

Grocery Donations

CORRECTION: Grocery donations during the month of December will go to the Salvation Army.

The food and cash donations will not only go to feed the residents at the Hope Center, but they also provide food for people in the community who need a meal. In addition they provide individual lunches that the residents take to their jobs. They also provide groceries to local residents on weekends when the other local food pantries are closed.

Food requests include: mustard, ketchup, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, egg noodles, boxed meals to make scalloped potatoes and pasta meals, plus cans of beef stew and rice meals, plus small packets of seasoning to make gravy, barbecue sauce, meat loaf seasoning, and taco seasoning. Other requests include quart baggies and household cleaning supplies.

Thanks for your ongoing support of our local food pantries. Your donations are very much appreciated by the recipients at the Hope Center/Salvation Army.

Loose Change Appeal: One Big Tent (OBT)

For the month of December, we continue our collection for One Big Tent. OBT is a collaborative effort by local churches and agencies for the purpose of serving the neediest "neighbors" in our community. Check out the display at the GLO kiosk in the narthex!

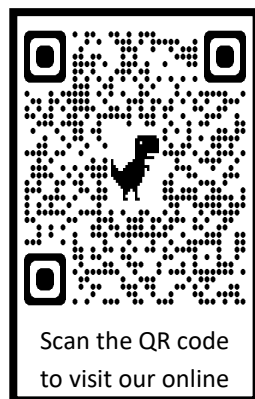
OBT Volunteers meet with neighbors to determine needs, and provide connections to work toward resolution. One very important ministry, Laundry Love, where neighbors can get laundry washed at no charge, is a simple, yet important way to help individuals and families with simple, basic needs, but inadequate resources to meet them. One large load of laundry can cost \$10 or more. OBT volunteers also help neighbors work toward resolving car repair bills, short-term rent assistance, or gas cards due to temporary loss of income.

You can help in two ways! First, **make monetary donations!** Put your loose change or a check, with OBT in the memo line, into the collection plate on Sunday OR donate through the Trinity website (use the menu button on the church website, choose Donate Now, then scroll down to OTHER to make a secure and efficient donation!)

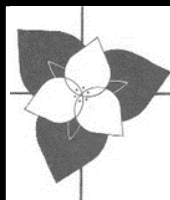
Second, **donate items** at the display kiosk in the narthex. The program needs laundry pods (no liquid or powder) and \$10 - \$25 gas cards. **Let's show our neighbors love -- please give generously!**



Is Your Pledge Up To Date? To receive credit in 2023, year-end giving should be received in the church office **no later than noon on Friday, December 29th**. Offerings received after that time will be credited to your 2024 giving.



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TRINITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 10—16, 2023

Welcome to Trinity – A Stephen Ministry Congregation



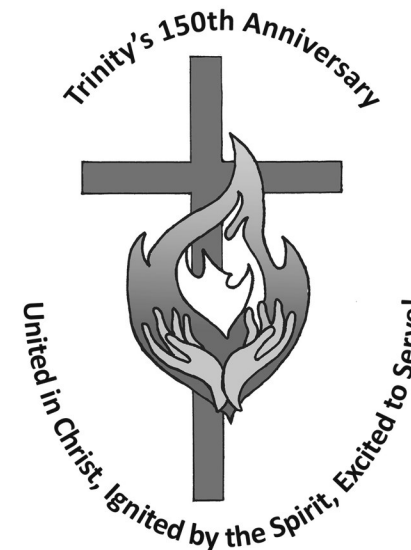
Today we pray especially for: Karen & Mike Thielman and family, Al Kunst and family, The family of Ellie Bjorge, Betty Ryan, Salley B., Shirley Gorell, Ron, Kelly, Maia, and Anissa.

Bring comfort to:

Rachel Favor, Lois Hill, Wayne Johnson, Ken Nelson, Cathy Palmini, Linda, Therese, Norbert, Jim, Mary, Tyler, Logan, John & family.

Restore the health of:

Dave Golla, Tim Horvath, Sandy Koch, Russ Peterson, T.J. Schwebach, Vicki, Gloria, Chloe, Diane, Dick, Jack, Jeff, and Karen.



For Your Convenience

- ◆ Center of sanctuary seating for special needs.
- ◆ Activity Bags for small children are available on the hall tree near the sanctuary door.
- ◆ Hearing Loop available.
- ◆ **If desired Pre-packaged Communion Kits are available at the front of the Sanctuary.**

Prayer Chain

Share a joy, a sorrow, a concern or need for yourself or someone else. Call the church at 715-344-2869 or email us at trinity@trinitysp.com.



Join us every Sunday for Coffee & Refreshments at 10:00 a.m.

This Week At Trinity

Monday, December 11

- 1:00 Service Broadcast 95/984
- 6:00 Church Council—1501 Clark Conference Room
- 6:45 Scout Troop 293/9293

Tuesday, December 12

- 9:00 Quilters
- 1:00 Service Broadcast 95/984
- 6:30 Cub Scout Pack 293

Wednesday, December 13

- 5:45 Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
- 7:00 Trinity Choir
- 8:00 Service Broadcast 95/984

Thursday, December 14

- 8:00 Men's Bible Study
- 11:00 Northrest Service

Saturday, December 16

- 9:00 Al-Anon Meeting on Zoom

Sunday, December 17

- 9:00 Worship in-person and online
- 10:00 Coffee Hour
- 10:10 Sunday School
- 3:00 Kelly Nielsen —Private Recital Sanctuary

Advent Study 2023

The Advent Study Guide for 2023 is available at the Welcome table.

Global & Local Outreach Committee

SERRV Catalogs

You can make a difference! Your donation benefits nearly 8,000 artisans and farmers as they earn vital income to support their families and build stronger communities around the world. *Thank you!*

Serving Us Today

Trinity Choir Director:.....Kelly Nielsen
 Assisting Minister:.....Olivia Santangelo
 Usher-Communion:.....Todd Faulks
 Greeter:.....Dawn Kerske
 Bread Maker:.....Nancy Wenger
 Coffee Host:.....Sandy Orgish and Jan Way
 Livestream:.....Michael Martin
 Sound Booth:.....Jonathan Olson
 Camera:.....Christina Rohm
 Flower Delivery:.....Al & Nina Heckler



Altar Flowers are given today by Judy Pesanka in memory of Cliff Sorenson.



Sunday, December 24

5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service
 In-person and online



9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
 In-person

Christmas Poinsettias

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 11th.*

Name: _____

_____ Poinsettia(s) at \$20.00 ea. \$ _____

Given in memory of: _____

In celebration of: _____

_____ I will pick up my poinsettia following
 The 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service.

_____ Please deliver the plant to a shut-in.

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



CHRISTMAS
 DAY

Monday, December 25

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship
 In-person and online



Annual Christmas Holiday Basket Project

Trinity Lutheran is again sponsoring four families within our community through Portage County's Operation Bootstrap Holiday Basket Project. So that means we are again looking for help from congregation members to sign up to help out in a variety of ways...donating money for groceries, purchasing gifts for family members or grocery shopping (can be online/curbside pick-up) and assisting with the grocery/gift drop off to families (outdoor drop off to keep it safe).

For those signed up to help with the drop off, all items will need to be delivered to families between December 20th and 22nd. Gifts and monetary donations will need to be dropped off at Trinity Lutheran by Friday, December 15th.

Members can again sign up online through Sign Up Genius. Please visit this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4EACAE2AA2F94-christmas#/> (link can be found in the Trinity Weekly email) to sign up for something and help a fellow community member this holiday season!

If you have questions, contact Andria Bena at andriabena@gmail.com or 715-340-5170.

Thanks in advance for your generosity!