

December 1-2, 2018



TRINITY HIGHLIGHTS

Divine Services: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT

- ▶ **SUNDAY(today):** Prepare for Jesus 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
 - ▶ **TUESDAY:** Work Club Meets at 6:30 p.m. in the Work Room
 - ▶ **WEDNESDAY:** Prayer at 9 a.m. meets in the church library
 - ▶ **WEDNESDAY:** 5 p.m. Dinner Worship at 12:15p.m. & 6:30p.m.
 - ▶ **WEDNESDAY:** Short Confirmand gathering after Worship Service
 - ▶ **SATURDAY:** LWML Breakfast at the Machine Shed 9:00 a.m.
- Check out a complete listing at trinitydavenport.org

TRINITY

Advent Services

Trinity Lutheran will have its Advent Services on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. There also will be Advent Dinners on Wednesdays, beginning at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The dinners are free, but free-will offerings will be accepted. Trinity's High School Youth will be hosting the first dinner on Dec. 5. Make plans to join us during the Wednesdays in Advent as we await the coming of our Savior.

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE

There were no hats, noise-makers, balloons, confetti or even goofy-looking eye glasses in the shape of 2019.

There wasn't even a countdown party scheduled. It's OK.

We have plenty of time to celebrate. While we recognize the final Sunday of the Lutheran Church year this weekend, we have plenty of time to prepare for a grand celebration as a new church year begins with the season of Advent – a truly great time of the year as we rejoice in the promises of God fulfilled in the birth of the Savior on Christmas Day.

This season sets the tone for the whole Church Year and prepares our hearts for the works of our Lord.

"Oh, we poor people that we should be so cold and indifferent to this great joy that has been given us. For this is indeed the greatest gift, which far exceeds all else that God has created. Yet we believe so sluggishly, even though the angels

proclaim and preach and sing, and their lovely song sums up the whole Christian faith, for 'Glory to God in the highest' is the very heart of worship." (Martin Luther)

At Trinity Lutheran, we will celebrate Advent with midweek services on Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

There also will be Wednesday Advent Dinners (Dec. 5, Dec. 12, Dec. 19), beginning at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

We hope that you make plans to join in the

WELCOME

If you are visiting Trinity Lutheran Church School for the first time, we would like to welcome you. If you desire more information about our faith family, please make note on the welcome card in the pew rack, or text Senior Pastor, Golter at (303)618-4564.

NEW MEMBERS

Please help us welcome the New Members joining Trinity Lutheran today! A reception follows the 8 a.m. service in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and rejoice, as our family grows by God's grace. Meet our new members! You can learn more about the new members by checking out the insert in this weekend's bulletin.

BIBLE STUDIES: Make plans to attend Trinity's Bible studies – in the Fellowship Hall and the school library - on Sunday's at 9:30 a.m.

GETTING CONNECTED

BIBLE STUDIES THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Bible Study	Day/Time	Location
Women's study	Tues./9:00 a.m.	Church Library
Pastor Golter study	Wed./10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
Trinity Men	Sat./7:30 a.m.	Trinity Hall

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS

If you would like an easy-to-follow large print Order of Worship Bulletin, they are available from an Usher.

MEMORY TREE

Would you like to remember and honor those you've lost? Our memory Christmas tree is set up to remember our loved ones who have been called home. You are welcome to bring in an ornament and place it on the tree in the narthex, behind the purple sofa. Ornaments need to be picked up after January 6, 2019.

POINSETTIA ORDERS

Red poinsettias will be ordered to decorate the chancel for Christmas; Completed forms from inside the bulletin can be placed in the Welcome Center basket or left in church office mailbox.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY REGIONAL

The Blood Center thanks all donors who helped them provide 108 live saving products throughout the region.

A MOBILE LUTHERAN BIBLE STUDY

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, Ill., and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: 4th Century Pastor Saint Nicholas of Myra, The Movie "Fantastic Beasts 2," 16th Century Ruler Philipp of Hesse, The Book of Amos, 8th Century Hymn writer John of Damascus, The Birth of Jesus Foretold and more. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

ORDERING SCRIP ONLINE

Trinity is launching an online ordering option for SCRIP gift cards—there will still be an inventory in the school office for purchase as well. To order online, send your email address to SCRIP@TrinityDavenport.org. In the subject line please include: online ordering for SCRIP. Once we have your account set up we will email you so you can finish creating your online account. Online orders will be in a printable document to present to the vendor. Credit cards cannot be used to purchase SCRIP online. Your online account will be directly connected to your bank account. No physical gift cards will be mailed to you. Not all retailers will have the option of purchasing them with your online account. Please contact Lisa or Kari at the school with any questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Today: Luke 1: 26-38
The Birth of Jesus Foretold

Next Week: Luke 1:39-56 Mary visits Elizabeth

7th-8th Grade Study: Cradle to Cross- a Journey through the Book of Luke. Taking a deeper look at the familiar stories to explore how they fit into our lives today.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped decorate the narthex and the sanctuary this past weekend for the Christmas season.

SAVE THE DATES-TRINITY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- ◇ Dec. 6: Preschool-kindergarten program at 6 p.m. in the church.
- ◇ Dec. 12: First-third grade program at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the church.
- ◇ Dec. 18: Fourth-eighth grade choir, band and hand bells concert at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the church.

AUG-OCT BENEVOLENT FUND UPDATE

Thank you to all who continue to make sacrificial offerings (above and beyond your general budget worship offering) to this fund. This sacrificial giving gives us the chance to share the love of Christ in tangible ways with those in need. – Pastor Vokt (michael.vokt@trinitydavenport.org).

Beginning Balance	\$14,035.71
Contributions	\$8,483.95
Gas	(75.00)
Groceries	(68.55)
Housing	(3,848.89)
Miscellaneous	(2,254.94)
Transportation	(834.54)
Tuition	(2,400.00)
Utility	(643.75)
Ending Balance	<u>\$12,393.99</u>

ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN

\$17,185

Blessings received so far to benefit Trinity Lutheran's Annual Fund Campaign

Trinity's Annual Fund Campaign helps support projects over and above the budget. This year's goal is to raise \$36,000 to help with tuition assistance and the modular project. Donations can be made through pledge cards or by calling the school office at 563-322-5224.