

Trinity News—December 7,2025

Growing in Faith ... Reaching Out in Love... Making Disciples

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 35:1-10 James 5:7-10 Psalm 146:5-10 Matthew 11:2-11

WE PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATION MEMBERS

Chris Piper Victor Piper, Sr.
Clayton & Teri Piper Family Bryce Pletcher
Jennifer Piper Family Hope Plummer Family
Rachel Piper Family Brian Pohland
Robert Piper, Jr. Jeffrey Poklembo

Dustyn McGinity, Craig Hochheimer, Jason Palanko, Cody McNutt, Regis Dunn II, Preston Wannamaker, David & Cindy Berlin & family, Jimmy Gutowski, Michael Wirick, Brittney Robinson, Jonathan Skoloda, Dillan Bellotti, Heather & Ivan Rupert, Justin Brasile, Jarrett Patterson, Michael Brasile, and others serving our country.

ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

Saturday 5:30pm-56 Sunday 10:45am-77 Sunday 8:15am-75 Sunday School-57

Shepherd Shop-Snow Day



DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION
Drive Thru Communion will be
offered next Sunday, December
14th from 12:15pm - 1:00pm. The

next Drive Thru Communion is Sunday, December 28th, 12:15pm - 1:00pm.

Please note: There will **not be** Drive Thru Communion on Christmas Eve.

GLMA COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Greater Latrobe Ministerium is planning the <u>Community Christmas Dinner set for</u>
<u>Saturday, December 27th at 2:00pm</u> at Saint Vincent Grove The meal is free, but you must have a ticket. Tickets are available in the church office, Monday through Thursday, 8:00am until 4:00pm. <u>Deadline for tickets is</u>
<u>Sunday, December 14th.</u>



JINGLE AND MINGLE

December 8, 6-8:00pm
Join the Felicis' Open House for hot cocoa and cookies as you tour the lights of Wimmerton!
111 Carlsbad Court Latrobe PA

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD

During **December** we will collect **Facial tissues** and pet food products for the Greater Latrobe Ministerium Food Pantry. You may drop off items in the church office or place them in the cupboard located in the side narthex entrance of the church.



TO OUR COOKIE BAKERS

We give thanks for all who signed up to provide cookies for upcoming events. We now have freezer space available so we invite you to "fire up

your ovens" and get baking! You may drop off your cookies in the office any time before Tuesday, December 16th.

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS AND SECRETARIES

If you haven't already provided the office with your most recent Committee Minutes and/or reports to be included in the December Council Packet, please send them to office@trinitylatrobe.com by end of day on Wednesday, December 10th. Thank you!



NORTHSIDE TRINITY GIFTS REMINDER!

A huge thank you to all who are fulfilling the "Christmas wishes" for the children from Trinity Northside. As a reminder the wrapped and

bagged gifts are <u>due in the church office by this</u>
<u>Wednesday, December 10th</u> for delivery to
Trinity Northside on Sunday the 14th.



ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS!

Your committee report for the 2025 Annual Report is coming due. If you need to see your

Committee report from 2024 please contact Kathe. Thank you

Constitution & Bylaws, Audit, Personnel, and Child Protection Committees for your prompt response!

SUNDAY - 7	MONDAY - 8	TUESDAY - 9	WEDNESDAY - 10	THURSDAY -11	FRIDAY - 12	SATURDAY – 13
8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Youth Choir 10:45 Holy Communion 12:00 Men's Choir 5:00 First Sunday Youth Group	OFFICE AND BUILDING CLOSE AT 4:30	8:00 Advent Devotions & Communion 9:30 Prayer Group 10:00 Bible Basics 10:00 Shepherd Shop	COUNCIL PACKET DEADLINE 8:00 Advent Devotions & Communion 9:00 WELCA Quilters 12:00 AA Meeting	8:00 Advent Devotions & Communion 1:00 Purls of Prayer 3:45 Club FRED	OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 AA Meeting	5:30 Spoken Communion
	6-8pm Jingle & Mingle At The Felicis'	6:00 Finance 7:00 Handbells	7:00 Choir	7:30 AA Meeting	BUILDING CLOSES AT 3:00pm	



Evangelical Lutheran Church in AmericaGod's work. Our hands.

ELCA WORLD HUNGER OFFERINGS: \$9,467.00 Offerings collected are used where help in the world is needed the most.

Thank you for your special offerings that are bringing God's love and hope to a hungry, hurting, and broken world.

you <u>can</u> make a difference in spreading the gospel around the world through your offerings to help support our missionaries.

CWS BLANKETS: \$1,513.88

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE to help those here and abroad.

FOREIGN DISASTER TOTAL: \$

UNITED STATES DISASTER TOTAL: \$4,993.66

• CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES: \$1,160.00

• TEXAS FLOOD: \$2,088.00

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE UPDATE

We received a total of 95 pledges for 2026 totaling \$268,566.00 for Unified and \$21,804.00 for building.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN BRIEF

TODAY! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 5:00pm:

First Sunday Youth Group grades 7-12

TUES., WED., & THUR., AT 8:00am: Advent morning devotions with Communion continue through December 18th

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 9:30am: Sunday School Christmas Pageant and breakfast

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 Christmas Eve services at **4pm, 6pm, and 8pm**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 10am: Worship on Christmas Day

<u>SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2:00pm</u>: Greater Latrobe Ministerium Christmas Dinner at St. Vincent Grove

JANUARY 23RD-25TH: Youth Quake at Pittsburgh

SOCIAL CHIT-CHAT

This group will meet on Monday, December 8th for their Annual Christmas Party in the Café at 10:00am till 12 Noon. Come and enjoy this time together. All are welcome!

Christmas Pageant

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Join us in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, December 21st at 9:30am for our annual Sunday School Christmas Pageant and Breakfast.

Pancakes and sausage are on the menu. All are invited! Sign up across from the Lounge so that we prepare properly for breakfast!

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP AT TRINITY
NEW THIS YEAR is a 4pm Christmas Eve

Service - with spoken liturgy, a message geared toward children, and sung Christmas Carols. All are welcome to join us for this new worship experience! The 6pm and 8pm Christmas Eve services will be the traditional worship opportunities with choirs and handbells. The 8pm service will close with candle lighting during Silent Night.

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

We will worship in the stillness of **Christmas Day** at 10:00am.

SHARE YOUR MUSICAL GIFTS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Sing - Youth Choir/Adult Choirs; or Ring - Choir Chimes/Handbells. See Debbie, 412-817-0151 or email petedebm@aol.com

CHRISTMAS BASKET TIME

Join us in sharing the joy of Christ this Christmas! There is still time to make a contribution to Trinity's Christmas Basket Ministry to help provide food for families in need. Every gift—big or small—is a blessing that helps fill hearts and homes with hope. Christmas Basket packing is set for Friday, December 19th at 8:00am and distribution is on Saturday, December 20th beginning at 8:00am. If you would like to offer hands-on help for packing the boxes or distribution please call the church office 724-537-4450.

PERSONNEL UPDATE AND OFFICE SCHEDULE
Barbara Miller has completed her service in the office at Trinity. We thank her and wish her well. In this period of transition, we will be making some adjustments to the building schedule on Fridays through the end of 2025. The office will be closed on Fridays through the end of the year. In addition, the building will close at 3pm on Fridays. Thank you for your understanding as we navigate this busy season of the church year.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR CHRISTMAS NEEDED
SEEKING CHRISTMAS USHERS, GIFT PRESENTERS AND
DEACONS. USHERS & GIFT PRESENTERS SIGN UP ON SIDE
NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD; DEACONS ON SACRISTY DOOR

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA & HUNGER MEMORIALS	
We invite you to adorn our Altar and Chancel or bring blessings to a hungry family.	
I wish to purchaseflower(s) at \$11.00 each for a total of \$	
I wish to make a hunger donation of \$	
in memory of:	
in honor of:	
given by:	
Please return to the church office with your donation by 4:00pm, Thursday, De	ecember 18th