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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY November 30 & December 1, 2019

First Sunday in Advent

Sunday: Mite Box Sunday

8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services

9:30am Sunday School – Christmas Program Rehearsal & Adult Bible Classes

Monday: Noon P.A.R. at TYM (Also meets on Wednesday at Noon)

7:00pm Adult Class

Tuesday: 6:00am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Quilting

6:30pm Christian Ed., and Youth Board Meetings

7:00pm Worship Team 2 practice 8:00pm Worship Team 1 practice

Wednesday: 1:00pm Visitation and Kitchen Guild Meetings

2:15pm Chapel at TLS 5:00pm Advent Dinner 6:30pm Advent Worship 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

FIRE Youth Group

Thursday: 10:30am Bible Study

6:00pm Worship Teams 3 & 4 practice

6:30pm Early Childhood Program and Band & Bells Concert at TLS

Saturday: 1:00pm Pickle Ball at TLS

5:00pm Worship Service with Communion

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services with Communion

9:30am Sunday School – Christmas Program Rehearsal & Adult Bible Classes

2-4:30pm FLAME Youth Group

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given in praise & glory to God by Sharon Senn in memory of her sister and family who have passed away.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

Bill Agnew (Beth Heiliger's brother), Sharla Arend (Jenn Boll and Janna Arend's mother), Laurie Bauer (Wayne Bauer's wife and Dennis Bauer & Arnold Schultz's sister-in-law), Nicholas Beacon (Tom & Marsha Runge's grandson), Steve Bracewell (a good friend of Chris Kazarian), JR Bruhn (Deb White's brother), Mark Dolar, Skip & Eleanor Griffith (Linda Flechsig's uncle & aunt) Ken Hale (Janine Liwosz's brother), Rachel Hamilton, Phil Hartman (Connie Dunning's brother), Brittany Hatzell, Todd Hertz, Louis Hooper (Cyndi Johnson's uncle), Peter Janiec (June Kazarian's son), Karianna Jinguji, Ted & Irene Kinsell (and Sue Fachini who is their care-giver), Darrel Kobelt, Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers'

granddaughter), Jahzarra Scheafer (daughter of Jennifer & granddaughter of Clayton & Sheryl), Lori Smith (Ray & Bobette Smith's sister-in-law), Sam Sparr, Amy Walter (Doug Miles' mother), and Kevin Wirth (a friend of Lindsey Carter).

LWML

Quarterlies are available on

the table in the

Fellowship Hall.

LWML GIVING TUESDAY - LWML is reaching out to others with the saving Word of Jesus. The Tuesday after Thanksgiving, Giving Tuesday, December 3rd you may donate to the 2019-2021 LWML Mission Grants. Thanks to two generous donors, your donation will be doubled on that day! You can donate using LWML Facebook, lwml.org/givingtuesday or send your contribution to LWML, 801 Seminary Place, Suite L 010, St. Louis, MO 63105. Note "Giving Tuesday" with your contribution.

<u>LWML Gifts of Love Service and Buffet</u> - You are invited to the annual LWML Gifts of Love Service and Buffet on Sunday, December 8th at 4:00pm at Mount Olive Lutheran Church A finger food buffet will be held in the Fellowship Hall after the service. Please come and bring a friend!

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 809,334
Actual Church/School Income (11/24/19)	\$ 799,977
Actual Church/School Expenses (11/24/19)	\$ 745,632
A difference of:	\$ 54,345
Budgeted Offering Target (Through Oct. 2019)	\$ 305,593
Actual Offering (Through Oct. 2019)	\$ 275,740
A difference of:	\$ -29,853
Weekly Offering Goal - November	\$ 19,688
Actual Offerings in November (4 of 4 weeks)	\$ 69,610
Phase 1 Completion Drive Gifts & Pledges	\$ 150,000
Balance to Pay off Phase 1 Project (\$325K goal)	\$ 175,000

Last Week's Attendance - November 23 & 24, 2019

Saturday Worship Service	112
Sunday Worship Services	266
Total Attendance Last Week	378
Sunday School	47
Adult Bible Class	96

Offering Counters for December 1st:

Ellen Gernant, Vivian Roberts, and Barbara Nies

Offering Counters for December 8th:

Carol Corder, Roxy Klundt, and Liz Clark

<u>USHERING HELP FOR SPECIAL SERVICES</u> AT CHRISTMAS TIME:

For the multiple services on Tuesday December 24, Christmas Eve (2:00, 4:00, & 6:00 pm), the services on Wednesday December 25, Christmas Day (10:00 am), and Tuesday December 31, New Year's Eve (6:30 pm) ushers have not been scheduled yet. 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 in getting these services covered.

HELP DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS!

This Sunday, December 1st @ 1pm

Will you help us decorate the church for Christmas? Music, beverages, and laughter will all be a part of the fun. In less than two hours we will have the place looking great! Thank you!

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 18th 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.

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 the weekend of December 21 & 22nd.) We will accept orders through December 15th. 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

ADVENT DINNERS - Advent is right around the corner and as in the past we will be having Soup Suppers on December 4, 11 and 18. LWML will be doing the 4th and the youth will be doing the 11th. We are in need of one of our groups here at Trinity to do the 18th. Please call Pam Kercher to let her know that you are willing to do this date. Thank you.

BABY SHOWER: You are invited to a baby shower for Rebecca Harding on January 11th from 1:30-4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a book in place of a card. Text the book title to Skyler at (402) 364-3385 to ensure no repeats. Everyone is welcome! RSVP at:

https://beccaboo890.wixsite.com/hardingbabyshower

<u>Daycare Worker Needed:</u> Wow! We are blessed! The daycare numbers at Trinity Lutheran Early Childhood program have exploded! God's blessings of students being brought to this ministry have been in abundance. We are so grateful, but it means that we are in need of a worker. We are looking for someone who is 16 years or older, loves children, and is willing to work flexible hours between 7:45 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. If you are that person, or know of someone who matches that description, please contact Sara Reintsma at 671-0651 or the school office.