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**December 26 & 27,  
2020**

*“How Long Will  
The Marriage  
Last?”*

*Isaiah 61:10 - 62:5*

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
For Unto Us  
  
A Child is Born  
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS  
December 26 & 27, 2020

Please turn off your cell phone.

May the Holy Spirit bless our worship!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

[Saturday 4:00 p.m.]

ORGAN "2 French Noels" *L. Daquin*  
"Variations Sur Un Noel" *M. Dupré*

"What a Day" *Chappy Doggett*  
"Angels from the Realms of Glory" *Chappy Doggett*

[Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.]

ORGAN "The First Nowell" *Arr. W. Sandys*  
*Flute: Joan Egeland & Rachel Kelm*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please stand]

**OPENING HYMN “Let All Together Praise Our God”**

(LSB389)

**Let all together praise our God Before His glorious throne;  
Today He opens heav’n again to give us His own Son,  
To give us His own Son.**

**He leaves His heav’nly Father’s throne, Is born an infant small,  
And in a manger, poor and lone, Lies in a humble stall,  
Lies in a humble stall.**

**Within an earthborn form He hides His all-creating light;  
To serve us all He humbly cloaks The splendor of His might,  
The splendor of His might.**

**He undertakes a great exchange, Puts on our human frame,  
And in return gives us His realm, His glory, and His name,  
His glory, and His name.**

**INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Pastor:** The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom

**People:** **all those who practice it have a good understanding.**

**Pastor:** God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts

**People:** **crying, “Abba! Father!”**

**Pastor:** My eyes have seen Your salvation

**People:** **that You have prepared in the presence of all peoples.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Pastor:** As our Christmas celebration continues, we contemplate the humility in which our Lord came into the world. We consider our unworthiness for such a great gift and confess before God and one another our great need of forgiveness and salvation. Together as His people, let us look to Christ who fulfilled the Law for us and takes away its condemnation by His blood. Let us take refuge in

the infinite mercy of God, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, kneeling by His side saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!"

**People:** **Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**Pastor:** "Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace." (*Luke 2: 29*) Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

[Please be seated]

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" (LSB 803)

**Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Praising Thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.**

**All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Fountainhead of love divine:  
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: We pray together:

**All: O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



## THE WORD

**OLD TESTAMENT** Isaiah 61:10---62:5

**Reader: The Old Testament Reading for the first Sunday after Christmas is from Isaiah 61 and 62 and is today's Sermon Text.**

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**      **Psalm 111**

Reader: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: **Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

Reader: Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

People: **He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

Reader: He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

People: **He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

Reader: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy;

People: **they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

Reader: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!

People: **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!**

**EPISTLE**      **Galatians 4:4-7**

Reader: **The Epistle is from the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter of Galatians**

But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

Reader: This is Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

[Please stand]

**HOLY GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

When the time of their purification according to the Law of Moses had been completed, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord") and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: "a pair of doves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem. When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

[Please be seated]

**HYMN** “Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”

(LSB563)

**Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress;  
Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.**

**Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay;  
Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.**

**Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God  
Pleads for the captives’ liberty, Was also shed in love for me.**

**Lord, I believe, were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore,  
Thou hast for all a ransom paid, For all a full atonement made.**

**When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies,  
This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.**

**Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me,  
For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.**

**SERMON** “How Long Will The Marriage Last?” Isaiah 61:10-62:5

[Please stand]

**NICENE CREED**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and  
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of  
his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very  
God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom  
all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down  
from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and  
was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to  
the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the  
Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

[Please be seated]

**HYMN** "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" (LSB636) vs 1,2,8

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,  
Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render.  
Bless the One whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded;  
He, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him, And with loving rev'rence greet Him.  
For with words of life immortal He is knocking at your portal.  
Open wide the gates before Him, Saying, as you there adore Him:  
Grant, Lord, that I now receive You, That I nevermore will leave You.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You.  
By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited;  
By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.  
Through the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.



### PRAYERS

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see Your righteousness, and all the kings Your glory.  
*Isaiah 62: 1c-2a*

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** We pray for Your one, holy Church throughout the world. Watch over it and guide it. Grant it peace and unity throughout the whole world. Grant that all pastors and leaders in Your Church may be

steadfast in Your Word and faithfully teach the apostolic faith.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Guide, rule and govern the nations of the earth and all their leaders into the ways of justice and peace. Protect our brave service members placed in harm's way in service to our country.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Remember in Your mercy all who cry to You in their time of need, including those whom we have lifted up previously in prayer and those we name in our hearts. Grant them healing, comfort and peace in their afflictions. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Grant to all who commune this day faith to welcome the Savior with joy and trust. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

*Intercessory Prayers*



December 26—**Vita Crain, Sharon Nelson**

December 27—**Adele Laerz, John Minnick**

December 28—**Larry Arndt**

December 29—**Joanne Huehns, Shirley Mulvaney**

December 30—**Jean Dialoiso, Steve Sayles**

December 31—**Geri Arndt, Sara Valentine**

January 1—**Janet Kassens, Rusty Ryan**

**Mary Ellen Taylor, Gerald Winter**



December 26—**John & Ann Lenz (55)**

December 27—**Milo & Linda Arneson (52)**

December 28—**Lois & John Connor (35)**

December 31—**Roger & Bonnie Engstrom (3)**

January 1—**Rob & Diane Krieghoff (30)**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,  
trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**People: Amen.**

[Please stand]

### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
fellowship of the ✚ Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
**People: Amen.**



### **SACRAMENT**

The Lord's Supper is a gracious gift instituted by Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a means of receiving God's grace. We believe that in the holy supper, the true body and blood of the Savior, along with the bread and wine, comes to us. We are encouraged by Jesus to commune frequently and God tells us through St. Paul that we must examine ourselves in preparation for a worthy reception of the sacrament. This includes a confession of our sins, a proclamation of our faith, and a determination to lead a more godly life in the future. If you also acknowledge your sinfulness and your need for a Savior, and recognize Christ's physical presence in the bread and wine, we invite you to join us at the Lord's table.

### **PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.  
**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In the beginning You created all things by Your Word; and in the fullness of time Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. Let Your Word made flesh dwell richly among us that faithfully eating His body and drinking His blood we may receive the fullness of Your grace and truth in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the  new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

[Please be seated]

## **AGNUS DEI**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world:  
Give us Your peace, give us Your peace.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

[Saturday 4:00 p.m.]

**“O Come, All ye Faithful”  
“In times Like These”  
“In Loving Kindness Jesus Came”**

*Guest: Chappy Doggett*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

[Saturday 4:00 p.m.]

**“Angels from the Realms of Glory”** (WR189)

**Angels from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o’er all the earth;  
Ye who sang creation’s story, Now proclaim Messiah’s birth.**

*Refrain*            *Come and worship, come and worship;  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

**Shepherds in the field abiding, Watching o’er your flocks by night,  
God with us is now residing, Yonder shines the Infant Light. [Refrain]**

**Sages, leave your contemplations, Brighter visions beam afar;  
Seek the great Desire of nations, Ye have seen His natal star. [Refrain]**

**Saints before the altar bending, Watching long in hope and fear,  
Suddenly the Lord, descending, In His temple shall appear. [Refrain]**

**All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,  
Evermore your voices raising To the eternal Three in One. [Refrain]**

**“Now Sing We, Now Rejoice”** (LSB386)

**Now sing we, now rejoice, Now raise to heav’n our voice;  
He from whom joy streameth Poor in a manger lies;  
Not so brightly beameth The sun in yonder skies.  
Thou my Savior art! Thou my Savior art!**

**Come from on high to me; I cannot rise to Thee.  
Cheer my wearied spirit, O pure and holy Child;  
Through Thy grace and merit, Blest Jesus, Lord most mild,  
Draw me unto Thee! Draw me unto Thee!**

**Now through His Son doth shine The Father’s grace divine.  
Death was reigning o’er us Through sin and vanity  
Till He opened for us A bright eternity.  
May we praise Him there! May we praise Him there!**

**Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav’nly ground?  
Where the angels singing With all His saints unite,  
Sweetest praises bringing In heav’nly joy and light.  
Oh, that we were there! Oh, that we were there!**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**[Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.]**

**“A Great and Mighty Wonder”**

(LSB383)

**A great and mighty wonder, A full and holy cure:  
The virgin bears the infant With virgin honor pure!**

*Refrain*      *Proclaim the Savior’s birth: “To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth!”*

**The Word becomes incarnate And yet remains on high,  
And cherubim sing anthems To shepherds from the sky. [Refrain]**

**While thus they sing your Monarch, Those bright angelic bands,  
Rejoice, O vales and mountains, And oceans, clap your hands. [Refrain]**

**Since all He comes to ransom, By all be He adored,  
The infant born in Bethl’em, The Savior and the Lord. [Refrain.]**

**All idols then shall perish And Satan’s lying cease,  
And Christ shall raise His scepter, Decreeing endless peace. [Refrain]**

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**“Once in Royal David’s City”**

(LSB376)

**Once in royal David’s city Stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for His bed:  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.**

**He came down to earth from heaven, Who is God and Lord of all,  
And His shelter was a stable, And His cradle was a stall;  
With the poor and mean and lowly Lived on earth our Savior holy.**

**For He is our childhood’s pattern, Day by day like us He grew;  
He was little, weak, and helpless, Tears and smiles like us He knew;  
And He feels for all our sadness, and He shares in all our gladness.**

**And our eyes at last shall see Him, Through His own redeeming love;  
For that child so dear and gentle Is our Lord in heav’n above;  
And He leads His children on To the place where He is gone.**

**Not in that poor, lowly stable With the oxen standing by  
Shall we see Him, but in heaven, Set at God’s right hand on high.  
Then like stars His children, crowned, All in white, His praise will sound!**

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**OUR MISSION:** *The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to share the good news of Jesus Christ by serving the spiritual, family and personal needs of the community. We believe that the primary reason for our existence is to bring people closer to Jesus Christ by providing worship, Bible studies, prayer and fellowship to foster spiritual growth.*



**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the honor and glory of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ by **Robbie Myers** in memory of **her husband, Wallace Myers.**



**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** John & Sandy Starr, Dorothy & C.C. Acker, Cindy Nash, Tom Palmer, Rose Ringelman, Jim & Edna Moore, Jules Neuenfeldt, Ken Herro, Gary Martens, Ron Lilley, Jud Moote.



**POINSETTA PICK UP:** You may pick them up after service on **Christmas Day, on Saturday 12/26 after the 4:00 Service, or on Sunday 12/27 during services or Tuesday, 12/29 from 8:30 to 4:00 p.m.** Thank you.- Dorothy Frenz 748-0253.



The Office is ***Closed*** on **Monday, Dec. 28, Thursday, Dec. 31,** and **Friday, January 1. Merry Christmas!**



**2020 SECRET PRAYER PAL REVEAL CANCELED-** Out of an abundance of caution due to the rising cases of Covid cases, the 2020 Secret Prayer Pal Reveal scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2021, at Francesco's has been canceled. The name of your Secret Prayer Pal/ person praying for you will be mailed to you soon. **Please don't forget to mail your 2021 Secret Prayer Pal to Patty Talbott by January 31, 2021.**



**LWML MITE BOX COLLECTION:** The bit of change in your pocket can add up to make a big change in someone's life. Please bring your Mite contribution to church with you on **January 2nd and 3rd** for our monthly Mite collection. Mites are used to spread the Good News of Jesus' love throughout the world. Always remember that A LITTLE CAN HELP SO MANY!



**BOOKWORMS-** Please join us **Jan. 6 at 2:00 in Classroom 1** for an enlightening discussion of Mitch Albom's book, "Finding Chika". Albom is well known for his many Christian-based books that have been made into plays and movies. This is a short book, so easy to read during the holidays. See the January Tidings for more details.



**CAN YOU HELP?** The Board of Human Care is asking for donations of the following items for the "**Blessing Bag Ministry**". The purpose of this ministry is to aide visitors who come into the church office asking for food/toiletry items. **Items needed for the food bags are:** Packets of crackers with cheese or peanut butter, Granola bars or Cereal bars, Fruit snacks, Applesauce, Tuna or Chicken packs, Nuts. **Items needed for the Hygiene bags are:** Hand sanitizer, Hand wipes, Shampoo, Small packs of Tissues, Soap, Toothbrush/Toothpaste. Drop items off in the church office and label "Blessing Bags".



**COMMUNITY OF GRATITUDE:** Today there are many hungry families in our community who are in need of our help. The **Community of Gratitude Emergency Food Center**, located in Ocklawaha, is in need of food items which in turn will feed many impoverished families and children. THE CENTER IS IN NEED OF ALL THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW. Volunteers will deliver them to the food center. **Items for this week: Jellies, Desserts, All-in-Ones with meat, Condiments, and Applesauce. Please drop these items in the Narthex on Saturday or Sunday or in the church office Monday- Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Contact Jim and/or Nancy Steinmark at 352-299-0606 if you have any questions. Your help is appreciated. Thank you for supporting this Board of Human Care ministry.**



**THE TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL MISSIONS**

Statement: The Trinity Lutheran Church Committee on Global Missions works to inspire our fellow Christians to spread the Gospel throughout the world by any and all God pleasing methods. **We will not be meeting in December. Our next meeting will be on January 18, 2021.** Everyone is welcome and invited to attend. For more information on what we are all about, please contact Jan Garner (352-598-2048).

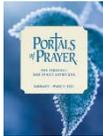


**2021 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SECRET PRAYER PALS:**

Prayerfully consider joining this simple but powerful and rewarding ministry for 2021. Simply fill out the **form on page 23** with all the requested information and return it by January 31, 2021 to: (Patty Talbott, 1131 Santa Cruz Drive, The Villages, FL 32162) You will receive your 2021 Secret Prayer Pal information by mail by end of the February. If you have any questions, call Patty Talbott, (352) 561-4952.



**2021 ALTAR FLOWERS:** The sign-up sheets are now available. Be sure to get your special dates before they are gone. One arrangement is \$30 and can be taken home after the late service.



**PORTALS OF PRAYER** – for **January through March, 2021** are now available at the Welcome Center. A donation to offset the cost of this publication will be greatly appreciated.



**HELP NEEDED TO DELIVER ITEMS-It is now time to begin planning for 2021. This is a call for volunteers to deliver donated food items beginning in January.** Due to

all the changes brought about by the Covid-19 virus, for the time being, the volunteer sign-up sheet will not be located in the church narthex but can be found in the church administrative office. We request that you drop by the office and select a month to deliver the food items or call me at 352-299-0606 and I will assign you the month that you request. I thank all of you in advance for your help in extending our mission to the Community of Gratitude

Date	Time	TRINITY LUTHERAN WEEKLY EVENTS
12/26 Sat	4:00 pm	Communion Service/ Sanctuary
12/27 Sun	8:00 am	Communion Service/ Sanctuary
	9:15 am	Adult Bible Class
	10:30 am	Communion Service/ Sanctuary
12/28 Mon		<b>Office Closed</b>
12/29 Tues	11:00 am	Website Committee/Fellowship Hall
	1:00 pm	Veterans Center Group/ Room 5
12/31 Thurs		<b>Office Closed/ New Year's Eve</b>
01/01 Fri		<b>Office Closed/ Happy New Year!</b>
01/02 Sat	4:00 pm	Communion Service/ Sanctuary
01/03 Sun		LWML Mite Box Collection
	8:00 am	Communion Service/ Sanctuary
	9:15 am	Adult Bible Class
	10:30 am	Communion Service/ Sanctuary



**PERFUME ALLERGIES/SENSITIVITIES:** Did you know that some people are sensitive or allergic to strong scents? Strong aftershave and scented lotions can even cause asthma symptoms for some people. Please be sensitive to this and use perfumes lightly.



**FOR A CHUCKLE:** A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, 'I know what the Bible means!' His father smiled and replied, 'What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means? The son replied, 'I do know!' 'Okay,' said his father. 'What does the Bible mean!' That's easy, Daddy, the young boy replied excitedly, 'It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'

## **SOME THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:**



Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

How long a minute is depends on what side of the bathroom door you're on.

Birthdays are good for you; the more you have, the longer you live.

Happiness comes through doors you didn't even know you left open.

### **FOCUSED ON GOD:**

A lady went to the Pastor of her church and said, "I won't be attending Church anymore." He then said, "May I ask why?"

She said, "I see people on their phones texting, some are gossiping, some just aren't living right, some are sleeping, some are staring at me, they are all just hypocrites."

The Pastor was silent. Then he said, "Can I ask you to do something for me before you make your final decision?" She said, "Sure, what's that?" He said, "Take a glass of water and walk around the church two times and don't let any water fall out of the glass."

She said, "Yes I can do that!" She went and got the glass of water and walked around the church two times. She came back and said proudly, "It's done." The Pastor asked her these questions; "Did you see anybody on their phone?; Did you see anybody gossiping?; Was anybody living wrong?; Did you see anyone sleeping?; She said, "I didn't see anything because I was so focused on this glass, so the water wouldn't spill out"

He told her, "When you come to church, you should be just that focused on God, so that you don't fall. That's why Jesus said, 'Follow Me', He did not say follow Christians." Don't let your relationship with God be determined by how others relate with God. Let it be determined by how focused you are with God.

2021  
Trinity Lutheran Church Secret Prayer Pal  
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All Trinity women (seasonal or full time) are encouraged to fill out the form below.

Mail by January 31, 2021 to:

Patty Talbott, 1131 Santa Cruz Drive, The Villages, FL 32162

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Summer Address/ Time of year mail needs to be addressed as below:

What months to use this address: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Grandchildren: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Special Prayer Requests:

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Please fill out this information, in case I need to contact you. This is a cut off and used only for administrative purposes, thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Christianity is the only religion of the world to insist that reconciliation with the creator cannot ever be accomplished by our performance. Only through the revelation of a Savior, who would be the substitute sacrifice for all of our wrongdoing and make us right with God, can we finally overcome our sense of separation from the Almighty.

This is a gift and promise of life that we rejoice in and share with Christians around the world. We share with all Christians the desire that everyone would come to know Jesus and experience a life under “new management” – the grace and purpose of God.

Trinity is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We enjoy a blessed confessional heritage of Biblical Christianity with over 65 million Lutherans around the world and over 7 million Lutherans in the U.S. alone. What we know and believe comes only from the Bible, which is God’s inspired Word. While the Bible is certainly our guide for holy living, the primary purpose of the Bible is to reveal Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

We believe every Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church is a “little Easter”, a celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper every Sunday in both worship services. We believe the forgiveness and strength of faith we are promised through receiving the very body and blood of Christ is so greatly needed by all of God’s people, for we are truly a community of wounded healers. For a Christian Church to be anything else than a place of common fellowship and unity and a source of strength for our fragile faith is to fail its God-ordained purpose and intent.

Our pastors would like to be of service to you in any way they can. Feel free to call the church office or speak with Pastor Dan or Pastor Blair directly if you wish to find out more about the church or have more personal needs of a spiritual nature.