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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY November 24 & 25, 2018

Last Sunday of the Church Year

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 Rinderknecht - Ephesians

Monday: 7:00pm Adult Class

Tuesday: 6:00am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Quilting

9:30am Rock of Ages at Home 7:00pm Ladies Small Group 7:00pm Lay Ministry Meeting

Family Night at west-end MacKenzie River Pizza

Wednesday: 8:30am Chapel at TLS

6:30pm FIRE Youth Group

Thursday: 10:30am Bible Study

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday: 1:00pm Pickle Ball

5:00pm Worship Service with Communion

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given in praise and glory to God by Francis & Betty Wheeler in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

Dale Andrews (Kathy Myers' brother), Katie Cardillo, Charles Duenow, Dena Provost & Delores D'Schaak (Lucile Smelser's niece & sister), Ken Hale (Janine Liwosz's brother), Mike Hall, Karianna Jinguji, Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers' baby granddaughter), Nannette (Leo and Diana Wohler's daughter), and Lori Smith (Ray & Bobette Smith's sister-in-law).

<u>CRADLE ROLL LAMBS</u> – 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!

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLETS are available in the church narthex. Pick one up if you have not already done so!

LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: Please mark your calendar for Sunday, December 9, and join us for the Annual Ladies Luncheon and Ornament Exchange after late service. We are asking that each attendee bring a salad, a wrapped ornament and an item for our Trinity food pantry. If you have questions, please call Pam Kercher at 259-1820. Hope to see you there.

NEEDS IN OUR MIDST: Trinity receives multiple requests for help every week, both from members and non-members. We have made a commitment to help anyone God brings into our midst. This means that we always share the Gospel, as this is their (and our) greatest need. After careful evaluation, we sometimes also help with a physical or emotional need as we are able. Our benevolent fund is used regularly to help meet these needs and blesses many, many people. If you would like to help, please make a donation, noting that it is for the "Benevolent Fund." Thank you!

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

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Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$787,794
Actual Church/School Income (11/18/18)	\$696,153
Actual Church/School Expenses (11/18/18)	\$639,616
A difference of :	\$ 56,537
Budgeted Offering Target (Through October 2018)	\$288,116
Actual Offering (Through October 2018)	\$294,247
A difference of:	\$ 6,131
Weekly Offering Goal	\$ 19,053
Actual Offerings in November (3 of 4 weeks)	\$ 50,504
Expansion Offering (November 17 & 18, 2018)	\$1,143
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1, 2017–November 18, 2018)	\$253.262

Last Week's Attendance – November 17 & 18, 2018

Saturday Worship Service	120
Sunday Worship Services	252
Total Attendance Last Week	372
Sunday School	29
Adult Bible Classes	79

Offering Counters for November 25th:

Carol Corder, Susan Loomans, and Cheryl Wagenman

Offering Counters for December 2nd:

Susan Loomans, Allie Hein. and Roxy Klundt

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING Sunday, December 2nd @ 1pm

We are looking for people who would help us decorate the church this Christmas! Christmas music, beverages, and laughter will all be a part of the fun. In about two hours we will have the place looking great! Please call the church office if you can help or indicate your willingness to help in the red *Record of Fellowship* book. Thank you!

HELP US DECORATE THE ALTAR for the Christmas season by ordering your poinsettias now! The cost of each poinsettia is \$10.00 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 on Sunday, December 23rd.) We will accept orders through December 16th. 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

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NIGHT: Enjoy eating at MacKenzie River Pizza Co. on the West End on Tuesday November 27th and Trinity Lutheran Church & School will receive 20% of your meal dollars. Pick up your voucher in the Narthex and be sure to present the voucher when settling your bill to ensure that we receive the contribution.

Moss Mansion Christmas Tour, with the Wrinkled Righteous Senior Group. Meet at Trinity Church East parking lot at 2:30 PM Thurs. Dec. 20th. 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. 12th. \$20 cost. Call Bill Crago to confirm hm 248 3867 or cell 698 7777.

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLETS are now available for pick up. The devotions, beginning the first Sunday in Advent (December 2nd), are from the Lutheran Hour Ministries. This year's theme is *The* The coming Savior's birth was Coming King. foretold by the prophets of old and later experienced by many who were on hand as He came into this world. Mary and Joseph, Zechariah and Elizabeth, Simeon, shepherds, wise men from the east, a legion of angels, and even King Herod – all play their parts in the Gospel narratives that speak of the Savior's incarnation. Explore the many ways their lives were touched as God became one of us, for each of us, in *The Coming King*. Check the basket in the narthex to get a copy of this special devotion booklet to guide you through this Advent season.

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 get him to church (even if it isn't every week) please let the church office know!