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## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY December 24, 2017

*~Christmas Eve ~*

Sunday	8:00am	Trinity Worship Service (from prior week) airs on Community 7
	2, 4, & 6pm	Candlelight Christmas Eve Services
	11:00pm	Christmas Eve Vigil
Monday	10:00am	Christmas Day Service with Communion
		<i>~Church Office closed~</i>
Tuesday		<i>~Church Office closed~</i>
	5:00pm	Trinity Worship Service (from prior week) airs on Community 7
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Study
Saturday	5:00pm	Worship Service
Sunday	8 & 10:30am	Worship Service
	9:30am	Devotion and Fellowship in Fellowship Hall – for Adults and Children
	6:30pm	New Year's Eve Service with Communion

*Knowing Christ and Making Him Known*

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are placed 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:***

Karianna Jinguji, Cindy Speed, Todd Hertz, Jami Shaw (B.J. & Stacie's sister-in law), Denis Kerby, Helen Kembel, Kurtis Cihak's sister Patricia, Darlene Zimmerman, Tim Teachout, Charles Duenow, Linda Guzman, John Wiedmeier, Barb Schulz's sister Ardis Bickel, Roger Kesler, Carl Solberg, and Carl Herden.

**THE 2018 FLOWER CHART** is hanging in the Narthex. The cost for flowers is \$20.00, and checks should be given to the Altar Guild – made payable to Gainans. To help the Altar Guild with their bookkeeping duties and to keep our account at Gainans current, **we are asking you to pay for your flowers when you sign up.** There is an envelope available for you to put your payment in. Please fill out the info on the front of the envelope and place it in the box marked 'Flowers.' Thank you!

**MONTANA DISTRICT Convention** – The district convention will be held at Trinity Lutheran School in Billings, and our congregation will be electing a lay delegate at the short Voters' Meeting and Bible Study at 9:30am on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. You will also have the opportunity to nominate a District President and Vice President.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2018** are ready for pickup down in the Fellowship Hall. Please ask an usher to retrieve your box if you are unable to go downstairs to get them. Thank you!

### **Yellowstone Park Winter Snow Coach Trip** **February 14-16, 2017**

Come and enjoy a special winter adventure touring the first National Park in a unique season. Round-trip bus ride from Billings, Y.S. Park Snow Coach, 2-nights lodging (West Yellowstone), 4 meals, Grizzly/Wolf Discovery Center, and lots of time with Christian friends. \$515 per person (double rooms) or add \$204 for a single room. \$100 now will reserve your spot. Call Bill Crago at 248-3867 to see if seats are still available. They are almost filled!

## FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 872,853
Actual Church/School Income (7/1/17-12/17/17)	\$ 823,350
Actual Church/School Expenses (7/1-12/17/17)	\$ 741,486
A difference of :	\$ 81,864
Budgeted Offering Target (Through Nov. 2017)	\$ 350,468
Actual Offering (Through November 2017)	\$ 362,155
A difference of:	\$ 11,687
December Target Offering	\$ 141,304
Needed Per Week	\$ 28,261
Actual Offerings in December (3 of 5 weeks)	\$ 65,718
Expansion Offering (December 16 & 17, 2017)	\$ 2,071
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1–Dec. 17)	\$ 33,569

### **Last Week's Attendance – December 16 & 17, 2017**

Saturday's Worship Service	102
Sunday Worship Services	240
<b>Total Attendance Last Week</b>	<b>342</b>
Sunday School	47
Adult Bible Classes	70

### **Offering Counters for December 27<sup>th</sup>:**

Carol Corder, Sherrie Murray, Amy King & Cheryl Wagenman

### **Offering Counters for December 31<sup>st</sup>:**

Susan Loomans, Liz Clark & Roxy Klundt

### **Offering Counters for after the New Year's Eve**

**Service:** Sherrie Murray and Keith & Kathy Myers

**HOPE NOTES** - Thank you to everyone who picked up a *Hope Note* information sheet the last couple weekends. Our mission team has identified 80 individuals who they would like to give a special note of encouragement to when they visit Cross Lake in January. And we still have a few names left on the table in the narthex! Will you take a few minutes to write a note to one of these people? **We will need the Hope Notes turned in by Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>!**

### **Thank You!**

*To all the members who purchased Poinsettias to adorn our altar this Christmas Season!*

**Bill & Carol Pfau**

**Leo & Diana Wohler**

In memory of their parents

**Barbara Grandpre**

In Praise to God

**Jeff & Sherry Essmann**

In memory of Sherry's Dad, Gene Bernhardt

**Carl & Jan Solberg**

In memory of loved ones

**Linda Larson**

In memory of her husband, Jim

**Wayne & Connie Klundt**

In memory of their parents;  
Connie's sister, Georgia; and B.J.'s Dad, Kenny Shaw

**Tom & Marsha Runge**

In memory of Alma & Jack Runge and Byron Lane

**Helen Kembel**

In memory of her husband, Carl

**Rev. Herb Schiefelbein**

In memory of his wife, Fran, and his son,  
Rev. Dennis Schiefelbein

**Sylvia Schriefer**

In memory of her husband, Hank

**Tom & Sandra West**

In memory of their parents

**Sherrie Murray**

In memory of her parents, Adolph & Agnes Heimbeck

**Tim & Cindee Keller**

In memory of their parents - Everett & Eve Messing  
and Paul & Barbara Keller

**Rick & Patsy Friez**

In memory of their parents – Earl & Paula Friez  
and Art & LaVon Mees

**Arlen & Yvonne Kammerzell**

In memory of George & Clara Kammerzell

**Neal & Cheryl Wagenman**

In memory of Cheryl's Dad, Leroy Wiederrich

**Ed & Eloise Livingston**

**Bill & Charlotte Crago**

In memory of Rev. Ralph Temme

**Doug & Kris Miles**

In memory of Rev. Carl C. Reiter & Carl H. Reiter II

**Ken & Sandy Collier**

In memory of granddaughters,  
Megan & Madison Nygaard

**Rebecca Cedel**

In honor of Tom & Penny Cedel and  
David & Jacob Cedel

**Carol Corder**

In memory of her Mom and Gandma,  
Pamela & Selma Hassler

**Lucile Smelser**

In memory of her husband, Leland