



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Trinity Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, (Thursday, if needed) 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

First Sunday in Advent ~ December 3rd, 2023

CALENDAR December 3rd ~10th, 2023

SUN. 3

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

10:30 a.m. Bible Class (*The Gospel of John*)

1:30 p.m. Misa en Español

MON. 4 *Commemoration of John of Damascus, Theologian and Hymnwriter*

8:30 a.m. Matins

TUES. 5

No Matins ~ Pastor at circuit meeting in Pratt, KS

5:00 p.m. Lord's Diner (on Hillside) volunteer opportunity

WED. 6 *Commemoration of Nicholas of Myra, Pastor*

8:30 a.m. Matins

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Divine Service

5:15 p.m. Advent meal

5:30 p.m. Private confession

6:00 p.m. Choir practice

7:00 p.m. Advent Vespers

THU. 7 *Commemoration of Milan, Pastor and Hymnwriter*

8:30 a.m. Matins

4:30 p.m. Private Confession

7:00 p.m. Trustees' meeting

FRI. 8

8:30 a.m. Matins

SAT. 9

10:00 a.m. Advent Brunch

2:00 p.m. Baby Shower for Sophie Arndt

SUN. 10

9:00 a.m. Divine Service

10:30 a.m. Bible Class (*The Gospel of John*)

1:30 p.m. Misa en Español

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS begins at 10:30 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 11am.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is offered on **Thursdays at 4:30p.m.**

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 next on **December 19, as follows: 8:30a.m. Matins; 9:15a.m. Reading Discussion; 11:15a.m. Prayer; 11:30a.m. lunch.** We will discuss *Honoring the Son: Jesus in Earliest Christian Devotional Practice*. Lexham Press, 2018.

HOMEMADE FOOD TO SHARE: There is a shelf in the fridge (now located downstairs in Fellowship Hall, where the pop machine was) with individual bags and containers

of homemade food. ANY member who would like a home cooked item or wants to share with someone who could use it, they are free to take. Feel free to take whenever needed or contact the office for more information.

GIFT FOR TRINITY STAFF: The Board of Elders invite you to give a gift for our Trinity staff members. Please use the envelopes and basket in the Narthex. Thank you from the Board of Elders.

MEALS NEEDED! Amy Haist is recovering from a broken wrist. A meal train has been set up for her using SignUp Genius. The link is below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ADAF2EA4FDC43-46449547-meals>

If you would like to sign up for a date, but don't want to use the app, email the Trinity office directly with the date you would like to bring a 1 serving meal to Amy. This meal train is from December 1st through the 12th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The first Tuesday of every month from 5 to 7:30 p.m. is when several members of Trinity volunteer at the Lord's Diner. To sign up, please contact Vicki Bessey at (316) 641-7863. If you'd like to carpool, call the church office (316) 685-1571.

RIFLE RAFFLE The Concordia Academy Phoenix Shooting Team is raffling off a Howa M1500 Kryptek Typhon 6.5CR Rifle to raise money for their trap team. Tickets are \$10 apiece and can be purchased by calling Concordia Academy at 316-202-8989. Don't delay! Ticket sales end December 13th! Winner will be drawn on Friday, December 15!

FAITH AT WORK is a district wide local community service event to kick off on April 7, 2024. Keith Buhr has volunteered as the interim crew leader until another congregant volunteers to take over. He is requesting volunteers to form the planning team. Anyone interested can meet with him after service or email kkbphd@gmail.com. We already have some starter ideas to choose from, and new ideas are welcome.

ADVENT MEALS will be held December 6, 13, and 20 from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. Please consider signing up to bring food to share. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

YOUTH CATECHESIS will not meet during the month of December. It will resume January 3, 2024.

ADVENT BRUNCH All ladies are invited to a brunch December 9 from 10 a.m. to noon. Please sign up in the narthex for decorating a table or bringing food to share.

BABY SHOWER Please come celebrate with Sophie Arndt December 9 at 2 p.m. The baby shower will be in the Fellowship Hall of Trinity. She is registered on Amazon.

CAROLING Members of Trinity will meet December 21 at 6 p.m. for singing. Afterwards, we'll go back to church for cider, hot cocoa, and snacks. If you'd rather not sing, but want to join in the fellowship downstairs, that's fine too! Everyone is welcome!

CHOIR FOR ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, EPIPHANY Trinity Choir will be practicing on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. downstairs starting December 6.

SACRED MUSIC FOR THE ADVENT SEASON... "Savior of the Nations, Come," "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry," "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending," "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." You can listen to sacred music for the Advent season 24/7 at lutheranpublicradio.org, TuneIn, Amazon Echo, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

DONATE ONLINE! PayPal is set up for donations on our website. Questions? See Sheryl or Dick.

Trinity Financial Status			
Through October 2023			
	Actual	Budgeted	Variance
Contributions	\$ 216,298	\$ 233,708	\$ (17,410)
Expenditures	\$(229,226)	\$(233,708)	\$ 4,482
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (12,928)	\$ 0	\$ (12,928)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

Our Sister Church: Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELK) -Germany

Missionaries: Rev. Daniel & Kathryn Conrad and Rev. Dr. Quintin & Lindsay Cundiff

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: Magdalena Fahrenthold and Ella Filipek

Training/Deployed in Our Armed Forces: Caleb Bartel, Dawson Bromlow, Keaton Wellner, Tori Myers, Jessica Myers

Our Schools: Concordia Academy, Euraquilo Christian Academy (VanSant Homeschool), St. Martin Chemnitz Classical Lutheran Academy (Filipek Homeschool), Luther Classical College, Concordia University St. Paul, CSL and CTSFW (LCMS seminaries)

Prayer Petitions: Amy Haist, (*health concerns*), Ross Hollander, (*Blake's father, health concerns*), Ron Balke, (*health concerns*), Vicki Lessman, (*health concerns*), Mark Herbert, (*Allen's father health concerns*), Dave Gird, (*Roxann's husband w/ health concerns*), Mary Kay Larson, (*friend of the Metzgers w/ health concerns*), Kyle Menke, (*Pr. Metzger's relative battling leukemia*), Gayla Taylor, (*Wife of Joel Taylor*), Evie Meyers, (*Miriam Nickel's Daughter*), Matthew Hastings, Julia Lessman, (*granddaughter of the Lessmans*), Justin Montgomery, (*friend of the Lessmans*), Gary, (*brother of Angie Patterson*)

Mothers with Child: Sophie Arndt, Anna Solomon, and Jena Reyes

Birthdays: Sheila Rooker, Mary Hubbard, Erin Stone, Lillyen Fortine, and Andrew Fortine

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

Those Serving at Trinity in December...

Greeters: The Smiths

Ushers: Derrel Pressnell

Counters: The Schneiders

Acolyte: Caleb Filipek

Altar Guild: Sheryl Anderson

Organist: Hannah Magill

Elder: Keith Buhr

Crucifer: Andrew Filipek

READINGS for next week

~Second Sunday in Advent~

OLD TESTAMENT: Malachi 4:1-6

EPISTLE: Romans 15:4-13

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

Looking Ahead...

- December 11 Church council 6:30p
- December 19 OMT 9:15a
- December 19 Security committee 7p
- December 21 Caroling 6p