Trinity Tidings **December 31, 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 Morris Lintner
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

Prayers for Mission & Ministry

Drew Oswald Family Elizabeth & Panom Pal

Shauen Trump Family-Serving in Kenya

Rev. Andrew & Kelsey Schlund-Serving in Mexico

Nebraska District Congregations in our prayers this week

Faith Lutheran in Gordon, NE

Faith Lutheran in Hebron, NE & Rev. Brian Francik

Faith Lutheran in York, NE & Rev. Benjamin Francisco

Trinity School Families in our Prayers

Craig & Sara Knapp, Jacob, Greyson and Alexandria Kristen & Ben Wolken, Tori, Everly, Will and Lindy

Trinity Families in our Prayers this Week

Nolan & Rebecca Johnson, Treighton & Tolson Linda Jones Melissa Jones & Parker

Expectant Families

Brent & Lindsay
John & Bridget Freudenburg
Whitney & Andrew Sunderman
Lukas & Michaela Steffen

Rick & Stacy Kampschnieder
Emily & Dylan Woodall
Ryan & Hanna Freudenburg
Elizabeth & Panem Pal

Families with Babies in our Prayers

Raemakers Family
Grubb Family
Freudenburg Family

Helgoth Family
Kolm Family
Nelson Family

Frederick Family Hartner/Ambrose Family

Sueper FamilyKruger FamilyUtecht FamilyOswald FamilyBusteed FamilyMeier Family

Wecker Family

Prayers of Thanksgiving

*Thankful for new beginnings and the grace bestowed upon us all by our Lord!

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

THEOLOGY ON TAP--- Men's Bible Study!!! Mark your calendar for Tues, January 9th at 7pm at Whiskey River.

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

Celebrating Birthdays this week:

Dec. 30—Larry Sjuts, Jeffrey Wetjen

Dec. 31—Brynlee Thompson

Jan. 1—Ray Robertson, Lisa Wagner

Jan. 2—Kelli Dickes, Hilda Dittberner, Jeremy Orlowski, Myles Rakowsky

Jan. 3—Jerry Miller

Jan. 5—Wendy Droescher

Jan. 7—Ryan Bartak

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays this week:

Dec.30—Johnny Orlowski III, Larry Sjuts

Dec.31—Rey Cienfuegos

Jan. 1—Cole Summer, Noel Went

Jan 2—Hilda Dittberner

Jan. 3—Susie Nathan

Jan. 4—Larry Nathan

Jan. 6—Savanna Koss, Elli Linde

Jan. 7—Kendra Fuoss, Annie Rumsey, Verlyn White

Celebrating Anniversaries this week:

Dec. 31-Dan & Jan Fullner

<u>Scripture Readings for next Sunday, January 7, 2024, Second Sunday in Christmas</u>

First Reading: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalm: Psalm 111

Epistle: Galatians 4:4-7 Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

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

Thankful for those serving:

This Weekend Next Weekend

Screen Team

Dec. 30-Lareesa Greunke Jan. 6-Vicky Demmel Dec. 31-Sharon Wright Jan. 7-Sheila Koss

Readers:

Dec.31-Regan Kucera Jan. 7-Brenda Oswald

Countryside Home Volunteers:

Dec.31-Al & Mary Sorensen Jan. 7-Don & Donna Knapp

Greeters:

December: Regan & Dawn Kucera; Arland Claus January: Don & Donna Knapp; Margo Dawson

Elders on Duty:

December: Marion Freudenburg/Steve Wolverton

January: Brian Oswald/Bill Masters

Altar Guild:

December: Sharon Wright/Bev Wolverton January: Donna Knapp/Sarah Masters

THANK YOU to all who participated in the 2023 "Giving Tree". Your generosity and Thrivent Action Team dollars provided Christmas gifts for 49

individuals this year . . . 21 children in Madison, 22 seminary students in St. Louis, and 6 for seminarian Drew Oswald and his family. We are "blessed to be a blessing"! Merry Christmas! (From Concordia Seminary, St. Louis . . . Thank you so much!!! This is incredibly generous of your congregation!!)

Trinity Happenings This Week:

Monday-01/01

Happy New Year!

Tuesday-01/02

NO SCHOOL 11am PT Daily Devo 4:30pm MMA Mtg

Wednesday-01/03

NO SCHOOL 11am PT Daily Devo

Thursday-01/04

TLS/MPS Back to school 11am PT Daily Devo 7pm PT Zoom Study

Friday-01/05

11am PT Daily Devo

Saturday-01/06

5:30pm Worship w/HC 6:30pm !st Sat-Bunco

Sunday-01/07

8:15am Fellowship 8:30am Bible Study 9:30am Worship

Trinity Lutheran Church & School:

Website: trinitylutheranmadison.com

Facebook: Trinity Lutheran Church & School-Madison

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!

Volunteers needed to Help at the Madison Food Bank!

Madison is blessed to have a food pantry and Trinity Lutheran is blessed to have the opportunity to serve our community in January. Volunteers are appreciated on Saturdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. All help is appreciated in filling boxes as we anticipate approximately 25-30 families will come for food each week. Contact Roger Acklie or the church office to volunteer.

WHY DO WE DO WHAT WE DO?

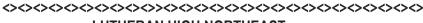
Each week we will be highlighting and explaining the why of what we do in the Divine Service each week. We will begin with the origins of the Divine Service:

The invitation at the conclusion of the Proper Preface leads us to the singing of the Sanctus or what is known as the 4th great song of the Divine Service. Approaching the altar of the Lord where is presence is in the Sacrament, we sing of our thrice Holy God (Holy, Holy, Holy is the God of Sabaoth) echoing the proclamation of the Seraphim in Isaiah 6:3 when Isaiah finds himself in the throne room of God. We sing "hosannas" (save us) to the king and "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" repeating that which was proclaimed at Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. This is truly a confession of the blessing and live that is about to be given to and among us in the Sacrament. (20)



Building Healthy Families: The beginning of a New Year brings feelings of anticipation, excitement, and hope as we start with a clean slate, our resolutions to keep. Still looking for ideas that will bring new life to your New

Year? In addition to more physical exercise and better food choices, how about one of these: read from Scripture 15 minutes every day; go to church every Sunday; set aside 20 minutes at the end of the day to pray; join a Bible Study group; memorize a new Bible verse each week. Don't give up! It takes 6 weeks of doing something repeatedly to make it a habit. A Blessed, Happy, & Healthy New Year to you and your family! Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org





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!

LHNE FARM AND EQUIPMENT AUCTION

The LHNE Farm and Equipment Auction will be held on Saturday, March 2nd 10:00 A.M. Lutheran High Northeast is seeking donations of farm, outdoor, and shop equipment (in working order) for a one-day auction outside the Ag. shop at LHNE. This 'leap year' event is a great opportunity to benefit the students by sharing 'retired' equipment, tools, or hardware! To donate, please email a description and photo of the item(s) to farm@LHNE.org by February 9th. Items must be delivered to LHNE by Thursday, February 29th, but may be delivered earlier by contacting Development Director Fred Aufdembrink. The auction will be conducted by the Blank Agency of Madison. All donations will be acknowledged with a letter and receipt following the auction for tax purposes. (402) 379-3040 farm@LHNE.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

EAGLE FUN DAY for students in grades 6-8 will be FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 9:00 A.M. to 12:20 P.M. All students in the community are invited to come for an exciting day of classroom events, games, and pizza. Everyone is invited! If you have a student who would like to come and experience LHNE please call to register for the event!

WRESTLING REQUEST

The LHNE wrestling team is looking for an exercise bike. If you are interested in donating or

supporting their search, please contact Coach Ryan Sorensen at rsorensen@lhne.org.

LHNE UPCOMING EVENTS – Jan. 3 - Classes Resume

Jan. 3 - FBLA Meeting

Jan. 4 - BB @ Wausa Tourney

Jan. 6 - BB @ Wausa Tourney

Jan. 7 - Booster Club Mtg

Jan. 8 - BB @ Stanton

Jan. 8 - FFA Mtg

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

First Friday is moving indoors in January!

Join us for an evening of BUNCO & Crockpot fellowship. **Saturday**, January 6, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Trinity basement (following worship). Let's have some fun with a Snowman/Winter weather theme. We can't control the weather, but we can have fun with it!!! We will provide a yummy Snowman themed crockpot main course. Please bring a dish or crockpot to share and your beverage of choice. Bring your family. We will have some kid activities set up too! Never played BUNCO? No problem. It is easy to pick up and super fun to play and prizes for the winners & the losers!!!

<u>Lutheran Bible Institute</u>-Rev. Nabil S. Nour, 4th Vice-President of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, who was born in Nazareth, will present a detailed Bible study about the root of the conflict in the Holy Land. Congregations and individuals are all invited to attend this event at Grace Lutheran Church in Norfolk

January 7th. In the event of inclement weather, LBI will be January 14th.

