

## COMMUNITY



### A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

**Sunday, December 1, 4:00 p.m.,**  
Carleton Chapel, Northfield

**Sunday, December 8, 4:00 p.m.,**  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Faribault

I Cantanti Chamber Choirs of Northfield is presenting a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. This year's concerts will be at the Carleton Chapel on Sunday, December 1 at 4:00 p.m., and at Trinity Lutheran Church in Faribault on Sunday, December 8, at 4:00 p.m.

The concerts will feature music by composers Michael John Trotta, Kim André Arnesen, Jake Runestad and Morten Lauridsen with arrangements by Dan Forrest, Daniel Jackson, Brad Holmes, Robert Sieving and James L. Stevens. There are also opportunities for the audience to sing along on familiar carols.

A free-will exit offering will be taken.

### Advent Wreath

The Advent wreath is a symbol of watchfulness and increasing joy as we anticipate Jesus' birth. The wreath's circular shape symbolizes eternity, or life without end. The candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World — He brought light and life to a dark world (see John 1:4-5). On each of the four Sundays of Advent, we light a new candle. As the light grows, so do our hope and joy.

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sat. (30 <sup>th</sup> )	5:30	Worship Service
Sun. (1 <sup>st</sup> )	First Sunday in Advent	
	8:00	Worship Service
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service (C)
	4:00	Bethlehem Inn Rehearsal
Mon. (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	3-5:30	Basketball Practice
	6:30	Annual Voters' Mtg.
Tue. (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	8:30	Staff Mtg.
	2-2:45	FLS (Fellowship Hall)
	2:45-4:30	Violin Lessons (Music Room)
	3-5:30	Basketball Practice
	4:15	Community Cathedral Café
	4:30-7:15	Sanctuary Reserved
	5:00	Bethlehem Inn Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
Wed. (4 <sup>th</sup> )	8:30	FLS Chapel
	9:00	Quilting
	2:30	New Perspective (C)
	4:00	Pleasant View Estates (C)
	5:30	Confirmation (Peace)
	5:30	Advent Service
	6:30	Advent Supper
	7:00	Choir
	7:00	Connection
Thu. (5 <sup>th</sup> )	Pastor Out of Office	
	10:00	Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's)
	3-4:10	FLS Choir (Music Room)
	3-5:30	Basketball Practice
	5:45-7:30	AHG Troop (Gym, Nursery, Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	FLS Brd. Mtg. (Trinity—Music Rm)
Fri. (6 <sup>th</sup> )	8:00	Men's Bible Study
	9:15-10:20	Tone Chimes
	6:00	Bethlehem Inn Dinner Theater
Sat. (7 <sup>th</sup> )	8:00	Church Decorating
	4:30	Worship Service (C)
	6:00	Bethlehem Inn Dinner Theater
Sun. (8 <sup>th</sup> )	8:00	Worship Service (C)
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service
	4:00	I Cantanti—Lessons & Carols

### - Serving Trinity Lutheran Church and Faribault Lutheran School -

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Our Mission:  
CONNECT...  
GROW...  
GO...



# Trinity News of the Week

November 30 & December 1, 2024

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Faribault, MN 55021

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

Mon. 12/2: Exodus 16:1-17	Thu. 12/5: Mal. 3:1-7b
Tue. 12/3: Col. 3:15-17	Fri. 12/6: Phil. 1:2-11
Wed. 12/4: John 6:27-35	Sat. 12/7: Luke 3:1-14

**Our Sunday School families** received their Advent Family Chain Devotions last week. There are extras at the information enter for other families and grandparents to give to their grandchildren. One per family, please. If you need more copies, see Nancy Simonson.

**The Sunday school students** have started their rehearsals for the Christmas service. The Sunday school Christmas service is December 14 at 5:30 p.m. The service is entitled "His Name Shall Be Called" and highlights the various names of Jesus found in the Bible.

## FARIBAULT LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**Wednesday, December 18,** will be the dress rehearsal of the FLS Christmas service. It will be at 8:30 a.m. at Trinity. We are encouraging members to come to the dress rehearsal due to the service being crowded on Thursday evening.

Thursday, December 19, FLS will have their annual Christmas service at Trinity at 6:00 p.m.

**There are extra wreathes, swags, and crosses** available for sale on the table in the narthex. Price is \$25 each. Payment should be made to Faribault Lutheran School.

## EVANGELISM & OUTREACH

### In Our Prayers for Strength, Comfort, and Healing...

Brian; Donnie; Kathy; Matt; Verna; Donna & Harold; Chuck; Jasmine; LeAnn; Roberta; Dwight & Ruth; Kevin; Chuck; Joe; Vern; Cheryl; Bud; Barb; Mertice; Shirley; Scott; Shirley; Diane; Jayne & Todd

**A Celebration of Life** will be held for Earl Benson on Saturday, December 7, 2-5 p.m. at the Faribault Moose Lodge. Honor guard and firing squad will be at 3:00 p.m.

## FELLOWSHIP

**Bethlehem Inn dinner ticket** sales continue for December 6 and 7 at \$15 each. The last day to purchase a ticket is December 1. For each ticket purchase, a free one will be given to invite someone from outside our congregation. Don't delay, it's coming soon!

Needed for Bethlehem Inn: individuals to help serve the food on Dec. 6 and Dec. 7. Servers get to hear the drama and also get a free meal for their work! Please sign up at the information center.



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

With Christmastime approaching,  
to celebrate Jesus' birth,  
With **J.O.Y.** we plan merriment,  
cheerfulness, and mirth.

**Christmas gathering** in the  
**Fellowship Hall,**  
Again, we're sure to have a ball.

**Tuesday, December 17, at noon,**  
did you reserve a seat?

**Potluck's** the plan 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 a place for a **FREE**  
**WILL OFFERING.**

Oh, those crazy planners, who knows what  
more's in store?  
Than **games, music, prizes;** they'll think of  
something else, I'm sure!

The **sign up sheet's** on the **Welcome**  
**Center;** put your name on it, oh please,  
It helps us with the planning, much less stress,  
and much more ease.

**HUMAN CARE**

**Special thanks to everyone** who donated blood  
on Friday, November 22. We collected 49 pints of  
lifesaving blood, enough to touch the lives of up  
to 147 patients in need this holiday season. The  
last drive capped off a truly impressive year of  
saving lives. Thank you for helping to make the  
blood drives at Trinity possible!

**2024 Trinity Lutheran Blood Drive Totals:**

Drives Hosted: 6  
Donors Registered: 242  
First-Time Donors: 6  
Total Blood Collected: 244 Pints  
Potential Lives Touched: 732!



**Angel Tree**

Once again this year,  
our Trinity congrega-  
tion has embraced the  
Angel Tree project.  
We've found the  
needs, year after year, are great. Families or  
individuals continue to experience tough  
times—whether financial, health issues or  
simply our need to reach out to those who  
need to be remembered this Christmas.

A reminder that all gifts need to be turned in  
to the Angel Tree on or before Sunday, De-  
cember 8. No need to wrap the gifts—we'll  
take care of that. Please attach the white,  
numbered, paper angel ornament to the gift. If  
you have any questions, please contact Mike  
Young.

We are grateful for each of you for gifting  
an angel. Special thanks to Marilyn Simon-  
son, LeAnn Fuchs, and Nancy Boldt for creat-  
ing the angel ornaments. Also, thank you,  
Joyce and Lois Ciffra, for their generous gift  
received through Thrivent Action Team Do-  
nors.

As we journey through Advent and Christ-  
mas, may we ever be thankful for the gift of  
our Savior, Jesus Christ.

God bless and Merry Christmas!

**December 1** "Do you ever doubt the love of  
God? Perhaps you are just 'looking for love in  
all the wrong places,' if you'll pardon the ex-  
pression. Don't look to your own feelings and  
emotions which can change with the wind, but  
look to Bethlehem and the manger. See God's  
love in this that His only begotten Son was sent  
to be humbled and to die for you. Understand  
that at Christmas 'God so loved the world that  
He gave ...'"

*Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church,  
Sister Lakes, Michigan – A Life Quote from  
Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

**Memory Tree**

Last year we started the tradition of having a  
"Memory Tree" in the narthex, remembering  
our family and friends who have gone before  
us. Many of you brought ornaments that re-  
flected your loved ones' hobbies, occupation,  
etc. We will again use the "Angel Tree" after  
all the angels have been taken. The memory  
ornaments that were put on last year and left  
here, will be put on again.

If you took yours home, please bring them  
again or if you're adding a new ornament,  
please put a tag on it with their name, date of  
passing, or whatever you'd like to add. The  
tags will be available at the information booth  
in the narthex. Holidays without our loved  
ones can be extra hard. We hope this "Memory  
Tree" will help to give you some comfort and  
peace this Christmas.

Questions? Please contact LeAnn Fuchs,.

**STEWARDSHIP**

STATISTICS	
<u>Attendance</u>	<u>General Fund Receipts</u>
<i>(Saturday &amp; Sunday, November 23 &amp; 24, 2024)</i>	
215	\$ 8,008
<i>Weekly budgetary needs in 2024: \$13,850</i>	
<i>Please note that this is the budgetary needs, not the actual expenses. Actual expenses are depicted in the monthly graph.</i>	

**The LLB is beginning to look** for a replace-  
ment for Bill's part-time Finance Manager job.  
If interested, please contact an LLB member or  
Jennie in the church office.



**Join us for the Hanging  
of the Greens on  
Saturday, December 7,  
beginning at 8:00 a.m.!**



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- 1. The Annual Voters' Mtg. will be held on Monday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m.**
- 2. There will be a congregational meet-  
ing with the consolidation committee  
for information and questions on  
Monday, December 9 from 7 to 8 p.m.**

**WORSHIP**

**Advent Midweek Worship Ser-  
vices** will be held on Wednes-  
days, December 4, 11, & 18 at  
5:30 p.m. Supper will follow each  
service.



Human Care is sponsoring the  
Advent Supper on December 4. Please sign up  
at the information center if you can bring bars  
or cookies for the supper.

**Service time change:  
To accommodate the  
Bethlehem Inn performance, the  
Saturday service on  
December 7 will be held at 4:30 p.m.**

**Tue., Christmas Eve, December 24**  
4:30 PM - Christmas Eve Family Service

10:00 PM - Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service

**Wed., Christmas Day, December 25**  
9:00 AM - Christmas Day service with  
Holy Communion