Trinity Tidings **December 10, 2023**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Joy Jean Blank

Hayden Joyce Belau (Al Demmel's sister)

Susie Burel Walter Bierman

Susan Claus-Beisel Al Brandl
Todd DeGroot Tom DeGroot
Morgan Freudenburg Liam Hake

Jeremiah, Brittany & Matthew Grubb

Tom Hekrdle Bob Jurgens

Ron Jurgens Pastor David Kipp
Samantha Kirch (friend of Allen & Janice Wedekind)
Marc Kollbaum Kaiser Kolm
Kris Kratochvil Louise Kruger
Donna Knapp Kristy Knapp

Betty Eucker Esther Schlesselman

Eileen Peggram (Janice Wedekind's cousin)

Linda Schroeder Vicky Demmel

Jim Smutny (Vicky Demmel's brother) Alex Stepenak (cousin to Doug Kolm) Theresa Tucker (Vicky Demmel's sister)

John White Gavin Wolverton
Residents and Staff at Countryside Missy & Baby Vira

Carol Freudenburg Family of Cindy Schmidt

Prayers for Mission & Ministry

Drew Oswald Family Elizabeth & Panom Pal

Shauen Trump Family-Serving in Kenya Gary & Sue Kessler-Serving in Belize

TLC Youth & Family Team presents *A Chrismon Christmas!* Plan to join us on Wednesday, December 13th at 5pm in the Trinity Lutheran Fellowship Hall. We will be making Chrismons and learning about their history from Pastor Todd. The Ysleta Mission Team will be serving a soup dinner for a freewill offering and all are invited to stay for our Advent worship at 6:30pm. This is a Family event and ALL are invited to attend!

Nebraska District Congregations in our prayers this week

Christ Lutheran in Lynch, NE & Rev. John Nelson, Jr Christ Lutheran in Columbus, NE & Rev. William Voelker Colonial Acres Nursing Home Humboldt, NE

Trinity School Families in our Prayers

Teri Eurek, Jacob, Anthony, Andre, Daila & Jameson Pastor Todd, Angie, & Abigail Kollbaum

Trinity Families in our Prayers this Week

Aiden Hintz Jaxson Hintz Michael & Tammy Jo Hoffart

Expectant Families

Brent & Lindsay

John & Bridget Freudenburg

Whitney & Andrew Sunderman

Lebes & Michael & Staffer

Lukas & Michaela Steffen

Families with Babies in our Prayers

Raemakers Family
Grubb Family
Freudenburg Family

Helgoth Family
Kolm Family
Nelson Family

Frederick Family Hartner/Ambrose Family

Sueper Family
Utecht Family
Oswald Family
Busteed Family
Meier Family

Wecker Family

Prayers of Thanksgiving

*Foster and Adoptive parents

*The gift of new life in Baptism given to Rylan Wren Wecker this weekend

Do you have a prayer of Thanksgiving you would like to include?

Text to 660-238-1751 or email them to

angela.kollbaum@eagles.cui.edu

Mark your calendars for our Advent Midweek Services on the following Wednesdays: December 13th, & 20th. Services will begin at 6:30pm. There will be fellowship dinners prior to services beginning at 5pm. You will not want to miss the Advent Sermon series, STOP, LOOK, LISTEN!

Scripture Readings for next Sunday, Dec 17, 2023, Third Sunday in Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11

Psalm: Psalm 126

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

TRINITY YOUTH FUNDRAISERS

We will be collecting **aluminum cans** to raise funds for our youth ministry! There are barrels on the north side of the church. Thank you! We appreciate it!

<u>LHNE/Trinity Scrip Programs</u>...do your shopping and support our Lutheran schools!

LHNE—contact Lynette Kasik

Trinity—contact TLS school office or Shelley Freudenburg

THEOLOGY ON TAP--- Men's Bible Study!!! Mark your calendar for Tues, December 12th at 7pm at Whiskey River.

<u>Women's Bible Study</u> We will be taking a break during the holiday season. We will meet again Tuesday, January 9th at 10am & 7pm!

For the 2023-2024 school year, we will be offering both 3-year-old and 4-year-old Preschool. For the 3-year-olds, Preschool will be in session on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 8:10 am until 11:30 am. TUITION IS FREE. For the 4-year-olds, Pre-Kindergarten classes will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 8:10 am until 3:30 pm. TUITION IS FREE. Questions?? Please contact Mrs. Emily White at 402-270-3734. Thank you!

Please plan to join the Madison Music Department for their Winter Concert Thursday, December 14, at 7:00pm in the old gymnasium at the high school. We are grateful our TLS students are able to participate in Band...please join us in supporting this collaboration!

Altar Guild is ordering Poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to purchase one as a memorial or in honor of someone there is a sign-up sheets in the back. Cost is \$12 and orders are due December 9-10th.

Thankful for those serving:

This Weekend Next Weekend

Screen Team

Dec. 9-Pam Busteed Dec. 16-Sheila Koss

Dec. 10-Sharon Wright Dec. 17-Christmas Program

Dec. 13 (Advent)- Vicky Demmel

Acolytes:

Dec. 10-Piper Camin Dec. 17-Christmas Program

Dec. 13 (Advent)-Elsa Sommer

Readers:

Dec. 10-Merlin Oswald Dec. 17-Christmas Program

Countryside Home Volunteers:

Dec. 10-Lyle & Sue Jurgens Dec. 17-Margo Dawson

Ushers

Dec. 10-Christmas Program

Greeters:

Dec: Regan & Dawn Kucera; Arland Claus

Elders on Duty:

December: Marion Freudenburg/Steve Wolverton

Altar Guild

December: Sharon Wright/Bev Wolverton

Celebrating Birthdays this week:

Dec. 9—Robert Jurgens

Dec. 10—KayDee Orlowski

Dec. 11—Chloe Steensnes

Dec. 15—Sue Jurgens

Dec. 16—Annie Rumsey

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this week:

Dec. 9—Nathan Ambrose, John Ertzner, Emma Gall, Cori Nathan, Everly Wolken

Dec.11—Jayden Frauendorfer

Dec.12—Aiden Hintz, Abigail Kollbaum, Jeri Orlowski

Dec.16—Enjoli Donner

Celebrating Anniversaries this week:

Dec. 17—Michael & Marilee Reeves

Trinity Happenings This Week:

Monday-12/11

11am PT Daily Devo

Tuesday-12/12

11am PT Daily Devo

7pm Theology on Tap

Wednesday-12/13

8:30am TLS Chapel 11am PT Daily Devo

12:30pm TLS sings at Sr Ctr

5pm Advent Dinner

6:30pm Advent Worship

Thursday-12/14

10:30am Ladies Aid 11am PT Daily Devo

11:30am Ladies Aid at GG

Friday-12/15

11am PT Daily Devo 2:45pm TLS sing CSH

Saturday-12/16

5:30pm Worship

Sunday-12/17

9:30am TLS Christmas Program

Trinity Lutheran Church & School:

Website: trinitylutheranmadison.com

Facebook: Trinity Lutheran Church & School-Madison

WHY DO WE DO WHAT WE DO?



Each week we will be highlighting and explaining the why of what we do in the Divine Service each week. We will begin with the origins of the Divine Service:

The church year is marked by festivals, many of these we know quite well. Easter, Christmas, Pentecost and others are part of our regular life. However, the church celebrates many "lesser" festivals which most people might not have even be aware. The year begins with the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus, The Purification and Naming of Jesus and ends with The Holy Innocents, Martyrs. The year is also filled with 12 festivals set apart to commemorate disciples, martyrs and apostles. These include St. Mark, the birth of John the Baptist, All Saints' Day and others. There are also several other commemorations scattered throughout the year to remember servants of God who have contributed significantly to the life and mission of the Church. While we don't often celebrate these lesser festivals, it would be a helpful practice to consider them and the great witness they represent. Next week we'll begin looking at the parts of the Divine Service. (8)





Building Healthy Families: "Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having in spirit,

become a child again at Christmastime." - Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas brings memories of early years, often along with a smile. Who would enjoy your company and a chance to reminisce about their memories of Christmases past? A family member, the widow next door, or the elderly gentleman at the local nursing home who has no visitors? You may be surprised at how excited they are to share their Christmas memories, and even to listen to yours. Share God's great love through a visit with someone who may be feeling lonely this week! Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org



Gifts for Madison children need to be at church by December 10 (this weekend!). Gifts will be distributed before schools close for Christmas break

If you want to participate but are unable to shop, you can put your donation (suggested \$30) and tag in the box on the table by the tree and the shopping will be done for you! Please contact Lisa Wolken (402-841-5874) or Ruth Oswald (402-992-1951) with questions or to "pick" a tag for you.

Walk-in auditions will take place Monday, December 11th and Tuesday, December 12th from 6:00-7:00 (both evenings) in the LHNE music room. If these evenings do not work in your schedule, please contact us to set up a different time to make arrangements for an alternative audition time.

TLS Fair Booth Committee has dispersed proceeds from the Madison County Fair. We had a great year, so we were able to pass along over \$10,000 to many groups of the church. Thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the TLS Fair Booth. See you next summer!



-WEEKLY NEWS-

December 9-10, 2023 CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Please join the LHNE choir and band at our Christmas concert on Sunday, December 10th at 1:30. Jesus is the reason for the season!

COACHING POSITIONS OPEN

Lutheran High is looking for a head track and field coach for the coming season. If you are interested in applying or have any questions, please contact Preston Sunderman at psunderman@lhne.org or call the school at 402-379-3040.

MATCHING GIFT

Bless Lutheran High students with a gift before December 31, 2023. All gifts given will be doubled, up to \$50,000. A gift to LHNE works to continue Christian education for high school students in northeast Nebraska. Go to www.LHNE.org to give online, or send your gift to LHNE, 2010 N 37th, Norfolk NE 68701, or contact Fred Aufdembrink at 402-379-3040. Your gift will be a blessing for generations to come!

FINALS WEEK/CHRISTMAS BREAK

Finals week will begin this week! We have regular classes on Monday and Tuesday. Finals will take place on Wednesday-Friday. The finals schedule has been emailed out to parents and students. Christmas break commences after the last final is taken on December 15th. Classes resume on January 3rd.

UPCOMING EVENTS –

Dec. 11-12 - Wizard of Oz Auditions

Dec. 11 – Basketball at GACC

Dec. 13-15 – Finals

Dec. 14 – Basketball @ HLHF

Dec. 15 – End of 2 nd Quarter

Dec. 16 – Basketball vs. Homer

Dec. 16 – Wrestling at Pierce

Dec. 17-Jan. 3 – Christmas Break

For information on any Lutheran High Northeast activity or to see a complete calendar, please visit our website: www.LHNE.org