



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Trinity Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, (Thursday, if needed) 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Fourth Sunday in Advent ~ December 18, 2022

CALENDAR for December 18th ~ December 25th

SUN. 18 *The Fourth Sunday in Advent*

Commemoration of Adam and Eve

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Bible Class

10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Special Voter's Meeting

11:00 a.m. Divine Service

3:00 p.m. Misa en Español

MON. 19 *Commemoration of Katharina von Bora*

Luther

8:30 a.m. Matins

4:30 p.m. Private Confession

TUES. 20

8:30 a.m. Matins

9:15 a.m. OMT Reading Group Discussion, Prayer, Lunch

WED. 21

8:30a.m. Matins

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Divine Service

6:00 p.m. Private Confession

7:00 p.m. Midweek Advent Service

THU. 22

8:30 a.m. Matins

FRI. 23

8:30 a.m. Matins

SAT. 24

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Lessons and Carols

11:00 p.m. Midnight Mass

SUN. 25

The Nativity of Our Lord ~ Christmas

10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Divine Service

1:00 p.m. Misa en Español

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS begins at 9:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, downstairs.

MATINS: Join us Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m. around our Lord's word, prayers for the Church, and the singing of beautiful hymnody.

MATINS, BIBLE CLASS AND DIVINE SERVICE: Join us on Wednesdays as we gather for Matins at 8:30 a.m., Bible Class at 9:30 a.m., and the Divine Service at 11 a.m.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is offered on Mondays at 4:30p.m., as well as Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. during Advent.

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER: Daily prayer & devotion is vital. The half-page insert is for daily use in the home.

ORATIO MEDITATIO TENTATIO: Our theological reading group meets again Tuesday December 20th, with a new schedule: **8:30a.m. Matins; 9:15a.m. Reading Discussion; 11:15a.m. Prayer; 11:30a.m. lunch.** We will discuss: Anthony Solen's *In the Beginning Was the Word*, Angelico Press.

HALL OF MEN meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 7:30pm at the Ladder (next to Eighth Day Books).

SISTERS OF SOPHIA meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Ladder.

EIGHTH DAY INSTITUTE (EDI) is an ecumenical group of

Christians seeking unity pursuing the things that separate us, in a dialogue of love. Visit www.eighthdayinstitute.org.

YOUTH CATECHESIS will not meet during the month of December. It will resume January 4, 2023.

GIFT FOR TRINITY STAFF: If you would like to donate to a gift fund for our Trinity staff members, please use the envelopes and basket in the Narthex. Thank you!

OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Narthex. Many envelope numbers have changed so just look for your name, not your previous number **AND several families have been added recently!!** Please let the office know if you don't find your name and I will add your box to the table. Thank you!!

SPECIAL VOTER'S MEETING TODAY !!!

We will hold a Special Voter's Meeting at 10:15 am. The meeting will last 30 minutes. There will be two items to be voted on:

- 1) New Service time and Bible Study time on Sundays
 - 2) Add an Elder to the Board of Elders
- Plan to attend this important meeting.

ATTENDANCE PADS: We are once again using the pew attendance pads, found at the end of each pew, nearest the center aisle. Prior to the service, please sign the pads listing

your attendance and participation in communion. We will once again record this information in our database for reporting to the district office.

CONCORDIA ACADEMY: As we come to the end of 2022, Concordia Academy would like to thank all our supporters for their prayers and gifts, which enabled our high school to have a very successful start. Please continue to spread the word about Concordia Academy, including our open house on February 4th, 2023 from 10:00-12:00.

Office phone is 316-202-8989

Email us CAW_info@concordiaacademywichita.org

Find us on the web at ConcordiaAcademyWichita.org

CHURCH POSITIONS OPEN: Dear Saints, **YOUR** help is really needed at Trinity. Please prayerfully consider offering a bit of your time to volunteer for one of the following positions. Call the office to volunteer, 316-685-1571

Board of Trustees:

Administer and supervise maintenance of all property belonging to the congregation; to make contracts; accept and receive grants and bequests; appear in court; in short, to transact all the business of the congregation assigned to them by the Voters Assembly. This does not include signing legal documents for the congregation.

Board of Evangelism:

Greeting visitors at worship services; Accomplish canvasses as needed; Call on visitors who attend church and on new people in town; Assist in maintaining an active prospect file; Be active in responding to the emergency needs of those in the church community; Study the best Evangelism literature available and use every means to promote a strong evangelism program consciousness in the congregation; Inform the congregation of the evangelism program of the Synod.

Hospitality Committee

We are looking for people to join the hospitality committee. One of the focuses of the hospitality committee is coordinating meals throughout the year. An example is helping with the meal for Voter's Meeting in a couple of weeks.

ARE YOU A DILLONS OR AMAZON SHOPPER?

Designate Trinity as your Dillons rewards charity online using the code QG377. Go through your Amazon account to designate Trinity as your Amazon Smiles charity.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

Our Sister Church: The India Evangelical Lutheran Church

Missionaries: Rev. Daniel & Kathryn Conrad

Pastors: Rev. Aaron Filipek and Rev. Daniel Metzger

Circuit Visitor: Rev. Mark Lovett

District President: Rev. Justin Panzer

Synod President: Rev. Matthew Harrison

Baptismal Anniversaries: Becky Morse

Training/Deployed in Armed forces: Caleb Bartel, Dawson

Bromlow, Keaton Wellner, Jessika Myers

Our Schools: Concordia Academy, Euraquilo Christian

Academy (VanSant Homeschool), St. Martin Chemnitz

Classical Lutheran Academy (Filipek Homeschool)

Comfort, Health, and Recovery: Herbert Trier (*Nancy Metzger's Father*), The Smith Family (*grieving the death of Scott's Mom, Pat Smith*), Cindy Rietcheck, Les Howard, Alan Bacon, Jonas Shultz (*Grandson of Minda Shultz*), Bill Brooks (*Stepfather of Matthew Flint*), Matthew Hastings, Margaret Young, Kirsten Latimer (*Granddaughter of Stan and Janet Kenny*) Tom Kleber, (*friend of the Norris'*) Diane Christ (*Pr. Christ's daughter*), Patsy (*LaVelle Haefner's cousin*), Fran (*LaVelle Haefner's brother*), Julia Lessman (*granddaughter of the Lessmans*), Justin Montgomery (*friend of the Lessmans*), Kathy Patron, Tony (*Kathy Patron's father*), Gary (*brother of Angie Patterson*)

Birthdays: Caleb Filipek, Alan Bacon III, Kelsey Wellner, Michael Unruh

Wedding Anniversaries: Matthew and Karissa Flint, Cory and Veronica Laflin, John and Cynthia Hutter

Shut-ins: Amy Fox, Gil & Judy Holstein, Florence Lavery, Ginger Manchesian, Judy Rollins, Louise Smith, Mary Jane Zumalt

Those Serving at Trinity today...

Greeters: The Smiths

Ushers: Derrell Pressnell

Altar Guild: Sheryl Anderson

Counters: The Schneiders

Elder: Kendall Patterson

READINGS for next week

~ Christmas Eve ~

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-14

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-16

GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18-25

~ The Nativity of Our Lord ~

FIRST READING: Exodus 40:17-21

SECOND READING: Titus 3:4-7

GOSPEL: John 1:1-14, 15-18

Reminder...

- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Lessons and Carols 7p
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Divine Service, 11p
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day Divine Service, 10a

Looking Ahead...

- Dec. 31 Eve of the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus, (New Year's Eve Service), 5:30 p