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## THIS JUST IN

# Advent

### December 4, 2018

#### TRINITY'S SCHEDULE

|             |          |  |                   |
|-------------|----------|--|-------------------|
| Tues.       | 4        | Walking Bible Study (Lkwd. Park bandstand) | 6:00 pm           |
| Wed.        | 5        | LCC Book Discussion (see details below)    | 6:45 pm           |
| <b>Sun.</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>             |                   |
|             |          | Choir Rehearsal                            | 9:00 am           |
|             |          | Nursery                                    | 9:45 – 11:00 am   |
|             |          | <b>Worship and Prayers for Healing</b>     | <b>10:00 am</b>   |
|             |          | Sunday School/Faith Formation              | 10:10 am          |
|             |          | Coffee Hour (Parlor)                       | following worship |
|             |          | Trinity Budget Meeting (Chapel)            | following worship |
| Tues.       | 11       | Staff Meeting                              | 10:00 am          |
|             |          | BPS Lunch                                  |                   |
|             |          | Walking Bible Study (Lkwd. Park bandstand) | 6:00 pm           |
| Wed.        | 12       | LCC Book Discussion (see details below)    | 6:45 pm           |
|             |          | Trinity Council Meeting (Parlor)           | 7:00 pm           |

#### Christmas Giving

With Christmas just around the corner, Council has decided that in lieu of collecting gift cards or gifts to distribute to those in need we would like those who can, contribute to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, which is used to aid Trinity members in need throughout the year. Just make out a check to Trinity and write "Pastor's Discretionary Fund" on the memo line, and place in the collection plate on Sundays.

## **Come Celebrate Epiphany and Trinity's New Chapter!**

**When:** Sunday, January 6, 2019, 4 to 7 pm

**Where:** Distill Table, 14221 Madison Ave, Lakewood; between Brown and Ferndale streets, Parking lot entrance is off of Ferndale and the restaurant is accessible to all, with a ramp at the parking lot door. We will have the place to ourselves!!

**What:** A celebration of the sale of the building and the beginning of the new chapter in the life of Trinity. We will have appetizers, a light buffet supper, desserts and soft beverages. Cash bar for wine and beer options will be available. Come prepared with dates/memories important to you and your Trinity congregational life to share if you wish.

**RSVP:** Please RSVP to Cathy Aldrich and let us know if you have any dietary restrictions or allergies. [imagebycathy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:imagebycathy@sbcglobal.net) or 216-280-0311 (cell).

### **Council News**

**Annual Budget Meeting** December 9 following worship  
**Annual Congregational Meeting** January 27 following worship.  
Please plan to attend.

Team Chair People please have your Annual Reports emailed to  
[trinitylakewoodoffice@gmail.com](mailto:trinitylakewoodoffice@gmail.com) by January 20

Trinity's mission is the following:

People of God living and sharing the Word, Love and Grace of Jesus.

In light of Trinity's mission, I invite each team to reflect on how you lived into Trinity's mission over the course of the last year and to include in your report identified goals for the coming year.

At the annual meeting, you are asked to minimally share at least one highlight from the last year and what you most anticipate in the year ahead.

### **Council would like to encourage members to make their contributions thru online giving.**

Click on the link <http://www.trinitylakewood.org/give> which will take you to the Trinity website donation page. Click on "make a donation" and choose a one time donation or a recurring donation and fill in the necessary information. No more forgetting to write out your check every week!

### **Christmas Eve Fun Run**

Monday, December 24 9am

On Christmas Eve, we celebrate the birth of Jesus. We celebrate that God comes to us with a body and so to get the day started you are invited use your own body to run a fun 5K around Lakewood Park. We will meet near the bandstand, run a few laps and then enjoy hot chocolate and other treats. Walkers are welcome too.

**Walking Bible Study:** Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm. We will meet in Lakewood Park at the entrance behind the bandstand and then share a few laps around the park and a short devotional. Everyone (and their dog) is welcome!

**Bible, Prayer and Support (BPS)** will start up again the second and fourth Tuesdays starting with lunch-time together at the Barton Center/Westerly on Detroit Rd dining room at 12 Noon. We will meet for spiritual discourse in the Atrium approximately 12:45 pm. Men and women are welcome. For more information contact Louise Manke 216/221-2899 or [louiseelliott.manke@gmail.com](mailto:louiseelliott.manke@gmail.com)

**Trinity's December Birthdays**

|                |       |                 |       |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Sarah Melat    | 12/5  | Valerie Metzner | 12/6  |
| Elliott Manke  | 12/9  | Nick Stadler    | 12/11 |
| Bea Aldrich    | 12/13 | Evan Aldrich    | 12/15 |
| Catherine Kolb | 12/21 | Steve Fesko     | 12/22 |



**TLCO NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

If you are interested in helping,  
please sign in on the sheets in the back of the chapel  
or speak with Pr. Sara

**SECOND SUNDAY COMMUNITY MEAL, DEC. 9, 4:00 PM**  
**THIRD SATURDAY COMMUNITY MEAL, DEC. 15, 12:00 PM**  
**PANTRY, Dec. 22, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**TLCO NEEDS YOUR PLASTIC BAGS**

With Produce Give-Away and the Pantry each month  
we are in need of as many plastic shopping bags as we can get.  
Please bring your bags to church on Sunday!

**An invitation from LCC**

For three sessions during Advent, we will have a discussion around the book *The First Christmas* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan. It is not necessary to read the book on your own, as Pastor Joanna will pull out excerpts and key points for discussion. However, you are welcome and encouraged to read the book on your own, at your own pace.

The discussion dates will be:

1. December 5<sup>th</sup> after the potluck, while the children are decorating cookies (around 6:45pm-7:30pm).
2. December 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm-8:00pm
3. December 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm-8:00pm

In *The First Christmas* Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan—top Jesus scholars and authors of *The Last Week*—help us see the real Christmas story buried in the familiar Bible accounts. Basing their interpretations on the two nativity narratives in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke, Borg and Crossan focus on the literal story—the inner truth rather than the historical facts—to offer a clear and uplifting message of hope and peace.

With *The First Christmas* readers get a fresh, deep, and new understanding of the nativity story, enabling us to better appreciate the powerful message of the Gospels.

## **LCC Youth will be selling Homemade Cranberry Pear Relish**

to support their Mission Trip

\$8 or 2 for \$15

Pick yours up in the front hall to have for the holidays!!!

### **Holiday Concert**

Sunday, December 9, 4:00 pm

Bethesda on the Bay Lutheran Church

28607 Wolf Rd., Bay Village

440-871-2276

Bethesda's talented music staff and choir have been working hard to prepare a beautiful collection of holiday music. They will have some fabulous organ pieces by our organist, Matthew Dion, who is a second year student at Oberlin Conservatory, full choir ensembles featuring Oberlin vocalists, as well as a number of other smaller ensembles.

Full concert will run about an hour and is free of charge. Free-will offering will be collected but not required to give.

### **Sounds of the Season**

A Lakewood High School tradition you don't want to miss!

All of the top ensembles in one spectacular concert!

December 13 & 14, 7:30 pm

At the Civic Auditorium

Tickets: \$5 in advance & \$8 at the door.

Call: 216-529-4047

### **Lakewood High School Choral Concert**

December 17, 7:30 pm

At the Civic Auditorium