

Third Advent Midweek Service: *Rock of Ages*—December 18, 5:30 p.m. The supper following the service is sponsored by Trinity's Elders. Menu is Chili and Cream of Potato Soup.



Christmas Worship Schedule

Wednesday, December 18
8:30 AM - FLS Christmas Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 18
5:30 PM - Advent Service
Sermon: "Rock of Ages"
followed by Advent Supper

Thursday, December 19
6:00 PM - FLS Christmas Service

Tuesday, Christmas Eve, December 24
4:30 PM - Christmas Eve Family Service
(Note: the Family service will be broadcast at 6:00pm on KDHL.)
10:00 PM - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Wednesday, Christmas Day, Dec. 25
9:00 AM - Christmas Day service with Holy Communion

Saturday & Sunday, December 28 & 29
Regular Services Times
Services of Lessons & Carols

NO NEW YEAR'S EVE OR DAY SERVICES

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sat. (14 th)	11-4:00	Family Christmas Party (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30	Sunday School Christmas Service
Sun. (15 th)	8:00	Worship Service
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service (C)
	12-5:00	Sudanese Service & Presentation
	2-4:00	Pi/Pa Christmas Party (Gym)
Mon. (16 th)	9-10:15	FLS Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	3-5:30	FLS Basketball Practice
Tue. (17 th)	8:30	Staff Mtg.
	10:00	Fellowship Hall Set-up
	12:00	JOY Group (Fellowship Hall)
	2:45-4:30	Violin Lessons (Music Room)
	1-2:00	FLS Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	4:15	Community Cathedral Café
	4:30-5:30	Basketball Game
	6:30	Elders' Mtg.
Wed. (18 th)	8:30	FLS Christmas Dress Rehearsal
	9:00	Quilting
	10:00	Milestone (C)
	3:30	Faribault Senior Living (C)
	5:30	Confirmation (Peace)
	5:30	Advent Service
	6:30	Advent Supper
	7:00	Choir
Thu. (19 th)	10:00	Prayer Group (M. Steele's)
	12:00	Women In Mission (Family Diner)
	3-4:10	FLS Choir (Music Room)
	6:00	FLS Christmas Service
Fri. (20 th)	FLS—Noon Dismissal / Parent Drive Day / Newsletter Deadline	
	8:00	Men's Bible Study
Sat. (21 st)	5:30	Worship Service (C)
Sun. (22 nd)	8:00	Worship Service (C)
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service

- Serving Trinity Lutheran Church and Faribault Lutheran School -

The Rev. Peter Gueldner, Intentional Interim Pastor

Jennifer Kingland, Office Mgr. Bill Kirkpatrick, Finance Mgr. Nancy Simonson, Family Ministry
Chrysteena Sachler, FLS Principal Alexia Cates, FLS Secretary FLS Phone: (507) 334-7982

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

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

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

Consolidated Communications TV channel 10 & Charter channel 181, Mon. &/or Tues., 3:30pm

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



Trinity News of the Week

December 14 & 15, 2024

Trinity Lutheran Church
Faribault, MN 55021

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

Mon. 12/16: Isaiah 51:1-3	Thu. 12/19: Ex. 13:21-22
Tue. 12/17: 1 Cor. 1-4	Fri. 12/20: 2 Cor. 4:5-7
Wed. 12/18: Matt. 7:24-26	Sat. 12/21: Matt. 5:14-16

It's time to think Bible Bowl again. This year's topic is "The Life of David." We will be studying 1 Samuel 16 - 1 Kings 2 (ESV). Practice will begin on Sunday, January 5, 2025, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The competition date is April 5, 2025. Anyone in grades 7 through 12 is invited to be on the team. God has blessed this method of Bible study over the years. I hope to see you on the team.
~Philip Simonson



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.

Early dismissal for FLS Christmas break will be Friday, December 20 at noon. There will be no school December 23-January 1. School resumes on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

EVANGELISM & OUTREACH

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

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

Rev. Gatluk Reat is encouraging all interested Trinity members to attend a special presentation by Sharon E. Hutchinson this Sunday, December 15, approximately 1:15-1:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Dr. Sharon Elaine Hutchinson is currently Professor Emerita of Anthropology and African Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is also the Director of South Sudan Cultural Productions LLC, a Madison-based publishing company she founded in 2023.

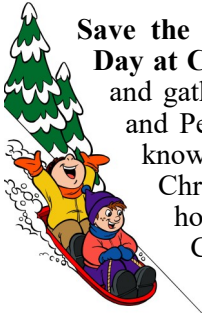
Her research relationship with, and scholarly commitment to the people of South Sudan—and especially, the Nei ti Naath or Nuer cultural and linguistic communities—now extends back in time for almost a half-century.

For more information about Sharon, visit her website at www.nuerdilemmas.com.

Women in Mission:

Merry Christmas to all! Our next meeting is December 19, noon, at The Family Diner.

FELLOWSHIP



Save the Date: January 12 - Winter Fun Day at Camp Omega—sledding for the kids and gathering time for Trinity, Peace, FLS and Peace Preschool. Take time to get to know fellow members of the body of Christ. Tubing cost of \$7 per person, hot drinks and treats in the Retreat Center. More info to follow.

♪ 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

Memory Tree

The "Memory Tree" is now decorated in the narthex. Feel free to bring an ornament reflecting your loved one's hobbies, occupation, etc. Please put a tag on it with their name, date of passing, or whatever you'd like to add before hanging it on the tree. Tags are available at the information center. Questions? Please contact LeAnn.



Mark Your Calendar

Register now to give blood at Trinity on **Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

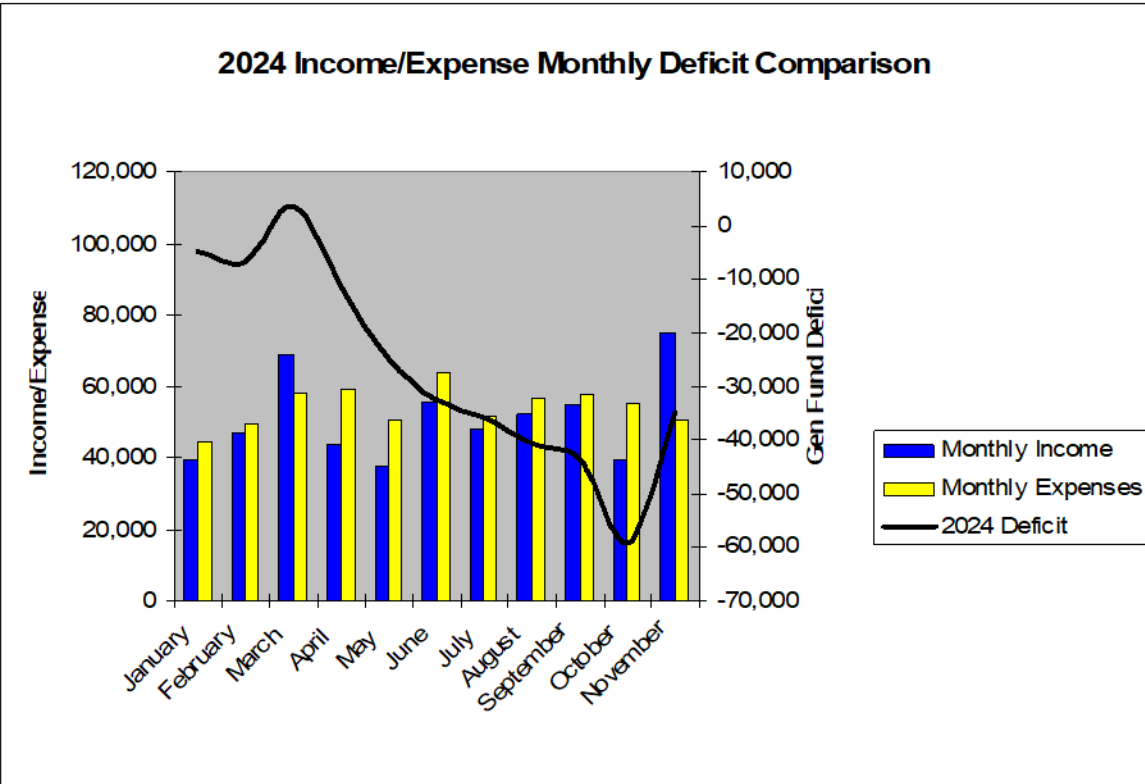
Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TrinityFaribault to schedule an appointment.

STEWARDSHIP

APPLICANTS NEEDED

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

STATISTICS	
Attendance	General Fund Receipts
<i>(Wednesday, December 4, 2024)</i>	
67	\$ 1,326
<i>(Saturday & Sunday, December 7/8, 2024)</i>	
203	\$19,340
Weekly budgetary needs in 2024: \$13,850	
<i>Please note that this is the budgetary needs, not the actual expenses. Actual expenses are depicted in the monthly graph.</i>	



November Income:	\$74,850.53
November Expenses:	\$50,609.63
Monthly Budget:	\$60,013.33
Deficit DECREASE during November:	\$24,240.90
Total 2024 Deficit as of 11/30/2024:	\$-35,059.56
General Fund Balance as of 11/30:	\$99,041.22

Wow, I was stunned by the November response. Yes, we did get a couple of especially large donations, \$23,000 together, which decreased our deficit by a lot. But just as important, for only the second time in the entire year, our regular contributions, not counting those special donations, would have exceeded our expenses by themselves.

If we could do something like this again during December, in a Christmas thank you to God, we could come close to coming out in the black for the year. What a way to show our thanks to the Lord for His many blessings!

~Bill Kirkpatrick, Financial Manager

The Church Office will be closed on Christmas Day, Dec. 25 and New Year's Day, Jan. 1.