TRINITY TIMES

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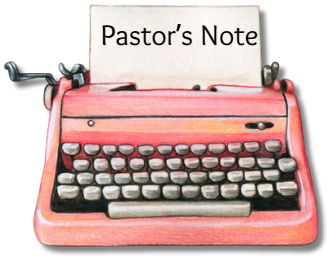
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'Zakar'! What does this mean? Is it a battle cry? A place in the Marvel Multiverse? 'Zakar'! Our banner word for November? Is it all the above, one of the above or none of the above? What's your guess? And the answer is … Zakar is our theme for the month of November. But what does it mean? In the Hebrew scriptures zakar is the act of biblical remembering. God's people from the beginning understood remembering as a full body activity not just a mental exercise. Such an intriguing thought to ponder and wrestle with don't you think. What does it mean to remember as a body activity.

As I rested with this thought many songs about remembering rushed through my mind. Do you recognize some of the following? *"I will remember you" – Sarah Mc Lachlan; "Remember" – Harry Nilsson; "Remember when the music" – Harry Chapin; "These are the days I will remember" – Tyrone Wells; "Remember when" – Alan Jackson and "Remember me"* – From the movie Coco. The lyrics from each of these songs have helped me to dig into remembering not just as a mental exercise but as a thinking that leads to action, it is to focus our attention on someone or something and then to follow through with a physical response or action. How incredible is this? And even more incredible is that we are designed by our loving Creator God, our Father in heaven to do this even when we aren't aware this is what we are doing as we remember. Let me explain further. November 1st is observed in liturgical, historical churches as All Saint's Sunday. It is a day on which we celebrate and remember the lives of the saints who have gone before us – those who have died in Christ Jesus. The very ones that John sees in Revelation 7. The Augsburg Confession (Article XXI) gives us three reasons to remember them – to thank God for the mercy He showed them, to strengthen our own faith by seeing that mercy, and to follow their example in our own callings. How do we remember the saints in light? We gather for worship and we light candles. We read aloud the names of those who have died in the past year and received Christian burial. In some places flowers will be laid, bells will ring, photographs will be hung in trees. Memorial gifts will be made. Physical actions will express our remembrance – Zakar!

On November 11th our world still gathers and remembers those who have laid down their lives for others. We gather and promise, "*We will remember them*." It begs the question of how? The wearing of a poppy? Working for peace and standing for those who have no voice? Crosses stand row on row in Flander's fields The cross is a symbol of zakar – the action God took as He remembered us in our sinfulness and poured out His redemptive grace in Christ, undeserved love for our sinful world. Zakar continues as Christ's church, washed in the blood of the Lamb, acts each day in loving service of all. Zakar is costly. Lily, a sheep in the movie, The Sheep Detectives says it this way, '*It hurts, remembering hurts*.' Yes, sweet Lily it does but we do not do it alone. In the Lois Lowry book, The Giver, she writes, "*the worst part of holding memories is not the pain. It's the loneliness of it. Memories need to be shared*.' And so, we gather to remember. We zakar together not alone. The Gospel message brings the pain of what our Saviour suffered for us and the joy of the freedom He has won for us – and so we share the Gospel! The Holy Spirit of God is the Church's living memory. The Holy Spirit brings us JESUS, Who He is, what He has done and that He is with us always so that we may zakar each day. With our hearts and minds focused on Christ, we can act in love and costly care of our neighbours. November is the month of ZAKAR! God be with you, Pr. Maggie

CHURCH Membership Class Information

We will explore the core characteristics of being a Lutheran Christian and gain a better understanding of how Lutheran theology is unique. Being Lutheran is more about a 'who' than a 'what'.

Who: All of you but especially anyone interested in becoming a member at Trinity AND/OR with questions about what our Lutheran Church teaches, professes and believes.

When: Sundays at 4:00pm starting January 10

Where: at Trinity

What: We will do a weekly class and then a potluck will follow. Childcare will be provided.

Why: 'Why not?'



November 15 - December 13 we will be collection for Cantara House, Champion's Centre & Crossroads. If you are able to donate, please pick up a donation ornament from the "Giving Tree" in the narthex. More information to come in the coming weeks.



Mission Team 2027 Fundraiser



Do like chocolate? Does your family & friends like chocolate and you want to support our mission team? This fundraiser checks all the boxes, you give chocolate and to mission all at the same time.

Use the QR code to take you to the link.

Sales Close December 1 & pick up is December 18.



It;s time to start preparing the chruch for the seaon of Advent. Please note these dates:

- **November 22 set up the Christmas Tree following Worship**
- **November 25 - 9:30am decorate the church**

Ladies Advent Worship
November 28 at 10:00am



Ladies of all ages are invited to this special service where we prepare our hearts and minds for the upcoming Advent season. Following worship we will join in fellowship for brunch time to visit and the quilting ladies will have their quilted items for sale. These items make great gifts and the money raised will be used to buy supplies to make quilts to donate to children's hospitals and charities for those who need comfort and warmth.



Sundays in Advent
at 10:00am

In this Christmas series, Worry to Wonder, we imagine what it would've been like for Mary, Joseph, the Shepherd, and the Wise Man to reflect on the worry they felt when they encountered Immanuel. As they began to understand the significance of the Christ child, their perspectives were changed from worry into wonder.

Prayer Partners

We are looking for prayer partners for those going on mission in February. If you are interested please talk to Pastor Maggie.



Ladies

The next Trinity Lutheran Church Women (TLCW) meeting
November 4 at 1:00pm
All women are invited

AGAPE (Ladies Bible Study)
Wednesdays at 9:30am

We will be continuing a study called
"All Together Beautiful" on Song of Songs.
Ladies of all stages of life are welcome.



Quilters
Tuesdays 10:00am - 3:00pm

It is a come and go when you can. All levels of experience are welcome. Talk to Sue Armstrong if you have any questions.

The Christmas Quilted items sale will be November 29 & December 6 following worship.

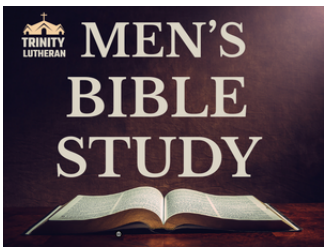


Do you know of a someone/family that could use some assistance in the upcoming season? If you do please talk to Pastor Maggie to let her know.



Celebration Choir
November 28
7:00pm

Come and enjoy a community choir as they sing songs that celebrate the seasaon.



Wednesdays
7:00pm - 8:30pm
Reading & Interpreting the Bible

Reading and studying the Word of God is a lifelong adventure. But how do we know we're interpreting it faithfully? How do we make sense of ancient texts filled with mystery, poetry, prophecy, and apocalyptic imagery?
This study by Chad Bird of 1517.org .
Talk to Liam or Harold if you have any questions.

Youth

Sunday at 9:00am
Study for grade 5 and up is offered. Come and meet your teachers and dig into God's Word.



Confirmation
Confirmation continues at our regular class time of Wednesdays at 4:30pm -6:30pm.

Please note that things will switch up in December when we get to Advent. Watch for a letter to come home.

Midweek Youth Study
Wednesdays 4:30-6:00pm

Liam will cointinue the midweek study for the youth that have finished confirmation. They will be studying the book of Luke.

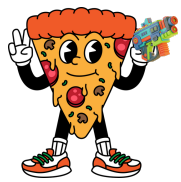




Youth & Mom Paint Night
Nov. 2 @ the church
7-9pm

Come to the church and have a fun mother daughter paint night. Bring a snack to share, painting supplies will be provided. Talk to Maddy if you have any questions.

Nerf & Pizza Night
Nov 7
4:30-9:30pm



Bring your nerf guns and some money for pizza for a fun night with your friends. A great way to blow off some steam and have a good laugh.



Youth Court Time
November 22 @ 1-3pm

Join Liam at the JBS for an afternoon of court sports. Basketball, volleyball and badminton will be available.

WORSHIP SERVICES SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEER DUTIES

November 1 **10:00 am with Communion**
Acolyte: Daniel K
Lector: Leona
Storyteller: Pastor
Sound: Vince
Video: Ryan
Worship Assistant: Brenda M
Ushers: AnneM/Leona F
Scripture Readings: Revelation 7:(2-8)9-17 1 John 3:1-3

November **8** **10:00 am**
Acolyte: Jack D
Lector: Kristen N
Storyteller: Brianna
Sound: Doug
Video: Joey
Worship Assistant: Brenda M
Ushers: Brad & Kristen Niznik
Scripture Readings: Amos 5:18-24 1 Thess 4:13-18

November **15** **10:00 am with Communion**
Acolyte: Kane H
Lector: Hush
Storyteller: Julie
Sound: Vince
Video: Hazel
Ushers: Brent Altwasser Family
Scripture Readings: Zephaniah 1:7-16 1 Thess 5:1-11

November **22** **10:00 am**
Acolyte: Rylan S
Lector: Melanie A
Storyteller: Pastor
Sound: Dennis
Video: Ryan
Ushers: Mark & Melanie Altwasser
Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24 1 Cor 15:20-28

November 29 **10:00 am**
Acolyte: Callie K
Lector: Rebecca K
Storyteller: Brianna
Sound: Randy
Video: Hazel
Ushers: Elgersma Family
Scripture Readings:



NOVEMBER
birthdays & anniversaries

Dee Ravnsborg	Nov 01
Harold Stedel	Nov 03
Barry Heal	Nov 06
Jackie Kay-Clyne	Nov 16
Wendy Metcalf	Nov 23
Curtis Tornquist	Nov 28
Audrey Flatla	Nov 29
Terry Shepherd	Nov 29

Donald & Mary Anne McMahon	Nov. 02
Sommers & Brandi McCord	Nov. 04
Len & Sue Armstrong	Nov 09
Mike & Beth McKnight	Nov. 22
Colin & Charlene Musgrove	Nov. 27
Russell & Miranda Pammenter	Nov. 29



To all the sponsors of the perogy supper.

- Albert Prairie Meats
- Stephen & Kim Anderson
- Ross Annett
- BRK Equipment
- Brooks Safeway
- Lynden & Tonia Smith
- Traditional Meat Markets
- All Auction buyers



Responding in trust and faith please remember the following ways of supporting your church.

- E-Transfer: tlcoffering@gmail.com (no password required)
- Auto Debit: Contact the church office to receive a form.
- Snail Mail: Mail your cheque to 811 Cassils Road W, Brooks, AB, T1R 0E4

November





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 9:00amEd Hour Gr 5+ 10:00am Worship with Communion 11:30pm Belize Meeting 1:30pm Church of God Worship	2 Office Closed 7:00pm Youth & Mom Paint NIght	3 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Quilting 8:00pm AA	4 9:30am AGAPE 1:00pm TLCW 4:30pm Confirmation 4:30pm Sr Youth Study 7:00pm Men's Study	5 8:00pm AA	6 Pastor Maggie off	7 Pastor Maggie off 4:30pm Youth Nerf & Pizza
8 9:00amEd Hour Gr 5+ 10:00am Worship 1:30pm Church of God Worship	9 Office Closed 1:00pm Coffee & Friends 5:15pm Deacon Meeting	10 10:00am Quilting 10:00am Commune at Newbrook 10:00am Staff Meeting 11:00am Commune at Orchard 7:00pm Board of Ed 8:00pm AA	11 Office Closed in Remembrance	12 9:00am NCC Meeting 8:00pm AA	13 Office Closed Pastor Maggie off	14 Pastor Maggie off
15 9:00amEd Hour Gr 5+ 10:00am Worship with Communion 11:30am Mission Ministry Meeting 1:30pm Church of God Worship	16 1:00pm Coffee & Friends	17 10:00am Quilting 10:00am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Council 8:00pm AA	18 9:30am AGAPE 4:30pm Confirmation 4:30pm Sr Youth Study 7:00pm Men's Study	19 2:30pm Sunrise Worship 6:30pm Golden Ridge Worship 7:30pm Newbrook Worship 8:00pm AA	20 Pastor Maggie off	21 Pastor Maggie off
22 9:00amEd Hour Gr 5+ 10:00am Worship Tree Set up 1:00pm Youth Court Time 1:30pm Church of God Worship	23 Office Closed 1:00pm Coffee & Friends	24 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Quilting 8:00pm AA	25 9:30am Church Decorating 4:30pm Confirmation 4:30pm Sr Youth Study	26 Pastor Maggie off	27 Pastor Maggie off	28 10:00am Ladies Advent Worship & Quilt Sale 7:00pm Celebration Choir
29 9:00amEd Hour Gr 5+ 10:00am Worship Quilt Sale 1:30pm Church of God Worship	30 Office Closed 1:00pm Coffee & Friends	1 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Quilting 8:00pm AA	2 5:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm Midweek Worship	3 8:00pm AA	4	5

Youth Grade 6+

Mom & Daughter.

PAINT NIGHT



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ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS WELCOME.





TRINITY QUILTERS

CHRISTMAS SALE



NOVEMBER 29- DECEMBER 6
FOLLOWING WORSHIP

PLEASE SUPPORT A GROUP THAT BRINGS COMFORT TO SO MANY IN THEIR TIME OF NEED.

TRINITY LUTHERAN

Belize Mission

PURDY'S Fundraiser

This could be a gift that gives twice. Orders close Dec 1



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Ladies Advent Worship

Hidden Treasures

November 28
at 10:00am



Come & prepare your heart for the coming Advent season.

All ladies are welcome. Brunch & Quilted items sale to follow.



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Youth

PIZZA & NERF

NOVEMBER 7

4:30 PM



Pack up your nerf guns and come for chapel time, pizza and a nerf war!

$5.00 ea



2026 MISSION MINISTRY

GIVING TREE

Throughout the season of Advent, we will be collecting items for Cantara House, Champion's Centre & Crossroads. If you are able to donate, please pick up a donation ornament from the "Giving Tree" in the narthex. Feel free to pick as many as you want. Our goal is to completely undecorate the tree. items will be collected at Trinity and then delivered before Christmas.

Please have all items in by December 13.

For more info see the website brookstrinity.ca

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