

Trinity Tower



HOLIDAY



Schedule

Saturday, December 1

5:30 p.m. Dinner Theater

Sunday, December 9

8:15 a.m. Sunday Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship
3:00 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Program

Monday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Worship
9:00 p.m. Candlelight Worship

Tuesday, December 25

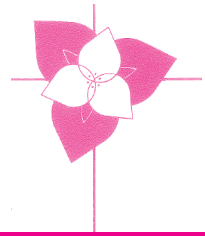
10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship

Sunday, December 30

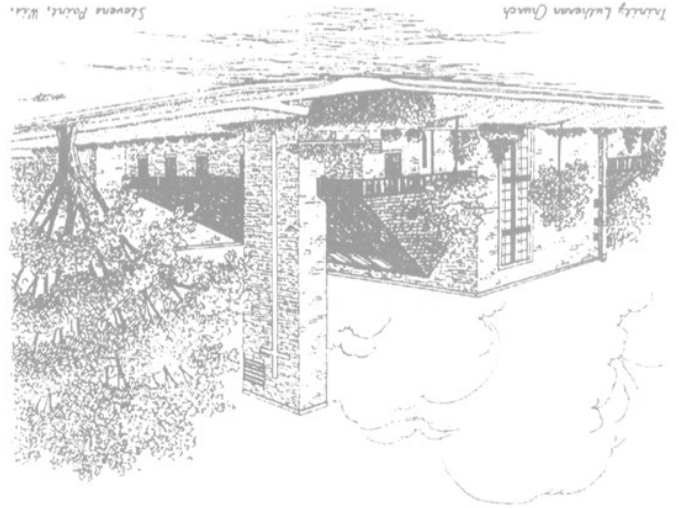
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

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Thanks for your Feedback



Dear Trinity Friends,

As most of you know, we have a weekly Connection Card in the bulletin. It is used in a number of ways. Our denomination asks us to keep track of communion records, which is why we ask you to indicate when you are communing on the card. It tells us if there are guests among us, and whether they are from the university. It also tells us if we have people interested in membership at Trinity. People also use them to leave notes for us in the church office.

I like to get feedback about our worship services, and I want everyone to know that we take that feedback into consideration as we plan for future worship times. One of the recent comments was that some of our services have been too long. When Heidi, Matt, Katie, and I plan each service, we do take into account how much is going on in each service and try to omit or shorten things where we can. This fall we have had a large number of extra things creep into our worship time, such as dedications of new gifts (piano, sign, St. John's Bible, etc.) and quite a number of Temple Talks. I have to agree that these things extend the time of worship and that is especially hard on young families. One of the things entirely in my control is the length of sermons. Every once in a while, I do succeed in keeping the message short. Please keep providing your feedback and we will do what we can to accommodate your suggestions.

Sometimes, the feedback we get is divided. Some people will like an element of worship. Others will dislike it. We do listen and try to be thoughtful when we have contradictory suggestions.

Regarding worship feedback, we have some questions that come up occasionally and we have decided to spend some of our Middle Hour time in December thinking together about a few of the issues. Here are a couple subjects we hope to discuss early in December.

December 2: The state of worship in America and whether Trinity should introduce a midweek worship service.

December 9: Issues relating to serving communion and questions about safety and security during worship. Officer

Kristi Ahrens will help us address these things.

These conversations will be held in the sanctuary after the Sunday School children have finished their opening. That gives us all time to grab some coffee and a treat.

Please join us for these upcoming conversations, and please keep providing feedback. Also, please note that when you provide your name along with a suggestion, that is helpful. It allows us to know whom to speak to if we want more information about things you are concerned about.

Thanks for communicating with us in the church office through the Connection Card.

Pastor Clay Schmit

PASTORAL ACTS—OCTOBER

Affirmation of Baptisms 10/28/18:

Autumn Ahrens, Aidan Baldus, Bergen Beversdorf, Gwynn Beversdorf, Owen Bond, Megan Bonikowske, Lucy Cooper, Josh Davis, Emma Deptula, Sara Ferg, Ben Jore, Karlee Kluck, Josh Kolodziej, Cade Larson, Hilirie McLaughlin, Sydney Milkowski, Nahkee Pitzrick, Mark Rice, Simon Solin, Hannah Thompson and Greta Vollendorf

Funeral: Clarice G. Christensen (died 10/2/18; funeral 10/8/18) Rev. Clay Schmit @ Boston Funeral Home.

Barbara A. Kovatch (died 10-11-18; funeral 10-16-18) Rev. Clay Schmit @ Boston Funeral Home.

Ruth E. Harpstead (died 10/19/18; funeral 10/26/18) Rev. Clay Schmit @ Boston Funeral Home.

Transfers: Rodney & Tammy Andersen to Spirit of Grace Church in Surprise, Arizona, (10/1/18)



The stewardship committee would like to **THANK all the CHEERFUL TRINITY GIVERS** who have turned in their financial commitment cards to date. Thank you for continuing to support Trinity in the coming year. If you have not done so yet, there is still time and we would love to hear from you! Please return your card to the church office as soon as you can.

WORSHIP

ALTAR FLOWERS

You may sign up for 2018 Altar Flowers on the chart in the narthex. A variety of dates are still open. Bev's Floral designs the beautiful floral arrangements each Sunday. The rate is \$40.00 per week.

The Worship Committee is planning the Christmas decorations for the sanctuary. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia for their use, please return this form to the church office by Monday, December 17.



Name _____

_____ Poinsettia(s) at \$20.00 = \$ _____

Given in Memory of:

Given in Celebration of:

_____ I will pick up my poinsettia following the 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day service.

_____ Please deliver the plant to a shut-in.

_____ I would like to help deliver plants to shut-ins.

Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help Trinity year around.

Consider the following electronic options for your contribution:

- ✦ **Simply Giving**— forms are available at the Welcome Center in the narthex or click the Give button on the Trinity webpage.
- ✦ **Online Giving**— Click the Give button on the Trinity webpage and set up a one-time or continuing contribution.
- ✦ **Bill Pay**— This option is done through your banking website, and you can setup a one-time or continuing contribution to Trinity.

They are easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes every week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis.

Get started today!



SERVE



Have you seen the MITTEN TREE in the Narthex? Please bring your new hats, scarves, gloves, mittens and socks to decorate our tree by Monday, December 11. Your gifts will be donated to Operation Bootstrap in time for the winter season. Thank you in advance for sharing!

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

With Thrivent Choice®, you can recommend where some of Thrivent Financial's charitable outreach funds go. This year, a total of \$4,673 has been directed to Trinity from eligible members who have used this program. Our thanks go out to the participants who have so generously directed their Choice Dollars to Trinity!

2019 RUMMAGE SALE DATES:

April 4-6, May 2-4, September 5-7, and October 3-5.



GROCERY DONATIONS

Mobile Pantry will be the recipient of our December grocery donations. Their shelves need some “TLC,” -- they are a little empty right now. When you go to the store during the month of December, why not pick up an extra item or two to add to our grocery cart?

Recipients often have to choose between non-food items or food for the table. Donating paper products such as toilet paper, and personal care items like shampoo and conditioner, body wash, and laundry soap allows people to spend their limited income on more nutritious food.

What about putting together a “kit,” such as the ingredients to make a pizza, a casserole, a batch of cookies or a cake mix, frosting and candles so a parent can make a birthday cake for their child? Kitchen basics like salt and pepper, ketchup, sugar (brown or white) and flour are also appreciated.

Any donation will be much appreciated, so thanks for your ongoing generosity.

~Global/Local Outreach Committee

Can You Spare-A-Dime?



During the month of December our Spare a Dime coins will go to ELCA World Hunger. As members of the ELCA we at Trinity are called to share in God’s work in the world. Here is how our contributions to ELCA do God’s work around the world.

Immediate relief to meet people’s basic needs is provided first, and then they are connected with helpful resources. Because people locally know their situation the best, we begin by engaging in conversation and listening to them. Then we partner with communities to help solve local issues. To be more effective, we also work with partners like Lutheran World Relief and Bread for the World. Through this comprehensive approach, we work to address hunger from all angles — both domestically and globally.

Your gifts support work in more than 60 countries, including the U.S. ELCA World Hunger works to be a good steward of our monetary gifts – more than 90% directly supports their programs. From fish farms in Malawi to crop irrigation in Cambodia to goats in Uganda; and from chickens providing eggs to feed a family in rural Mexico, your gifts are getting at the root causes of hunger. Let’s make a “joyful sound” as we put our spare change in the offering plate this month.

~GLO Committee



HOLIDAY BASKETS

Trinity members will again sponsor holiday baskets for four families in Portage County. As in years past the committee will need help in the following areas: purchase gifts; bake cookies; donate wrapping paper; wrap gifts and assemble baskets; shop for groceries and deliver a basket to a family. Check out the display board in the Narthex and choose a task that feels right for you.

Gifts will need to be brought back to Trinity by Sunday, December 16. We will wrap gifts and assemble baskets on Sunday, December 16 beginning at 1:00 pm. Baskets can be delivered after they are assembled on Monday. Please sign up on the display board if you can help with this project. If you have questions please contact Janet Swiston or Todd Lewis.

These baskets are so appreciated by the receiving families! This is an opportunity to share God’s love at Christmas time with families in our community. Thanks for helping out.

~Sponsored by Global/Local Outreach and Youth and Family Committees

SERVV Catalogs: The SERVV catalog is available to check out on the Information Table. They offer fair-trade artisan gifts that you can purchase providing vital income to artisans in developing regions around the world. By receiving a fair price for their crafts, they become more economically independent. There are many reasonably priced gift ideas.

Volunteers are the Heart of Hospice!

Did you know that the word “Companion” is not only a noun, but also a verb? “Companion” means “to accompany”. To be a companion volunteer is not only to be a friend and companion, but it also means to accompany someone on a journey. In the case of being a hospice volunteer, you are one who accompanies another on their journey at the end of life. This is not only a ministry to the dying, but also one of the most sacred journeys that you will ever take with another person.

Give a piece of your heart and become a trained Hospice Volunteer. For a small amount of time, you can make a BIG difference in someone’s life. Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services are in need of loving and caring individuals to work with terminally ill patients and their families. There are many opportunities available. To become an Aspirus Hospice Volunteer or to find out more information, please call Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Volunteer to reach Tasha Stencil/Samantha Giese at #715-847-2424 or toll free #1-866-331-2467 or visit our website www.aspirus.org/volunteers.

Trinity’s Local Benevolence Fund needs a boost. This money is used to help out local people who have an immediate need for a gas or grocery card. If you would like to help out, write local benevolence on your contribution.

Dear friends,

Youth under the age of 30 make up some 70% of the population in Southern Africa and face many challenges related to education, unemployment, gender justice, health and climate change. So, are youth pessimistic or optimistic, afraid or hopeful about the future?

Seven young adults representing several member churches of the Lutheran Communion in Southern Africa (LUCSA) met recently at the Lutheran center in Johannesburg to start planning for an all LUCSA youth conference in 2019. (LUCSA, with fifteen member churches across ten countries in Southern Africa, is a sub-regional expression of the Lutheran World Federation [LWF])



The youth unanimously and energetically agreed to work with the LWF theme for 2019-2024 "**With passion for the Church and the World.**"

The committee worked on a draft program that will include reports on youth activities from member churches, as well as Bible studies, presentations and discussions. The conference will focus on what it means to be "Young Reformers" working for revival in the church, Lutheran identity, *diakonia*, gender justice and care for creation. The LUCSA INFOHUT program which teaches computer skills and life skills including information about HIV & AIDS will be a key part of the program.

The LUCSA youth are enthusiastic and committed to establishing a Youth Desk in the Communion Office, to building strong relationships between youth in the member churches and making a lasting difference in their respective churches and in the region.

Thank you for your prayers and support and your participation in God's mission locally and globally.

Yours faithfully,

Rev. Dr. Philip Knutson
ELCA Global Mission Regional Representative - Southern Africa
Johannesburg
November 07, 2018

My blog page address is: <https://southernafricanconnections.wordpress.com/>

Please note the link to my online giving page on www.elca.org: community.elca.org/SouthAfrica

TLC WOMEN

TRINITY QUILTMAKERS

For 50 YEARS the women of Trinity have been making quilts for Lutheran World Relief. In those 50 years we have made 9,364 QUILTS and 7,762 LAYETTES. (We're lacking numbers from four of the years.) Our annual shipment has been delivered to the semi in WI Rapids and we THANK Conrad Favor, Ozz Hagen Nina & Alan Heckler, Tom Johnson, Don Peters and Jerry Trachte for loading the trailer with quilts and kits.

This year we donated 423 quilts, 208 layettes, 261 school kits and 149 personal care kits to Lutheran World Relief. THANK YOU to everyone who sews, knits, sews on buttons, crochets, shops rummage sales, contributes fabric and sheets, ties quilts, bakes treats, contributes kit items and arranges for Thrivent's Action Team projects. Thrivent Financial has provided most of the batting we use.

THANK YOU to all the 'Quilting Participants':

Bea Berg	Susan Melby
Diane Beversdorf	Jane Menghini
Kathy Bryer	Sandy Orgish
Sue Clusman	Frieda Pawlitzke
Katie Ellenz	Judy Pesanka
Rachel Favor	Margaret Pitzrick
Jane Gjevre	Leanna Rusch
Shirley Gorell	Mary Ann Stevens
Jane Goudreau	Diane Witte
Lois Hagen	Wanda Willkom
Nina Heckler	Shari Willer
Irene Kostuchowski	Diane Witte
Barbara Krueger	Linda Woerpel-Radoll
Judy Lerand	

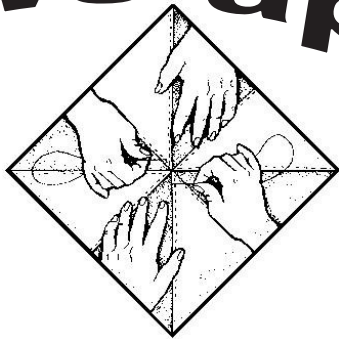
And granddaughters: Bergen Beversdorf, Alyssa Olson, Analiese Rusch, Nahkee Pitzrick

We are happy to begin the new 'quilting year' with two new members. Our goals keep rising so we are anticipating a great year in 2019.

Our quilting day in December is **Tuesday, December 11th**. Join us for coffee and Christmas treats and an opportunity to do some worthwhile volunteer work for the less fortunate.

~Lois Hagen

We appreciate you!



YOUTH & FAMILY

Trinity senior high youth served at Manitowoc's Salvation Army during the recent East Central Synod Senior High Youth Gathering, November 11th-13th.



December Acolyte Schedule

Date	8:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
December 2	Tatum Thielman Braylon Smola	Nathan Saari Eloise Cooper
December 9	Ian Houtman Richard Kerske	Alli Bena Braylon Smola
December 16	Matt Davis Giana Bolton	Sommer Wright Zach Kolodziej



TLC PRESCHOOL

November was a month of “Thanks”! Thank-you to those who have helped guide me through my first 9 months as director. I appreciate all the help from everyone. I would like to thank Dave Acaley and Nikki Edmundson for all of their help on the TLC&P Committee. They were asked to help out when I took over until we could find more permanent committee members. **If you are interested in joining the childcare committee, please let us know.**

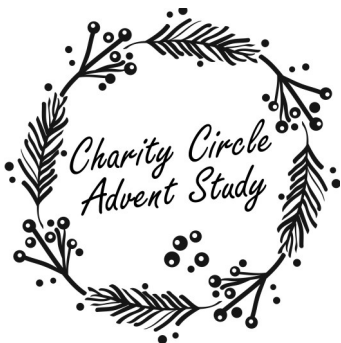
November was a time for evaluating things at TLC&P. TLC&P committee discussed the current budget and the budget for the upcoming year. Thank you to Sue Acaley and Gail Pucci for your extra support with helping me create a new budget.

December will be filled with much excitement from our 4K winter program and our TLC&P Christmas Program, and just the enthusiasm of the children waiting for Santa.

Wanted: Art supplies: Pom poms, pipe cleaners, buttons, watercolor paints, paint brushes, collage materials, play dough, sequins, yarn, fabric scraps, wall paper scraps, etc.

Sincerely, Amy Kurkowski, Director

LEARN



The Christmas meeting of Charity Circle will be held at the Swiston’s on Monday, December 3 at 7:00. We will study the Advent devotional, “Fear Not,” from the December issue of the Gather magazine. If you need a copy of the Bible study contact Janet Swiston. Bring Christmas cookies to share after the study.



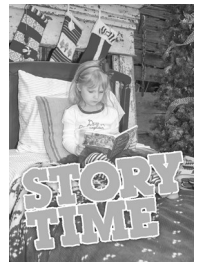
Children’s Christmas Books

Have you time to read this season? Try enjoying a children’s Christmas book. The illustrations often leap off the page and tell a story as vital as the words. Illustrators use a diversity of styles from simple line drawings to elaborate watercolors (my favorite). Look at the pictures. . .they may convey charm, humor, elegance, originality. From the beautiful to the bodacious, children’s books for Christmas will be displayed in the library area this month. A few are listed below. All are available for check out.

Friendly Beasts by Blumen (Pri Blu)
Who’s That Knocking On Christmas Eve by Brett (Pri Bre)
A Certain Small Shepherd by Caudill (Pri Cau)
Turkey For Christmas by DeAngeli (Pri Dea)
Christmas Day Kitten by Herriot (Pri Her)
Very First Christmas by Maier (Pri Mai)
Christmas Star by Pfister (Pri Pfi)
B Is For Bethlehem by Wilner (Pri Wil)

Happy Holiday Reading,

Cathy Palmini for the Library Committee



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Welcome to the holiday season!

Students will complete their unit of study about Mary serving God with a Christmas program presentation on Sunday, December 9 at 3 p.m.. All families attending are asked to bring one or two dozen cookies for the reception following the program.

Practice for the program will take place during the Sunday School hour on December 9.

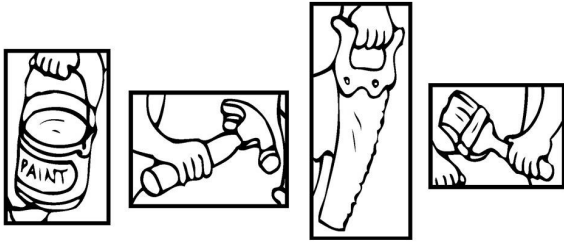
The Christian Education committee would like to thank Katie Wroblewski for playing during the program.

As a reminder, there will be Sunday School as usual on December 16. There will not be Sunday School on December 23 or December 30.

Have a wonderful Christmas season with family and friends.

~Christian Education Committee

CONNECT



Sidewalk sections outside the south entrance:

The deteriorated sidewalk sections have been repaired. Thank you to the following for securing the materials, preparing the area and repairing it: Glen Bauer, Steve Chizzo, Steve Jensen, Tom Johnson, Russ Prusak and Gary Pucci. It is a safer area due to this repair.

Fall Work Day:

Our Fall work day in late October was truly preparation for winter. When we started clean up it was a cold, windy, brisk Fall day. Then, just as we finished with the last batch of leaves it snowed! Thank you very much to the following hardy workers: Glen Bauer, Barb & Pat Brilowski, Steve & Pam Jensen, Mark Kluck, Russ Prusak, Gary Pucci and Jerry Trachte. We appreciate your help no matter the weather!

Our elevator:

The B button, which takes us to the basement was not working. It has been replaced with a digital button.

Pine Street Landscaping:

We planted many new plants in our landscape along Pine Street this Spring. A brick walkway has been created to enable people to get through to the parking lot and to help protect our new plants once they are covered in snow. Thank you Steve Jensen and Gary Pucci for the walkway.

Bathroom Safety Reminder:

The basement bathrooms and women's first floor bathroom are used only by Trinity Learning Center children and staff during the Trinity Learning Center's hours of operation, Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.. This is a friendly reminder to please use the church office bathroom, or the Library/Chapel bathroom. The gender neutral bathroom between the Narthex and Trinity Learning Center may also be used, but to gain access you will need to knock. Thanks for helping with the safety of the Learning Center children and staff.

Before the Church Office Opens:

There are times when people arrive early for a morning church activity or are dropping off food or others things for an event on their way to work. If you arrive before the church office opens at 8:00 a.m. the Trinity Learning

Center & Preschool entrance is open. When you come in this entrance, turn right to go past the first floor bathrooms into the Narthex to go where you need in the church. Thank you for your cooperation.

The B&G Committee wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

Puzzle!

The word list contains the angel's Christmas message to the shepherds. Fit those words into the crossword squares. Then write them on the correct lines below to complete Luke 2:10-11, NIV.

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“ _____ . I _____
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 _____ to _____; he is _____ the _____.” Luke 2:10-11, NIV

Answer: “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:10-11, NIV.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who participated in our "noisy offering" on October 14 to benefit Bread for the World. A total of \$394.63 was donated that Sunday with an additional \$87.27 placed in the offering

plate on the other Sundays.

Your prayers, gifts and letters to Congress play an important role in improving nutrition and stopping hunger in such places as Guatemala and Ethiopia by passing bills like the Global Food Security Reauthorization Act. THANK YOU!

My family and I would like to thank our Trinity friends for the many kind words of concern, and the notes, cards, e-mails, Facebook messages, visits, and donations of food and treats we have received during this time of Bob's illness. It is truly a blessing to belong to a church with such caring members. May God bless all of you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely, Sandy Orgish and Family

To The Trinity Middle Hour Coffee,

Enclosed is a donation to support the costs of your middle hour coffee service, in memory of my mom, Clarice Christensen. Coffee Breaks were always important to my parents and a pleasant break for conversation and visiting. Hope the experience can continue at Trinity!

~Noreen Bartosh, Lee & Dale Christensen & Families

Trinity Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous donation of socks. We greatly appreciate it.

~Salvation Army

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$150.42 to Lutheran Disaster Response.

As the long green season of Pentecost brings images of seeds and bread, deep and abiding growth and abundance in Christ, so your generosity brings deep and abiding hope to communities dealing with a disaster, providing water, supplies, shelter and support. Your generosity makes possible both short- and long-term care, sustaining communities throughout the recovery process and into new life.

"O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord." - "Bread for the Day, 2018," p.190

Thank you for joining with the whole church, Lutheran Disaster Response and our local partners. Your gifts are bearing the love of Christ to many in need.

With gratefulness,

Daniel Rift

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your receipt.

I wish to thank Trinity Lutheran for the beautiful bouquet of flowers I enjoyed in celebration of my October birthday. Also, a big thank you to Shari Willer for the delivery and friendly visit.

~Bea Berg

Thank you for the lovely bouquet of flowers that Al & Nina Heckler brought to us from church. We appreciate it very much. So nice to be thought of. May God bless,

~Rose & Ken Nelson



Potluck Dinner

Enjoy a wonderful meal, meet new friends and deepen your existing relationships at this month's Wednesday Night Potluck Dinner on Wednesday, December 19th at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Bring your family, friends, a dish to pass and join us for good food and fellowship. Donations will help stock the "Little Free Pantry."

~Christian Life and Growth Committee

On Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 2 p.m.

you are invited to come and enjoy a **Paint a Joyful Holiday Canvas Class** and a hot chocolate bar. Take home your own piece of holiday art. This is a family friendly event and the cost per person is \$10. Please bring cash or check (made out to Trinity Lutheran Church) by Tuesday, December 11, 2018.



The next exhibit Gustavus Adolphus College in Saint Peter, MN, at the Hillstrom Museum of Art, entitled "Oh My Heavens", featuring the works of Charles E. Burchfield. It runs Nov 19, 2018 through Feb 1, 2019, with a Gallery Talk on Jan

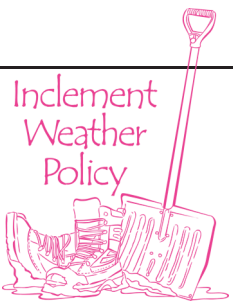
20, 2019 (entitled "And the Heavens Opened: The Heavenly Art of Charles E. Burchfield"). The exhibit is on national tour. In conjunction with the exhibit, 3 of Burchfield's works in the Hillstrom collection will also be shown. More information should be available on the museum website: gustavus.edu/hillstrom.

**FROM OUR CHURCH RECORDS THROUGH THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER**

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
Envelope Offering (YTD)	404,960.00	390,300.83
Loose Offering	4,580.00	4,719.99
Miscellaneous	5,970.00	1,425.47
World Hunger	6,250.00	4,190.59
Seasonal Offering	4,500.00	5,465.00
Receipts (YTD)	435,760.00	436,618.13
Disbursements	493,717.00	460,129.28
Net (+/-)	-57,957.00	-23,511.15
Receipts (Month)	42,676.00	62,714.16
Disbursements	47,464.00	43,010.59
Net (+/-)	-4,788.00	19,703.51



	2016	2017
Baptized Membership (January 1st)	1142	1107
Confirmed Membership (January 1st)	840	809
	2017	2018
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	224	184
Average Sunday School Attendance	31	25



Incident Weather Policy
If school is canceled due to the weather on a Wednesday, Confirmation classes and Cherub and Youth Choirs will be canceled. Listen to radio stations WSPT & WYTE or check facebook or twitter for cancellation information.

Hospital Visitation

Trinity staff members visit area hospitals regularly. We call and visit daily at St. Michael's in Stevens Point, and we call St. Clare's and Aspirus in Wausau weekly and visit as needed. If you do not specify Trinity when you enter the hospital, come in through emergency, or are transferred to another hospital, your name is not given out. Please call the church office to advise us of your hospitalization as we want to visit you.

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Fellowship Hour 9:30 a.m.
All Committee Night Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.
Church Council..... Tuesday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m.
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TOWER DEADLINE: December 18, 2018

Calendar of Events



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																																	
<p>Video Broadcast of Sunday Services on Mondays and Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. on Cable Access Channel 95/984.</p>		<p>Funeral Lunch Coordinators</p> <p>Jan Way 572-5802</p> <p>and</p> <p>Lois Hagen 344-7460</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="7">January 2019</th> </tr> <tr> <th>S</th> <th>M</th> <th>T</th> <th>W</th> <th>T</th> <th>F</th> <th>S</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> <td>4</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>7</td> <td>8</td> <td>9</td> <td>10</td> <td>11</td> <td>12</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13</td> <td>14</td> <td>15</td> <td>16</td> <td>17</td> <td>18</td> <td>19</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20</td> <td>21</td> <td>22</td> <td>23</td> <td>24</td> <td>25</td> <td>26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>27</td> <td>28</td> <td>29</td> <td>30</td> <td>31</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			January 2019							S	M	T	W	T	F	S			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			<p>1</p> <p>10:00 UWSP Chamber Singers Rehearsal 1:00 Set up 5:30 Dinner Theatre</p>
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<p>30</p> <p>10:00 Worship—Christmas Carols with a Guitar Group No Communion</p>	<p>31</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;">  <p>Lunch Bunch will be held Tuesday, December 18 at noon at Amber Grille. Please call the church office before 10:00 on that day to let us know you'll be joining. See you there!</p> </div>																																																					