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## **THIS WEEK AT TRINITY    December 8 & 9, 2018**

### *The Second Sunday of Advent*

- Sunday:        8 & 10:30am    Worship Services with Communion  
                  9:30am        Sunday School & Adult Bible Study  
                                  **Children meet in Sanctuary for Christmas Program Practice**  
                                  Fellowship Hall – Pastor Keinath
- Monday:        NOON        Ladies' Christmas Luncheon & Ornament Exchange  
                  *Pastors' Circuit Meeting – Our Savior Lutheran Church - Billings*  
                  5:30pm        Stewardship Meeting  
                  6:30pm        Evangelism Meeting  
                  7:00pm        Adult Class
- Tuesday:        9:00am        Quilting  
                  9:30am        Rock of Ages at Home - Christmas  
                  7:00pm        Ladies Small Group
- Wednesday:    8:30pm        Chapel at TLS  
                  5:00pm        Advent Dinner  
                  6:30pm        Sunday School Christmas Service  
                  7:15pm        FIRE Youth Group
- Thursday:        10:30am        Bible Study  
                  7:00pm        Choir Rehearsal
- Saturday:        1:00pm        Pickle Ball  
                  2:30pm        FLICKER Christmas Party  
                  5:00pm        Worship Service with Communion

**2019 Offering Envelopes** are ready for pickup down in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

### *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:***

Dale Andrews (Kathy Myers' brother), Tammie Byington (Randi Arave's mother), Jennifer Rose and children (Randi Arave's cousin), Katie Cardillo, Charles Duenow, Dena Provost & Delores DsChaak (Lucile Smelser's niece & sister), Ken Hale (Janine Liwosz's brother), Mike Hall, Karianna Jinguji, Kristin Kanzelberger (former student of Myrna Lastusky), Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers' granddaughter), Nannette (Leo and Diana Wohler's daughter), and Lori Smith (Ray & Bobette Smith's sister-in-law).

**CRADLE ROLL LAMBS** – Cradle Roll would like to invite everyone to please come up and see our lamb tree in the church narthex this Christmas season. If you see your child's lamb we ask that you please take it home. Have a blessed holiday season and a very Merry Christmas!

#### **SHARING A RIDE = SHARING JESUS!**

An elderly gentleman who attended Trinity School as a child would like to worship at Trinity, but he needs a ride. He would prefer to attend the 10:30am service and lives in the Heights (near Babcock and Wicks). If you can help with a ride (even occasionally) please contact the church office.

#### **NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR CALL PROCESS** -

A Call Committee has been formed to lead our process of calling a Music Director for Church and School. If you know of a synodically trained candidate, please forward the name to Roger Kesler, Chairman of the Call Committee.



## **FINANCES & FIRST-FRUIT'S' GIVING**

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$862,822
Actual Church/School Income (12/2/18)	\$763,481
Actual Church/School Expenses (12/2/18)	\$730,641
A difference of :	\$ 32,840
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Budgeted Offering Target (Through Nov. 2018)	\$364,327
Actual Offering (Through November 2018)	\$359,406
A difference of:	\$ -4,921
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Weekly Offering Goal	\$ 28,626
Actual Offerings in December (1 of 5 weeks)	\$ 15,985
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Expansion Offering (December 1 & 2, 2018)	\$ 5,557
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1, 2017–December 2, 2018)	\$259,234

### **Last Week's Attendance – December 1 & 2, 2018**

Saturday Worship Service	97
Sunday Worship Services	255
<b>Total Attendance Last Week</b>	<b>352</b>
Sunday School	30
Adult Bible Classes	93

#### **Offering Counters for December 9<sup>th</sup>:**

Susan Loomans, Cheryl Wagenman, and Liz Clark

#### **Offering Counters for December 16<sup>th</sup>:**

Ellen Gernant, Vivian Roberts, and Myrt White

**HELP US DECORATE THE ALTAR** for the Christmas season by ordering your poinsettias now! The cost is \$10 each, and order forms are available in the narthex. Please complete the order form, place in the envelope provided (along with cash or check **payable to Trinity**) and drop in the box that is also located in the narthex. Please note on the envelope if you are purchasing your poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone. This will be listed in the bulletin on Sunday, Dec. 23. We will accept orders through Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. You may pick up your poinsettias following Christmas Day worship service. *Thank you for helping us decorate the altar during this special season! **Trinity's Altar Guild***

**SHARING YOUR MEMORIES** - As you probably noticed there is a bulletin board in the fellowship hall celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. If you would like to share any memories you will find a basket of blank cards located by the board, please write your memory and put it in the basket and we will display them for others to enjoy.

**WRINKLED RIGHTEOUS** will not have a game day in December, but will resume our monthly game day on January 16. If you have questions or want to get on the mailing list, contact Tim Keller at 698-5615 or [Timshop1814@gmail.com](mailto:Timshop1814@gmail.com).

**NEVER BEEN TO ANTARCTICA?** Lisa Lombardy has! The Wrinkled Righteous Group welcomes Lisa to tell her story on Wed. Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1:00 in Trinity's Fellowship Hall. Lunch is provided @ \$5 per person. Confirm by Jan 4<sup>th</sup> to have your lunch ready. The talk and lunch is open to all. Call Bill Crago at home 248-3867 or cell 698-7777. You may text the cell also.

**MOSS MANSION CHRISTMAS TOUR** with the Wrinkled Righteous Senior Group. Meet at Trinity Church East parking lot at 2:30 PM Thurs. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. We will carpool together to the Mansion. The group will return, after the tour, to the parking lot between 4:15 and 4:30. Confirm your attendance by Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. \$20 cost. Call Bill Crago to confirm hm 248 3867 or cell 698 7777.

**USHERING HELP for Special Services at Christmas time:** Ushers have not been scheduled yet for the multiple services on Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Eve (2:00, 4:00, & 6:00 pm), the service on Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Day (10:00am) and Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Eve (6:30pm). We are asking all ushers to please consider signing up to help with one of these special services if possible. **A signup 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 Lay Ministers will not have to be trying to find ushers. Thank you for your help.

**THE 2019 FLOWER CHART** is up and ready. The cost of flowers will be the same as before \$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. Thank you from the Altar Guild.

**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. Be sure to mark the envelope plainly "*Staff Gift.*" Please have your gift in by December 17<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!

~Parish Planning Council & Board of Christian Ed.