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## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY – December 10 & 11, 2022

### **The Third Sunday in Advent**

- Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services with Communion  
9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- Monday: 11-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM with CLDI  
6:30pm Fellowship Meeting  
7:00pm Adult Class
- Tuesday: 9:00am Quilting  
6:30pm Cradle Roll Meeting  
6:15pm Early Childhood Program at TLS  
7:00pm Bible Study led by Rev. Dr. Bruce Zagel
- Wednesday: 8:30am Chapel at TLS  
5:00pm Advent Dinner  
6:30pm Advent Worship – SS Children’s Program  
7:15pm FIRE Youth Group
- Thursday: 10:30am Bible Study  
6:30pm Band & Bells Concert at TLS
- Saturday: Noon Flame Youth Group Christmas party  
2:30pm Flicker Youth Group Christmas party  
5:00pm Worship Service with Communion
- Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services  
9:30am Toddler SS & Adult Bible Class  
All Sunday School at TYM Square – Christmas Party

### *Knowing Christ and Making Him Known*

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in praise and glory to God by the Altar Guild and all those who have purchased poinsettias to adorn our altar this Christmas season.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:**  
Sharla Arend, George Baker (Mark & Susie Wollenburg’s grandson), Tim Buechler (Bob Locke’s cousin), Katie Cardillo, Cateleya Castanon (granddaughter of Mary Uecker), Marilyn Fischer (Sue Hayes’ mom), Walter & Betty Flechsig (Linda’s parents), Janet Gurney, Brittney Hatzell, Beverly Hoose, Keith Johnson, Keira Knell (Bev Schock’s grandniece), Sonja Kober, Dee Krohn, Don Kunkel, Tami Larson, Don Leikam, Garry Leikam, J.C. Modde (John Modde’s son), John Modde, Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers’ granddaughter), Ginny Oriolia (friend of Bev Hoose), Jennifer Scheafer, and Julie Seiffert.

**HELP US DECORATE THE ALTAR** for the Christmas season by ordering your poinsettias now! The cost of each poinsettia is \$11.00 each, and order forms are available in the narthex. Please complete the order form, place in the envelope provided (along with your cash or check **payable to Trinity**) and drop in the box that is also located in the narthex. Please also note on the envelope if you are purchasing your poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone. This will be listed in the bulletin the weekend of December 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. We will accept orders through December 18<sup>th</sup>. You may pick up your poinsettias following the Christmas Day worship service. *Thank you for helping us decorate the altar during this special season!* ~Trinity's Altar Guild

**Parent-Toddler Sunday School** - Please join us with your little one, age 0-3, next Sunday, Dec. 18 for the Parent-Toddler Sunday School class. We will meet downstairs in the Toddler room. Bring your little one to play and learn about Jesus!

## FINANCES & FIRST-FRUIT'S' GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 1,063,591
Actual Church/School Income (12/4/2022)	\$ 1,106,040
Actual Church/School Expenses (12/4/2022)	\$ 1,002,430
A difference of:	\$ 103,610
Budgeted Offering Target (July 2022-Nov 2022)	\$ 360,822
Actual Offering (July 2022-Nov 2022)	\$ 343,044
A difference of:	\$ -17,778
Weekly Offering Goal – December, 2022	\$ 18,073
Actual Offerings in November (1 of 4 weeks)	\$ 22,532

### Last Week's Attendance – December 3 & 4, 2022

Advent Worship 1 Service	<b>91</b>
Saturday Worship Service	78
Sunday Worship Services	212
<b>Total Attendance Last Weekend</b>	<b>290</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	40
<b>Adult Bible Class</b>	72

### Offering Counters for December 11<sup>th</sup>

Ellen Gernant, Myrna Henschel, and Roxy Klundt

### Offering Counters for December 18<sup>th</sup>

Susan Loomans, Ann Boucher, and Cheryl Wagenman

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE** to show your appreciation for our church and school staff, you may donate to a fund for that purpose. You can leave your gift at the school or church office - or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday. Be sure to mark the envelope plainly "*Staff Gift.*" Please have your gift in by December 19<sup>th</sup> in order to have it ready to give out before Christmas. Anytime we show our support of our church and school, we encourage and build each other up in Christ. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

~The Church Council & Board of Christian Education

### LWML ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

LWML members and ladies of the congregation are invited to attend the LWML Christmas Potluck Dinner on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The board will provide chicken strips and attendees are asked to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. There will be an ingathering for LOVE INC of feminine products or household paper goods such as paper towels, Kleenex, or toilet paper. Join us for a fun start to our Christmas celebration.

**FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED:** Due to the demand of the Holidays, our Food Pantry is running short of several items. Please check the cards that are hanging up in the Narthex if you are able to help. *Thank you so much!*



## Advent Services

### Wednesday, December 14

5:00pm Advent Dinner - Hosted by the Youth  
6:30 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Program

### Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Services  
2:00, 4:00 & 6:00pm

### Sunday, December 25

10:00am Christmas Day Service (with Communion)

### Saturday, December 31

5:00pm New Year's Eve Service (with Communion)

### Sunday, January 1

\*\*10:00am service only\*\*

### Ushering help for Special Services at Christmas time

For the multiple services on Sat., December 24, Christmas Eve (2:00, 4:00, & 6:00 p.m.), ushers have not yet been scheduled. We are asking all ushers to please consider signing up to help with one of these special services if possible. **A sign-up sheet is in the usher alcove in the back of the church.** By signing up, we can assure that we will have ushers at the service and Elders will not have to be trying to find ushers. Thank you for your help in getting these services covered. The special services for Christmas Day and New Year's Eve have ushers scheduled as part of regular schedules.

**2023 FLOWER CHART** - The flower chart for 2023 is up and ready. The cost of flowers is \$20.00. To help us with our bookkeeping we ask that you pay for your flowers when you sign up. Please make your checks payable to Gainans. For your convenience there are envelopes to fill out specifying any special occasion or reason for the flowers. Please also mark the occasion on the chart. ~ *Thank you from the Altar Guild.*

**2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Your Offering envelopes for 2023 are ready for pickup. They are available in the second upstairs classroom next to the Sanctuary. If you can't find your envelopes, please ask an Usher or the Elder on duty for help. *Thank you!*