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**Worship Times**

Saturday 5 PM  
Sunday 8 & 10:30 AM

**Adult Bible Class &  
Sunday School**

Sunday 9:15 AM

**Sunday Radio Ministry**

(KLGA 92.7)  
The Lutheran Hour  
7:05 AM

Lift High the Cross  
8:30 AM

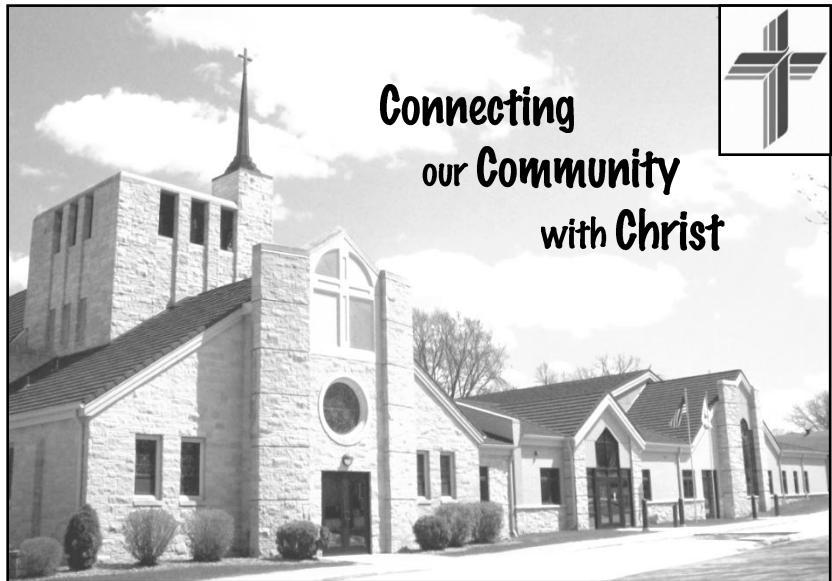
**Trinity on TV**

MediaCom Ch. 3  
AMU Ch. 918  
Tuesday 9 AM



# Trinity Lutheran Church

Algona, Iowa | Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



## The Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 11, 2026

**Preacher:** Pastor Briton Nelson

**Organist:** Pam Gogerty

**5:00 PM**

**Elder:** No Service

**8:00 AM**

**Greeters:** *Volunteers Needed*

**Elders:** Dale Yunginger, Mike Tietz

**Acolytes:** Emma McGuire, Brayden Voss

**Reader:** Dave Kading

**Ushers:** Ron Bichel

Kathy Bichel

Tom Terwilliger

*Volunteer Needed*

**10:30 AM –**

**Greeters:** *Volunteers Needed*

**Elders:** Kreg Haukap, Duane Berninghaus

**Acolytes:** Grace Butz, Kirk Nielsen

**Reader:** Jayme Lentz

**Ushers:** Merrill Friedrich

Kay Friedrich

Mike Weier

*Volunteer Needed*

**Altar Flowers:** Matt & Melissa Divis (*anniversary*)

**Lift High the Cross Sponsors:** Kathy Reddel & Larry Reddel

(*in memory of our parents, Harold & Donna Reddel*)



# TRINITY ALGONA

## NEWS & NOTES FOR JANUARY 11, 2026



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Trinity's Annual Meeting is**

**January 18 at 12:30 PM with a Soup Luncheon** beginning at 11:30 AM.

**Annual Meeting Packets** available in the narthex or the church office. Financials & Budget not available at printing – will be in separate packet. Please take only one (2 parts) per family.

**Holy Communion** will now be celebrated at all weekend worship services (per elders' decision).

### SUPPORTING GOD'S WORK

**2026 Giving Envelopes** are available in the narthex! If you'd like envelopes and are unable to find yours; or if you have envelopes but no longer need them, please contact the church office.

**Thank You** to all who support God's work here at Trinity. Give online via [trinityalgona.org/give](https://trinityalgona.org/give), via our app, or text TrinityAlgona to 888-364-4483.

**Flat Sheets and Old Tattered (well-loved) Quilts** are needed by TLC Quilters. Thanks sew much for helping us help others in need!

**IOWAY Donations** can be placed in bin in office lobby. Ongoing needs: Adults & Children – hats, mittens, socks, & underwear; Hygiene Items – wash cloths, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, & toothbrushes.

### WAYS TO SERVE

**Food Donations Needed for Annual Meeting!**

Please sign up in the narthex to bring desserts, buns, crackers, or milk. Please have food donations in kitchen by 9AM Sunday, January 18.

**Youth Board Members Needed!** If interested, please contact Melissa Divis or one of the pastors.

**Year-End Reports:** The new year is here! If you're responsible for a 2025 report for the annual yearbook, please email it to the church at

[office@trinityalgona.org](mailto:office@trinityalgona.org) by January 12. Please contact the office with any questions.

### **2026 Church Volunteers Needed!**



If you'd like to serve, make adjustments, or be taken off the 2026 schedules (or if you have questions), please contact the appropriate coordinator: **Ushers** – Merrill Friedrich (320-4739), **Greeters** – Michelle Stone (361-0714), **Altar Guild** – Kate Samp (320-4797), **Lay Readers or Funeral Ushers** – Church office (295-3518). If you'd like to serve in any other way, please contact the church office so we can connect you with the appropriate person! Thank you to all who serve to help our services run more smoothly!

**Sponsor Altar Flowers or Lift High the Cross** radio broadcast for 2026 – sign up in the narthex.

**A Food Box** is located on the north side of the church. Members are invited to add food (no non-food items please) to help out those in need.

**TLC Quilters** invite you to join them in the basement to help with their many projects on Tuesdays & Thursdays, anytime from 8 AM – 3 PM. No experience needed - just a willing heart!

### YOUTH

**Youth Service Opportunity!** Youth (grades 5-12) and parents are needed to help with the meal for the annual meeting on Sunday, January 18 at 11:30 AM.

- Adults to help prep Sunday 9:30-10:30 AM
- Youth to help serve during luncheon
- Adults to help supervise
- Older youth to help with childcare during meeting

Please sign up on the link provided in the Flocknote message or contact Melissa Divis directly to sign up.

**TASK (Trinity After School for Kids)** has begun for Kgtn Prep (PM) – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Find registration materials at [trinityalgona.org/task](https://trinityalgona.org/task) or church office. Contact Marcia (200-9047) for more information.

## STAY CONNECTED

**Update Contact Information** (for yourself or your family) by contacting the church office. Please check your info in our Annual Reports & Directory so updates can be made before the new edition.

**For Emailed Bulletins & Calendars**, email [office@trinityalgona.org](mailto:office@trinityalgona.org)

**For Flocknote Messages**, text TrinityAlgona to 84576 or visit [Flocknote.com/TrinityAlgona](http://Flocknote.com/TrinityAlgona)

## Camp Okoboji News

**Camp Okoboji Summer Staff** greatly needed! Youth (age 16+) and college students are invited to consider serving for an unforgettable summer at the lake. Complete application profile at [nloma.org](http://nloma.org).

**Join Us for Family Fun Fest** January 24, 10AM - 1PM. Enjoy family activities including inflatables, sledding (*weather permitting*), cookie decorating, smores station, indoor yard games, and lunch.

**Camp Okoboji Ice Fishing Retreat** on January 23-25 is for anyone who loves to ice fish or wants to learn!! Expect good food, good fellowship, and good fishing for this weekend retreat. Register online or call the camp office at (712) 337-3325.

## MISCELLANEOUS & RESOURCES

**Friendship Register Tips:** Please include your children (if present) as well as any family members serving during the service (acolytes, ushers, sound board, etc) and be clear about which service you are attending. Don't forget to greet your neighbors and welcome our visitors following the service!

**Walk in the Life Center** (open by 7AM) where it's warm & dry! A mile is about 22 laps!



**Adverse Weather** updates can be found on Algona Radio or our Facebook page.

**Pastoral Care on Demand** - Need Prayer, Scripture, Communion, Absolution, or a listening ear? Call or text Pastor Nelson (608-464-5548) or Pastor Dose (712-790-0716) anytime for a visit.

**Hospitalized?** Please let us know if you or a loved one are hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit.

**Learning Spanish & English for Spanish Speakers** will meet as arranged. Contact Lyle (320-6929) if questions or for more info!



**Building Healthy Families:** What do da Vinci's "Mona Lisa," van Gogh's "Starry Night," & "You," have in common? Yep - all three are masterpieces, but an even greater Master Craftsman created you! God formed you in your mother's womb & knew you before you were born. You may see clumsy big feet with ingrown toenails, expanding thighs, or a receding hairline. He sees and loves what He created... a one-of-a-kind, unique you. Be careful not to paint the creation He designed with your own brush of negativity, inferiority, or shame. Thank God for and take good care of the body, mind, and spirit you have! "*For we are God's handiwork...*" *Ephesians 2:10*  
[LutheranFamilyService.org](http://LutheranFamilyService.org)

**Thank You** from the Trinity Youth Board to those who purchased poinsettias to help decorate the front of the church during our Christmas Services. You are welcome to take your poinsettia home to enjoy.

**Thank You** to all who helped take down our beautiful Christmas decorations. Many hands make the work lighter!

*Thank you!*

**Heartfelt Thanks** for the last two years of prayers from the pastors and our congregation. Our little heart & esophagus warrior is doing great and has been feeding tube free since Thanksgiving. She continues to amaze us with her growth and we know that God was watching over her extra closely during her first year. We greatly appreciated your prayers for our little Miss Violet. ~ Aaron & Kellie Siefken & family

**Many Thanks** to everyone for the prayers for my brother, Roger Baas over the last few years! Pastor Dose, your concern and caring not only for Roger but for myself and my family is greatly appreciated. He's at Peace with our Lord. ~ Marcia Kenne

# This Week at Trinity

## Sunday – (January 11)

- 8:00 am Worship with communion
- 8:00 am Live-Stream Worship (*YouTube, Facebook, Trinity App*)
- 9:15 am Sunday School (*Sanctuary*)
- 9:15 am Adult Bible Class (*Life Center*)
- 10:30 am Worship with communion
- 5:00 pm English for Spanish Speakers (*Online*)

## Monday

- 7:00 am & 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)

## Tuesday

- 8:30 am Quilting
- 9:00 am Sunday Worship Re-Broadcast (*MC 3, AMU 918*)
- 2:45 pm Good Sam Communion
- 5:30 pm Learning Spanish (*As Arranged with Participants*)
- 6:00 pm Education Board Meeting
- 7:00 pm Youth Board Meeting
- 7:00 pm Evening Bible Study (*Fireside Room*)

## Wednesday

- 9:30 am Adult Bible Study (*Life Center*)
- 6:30 pm Midweek (*Life Center*) & LYF (*Upper Room*)
- 7:00 pm Choir

## Thursday

- 8:30 am Quilting
- 5:45 pm Community Care Meeting
- 6:30 pm Boards / Committees
- 7:30 pm Church Council

## Saturday

- 5:00 pm Worship with communion

## Sunday

- 8:00 am Worship with communion
- 8:00 am Live-Stream Worship (*YouTube, Facebook, Trinity App*)
- 9:15 am Sunday School (*Sanctuary*)
- 9:15 am Adult Bible Class (*Life Center*)
- 10:30 am Worship with communion
- 11:30 am Soup Luncheon (*Life Center*)
- 12:30 pm Annual Voter's Meeting (*Life Center*)
- 5:00 pm English for Spanish Speakers (*Online*)



# In Our Prayers

**Those Battling Cancer:** Vicki Piedras, Jamie PeCoy, Missy Rash, Joyce Gerber, Ian Shankland, Frank Rusch, Wayne Anderson, Connie Moss, Julie Mack, Bradley Bjstrom, Ryan McGuire, Jason Breig, Jane Nettleton

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** Phil Ruger, Terry McGuire, Zayn Feaster, Pam Narveson, Jim Pergande, Iris Hackbarth, Delores Glawe, John Holt, Henry Friedrich, Vicki Boelman, Leah Edwards, Gene Sorenson, Pastor Bruce Boyce, Etta Pergande, Bill Dau, Gladys Johnson, Janine Kraft

**Medical Testing:** Anonymous

**Condolences:** family of Terry McGuire

**Trinity Shut-Ins**

**Trinity / St. John's Partnership**

**Trinity's Missionaries & Missions**

**Peace & Unity for our Nation**

**Collect of the Day:** Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Stewardship Report for 1/4/26

**Attendance: 44** (*New Year's Eve – 6pm*)

**37** (5:00) – **100** (8:00) – **57** (10:30)

**Weekly Giving: \$ 10,684.23**

**Weekly Budget: \$ 11,105.00**



I'VE NEVER UNDERSTOOD THIS EXCHANGE BETWEEN JOHN AND JESUS. JOHN KNOWS JESUS DOESN'T NEED TO REPENT - HE'S SINLESS!



JOHN THINKS HE KNOWS JESUS.



BUT HE DOESN'T SEE THAT JESUS DESIRES TO TAKE OUR SIN WITH HIM INTO THE WATER OF BAPTISM.



I STILL FEEL LIKE I'M IN OVER MY HEAD!



THAT'S A GOOD THING.

