

January 4, 2026

## The Trinity Times Weekly Announcements



#### JANUARY STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

"Committing our Work and Year to the Lord"

Looking ahead to a New Year, what shall we aspire to? No matter how seemingly meager or grand our aspirations, the truth is our accomplishments (in human terms) in the year ahead will be but a footnote in human history. We are, after all, just a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes (James 4:14).

In light of this, do we adopt a fatalistic view? Is our life and our work meaningless? No! God tells us how we are to view our lives and our work:

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. - Colossians 3:23-24

A mist though our lives may be, we are to live this life to the Glory of God. When we work, when we study in school, when we parent, when we live life in retirement, we are serving the Lord.

Lest we believe that we have nothing to contribute (too young, too old, not eloquent of speech), remember that we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10).

The New Year that is about to begin is a Gift from the Lord. Whatever our lot in life, as long as we have breath in our lungs, we are to work with all our heart as working for the Lord.

"The Christian shoemaker does his duty not by putting little crosses on the shoes, but by making good shoes, because God is interested in good craftsmanship." — Martin Luther

#### **Stewardship Corner**

Luke 2:49 – "And he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" What a privilege the Lord has given to us by calling us to come to His house! It is not a burden but rather an honor and a blessing for us to always be able to come to a place where we know God is present for us in His gifts of Word and Sacrament. Likewise, the Lord has honored us by allowing us to support the work of His house with our tithes and offerings.



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### Sunday, January 18th at 10:45am Quarterly Voters' Assembly

There will be no Adult Bible Studies after Worship Service.



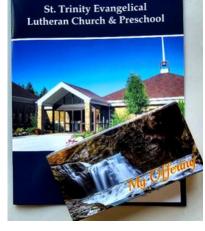
#### **HOME BIBLE STUDY**

TOPIC: THE LIFE OF CHRIST



This is a 13-week bible study, meeting on the 3rd Friday of each month at 7:00pm, & will take place at various volunteer hosts' residences. The next study will take place on January 16th. We are reaching out for anyone whom would like to host?

Please contact Judy Orler or Pam Boadway.



### PICK UP YOUR PHOTO DIRECTORY TODAY ~ LOCATED BY THE WINDOWS IN THE FLC HALLWAY.

Each household whom had their photo taken as well as new members each receive a copy of the new Directory.

Directories are labeled with your name on the table in alphabetical order.

\* ALL 2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE ALSO LOCATED HERE \*



#### **Donuts & Bagel Pick-up**

**2026 Volunteers needed** to pick up donuts and bagels on Sunday mornings. Please contact Lynnette Cardinal for more information.

#### JOY GROUP w/ Potluck Lunch



January 15th, 2026 @ 11:30am
Potluck lunch will begin
promptly at Noon

Hosted by: Connie Irish
Topic: Information about Essential Oils

All Are Welcome!



We, the staff of St. Trinity, want to express our heartfelt gratitude to you. You are a constant reminder of how God uses people to be a blessing. We are truly thankful for your many wishes, prayers, and gifts to us during the Christmas holidays.

It is a privilege to serve our Lord and each of you. May God continue to bless you richly as you continue to be a great blessing to us.

In His Service and Yours,

Pastor Paul Undlin, Pastor Mike DeVries, Mandi Ressler, Gretchen Goolsby, Mary Stempien, Pam Boadway, Debbie Jackson & Pam Hughes



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#### FEBRUARY JOY GROUP OUTING February 19th, 2026

The JOY Group is going on a field trip to Chelsea, Michigan for a 3 o'clock matinee at the Purple Rose Theatre. The featured play is "The Classic King" directed by Jeff Daniels. Attendees must call the Box Office to purchase tickets at (734) 443-7673. Everyone going is expected to book their own tickets and make their own travel arrangements. However, there is a sign-up sheet on our bulletin board in the FLC hallway. Annette would appreciate knowing who is going and with whom they are traveling. Also, on the JOY Group Board is more information about Chelsea as well as the Purple Rose Theatre. Do not hesitate to call Annette if there are any questions - (248) 600-3358 ALL ARE WELCOME ~ THE MORE THE MERRIER!

#### ST. PAUL PANTRY NEEDS

St. Trinity is always collecting food for our pantry that is delivered to St. Paul, Pontiac. In these times of uncertainty, St. Paul is looking for additional donations of the following foods:

#### Food Pantry needs include:

Cereal / protein bars / peanut butter Shelf-stable milk / dried milk spaghetti sauce, dried pasta noodles mac & cheese / canned pasta dinners Tuna, canned chicken, or any canned meat protein beans / dry rice / Raman noodles canned soups / dried potatoes canned vegetables (starchy & non-starchy) canned or dried fruit cooking oil, salt/pepper

#### For large family supplement bags:

large cans of canned meat
Large box/canister of dried milk
large family dried soups
large family sized baked beans
large family sized spaghetti sauce
large family sized pasta/spaghetti noodles
large cans of fruits & veggies
Family-sized shampoo and conditioner
Laundry / dishwashing detergents

\*Please be mindful of all item expiration dates.\*

Please bring donations to the old coat room of the narthex, right next to the church main doors. Every item is appreciated and no donation is too small to make a difference.

	SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES	
8:30-9:15am	OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY All are welcome, in the Family Life Classroom.	
10:45-11:45am	CHILDRENS SUNDAY SCHOOL Ages 3-years to 5th grade. In the Fellowship Hall	
10:45-11:45am	LIVING GOD'S WORD VIDEO BIBLE STUDY This study gathers in the L-Room.	
10:45-11:45am	GOSPEL OF JOHN BIBLE STUDY All are welcome. in Family Life classrooms.	



#### **Weekday Bible Study Opportunities**

- Men's Bible Study 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am.
- ♦ Women's Bible Study 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30am.
- ♦ Home Bible Study 3rd Friday of the month at 7:00pm, host varies.
- A list of weekday Bible Study opportunities at sister LCMS churches is available at the Information Center. Churches include: Good Shepherd in Lake Orion, Journey in Oxford, and Crown of Life in Rochester.



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#### **Sunday Ministry Assistants**

Audio Schedule				
Jan. 4	J. Yaeger			
Jan. 11	F. Irish			
Jan. 18	J. Yaeger			
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# Video Schedule Jan. 4 J. Schorsch Jan. 11 R. Karstensen Jan. 18 J. Ashley Jan. 25 J. Schorsch

## Greeters January 4 Dave & C.J. Hahn January 11 Rich & Carol Trudelle

Coffee Schedule				
January	Nancy Campbell C/M Schwartz			
February				

**Donuts / Bagels** 

January

**February** 

R/C Trudelle

T.B.D.

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Lay Readers					
Jan. 4	Melissa Ehlke				
Jan. 11	Don Dees				
Jan. 18	Barbie Weingust				
Jan. 25	Steve Pflieger				

Road Sign January

Counters		
January 4		
Elaine Schultz		
Jason/Julie Schultz		
Michele Weingust		
January 11		
Demonaco		

**David Thompson** 

**February** 

Fred Hohnstadt

Elder on Duty				
Jan 4	<b>Aaron Meyer</b>			
Jan 7	Dave Hahn			
Jan 11	<b>Bob Altman</b>			
Jan 14	<b>Dan Cardinal</b>			
Jan 18	<b>Rich Trudelle</b>			
Jan 21	<b>Mark Drennan</b>			
Jan 25	<b>Dan Cardinal</b>			
Jan 28	<b>Bob Altman</b>			
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Ministry

Rich Karstensen

Usher Schedule					
January 4	January 11	January 18			
Rich Karstensen, Capt.	Stella Shepherd, Capt.	Fred Hohnstadt, Capt.			
Paul Orler	Amy Costello	John Ehlke			
Joseph Ashley	Kirk Costello	Richard Meyer			
Kurt Schroeder	Jeff Feldmeyer	Bob Schroer			

<u>Please note</u>: The 2026 deadline for all Trinity Times submissions is <u>3:00pm TUESDAY Afternoon</u> for the upcoming Sunday's edition. Please submit information to Mary via email before then. Your help and timeliness is greatly appreciated. Mary: office2@sainttrinitylutheran.com

