

Third Sunday in Advent – December 17, 2017

- Sunday 12/17** 8:00 am Worship with Communion
- 9:15 am Sunday School (Kids meet in basement)
- 9:15 am Childcare for Kids under 3 (nursery in basement)
- 9:15 am Adult Bible Study & Fellowship (**Sanctuary**)
- 10:30 am Worship – **Kid’s Christmas Service (Life Center)**
- 7:30 pm BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) Study (Fireside Room)
- Monday** 7:00 & 9:30 am Women’s Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 9:30 am Church Staff Meeting
- Tuesday** 8:30 am NO Quilting
- 1:30 pm Windsor Manor Communion
- Wednesday** 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 6:00 pm Advent Worship
- 6:00 pm NO Bell Choir
- 6:45 pm NO Midweek
- 6:45 pm Choir
- Thursday** 8:30 am NO Quilting
- 7:00 pm NO Boards/Committees
- 8:00 pm NO Church Council
- Saturday** 5:00 pm NO Saturday Worship
- Sunday 12/24** 9:00 am Combined Worship with Communion
- 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship
- 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship
- Monday 12/25** 9:00 am Christmas Worship with Communion

Trinity Lutheran Church



*Connecting Our Community with Christ
From One Generation to Another*
Elm and Garfield, Algona, Iowa

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**Worship Services** Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am  
**Sunday School & Adult Bible Study** 9:15 am

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KLGA Sunday Radio Ministry ~ *The Lutheran Hour* 7:05 am, *Lift High the Cross* 8:30 am
TV Ministry ~ Cable Channel 3 or 4 ~ Tuesday 9:00 am
Dial-A-Devotion ~ 395-PRAY (395-7729)



SERVING IN WORSHIP

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| Preacher: Pastor Thomas Cowell | Liturgist: Pastor Tom Schlund |
| Organist: Pam Gogerty | Choir Director: Courtney Mondragon |
| 8:00 am Greeters: Marlyn & Ann Helmers | Elders: Marley Helmers, Matt Divis |
| Acolytes: Tyler Grant, Haleigh King | Lay Reader: Dave Beenken |
| Ushers: Rod Scuffham, Rita Scuffham, Matt Gerdis, Daryl Thompson | |
| 10:30 am Greeters: Lyle & Rita Prunty | Elders: Al Gaedke, Jayme Lentz |
| Acolytes: Hunter Thilges, Jackson Cecil | Lay Reader: Christmas Program |
| Ushers: Alan Gaedke, Roger Nerdig, Tony Whitacre, John Bilsten | |

Trinity's Connections

Weekly News and Information of
Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Lutheran's Missionaries

Rev. Carl Hanson **Hong Kong**

Rev. Andrew Schlund **Mexico**



ALTAR FLOWERS are given by LaRue Hanselmann in memory of Vernon, Scott, Edwin, & Edna.

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS is sponsored by Bahne & Diane Struecker.

DIAL-A-DEVOTION You can hear a brief devotional message by dialing 395-PRAY (7729) any time throughout the week. This week's reader is John Kern. Next week is Dan Hagg.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Attendance Last Week: 333
Advent 12/6 Attendance: 84
Advent 12/13 Attendance: 88

November Budgeted Needs	\$ 46,059
Monthly giving	\$ 43,571
Difference for Month	- \$ 2,488
YTD November Budgeted Needs	\$506,649
YTD Giving Amount	\$409,228
YTD Difference	- \$ 97,421

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE @ 9:15

Childcare provided in the nursery downstairs during Sunday School for children under 3.

NURSERY SPACE AVAILABLE

The nursery is located at the bottom of the basement steps (beneath the narthex).



PRAYERS FOR WEEK-December 17, 2017

Cancer List: Ethan Fairbanks, Ron Baas, Sully McGuire, Bradley Bitterman, Anthony Keen, Perry Dau, Jane Nettleton, David Looft, Anna Olsen, Amy Gerds, Dan Hannemann, Janice Elliot

Ongoing Health Concerns: Jo Centgraf, Vicki Glawe, Doris Mueller, Helen Lieb, Jason Breig, Mary Reddel, June Presthus, Gladys Johnson, Samantha Olson, Judy Ludwig, Molly Bjustrom, Chris Harms
Jim Falkner (father of Beth Schlund), recovering from surgery
John Wilson (brother to Susanna Bredehoeft), hospice care due to cancer

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES

Over the coming Christmas season we will spend more time together than usual with our families. As you gather, keep a watchful eye out for excessive negative talk including complaining, fault-finding, and passing on gossip. Sharing gossip and negative messages of gloom and doom is not only sinful and dishonoring to our Father, it also fosters a depressing atmosphere in the home (...and in the church). Instead, look hard for the positive and talk about it often! "Whatever is pure, whatever is lovely...think on these things." Philippians 4:8 **LFSiowa.org**

DID YOU KNOW?

The tree in the Life Center is decorated with ornaments given by families of our church. If you are new to Trinity or have never had the opportunity to donate one, please bring an ornament to the church office. Thank you!

NOAH BEAR NEEDS TIES

The TLC quilters are in need of men's ties for our Noah Bear! If you have any extras to share with Noah, we'd really appreciate it.



KIDS' CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Kids' Christmas Service will be held at 10:30 **TODAY** in the Life Center.



HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wed, Dec 20, 6pm "Simeon's Song"
Sun, Dec 24, 9am Worship with communion
Sun, Dec 24, 4 & 7pm "Angel's Song"
Mon, Dec 25, 9am "Sing for Joy" Christmas
Worship with Communion
Sun, Dec 31, 9am Worship
Sun, Dec 31, 7pm New Year's Eve Worship
with Communion

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed Mon, Dec 25 and Tues, Dec 26 for the Christmas holiday.

SPECIAL MUSIC DECEMBER 24

Arrive a little early to hear our bell sextet play Christmas music prior to the 9 am service and listen to our high school talent play their instruments prior to the 4pm and 7pm services. There will be other special music during the 4pm and 7pm services as well.

CHRISTMAS CARDS / NAPKINS

Cards, napkins, and small gifts are available in the basement card case area.

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLETS

Advent Devotional booklets are available in the narthex in both regular and large print.



2018 GIVING ENVELOPES

Giving Envelopes are available on the tables by the Life Center. Contact the church office with questions.

ADVERSE WEATHER

For cancellations or updates, listen to Algona Radio or check our Facebook page.



YEAR-END REPORTS

Reports for the annual yearbook can be emailed to the church office at trinityalgona@gmail.com. Please contact the office with any questions.

2018 CHURCH VOLUNTEER LISTS

If you'd like to serve, make adjustments, or be taken off the 2018 schedules, please contact the appropriate chairman:

Ushers: Merrill Friedrich 320-4739

Greeters: Vicki Boelman 295-3796

Altar Guild: Shirley Dacken 295-2670

Dial-A-Devotion: Nancy Bowker 295-3315

Video Recording: Bryce Gadbury 295-9408

Lay Readers: Church office 295-3518

Funeral Ushers: Church office 295-3518

Sign-up sheets are also available in the narthex. If you would like to serve in any other way, please contact the church office so we can connect you with the appropriate person!



FLOWER & RADIO SIGN-UP

Sign-up sheets for altar flowers and *Lift High the Cross* for 2018 are in the Narthex.

WALK IN THE LIFE CENTER

The Life Center is open by 6:30 am so you can walk where it's warm and dry! Approximately 22 laps equals a mile!

MISSIONARY UPDATES

Did you know that as we receive updates from the missionaries we support, their information is posted on the bulletin board by the elevator? Several updates have recently been posted!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Lutheran Church Extension Fund has \$1000 college scholarships available. Go to lcefuppermidwest.org/scholarships for more information. Application deadline is Jan 31.

