on Christmas Day. What made this so *newsworthy* (if you will), was that Christmas fell on a Sunday this year, and so churches that cancel the Christmas Holy Day are also canceling the Lord’s Day. And some churches even took this a step farther and cancelled the next Lord’s Day as well, for it is New Year’s Day, which (I dare say) is not going to be celebrated as a “family day” as much as a recovery day.

Now, I’m not bringing all this up to bash these other churches. We’re not holier than they are. And what they are doing is really not all that particularly new! As I said, many churches have *never* had services on Christmas Day. Many people, even if their churches have services, don’t come on Christmas Day – Christmas Eve is always much more crowded. And a couple of years ago it was John Grisham came up with this idea, when he wrote a book entitled *Skipping Christmas* . . . which wasn’t about churches, but was about skipping all the hustle and bustle of Christmas and making it a family time.

But really, the problem goes even farther back than that, and deeper than that. I think it goes back to the attitude that you hear so much these days, that “*I can be a Christian without going to church.*” People today want to be spiritual without being religious. They want the inward without the outward. They want to separate the spiritual, the mystical, from the physical, from the church. And it follows, does it not, that if “*I can be a Christian without going to church,*” then “*I can also celebrate Christmas without going to church.*” So why have it at all? Why not just cancel Christmas, the Holy Day, in favor of Christmas, the holiday? It’s all the same in my heart anyway.

Well, it is the Holy Gospel that is read each Christmas Day that blows-up that kind of thinking. And it blows it up by one simple, little phrase: “***And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.***” Christmas means that the almighty, eternal God doesn’t just *live in my heart* – but that He took on our flesh and bone, and forever united into one God and man. Christmas means that the physical and outward and the spiritual and inward are not two separate things – but in fact, are one. Our Savior Jesus Christ is the God-man. The divine and human natures united in one flesh. And what He is, He will always be. He was not just a man for a while, and now He is back to being God. No! For then He would be no Savior, but at best an example, an encourager, or one who can empathize with us in our plight. But no – when God sent His Son to take on our human nature at Christmas, **it was forever**. It was not just to help us, but to save us. It was to forever exalt our human nature from the depths of sin and death into which we plunged it, and lift us up to the glory and life of Heaven.

And so God came down to do just that. ***The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.*** And He dwelt among us in the depths of our sin. He didn’t come where it was safe and clean, into a palace with servants and others to do His bidding. No, as we heard last night, He was born in a stable, laid in a manger, and visited by smelly shepherds. Shortly He will have to flee to Egypt for His life. When He begins His public ministry, He befriends not those everyone considered “religious,” but the outcasts and sinners, the tax collectors, and prostitutes. *Because where the sin was, that’s where He wanted to be.* Because that’s what He came for, to take our sins away from us and put them on Himself. From our human nature to His . . . even when it meant going to the cross to die for that sin.

And that, according to John, is why we celebrate Christmas. It is why we gather together in the Lord’s House on Christmas Day – Sunday or not – because here, still today, is the Word made flesh, for us. The Word made flesh once crucified, but now risen from the dead and alive. And so, the Word made flesh still speaking His Word to us. The Word made flesh giving us His body to eat and His blood to drink. The Word made flesh here with us sinners. *And the worse sinner you are, the more He wants to be here with you!* Most people think it’s the other way around – that God hangs out in church with holy people. Actually, no! Jesus comes to hang out with sinners, so that He can make us holy through the forgiveness of our sins.

And that, according to John, is not only why we celebrate Christmas, but also what makes God so glorious. His glory is not that He is so glorious, and He stays up in Heaven, and we have to tell Him how glorious He is! Not much point in that, is

there? He's got angels doing that for Him! No, His glory is that He came down to be with us. That He loved and cared for us and His whole creation so much that He would come down to rescue us. For someone who's strong and mighty is not glorious simply because he is strong and mighty. But if he uses that might to help and defend the weak – that is glorious. Someone who's rich is not glorious simply because she is rich. But if she uses that wealth to help the poor and needy – that is glorious. And while our God *is* glorious simply because of the fact that He is God – He shows us His glory even more in coming down to us, to help the helpless, to give life to those dead in sin, and to turn our shame into glory.

And that is what happened at Christmas. God did not consider taking on our human nature and becoming man humiliating or demeaning, but the greatest honor. For when God created the heavens and the earth, and when He created man, all was good. Perfectly good. And though we have plunged His wonderful creation into the cesspool of sin, He still sees the goodness and honor of His creation. And so He does not remain separate from it – keeping the inward separate from the outward, the spiritual separate from the physical. No, He comes right down into it, and is born as one of us, that we might be born again as children of God. God and man together, that we might be part of, and adopted into, His family . . . which makes Christmas Day the greatest “family day” of all! Not of earthly families, but of our heavenly family. The family we will have not only for this life, but forever.

***The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.***

And so, we are here. Skipping some time at home perhaps, but in no way by that skipping Christmas! No, we are here with our family – our true family. Our Heavenly Father, our brother and Savior Jesus, and our brothers and sisters in Christ. Because on Christmas, our God came to be with us, so we come to be with Him.

So, do you have to go to church on Christmas? Well, no. Those who do not are not thereby condemned to hell. God is still a gracious and forgiving God. But why would we not be here? Why would we not want to be here? To rejoice, to receive, to remember. That our God has come to us, and is here for us, to honor us, to serve us, to exalt us, to love us, to forgive us. You do not *have* to come, and receive Him and His gifts. You do not have to open the gifts under your tree either. But why would you not? For here is the greatest gift of all. For you. A Son. Christ the Lord. Merry Christmas!



### EVENTS AROUND THE SCHOOL

- Dec. 1 9:00 am School Devotion
- Dec. 2 9:00 am School Devotion  
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Dec. 3 9:00 am Advent Service
- Dec. 4 9:00 am School Devotion  
1:30 pm Electives  
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Dec. 5 9:00 am School Devotion
- Dec. 8 9:00 am School Devotion
- Dec. 9 9:00 am School Devotion  
4:30 pm Basketball vs Valley Home School @ Home
- Dec. 10 9:00 am & 6:30 pm 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade Christmas Service
- Dec. 11 9:00 am School Devotion  
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Dec. 12 9:00 am School Devotion
- Dec. 15 9:00 am School Devotion  
6:00 pm PS3-K5 Christmas Service
- Dec. 16 9:00 am School Devotion  
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Dec. 17 9:00 am & 6:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Christmas Service
- Dec. 18 9:00 am School Devotion  
9:30 am School Christmas Caroling  
12:00 Noon Dismissal
- Dec. 19–January 4 Christmas Break





## A BIG Thank You to Our Bakers!



A big hug and many thanks to all the Trinity bakers; you certainly outdid yourselves with the many donations for our November 15th bake sale in conjunction with the Trinity Bazaar. And a special thanks to those of you that peeled potatoes and assisted in making the German potato salad, and to the special group who helped us build 43 apple pies in one day; what a team! God was with us all the way at each event and then provided many wonderful customers at Trinity's Bazaar. He is so good and pray each one of you were blessed by the fellowship of your Trinity Family.

Our proceeds were over \$5300 and will be disbursed in January for numerous missions and for Trinity projects. Watch for our Candy and Cookie Sale on the weekends of December 6 & 7, and also December 13 & 15 and after each of the Trinity School Children's Christmas worship services (December 10, 15 and 17).

Thank you! Trinity Ladies Aid

### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH - FINANCIAL REPORT OCT. 2025

	<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>DEPOSITS/INCOME</u>	<u>WITHDRAWALS/EXPENSES</u>	<u>ENDING BALANCE</u>
Ministry Fund	\$16,221.00	\$75,965.08	(\$79,323.08)	\$12,863.00
Nicolet Restricted Funds*	\$62,696.70	\$2,643.12	(\$400.00)	\$64,939.82
LCMS Endowment Fund**	\$127,957.80			\$127,957.80
LCEF Steward Fund	\$19.72			\$19.72
Money Market	\$94,177.54	\$39.83	(\$4,000.00)	\$90,217.37
Schwab Wealth***	\$59,031.10			\$59,031.10
Nicolet Memorial Fund	\$383.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$383.22
Nicolet Office Acct	\$3,298.62	\$1.40		\$3,300.02
Nicolet Scrip	\$10,696.38	\$20,331.25	(\$20,378.88)	\$10,648.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$374,482.08</b>	<b>\$98,980.68</b>	<b>(\$104,101.96)</b>	<b>\$369,360.80</b>
LCEF Mortgage (BOTR)	\$786,437.57	not updated	(3,135.97)	\$783,301.60



## Annual Trinity Ladies Cookie and Candy Sale



It is that time again when we think about all the joys of Advent and Christmas. On top of that list is the birth of Baby Jesus; our Savior, who then died to deliver us from the punishment of our sins. There never has been or never will be a larger gift. We ask you to take every opportunity to share His love with the people you meet and tell them about Him. You can never give a better gift than to share this Good News! That is the prayer the Trinity Ladies have for each one of you this blessed season.

Our annual cookie and candy sale begins the weekend of  
December 6th and 7th December 13th and 14th, before and after the worship services.  
Also for the Trinity School Children's programs on December 10 and 17 (9:00 AM & 6:30 PM) and  
December 15 @ 6:00PM.  
The price for cookies or candies will be \$9 per pound.

WE INVITE YOU TO HELP US BAKE COOKIES AND MAKE CANDY; YOU CAN SIMPLY BRING THEM WITH YOU WHEN YOU COME TO WORSHIP. 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 and School projects. We thank you for serving with us and bringing joy to our customers!

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### **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Meeting at the church at 1:30 then  
traveling to locations of our "shut-ins"**

**After there'll be a potluck at the home  
of Dottie & Ron Kraus.**

**Please sign-up on the spinner in the  
Narthex indicating if you will be bringing  
a salad or dessert this will help with  
planning for the numbers attending.**

**"LET'S MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE"**

**Psalm 98.4**

## *Help Us Decorate the Lord's House!*

As we prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, we invite you to join us as we decorate His house. The festivities will take place December 14th, after Bible Study. Lunch will be provided in the Narthex Conference Room. If you have questions, you can direct them to Elaine Weinig at (920) 470-9090.



### **7th and 8th Grade Fundraiser**

#### **UNCLE MIKE'S KRINGLE COUPON SALE**

Are you tired of the same old fundraiser year after year? Why not try Uncle Mike's Kringle! Uncle Mike's Kringle is a butter-layered pastry, with homemade fillings of superior quality. 7th—8th Graders are selling "coupons" and you come into one of their stores to pick up a Kringle. It does not expire. Kringle coupons sell for \$23.00.

The Craft Bazaar Committee would like to thank everyone for items that were donated to the Heavenly Bargains, Vintage & Antique Booth and Book Nook.

The Ladies Aid Bake Sale is always a great success. And let us not forget the Praise Him Café and the wonderful meals they served up for everyone.

We also need to express our gratitude to everyone who shared their "Time, Treasures and Talents" to ensure the success of this year's bazaar. Our volunteers did an incredible job of keeping everything running smoothly. The proceeds from this year's event were over 8,100.00.

Sales from the Cinnamon rolls, Praise him Café, Heavenly Bargains, Antique & Vintage and the Book Nook totaled \$1959.80 and went directly to the General Fund.

Ladies Aid will Tithe 10% of their sales to the General Fund and the balance will be used for Mission Grants and needs of the Church and School. God has blessed Trinity greatly.





Fundraiser for  
**Trinity Lutheran School and Church**  
20% of event sales will be donated  
Preschool - 8th grade school and church We raise  
money for scholarships

**When: Monday, December 08, 2025**

**Time: 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM**

**Where: Panda Express**

**3641 W College Ave, Appleton, WI 54914**

**(920) 830 – 6386**



#### How to Order

##### Online

Panda Express.com or the App.  
Enter 3852270 in the fundraiser code box

or

##### In-Person

Bring paper flyer or show it on your smartphone  
Order ahead or on the event day Monday, December 08,  
2025

