

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

201 S. Washington St. Unity, WI 54488



2023

November 5th - All Saints Sunday

Worship 8:00 (Noisy Offering)

Sunday School 9:00

November 8th - WELCA meeting at 1:30

November 12th

Worship 8:00

November 14th - Council Meeting 6:30

November 19th

Worship 8:00

November 26th - Christ the King Sunday

Worship 8:00

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"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." ~

2 Corinthians 9:8

If I say the word "stewardship" people tend to turn the other way. If we read the word "stewardship" we might think about what is in our checking and wallets. Stewardship and the financial health of the church are often uneasy subjects. But in actuality, stewardship goes beyond our basic understanding of dollars and cents.

Christian stewardship simply put is about living and knowing whose we are.

Christian stewardship is our response as God's people. We are richly blessed by God! Our life is a gift and blessing.

As members of the community of faith at Trinity Lutheran, we share our lives in many and various ways. We share in God's blessings as we give time to the ministry of Trinity Lutheran. Together we share our talents and skills and participate in God's work. As a community of faith we offer a portion of our money to further God's ministry and mission at Trinity Lutheran.

We, as the body of Christ, are richly blessed by God and our thanks is shown in our sharing. This is an important aspect of the Christian faith and living.

This is stewardship. Stewardship is about blessing and giving and life.



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Special thanks to our church members who have served:

Bob Strunk - 1987 to 1991
(fought in Desert Storm)

Lester Bainer - 4/18/1989 to 4/16/1993
(fought in Desert Storm)

IN LOVING
Memory

A memorial gift was given by Deb (Miller) Dziubinski and her family in memory of her parents, Ray & Jeanette Miller whose anniversary was October 11th.

Two former members of Trinity passed recently:
Lyle Tennis and Bob Anderson. Please keep their families in your prayers.





Thanksgiving is just around the corner and most of us have so much to be thankful for. The families that come to our food pantry are thankful for all that we can share with them. Right now we are running low on almost everything. If you are able please consider making a donation of food or money. All food is appreciated but the following list is what we use the most: canned fruits, vegetables, tuna, salmon or chicken; pancake mix, syrup, white rice or any kind of pasta; flour, white sugar, brown sugar, table salt also are appreciated. Thanks for your consideration and hope you have a blessed Thanksgiving.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace



The WELCA group would like to make a donation to the *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* project at the end of the month. The national organization is a group of volunteers dedicated to building, assembling and delivering top-notch beds to children and families in need. There are groups in our area who are involved. Please consider donating so that someone can have a warm comfy bed to sleep in, something many of us take for granted. A collection will be taken up November 12th, 19th and 26th.



Beginning November 11th and continuing into the remaining weeks of the year a "blessing bowl" will be available. This will be a large clear bowl filled with "blessings". As you leave worship you are invited to take a blessing from the blessing bowl. And as you enter worship you are invited to leave a blessing.

Our prayer is that as you receive these blessings, God works in your life, growing your acts of giving into blessing. Amen!

"and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ~ Revelation 7:11a-2

Blessings,
Pastor Teri



Shoebox Christmas

The shoeboxes for Shoebox Christmas will be assembled Sunday, November 12th, and delivered to Zion Methodist in Marshfield November 19th following worship. We need all hands on deck for packing the boxes which will take place following worship on the 12th. A brunch potlunch is being planned for after the shoeboxes are completed.

Items can still be brought to church or Barb Soback will do the shopping if you want to make a monetary donation. Items include soap, brushes/combs, bandaids, washcloths, toothbrushes, pencil sharpeners, pencils, small toys/stuffed animals, notebooks, colors/coloring books, T-shirts, socks, and colored pencils/markers. We have packed over 200 boxes in the past. How many can we pack this year?

“What’s Cooking?”

(if you have a favorite recipe, please share.)

Chicken (Turkey) Dressing Casserole

(taken from blue church cookbook; submitted by Violet Baumgar, Patsy Schuh’s mom.)

1 can cream of chicken soup	$\frac{1}{2}$ c. water
1 can cream of celery soup	1 small onion
$\frac{1}{2}$ lb. croutons, plain or seasoned	Pepper to taste
1 tsp. sage	2 c. chicken or turkey cut up

Grease casserole dish. Saute onion in butter. Mix all 4 ingredients and put in a casserole dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes. If using seasoned croutons, omit sage. Don’t put salt in as there is plenty of salt in the soups.



Chicken (Turkey) Rice Casserole

2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 lbs. cut up chicken/turkey	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Minute Rice
1 can cream of mushroom soup	$\frac{1}{2}$ c. water mixed with soup

Scatter rice in the bottom of a greased 9 X 13 pan. Place chicken over rice. Pour soup with water over chicken. Season with salt & pepper. Cover with foil and bake at 350 degrees for 2 hours.

November Worship Assistants:

	Lay reader	Ushers	Comm. Asst.
Nov. 5	Terra Newman	Kelsey W. & girls	Kelsey Wussow
Nov. 12	Bob Strunk	Jared & Lydia K.	Jared Klimmer
Nov. 19	Lisa Lynn	Emily L. & Barb S.	Emily Loertscher
Nov. 26	Pat Klimmer	Cindy H. & Sue K.	Cindy Hardrath

Money Counters

Nov. 5	Al Raatz & Jared Klimmer
Nov. 12	Doug Newman & Cindy Hardrath
Nov. 19	Naomi Carey & Susan Karsten
Nov. 26	Patsy Schuh & Terra Newman

In December.....those in charge.....

Altar Guild - Susan Karsten & Cindy Hardrath
Lay Readers - Barb Soback
Ushers & Comm. Assistant - Cindy Hardrath



More people are needed to work on Wednesdays when the food pantry is open. Please talk to Cindy Hardrath.

More money counters are also needed. It’s on a four week rotation. If interested, please talk to Pat Klimmer.

November Birthdays

- 3 - Naomi Carey
- 5 - Merry Gregory
- 14 - Teri Raatz
- 15 - Parker Klimmer, Don Jablonicky, Sr. & Judee Krueger
- 17 - Bob Strunk
- 21 - Logan Uhlig



November Anniversaries

- 4 - Ron & Julie Haas
- 10 - Steve & Barb Justman

Sunday, November 5th

For All Saints Day, November 5, 2023, everyone is encouraged to bring in a photo or photos of people in their families who have passed away to display on a table in front of the altar. There will be an opportunity for you to light a small votive candle illuminating the framed photo as a symbol of the light they were in life and the light they shine even now.



Peach Pie

(from blue church cookbook; submitted by Myrtle Carlson)

Fresh sliced peaches,
peeled

1 c. sugar

2 T. cornstarch

$\frac{1}{2}$ pt. Cream

Cinnamon, optional

1 unbaked pie shell



Peel & slice peaches into an unbaked pie shell. Mix cornstarch with sugar. Add cream and stir until thoroughly mixed. Pour over peaches. Sprinkle lightly with cinnamon, if desired. Bake at 350 degrees until set, possibly up to an hour.

*May the Lord bless you
and keep you
The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face towards you
and give you peace*

NUMBERS 6:24-26

Pastoral Needs?

You may contact Pastor Teri Hanson by phone at
715-650-1786 (cell) or email her -

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What's Going on in Our Church?

As explained in the October Tidings, different organizations and groups will be highlighted for a few months.

This month the spotlight is on **WELCA, Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America**, and what the women in our church are doing. WELCA was formerly called the LCW or Lutheran Church Women. While the name has changed, the purpose and many of the activities have stayed. WELCA has a mission statement that provides a focus or purpose for the group: *A Community of Women created in the image of God called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit. We commit ourselves to - grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.*

WELCA has officers similar to other groups serving the same purpose. The current officers include: Karen Winkler, president; Barb Soback, vice-president; Susan Karsten, secretary; and Pat Suckow, treasurer. Meetings are typically held monthly the second Wednesday at 1:30 pm April through November. Evening meetings have been held with the hope of younger women attending, but have not made a difference. If there is an interest, the time can change.

Each month the group has at least one project or activity. Some of the activities include: Lenten soup suppers, a ladies' night out, Easter brunch, honoring confirmands and graduates, visiting shut-ins, supporting an adoptive daughter, altar guild, sending greeting cards, making & repairing banners, supporting Shoebox Christmas, the Harvest Dinner, funeral luncheons, the rummage sale, and organizing a day tour & lunch.

The biggest project/fundraiser has always been October's Harvest Dinner. However, since the Covid Pandemic appeared, few people have been working or supporting the dinner. Several of the workers have aged beyond the ability to do this job without younger help. The dinner has also decreased in tickets sold & profit over the years. In 2018, 292 tickets were sold and there was a profit of \$2600 while this year's profit was only about \$1800 with 185 tickets sold. After studying the results of the dinner this year, WELCA decided to

discontinue the annual dinner ... unless some "very positive changes" come our way. Other ideas have been brainstormed for fundraising but no decisions have been made. Just think! 76 Harvest Dinners have been served over the years with the same traditional menu served each year! **THANK YOU** to every person who helped in any way to make these dinners possible!

Why does WELCA have a fundraiser? The assets from the dinners have been used to support Trinity by purchasing/providing items needed for the operation of the church. Some items are things that are constantly used and replaced: communion wine and candle oil; baptismal medallions and beginner Bibles; confirmation/graduation gifts; bathroom supplies (toilet paper, kleenex, soaps); cleaning supplies; and kitchen supplies (coffee, sugar/creamers, paper plates/cups). The group has also purchased larger items including the digital piano, vacuum cleaners, window blinds, carpet, Christmas trees & ornaments, holiday/seasonal decorations, kitchen equipment & appliances, tables/chairs, and even new toilets. These purchases have saved the "church" a great deal of money.

All the women of our congregation are automatically members of WELCA. If you are not actively involved now, please consider joining the group for fun, fellowship, and commitment to Christ.

(Karen Winkler, contributor)

.....to all those who contributed towards the Harvest Dinner in any way - cooking, serving, donating food items, or donating money. It's always great to spend time together in the kitchen preparing and then hear the compliments from those who came to eat. Another success! (From WELCA)