



Trinity Youth Group will have their Christmas Party on Saturday, December 16, 7-9:00 p.m. All youth are invited to bring your friends and join us for the fun.

COMMUNITY

A GriefShare program will be held at First Baptist Church in Waterville, MN. The program is a 13-week nondenominational, Christ-centered, biblical teaching course and focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by group discussion.

Grief SUPPORT Group

Past participants have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussions were to them. Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. You will find encouragement, comfort, and help in grieving the death of a loved one. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling.

You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future.

GriefShare will be held January 16, 2023 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church 14534 State Hwy 60 Waterville, MN 56096. Register online at www.griefshare.org It you have questions, call Elsie Youtzy (phone # available through the church office). Cost: \$20.00 for the workbook. (Please don't allow the fee to keep you from attending; we do have scholarships available.)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sat. (9 th)	11-3:00	Family Christmas Party (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30	Sunday School Christmas Service
Sun. (10 th)	8:00	Worship Service (C)
	9:15	Reception for New Mbrs
	9:15	Parents' Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Worship Service
Mon. (11 th)	8:25	FLS (Sanctuary)
	6-7:15	Basketball Practice
	6:30	AHG Leaders' Mtg.
	6:30	Congregational Forum
	7:00	Trumps' Bible Study (off site)
Tue. (12 th)	8:30	Staff Mtg.
	9:00	Bible Study
	12-3:00	JOY Group (Fellowship Hall)
	2:45	Violin Lessons
	4:15	Community Cathedral Café
	6:30	LLB Mtg.
Wed. (13 th)	8:30	FLS Chapel
	9:00	Quilting
	1:00	Mill City (C)
	4:00	Emeralds (C)
	5:30	Confirmation Class
	5:30	Advent Service
	6:30	Soup Supper
	7:00	Choir
	7:00	Connection
Thu. (14 th)	11:30	Prayer Group
	12:40	FLS (Sanctuary)
	2:00	Human Care
	5:45	AHG Christmas Party
	6:30	FLS Brd. Mtg. (Peace)
Fri. (15 th)	8:00	Men's Bible Study
	10:00	FLS (Sanctuary)
	11:40	FLS (Church Kitchen)
Sat. (16 th)	12-6:00	Sudanese Event (Gym)
	5:30	Worship Service (C)
	7-9:00	Youth Christmas Party
Sun. (17 th)	8:00	Worship Service
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Parents' Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service (C)

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Worship Broadcasts: Radio (KDHL 920 AM) Sunday at 8:00am

Livestream: www.trinityradioandvideo.org 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Address: 530 4th St. NW Phone: (507) 331-6579 Trinity website: www.trinityfaribault.org

[Facebook.com/Trinityfaribault](https://www.facebook.com/Trinityfaribault) Trinity Radio Website: www.trinityradioandvideo.org

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Our Mission:
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GROW...
GO...



Trinity News of the Week

December 9 & 10, 2023

Trinity Lutheran Church
Faribault, MN 55021

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

Mon. 12/11: Mal. 4:1-6	Thu. 12/14: 1 Thess. 5:16-24
Tue. 12/12: Heb. 12:25-28	Fri. 12/15: John 1:6-8, 19-28
Wed. 12/13: Psalm 126	Sat. 12/16: Matt. 21:1-9

FARIBAULT LUTHERAN SCHOOL



Monday, December 18, will be the dress rehearsal of the FLS Christmas service. It will be at 9:00 a.m. at Trinity. We are encouraging members to come to the dress rehearsal due to the service being crowded on Tuesday evening.

Tuesday, December 19, FLS will have their annual Christmas service at Trinity at 6:00 p.m. This year the students will be remembering Christ's love for us.

Bible Bowl Practice

This year we will be studying the book of Acts using the ESV translation. Everyone in grades 7 -12 and their friends are invited to join the team. Our first practice will be on 01/07/24 from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the church and on every Sunday thereafter all the way to the Saturday competition on 04/06/24. Open yourself up to all that you can learn about Jesus and all the blessings that can be yours by being on such a team. See Philip Simonson.



EVANGELISM

In Our Prayers for Strength, Comfort, and Healing... Verna Bahl; Donna Babcock; Diane Bauernfeind; Gloria Cloutier; Andrew Hein; Lowell Hetletvedt; Lee Koopmans; Chuck LaCroix; Marilynn Nelson; Mertice Reck; Lorraine Roemhildt; Scott Rost; Ray Sanders; Shari Schreck; Diane Schultz; Barb Young

FELLOWSHIP

Welcome
New Members

✠ Mary Ann Fulton
✠ Roger & Sandy Malm
✠ Patrick McGannon

We will welcome our new members during the 8:00 a.m. service on December 10. A reception will be held between services. Please be sure to come and meet them!

In Bethlehem Inn performance was a success with over 120 people being served a meal and enjoying a wonderful retelling of the night of Jesus' birth. We have the rights to stream our In Bethlehem Inn performance for 14 days (ending Dec. 16). This can be viewed on Trinity's YouTube channel or on our Facebook page. DVDs are available to purchase for \$5. Contact the church office or Nancy Simonson. If you didn't attend and want to see the performance take this opportunity. Next year, invite a friend and attend in person! This is an easy and great outreach opportunity!

♪ I've got the *J.O.Y....*down in my heart ♪

With Christmastime approaching,
to celebrate Jesus' birth,
With JOY we plan merriment, cheerfulness,
and mirth.
Christmas gathering in the Fellowship Hall,
Again, we're sure to have a ball.
Tuesday, December 12, at noon,
did you reserve a seat?
Potluck's a change for us this year,
but **we'll provide the meat.**
Plates/utensils/etc., there is
NO NEED TO BRING,
But once again we'll set out a plate for a
FREE WILL OFFERING.
An added feature to give more zest,
We'll be hosting an **ugly sweater contest!!!**
Those crazy planners what's more in store?
Bingo, music, prizes; who knows what
else for sure?
The **sign up sheet's** on the **Welcome Center;**
Your name on it will allow you to enter.

Thanks for everything

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Holiday Boutique this year! Special thanks to the FLS students who set up and took down the tables and to the Youth Group who served snacks and lunch. Thank you everyone for making the sale such a great success! Fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

HUMAN CARE

Angel Tree 2023...We have been blessed by your generosity. This year the need was great and your response tremendous! Thanks to all who participated in this year's Angel Tree project...showing compassion and concern for those in need this Christmas season. Our prayer is that the joy, hope and love of this season continue all through the new year. God bless!



Trinity's Human Care would like to thank the following Trinity volunteers who rang bells for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle campaign on Saturday, November, 25.: Billie Jo and Nevaeh Weeg, Sandy Malm, Cinda Peterson, Gary and Barb Mrosko, and Tammy Schwichtenberg. If would still like to volunteer, there are still some openings in Faribault. Go to www.registertoring.com or call Randy at 507-334-8816.

Thank you to everyone who helped with or supported the Advent Supper on Wednesday, Dec. 6. Human Care raised \$306 to help those in need in our church and the community.

Memory Tree: This year we have started a memory tree to remember our loved ones who have passed away. We would like to encourage you to bring a tree ornament of your choice in their memory. Perhaps they loved birds, so a bird ornament would be appropriate, or a tractor for the farmer. We have tags so you can put their name on it and their date of passing or whatever info you can fit on the tag. The tags are available at the information center and you can fill out and put your ornament on the designated tree. When we take the decorations down, we will keep the ornaments together and put them on again every year. We hope that this will help to give you comfort as we celebrate the birth of our Savior and remember our loved ones gone before us. Questions? Call LeAnn Fuchs.



December 10 "You might not be impressive by the world's standards. You might be a third-shift worker, a nameless neighbor, or a sinner who messed up in very public ways. But the angel declared good news for all people, which logically must include you. So, rejoice today! A Savior was born to you!"

Pastor Mike Novotny, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

STEWARDSHIP

Potential Merger Update:

A small leadership group recently met and discussed the possibility of working with an outside professional consultant who specializes in church mergers and collaborations. In the next few weeks Trinity and Peace leadership teams will further discuss and try to meet with the consultant before Christmas. Work also continues with the District. More updates will be provided as they occur.

STATISTICS

Attendance	General Fund Receipts
<i>(Weekend Services, December 2 & 3)</i>	
211	\$15,727
Weekly budgetary needs in 2023: \$14,171	
<i>Please note that this is the budgetary needs, not the actual expenses. Actual expenses are depicted in the monthly graph.</i>	

A representative from the District has graciously offered to visit with the congregation for a forum scheduled for **Monday, Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m.** to further discuss Trinity's Call options.

The Call Committee met recently and talked with several Intentional Interim Pastor candidates and have decided to move forward with a congregational Voter's meeting Monday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m. More details will be provided as soon as they are confirmed.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The 5:30 p.m. service on Saturday, December 16 will have Holy Communion.

Wednesday, December 13

5:30 PM - Advent Service
followed by Soup Supper

Monday, December 18

9:00 AM - FLS Christmas Service Rehearsal

Tuesday, December 19

6:00 PM - FLS Christmas Service

Wednesday, December 20

5:30 PM - Advent Service
followed by Soup Supper

Saturday, December 23

5:30 - Lessons & Carols Service

Sunday, Christmas Eve, December 24

8:00 AM - Lessons & Carols Service
NO 10:30 SERVICE

4:30 PM - Christmas Eve Family Service
10:00 PM - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, Christmas Day, December 25

9:00 AM - Christmas Day service with Holy Communion

Regular Services on December 30 & 31, 2023

5:30 PM - Saturday Worship
8:00 & 10:30 AM - Regular Sunday
Worship Services
NO NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE

Advent Midweek services, Christmas Eve Family and Christmas Day services will be broadcast on KDHL (920 AM) and live streamed.

TRINITY YOUTH



The Advent Supper on Wednesday, December 13 will be sponsored by Trinity's Youth Group. They will be serving Cheeseburger Soup and Chicken Wild Rice. If you can bring a dessert (cookies, bars or cupcakes) for the supper on the 13th, please sign up at the Information Center. Thank you for supporting our Youth Group!