

Trinity Lutheran Church

November 30,
2025

First Sunday
of Advent

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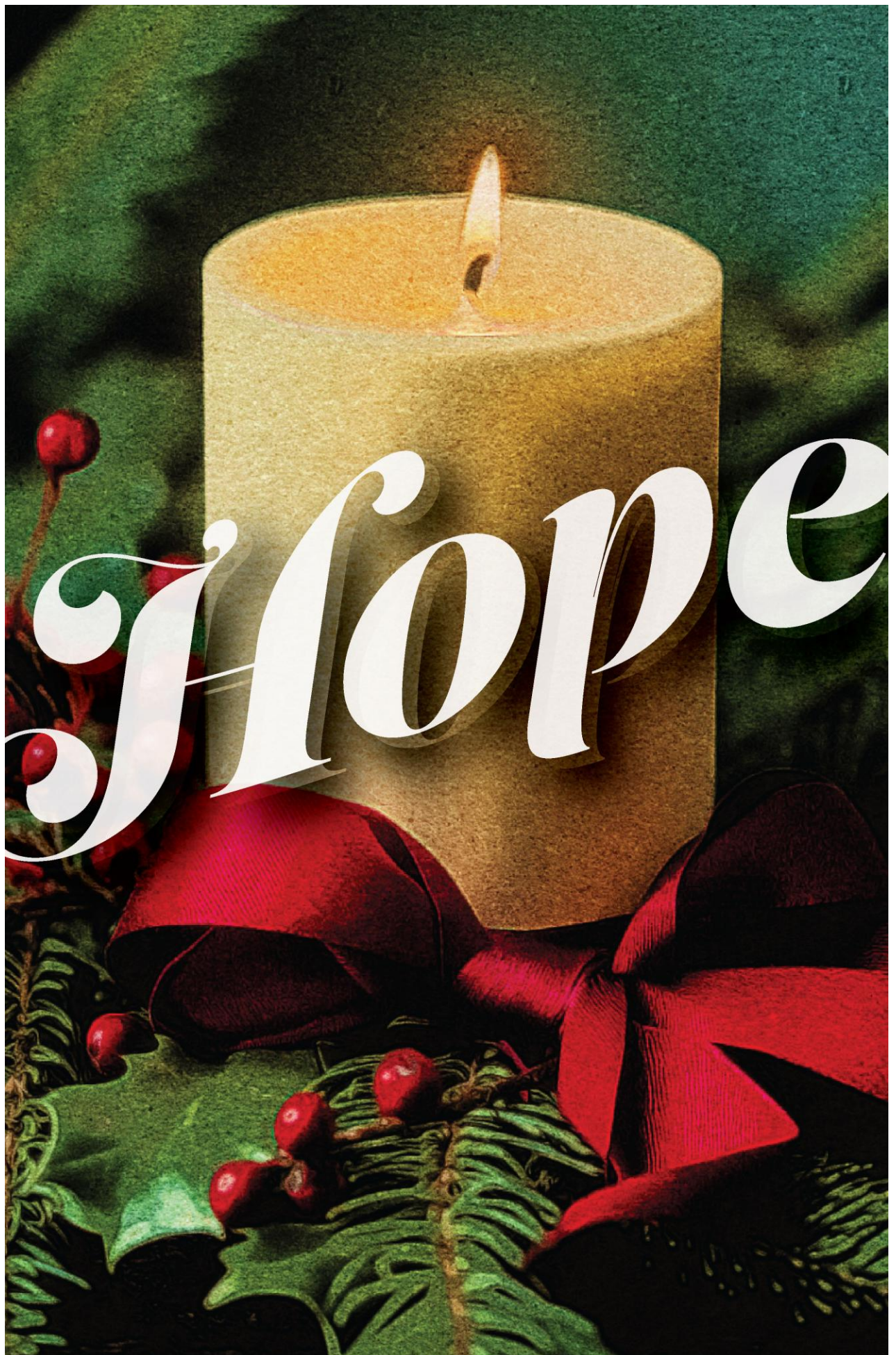
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SERVICE OF THE WORD

9:00 A.M. ~ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025



Christ Welcomes All to this House of Worship! Today we begin a new Church Year as gather on this First Sunday in Advent in wait of Christ who came, who comes to us now through Word & Sacrament, and who is coming again. Today we light the “Candle of Hope” on the Advent Wreath reminding us how God comes to those least expected. May the power of the Spirit help us receive Him who brings you good tidings of forgiveness, salvation and eternal life.

***We Thank God** for guests & visitors and pray you will receive a special blessing today as we go forth together to love and serve others.*

Fellowship and refreshments are available in the Library following this morning's service.

WORSHIP AIDS

LARGE PRINT bulletins are available from the ushers.

ACTIVITY BAGS for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return after services. Thanks.

THANK YOU for signing the Friendship Pad

I WISH CARDS are in your pews; please let us know your ideas to improve our Trinity home.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE... *The new church year begins with a wake-up call: Christ is coming soon! In today's readings both Paul and Jesus challenge us to wake from sleep, for we know neither the day nor hour of the Lord's coming. Isaiah proclaims the day when God will gather all people on the holy mountain and there will be no more war or suffering. Though we vigilantly watch for the promised day of salvation, we wait for what we already have: Christ coming among us this day in the word and meal strengthening our faith in the promises of God.*

PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/BELL



BRING US HOPE

THE TRINITY CHOIR

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is the light and life of all the ages. **Amen.**
Trusting in Jesus Christ, who came to share our humanity and bring light to this broken world, let us come before God without fear to make our confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Comforting God,

we confess before you and in the presence of one another that we are sinners who fail to live as you desire. So often we place our trust in ourselves and not in you. We do not love each other as you have commanded. Because of us, your whole creation suffers. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive us. In your boundless patience and mercy, lead us to live by faith in your promise. Amen.

In the advent of Christ, the dawn from on high breaks upon us with light and healing. God promises full pardon and complete forgiveness to all who turn from sin and place their trust in Christ, the light of the world. Hear and believe the good news that all your sins are forgiven. With God nothing is impossible. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG**My Lord, What a Morning****ELW #438***Refrain*

My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
 2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain
 look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

GREETING

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

THE PROMISE OF HOPE

Advent is a time for God's people to awaken their longings.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every hurt to be healed.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every tear to be dried.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We long for every injustice to be made right.

We wait in hope for the Lord.

We celebrate God's promises and long for those yet to unfold.

We wait in hope for the Lord.



Today we light the **first candle** which reminds us that even in the midst of darkness, the light of hope shines. Jesus Christ is the promised One of God, the light of the world. May this light of hope illuminate our hearts throughout this Advent season.

Please Join the Choir in singing:

Where the Promise Shines

Words by SYLVIA G. DUNSTAN
Music by BOB MOORE

Congregation:

Lead us on, lead us on to a morn - ing where the
 prom - ise shines. Lead us on, lead us on
 to a morn - ing where the prom - ise shines.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, as you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING**Romans 13:11-14**

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(vs. 1) ELW #257

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
un - til the Son of God ap - pear. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36-44

The gospel is found in Matthew chapter 24, verses 36-44. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**”

SERMON

Pastor David Nissen





1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone,
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING

ELW #881



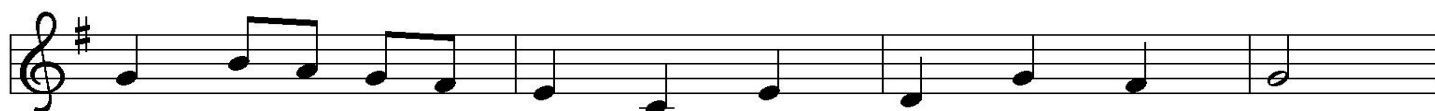
1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



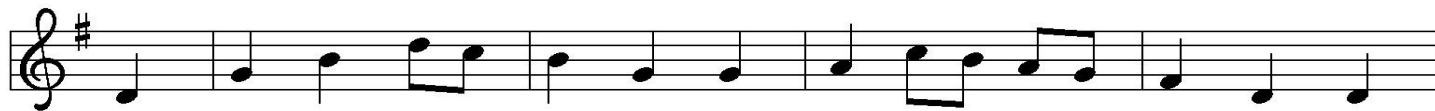
still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



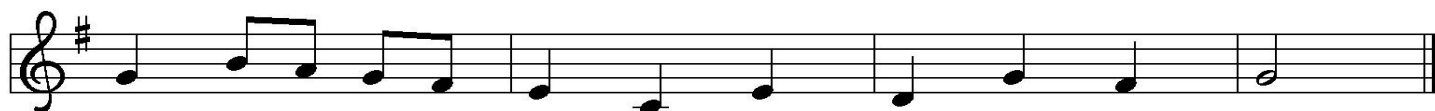
God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

(Please sign the Welcome Pads and pass to your neighbor)

(The offering is brought forward by the ushers during the song)

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

ALL THE EARTH IS HOPEFUL

ELW #266



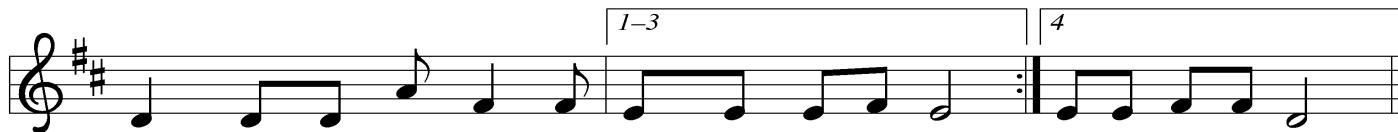
To - da la tie - rra es - pe - ra al Sal - va - dor
1 All earth is hope - ful, the Sav - ior comes at last!
2 Peo - ple of Is - rael, you heard the proph - et tell:
3 Moun - tains and val - leys will have to be pre - pared;
4 We first saw Je - sus a ba - by in a crib.



yel sur - co_a - bier - to, la ob - ra del Se - ñor; es el
Fur - rows lie o - pen for God's cre - a - tive task: this, the
"A vir - gin moth - er will bear Em - man - u - el"; she con -
new high - ways o - pened, new pro - to - cols de - clared. Al - most
This same Lord Je - sus to - day has come to live in our



mun - do que lu - cha por la li - ber - tad, re -
la - bor of peo - ple who strug - gle to see how
ceived him, "God with us," our broth - er, whose birth re -
here! God is near - ing, in beau - ty and grace! All
world; he is pres - ent, in neigh - bors we see our



cla - ma jus - ti - cia y bus - ca la ver - dad. dar - nos li - ber - tad.
God's truth and jus - tice set ev - 'ry - bod - y free.
stores hope and cour - age to chil - dren of this earth.
clear ev - 'ry gate - way, in haste, come out in haste!
Je - sus is with us, and ev - er sets us free.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

Christ is Coming!

Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

SUNDAY		9:00 am Worship
Accompanist	Mary Mulry	
Acolyte	Jaxon Peterson	
Reader	Mark Miller	
Sound Tech	Russ Sorensen	
Greeter	Brian & Carol Polesky	
Ushers	Dale & Diane Eckstein	
Altar Guild	Joleen Dittbenner	



PLEASE HELP! Monday & Tuesday, December 1 & 2nd, beginning at 5:00 P.M. we will be preparing the Sanctuary for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please come and help, many hands make work happier and much more fun.

MEN YOUR HELP IS NEEDED Sunday, Nov. 30th, immediately following the Service, please. The trees and decorations need to be brought down from the balcony closet and up from the basement storage room. To the back of the Sanctuary.

Thank you for your help!

IF YOU'D LIKE TO PURCHASE A POINSETTIA for \$14.00 in honor of or in memory of a loved one(s), please sign up in the church office by Dec. 10th. You have the option of ordering a red, white, or pink poinsettia. Please specify when you sign up. You are welcome to take your plant following the Christmas Eve service.



IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT DOUBLE BATCH or two of your favorite Christmas cookies to donate to the cookie walk. Our sale is from 10:00 – 11:00 on Sunday morning, December 14th. Please deliver your cookies, krum cake, rosettes, or other special treats to the library by Saturday, **December 13th** at 1 pm if possible.

LEFSE MAKERS ARE NEEDED TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH BETWEEN 4:00 AND 8:00 PM. Come when you can! Please spread the word to your family and friends about this great bake sale. Contact Darlene Brummund with any questions at 276-8013. All proceeds go to people in need with Action Team funds by Thrivent. Thanks so much for your encouragement and participation!





Trinity's Christmas Progressive Open Houses December 7th

Please join us for some
Christmas Treats, Fun &
Song with Pastor Dave at

1:00 The Brummund's
208 Water St. SW

2:15 The Beito's
900 1st Ave. South

3:30 The Johnson's
28586 Highway 68

All are WELCOME!



Children's Christmas Program

December 14th at the 9:00 AM Worship!

Holiday Bake Sale

The Trinity Women of the ELCA
Invite everyone to attend our 35th Annual

Cookie Walk

Sunday, December 14th

10:00 ~ 11:00

Following the Christmas Program

Held at

Trinity Lutheran Church

217 Brackenridge SW, Sleepy Eye

Proceeds Will Go To People In Need
Supplemental Funds Provided By Thrivent Action Team

December 14th Christmas Hymn Sing

5:30PM - light supper to follow
Join us in celebrating the season in song!



IT'S TIME FOR CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES



It is time to start thinking about filling a Christmas Food Box for the families of our weekend food kids. Boxes are available for you to pick up and fill. There are those in our community who are struggling to provide basic needs for their families. In the state of Minnesota 1 out of 7 children is at risk for hunger. One in four Minnesota households with children are food insecure. Currently we are feeding 49 children from 36 families. We are asking you to shop for a family and put items on the list in a box provided for you. These boxes will be given to the families prior to the Christmas break when children do not have access to breakfast and lunch at school. The FFA will be giving each child a fleece blanket and personal care products.

Thank you for being the hands of Jesus.

MEALS THAT MATTER

The delicious meals are available in the freezer located in room 109 just off the dining room and we now need your help. The meals are to be given to people who are experiencing some sort of life changing event, be it a new baby, illness, a death in the family, or anyone you think would benefit from a tasty, readymade dinner. Remember, you are the hands of Jesus in our world.

Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!



*Remember...Our Food Shelf Box is in the back of the Sanctuary.
The Good Work of this Church continues!*

SPECIAL OFFERINGS –During the month of November, we think of our abundance and willingness to share with others less fortunate. For this reason, the Board of Stewardship designates the Thanksgiving Eve offering to ELCA World Hunger. Gifts are accepted for this initiative to the end of the year.



The second special offering that is usually emphasized in November is the Women of the ELCA Thankoffering. These funds are all sent into the churchwide office to support the ministries of the Women of the ELCA. You may also use your regular offering envelopes by designating “Thankoffering” on the special giving line... Thank you for any and all gifts!



Trinity Lutheran Church – 2025 Building Fund Campaign

"Rooted in Faith" – Preserving Trinity for Generations to Come

Thank you for your faithful support of Trinity Lutheran Church. **We are launching a vital campaign to raise \$75,000 over the next two years to fund capital improvements approved by the congregation—specifically, the removal of the sanctuary's north and south wall windows and repairs to the parking lot.** We are grateful for your past generosity and ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this campaign as well.

Campaign Summary

- **Goal:** \$75,000
- **Timeline:** Now through the end of calendar year 2025
- **Purpose:** Fund congregation-approved property repairs and upgrades
- **How to Help:** **One-time gifts or pledges over time! The Stewardship Board is asking members for contributions toward the \$75,000 goal via direct payment(s) and/or pledging payments on a schedule of their choice over a two-year period.**

Bridge Financing Options (if required)

1. **Member Loans:** Promissory notes starting at \$5,000, 2% interest, repaid in installments through 2027.
2. **Commercial Financing:** Will be considered only if needed.

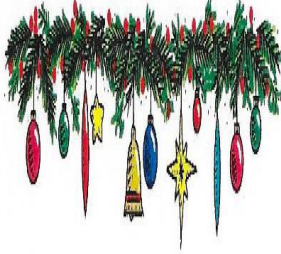


















Please prayerfully consider how you can support this important campaign. Your ongoing support is a blessing to our church and God's mission. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do!

Please return pledge cards to the church office or contact Pat Stevermer with any questions.

Blessings in Christ,
The Stewardship Board

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." — Acts 20:35

DECEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Office Closed 9 am Quilting 5 pm 	2 5 pm  6:30 AA	3 9 am Women's Bible Study 1 pm Ross Park 6 pm TREK 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Confirmation 8:15 pm Parish Planning Council 	9 8 am-Men's Bible Study		
7 9 am- Holy Communion/ Baptism 10:15 am Fellowship 1-4 pm Trinity Christmas Gatherings at the Brummund, Beito, & Johnson Homes All are Welcome! 	8 9 am Quilting 4-8 pm Lefsa Making <i>Are you baking for the Cookie Walk Yet? It's our way of helping so many people in need in our area!</i> 	9 3:30 pm Prokindship for Kids 4-8 pm Lefsa Making  6:30 AA	10 9 am Women's Bible Study 6 pm TREK 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Confirmation	11 7 am Men's Bible Study <i>Are you baking for the Cookie Walk Yet? It's our way of helping so many people in need in our area!</i> 	12	13 <i>Drop off Cookie Walk Goodies In the Library by 1 pm Thank You for making a difference!</i> 
14 9 am- Worship 10:15 am Fellowship 5:30 pm Christmas Hymn Sing  	15 9 am Quilting 3:30 pm Prokindship for Kids	16 6:30 AA 7:30 pm Stewardship Bd.	17 9 am Women's Bible Study 1 pm Ross Park 6 pm TREK 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Confirmation	18 8 am-Men's Bible Study	19	20 Tidings Articles Due 
21 9 am- Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship 11 am  	22 9 am Quilting	23 6:30 AA	24  Christmas Eve Service 4:00 PM	25  Merry Christmas	26	
28 9 am- Worship 10 am Fellowship 	29 9 am Quilting	30 6:30 AA	31 New Year's EVE			

November 30, 2025

One day the whole world will see Jesus return.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday	Luke 21:25-36	The coming of the Son of Man
Monday	Daniel 7:13-14	A vision of the Son of Man
Tuesday	Joel 3:14-18	The day of the Lord is near
Wednesday	Micah 4:1-7	The Lord's coming reign of peace
Thursday	Luke 17:22-37	The day of the Son of Man
Friday	Romans 13:11-14	Our salvation is near
Saturday	Psalms 90	Prayer for life from God
Sunday	Luke 3:1-6	Prepare the way of the Lord



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

(Jesus said) **“The sky and the earth won’t last forever, but my words will.”**

Luke 21:33

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. In you I place my trust, O God. Amen. (Psalm 25:1-2)

Mealttime Prayer:

Lord Jesus, bless our home with hope this Advent. As we enjoy your gifts, make us ready for your coming. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord give you strength in your heart, so that you are ready when Jesus comes again. Amen. (1 Thessalonians 3:13)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

Share about something you really look forward to.

Jesus tells us that one day he will come again in glory. How do we care for others as we await Christ's return?

(1 Thessalonians 3:12-13)

DEVOTIONS

The Advent Wreath is a great home devotional tool. Make a wreath from greens, wire, or Styrofoam and place four purple or blue candles with a white candle in the center. Light one candle during the first week of Advent, another during the second week and so on. On Christmas Day, light the white candle in celebration of the birth of Christ. Use this simple liturgy for lighting your first Advent candle this week:

Leader: The prophet Isaiah said that Jesus would be the hope of the nations. Our first Advent candle is the candle of hope. As we light it, let us celebrate the hope that Jesus gives us. (Light the candle.)

All: Thank you, Lord Jesus, for giving us hope. Fill our home with hope this Advent. Amen.

SERVICE

Make some Christmas decorations using various craft materials (cardboard, colored paper, glue, glitter etc.). Give them away to neighbors and friends as a sign of Christ-mas cheer.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Have you set up and decorated your Christmas tree? When this is done, take some time for a Christmas Tree Blessing. Gather round the tree and use the following ritual.

Leader: This tree is a blessing to our home. It reminds us of all that is beautiful and of God's goodness. It stands in our home as a tree of light, a sign of Jesus' presence with us as the Light of the World. He was the shoot that grew from the stump of Jesse to become a branch that gives us shelter.

Reader: Jeremiah 33:15-16

All: God of all Creation, we thank you for this tree. Bless us as we gather around it. May it light up our hearts with your love, joy and peace, and may the gifts placed under it remind us of the great gift of your Son Jesus. Amen.

Finish the ritual with a "countdown" towards the lighting of your tree. Have each family member point out their favorite Christmas tree decoration.

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In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotions



Trinity's Mission Statement

We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN Send an email to secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

**TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK
CHECK IT OUT!!**

"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeyonline.com watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You. *Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!*

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	106
Website	42
Weekly Giving: (5730.00 Needed)	\$9652.13
November Giving: (\$23,640.00 .Needed)	\$24,155.67
Yearly Contributions to Date	\$238,156.32

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for Trinity...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

Pray for the Church...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

Pray for our World...that pain which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to Susie, Jane, Krista, Trisha, Mark, Sherry, Kali, Isak, Vivian, Kim, Pam, Pat, Trish, Beth, Harold, Rita, Paul, Ray, Lorinda, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Vivian, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.

Pray for the beloved... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones.... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

Pray for all families...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home...for Brady Augustin and his family...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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