

# Trinity's Weekly Connection

## Today at Trinity: Sunday, January 5, 2020

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**Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

High School Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.

Tutoring, 10:30 a.m.

Lutheran World Relief Quilting, noon

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, noon

High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Worship Notes

**Welcome!** We're pleased you joined us in worship today. First-time visitors, long-time members — all are welcome!

**Are You Visiting Today?** Help us welcome you by introducing yourself to one of our pastors. Please also consider filling out a Trinity "Let's Connect" card that you can place in the offering plate or hand to an usher or pastor.

**Communion:** All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. Cups on the inner ring of the trays are filled with white grape juice; cups on the outer rings are filled with red wine. Gluten-free wafers are available in the narthex, and at the Welcome Center in The Courtyard. Those who wish to receive by the common cup are invited to receive the sacrament from the assisting minister offering the chalice on the right side of the congregation's seating.

**Nametags Help Us Connect:** Please fill out a nametag today. It is good to be together in worship!

## Members in Our Prayers

We pray for Trinity members Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Emily Ashby, Dale Barkema and family, George Bauer and family, Krysta Billock, Fran Bolthuis, Amy Bonjour, Dixie Brinks, Kate Christenson, Captain Karl Crist, Jack Danielson, Samantha DeBoer, John Derbin, John Dicky, Lois Engel, Beth Engstrom, Ruth Ann Evans, Phyllis Gehl, Pam Gunderson, Mark Hahn, Joan Hansen, Bob Heine, Callan Hughes, Susan Knoll, Susan Kwast, Logan Landon, Larson family, Marilyn Leese, Bob & Cathy Luders, Gail Mazurek, Carolyn McCready, Marilyn Mellema, Johnny Mlelock, Jim Miller and Family, Caylyn Moglia, Pastor Karen Niemeyer, Roger Perham, Mae Preston and family, Jacqueline Riegling, Thiago Saliba, Chas Schaner, Joyce Schlanderer, Chris Schomberg, Schuen Family, Ilene Seadal, Karen Selle, Esther Sellman, Jim Searfoss, Michael Smith, David Smoes, Lauren Sytsma, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Ronnie VanderVen, John Walls, Peyton Wollen, David and Kathy Young, Susan Youngren, Kay Zeaman and Kathryn Zielinski.

We also lift up in prayer this morning the pastor and people of Redeemer Church in Lansing, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

## Lessons for Next Sunday, January 12

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 29  
Matthew 3:13-17

## This Week's Calendar Highlights

### Monday, January 6

Fitness Class (Functional Movement), 10 a.m.

Forum Prayer Group, 10 a.m.

Property Committee Meeting, 6 p.m.

Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Oasis Board Meeting, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, January 7

Executive Committee, 7:15 a.m.

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

TLC Quilters, 10 a.m.

Children's Wing Master Planning, 10 a.m.

Fitness Class (Yoga), 11 a.m.

SOLO Together Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.

### Wednesday, January 8

Fitness Class (Tai Chi), 9 a.m.

Pastor Bob's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

Communications Committee, 5:30 p.m.

Pastor Bob's Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Family Committee, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, January 9

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

NARFE, 1:30 p.m.

Vegan Potluck, 5:45 p.m.

Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.

Endowment Fund Committee, 6 p.m.

Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, January 10

Women's Book Club, 9:30 a.m.

### Saturday, January 11

Fitness Class (Tai Chi), 8:30 a.m.

Fitness Class (Yoga), 9:30 a.m.

Second Saturday Supper and a Show, 5 p.m.

### Sunday, January 12

**Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Tutoring, 10:30 a.m.

Mission Trip Participant Meeting, noon

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, noon

Stephen Ministry Peer Support Group, 12:30 p.m.

Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.

Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

Forum Prayer Group, 4:30 p.m.

Refugee Crisis Supper and Forum, 5 p.m.

High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Family Prayer Gatherings

Everyone is invited to join us on Sunday, January 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. for a Family Prayer Gathering. We will talk about prayer, pray in a variety of ways, and give you tools for your prayer life. Join us in praying in new and old ways!

## Heat Up Your Winter Blues with a Hawaiian Luau in January!

Dig out your Hawaiian shirts, grass skirts, Panama Jack shorts, straw hats and bring your "Ohana!!!" Join us on Saturday, January 11, for a "Second Saturday Supper and Show" (S4). We will be showing "Lava" and "Lilo & Stitch." A Hawaiian themed supper will be served. Please RSVP by Sunday, January 5 — contact Family Activity Coordinator James Morin or Director of Congregational Life Angela Davis for more information.

## Refugee Crisis Supper Forum on Sunday, January 12

Sunday evening Supper Forums continue at Trinity as we come together around the topic of "The Refugee Crisis." Supper will be provided and Pastor Linstrom will facilitate the study as we look beyond the headlines and examine what a faith-filled response to the refugee crisis might look like. The remaining Supper Forums will take place on Sunday evenings, January 12 and February 9 beginning at 5 p.m. Sign up using the link in Friday eBlasts to attend the next event.

## Sunday School Winter Kick-off next Sunday, January 12

Kids are welcomed back to Sunday School with a hot chocolate bar after class in the Commons on Sunday, January 12. Sunday School is offered weekly at 9:30 a.m. for all children from 3 years through grade 5. Join anytime throughout the Sunday School year!

## "Young & Sleepless" Parents' Night Out on January 18

Parents will meet at the Great Escape Room on Saturday, January 18 at 4:30 p.m. for an evening out. The cost of the escape room will be approximately \$30 per person. Contact Anne Meeuwse at 517.896.8018 for more information.

## All-Congregation Potluck and Annual Meeting January 19

Each year on the third Sunday of January, the people of Trinity Lutheran Church gather to share an All-Congregation Potluck Luncheon and attend the Annual Meeting of the Congregation. First, we meet in The Courtyard to share a delicious meal immediately following the conclusion of the 10:45 a.m. worship service. The Annual Meeting follows our shared meal.

Copies of the 2019 Annual Report will be available at Trinity beginning on Sunday, January 12. Mark your calendar and plan now to be with us for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, January 19! This is an important gathering of the people of Trinity — all voting members are urged to be present.

For the potluck, see the sign up link in our Friday eBlast or call the church office at 616.949.2510.

## "Life Begins at 60" — Let's do Chinese in January!

Please join us on Thursday, January 23, when we will all gather at 6 p.m. at the First Wok Chinese restaurant, 6740 Old 28th Street in Cascade. We'll be dining in a small banquet room with room for the first thirty-five people. If you are 60 years or older, come and enjoy the evening with us. To make your reservation, contact hosts Marybeth and Joe Iaria at [surfin@charter.net](mailto:surfin@charter.net) or 530.209.0436.

## Kids Coalition Against Hunger Donations Needed

Please keep in mind our annual appeal to help end world hunger one meal at a time! This year's goal is to raise \$7,000 and pack more than 25,000 meals! Mark your calendars for the meal-packing event on Sunday, January 26 after worship. And give generously — envelopes are available at the Welcome Center and in the narthex.

## Worship Participants

### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Robert Linstrom, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Dan Schewe, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Karen Niemeyer, Assisting Pastor

### **Music Staff**

Larry Biser, Organist & Director of Bell Choirs  
Sid Hoeksema, Director of Trinity Choir  
Deb DeWitt, Trinity Choir Accompanist  
Kim Owens, Rejoice Music Coordinator  
Nick Hopkins, Rejoice Keyboardist

### **Traditional Services**

#### **Acolytes**

8 a.m.: Isaac Stephan  
10:45 a.m.: Abbie Glass, Abigail Lamprich

#### **Cantor:**

10:45 a.m.: Brad Blair

**Bread Baker:** Kris Fox, Dawn Brackmann

#### **Sacristans**

8 a.m.: Jim & Sue Coates  
10:45 a.m.: Jan Jacobson, Nancy Mattson

#### **Communion Assistants**

8 a.m.: Gloria Von der Heide, Dale Barkema  
10:45 a.m.: Joyce Schenk, Chris Kutschinski

#### **Lectors**

8 a.m.: Dale Barkema  
10:45 a.m.: Alexander Hahn

#### **Greeters**

8 a.m.: Bill & Meri Leidel  
10:45 a.m.: Kate Bredwell

#### **Ushers**

8 a.m.: Dave Wait, John Potter  
10:45 a.m.: Scott Stoll, Brad Kessel,  
Tim & Katrina Lundgren

### **Rejoice Service at 9:15 a.m.**

**Band:** Beyond Belief

**Sound Board Operator:** Brooks Alder

**ProPresenter Operator:** Greg Lang

**Bread Baker:** Kris Fox, Dawn Brackmann

#### **Acolytes**

Peter Larson, Jack Bishop

#### **Sacristans**

Kristen & Abi Lamprich, Steve Stephan

#### **Communion Assistants**

Grace Lanning, Kathryn Larson

#### **Lector**

Sarah Kuntzman

#### **Greeters**

Grace Lanning, Allison Landon

#### **Ushers**

Carrie & Dave Boer

### **For the Record:**

Thank you for supporting Trinity's ministry.  
The total offering for Sunday, December 29 was \$14,784. Sunday worship attendance was 333.

YTD through 12/29/2019 Budgeted	\$1,071,057
YTD through 12/29/2019 Actual	\$1,006,401
YTD Variance	\$ (64,656)
YTD % Variance	-6.0%