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The **Trinity Connection** informs the members of Trinity Lutheran Church and the people of north Iowa about the church's mission, and people, helping them to grow in faith and commitment to Jesus Christ.



Front Page: Kay Larson and Kathy Squier fill up the Library with books.

The season of Advent has made a bit of a comeback in recent years. Much of this is due to the growing popularity of Advent calendars—name a product and you can find a box set to count down the days until Christmas: chocolate, Legos, fishing lures, even Red Bull energy drinks.

But traditional Advent practices are also coming back: Advent devotionals, home wreaths, waiting until Christmas to top the tree, etc. A friend who attends a large evangelical church in Florida says her congregation put an enormous wreath in their sanctuary last December to compliment a four-week preaching series on “hope and patience.” Sounds suspiciously Advent-like to me. Perhaps this ancient season, with its focus on longing for the Lord, is just what we modern people need.

Advent helps us remember the importance of waiting. But Advent also reminds us that God does what God promises. After centuries of longing, a Savior was ultimately born. God was faithful. So we know that God will be faithful to us – even when it seems our waiting is in vain.

What are you waiting for? What are your longings this December? What promise has God fulfilled in your life this year?

This past month, Trinity celebrated the fulfillment of the T150 Capital Appeal, the largest project in our congregation's history. God was faithful! The Bazaar was another enormous success, a celebration of community, service and generosity. God was faithful!

Trusting that God fulfills all promises, we bring our hopes and hurts and dreams before the manger this Advent.

Come, Lord Jesus – once again.

-Pastor Dan Gerrietts



Dan Gerrietts
SENIOR PASTOR



Legacy Appreciation Lunch Wednesday, December 3, 2025

12:00 PM | N.I. Regional Comm. Center

Have you named Trinity in your will or estate plans? Have you made a gift

to the TLC Legacy Fund, or want to learn more about this opportunity? Then you are invited to a catered luncheon at noon at the North Iowa Regional Commerce Center (9 N Federal Ave, Mason City). We want to thank you and share stories of how your gifts to the Legacy Fund and other memorials are helping Trinity live out its mission. Meal provided by Cynthia Lewerke. To register, see the sign-up at the East Entrance or go to trinity-mc.org/legacylunch.



A Promised SAVIOR

ADVENT 2025

In the season of Advent, we count down the days until Christmas. This Advent, we center our worship on God's promise: the promise of a Savior. Trusting in God's enduring faithfulness, we prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' birth on Christmas while our longing hearts wait in hope for God's promised reign of peace.

Join us for Midweek Prayer Services on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM. These 30-minute services will combine Scripture, music, prayer, and a short message to connect our hearts to this season of longing, anticipation, and hope.

1st Sunday of Advent

Weekend Worship
November 29 & 30
A Promise of the Past

2nd Sunday of Advent

Weekend Worship
December 6 & 7
A Promise of Peace

3rd Sunday of Advent

Weekend Worship
December 13 & 14
A Promise Coming True

4th Sunday of Advent

Weekend Worship
December 20 & 21
A Promise to be Close



1st Wednesday

Midweek Prayer Service
December 3 | 6:30 PM
Prayers for Hurting People

2nd Wednesday

Midweek Prayer Service
December 10 | 6:30 PM
*Prayers for the
Healing of Nations*

3rd Wednesday

Midweek Prayer Service
December 17 | 6:30 PM
*Prayers for the Future
and What is Unknown*

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CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICES



1:30 PM

*Pastor Dan Gerrietts preaching
Traditional worship with Communion*

4:00 PM

*Pastor Daniel Hanson preaching
Worship service livestreamed online,
and broadcast on KCMR FM 97.9
(Family-friendly)*



5:30 PM

*Pastor Beverly Butler preaching
Traditional worship with Communion
(Family-friendly)*

10:30 PM

*Musical Prelude at 10:00 PM
Pastor Dan Gerrietts preaching
Traditional worship with Communion
Livestreamed online and broadcast on
KCMR FM 97.9*

CHRISTMAS^{with}TRINITY



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA

Thursday, December 4, 2025

1:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a time of fellowship and a presentation by fiber artist Norrie MacIlraith. Friends are welcome! Free-will offering will go to Trinity baby kits.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Saturday, December 6, 2025

1:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

A special service of music and scripture featuring Trinity's Choir and Bronze Bell Choir.

TRINITY CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG

Sunday, December 7, 2025

5:00 PM | Fat Hill Brewing

We will gather to sing carols at Fat Hill Brewery. Bring an appetizer to share!

*(This is an adult event.
Must be 21 and older.)*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 14, 2025

10:30 AM | Trinity Sanctuary

Our Sunday School Christmas Program will feature all Sunday School children and Trinity youth telling the story of Jesus' birth. Mark your calendar!



SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Please sign up to ring the Salvation Army bell at a time that is convenient for you and your family. Spreading the love of Jesus at Christmas time is a gift to others and yourself. So pick a time and location, pack up your mini speaker, warm up your vocal cords, and spread that joyous noise! Sign up here as an individual or family: <https://www.registertoring.com/>.



POINSETTIAS

We will decorate the sanctuary with poinsettias this Christmas season! If you'd like to purchase a poinsettia (\$17.00) as a memorial (or in honor of a loved one), please get in touch with the church office by Sunday, December 14, 2025. A limited number of poinsettias are available. They may be picked up on Monday, December 29, 2025—a limit of 30 poinsettias are available for purchase.

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

Please let the office know if you would like to give a gift this Christmas season in memory of a loved one. Your gifts help support a variety of missions and ministry programs here at Trinity. A list of our Memorial Funds can be found on our website under the GIVE tab (click Memorials and Gifts), or a copy is available in the church office. For those who wish to honor a loved one with a Christmas Memorial, please have memorials to the church office by Sunday, December 14, 2025.



CANDLE LIGHTING AND READERS

Help us light the Advent Wreath each weekend, continuing in December. Readings are short and simple—great for individuals or families! Contact the church office to sign up at 641-423-0536.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

Sound the trumpets, strike the drum — time to get the band back together again for the 10:30 PM Christmas Eve service here at Trinity! Participation in the band's rehearsals held on the two Sundays before Christmas Eve is encouraged. Direct all interest and questions to Nathan Elsbernd:

nelsbernd19@gmail.com.



TRINITY'S GIVING TREE

The Ministries Committee is once again sponsoring the Salvation Army Angel Tag and YSS North Iowa Giving Tree. The Giving Tree will be located near the East entrance. Please have all items returned to the church by Friday, December 12. The tags will indicate on the back whether to wrap the gift or leave it unwrapped. Thank you for all of your support for this opportunity to brighten a child's life.



2025 Christmas Offering

All designated Christmas offerings at Trinity this year will be shared evenly with the Trinity Welfare Fund, Community Kitchen and ELCA World Hunger. Designated offerings include those dollars that are received through member's Christmas offering envelope, the Christmas online giving tab, and any other gift marked "Christmas." Thanks for your generosity to these partner ministries!



Fellowship Coffee

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

9:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Join us to sing Christmas hymns and play BINGO in the Fellowship Hall!

Rotating Art Gallery

The **October-December** Rotating Art Gallery features quilted wall hangings. Area quilters will show off their creativity and handiwork. Come and be inspired!



SOUTH END OF NEWLY REMODELED LIBRARY

Library Renovation

Trinity's library was recently updated with new carpet, furniture, lights, window coverings and expanded bookshelves. The room also features a new counter-top and sink for hosting small events. Thank you to Gary and Sharon Lindgren for making this project happen, and to Kay Larson and Karen Squire for reorganizing the library shelves. Come see the space and explore our collection of resources available for check-out!



WELCA Bible Study

Thurs., December 11, 2025

9:30 AM | Trinity Room 208

The WELCA Study will meet Thursday, December 11 from 9:30 to 10:30 in Room 208.

Taking a deeper look at The Ten Commandments, the topic will be "Greed and Justice," the Ninth and Tenth Commandments. We live in a consumer-based culture.

Coveting seems less serious than other commandments, but its subtlety may be its power. The class is led by the Rev. Dr. Norma Cook Everist. Bring your friends for engaging conversation.

Trinity's staff wishes
you a safe and happy
holiday season;
from our family
to yours!





Sunday School in December

Sunday School in December will be full of Christmas cheer! The students are learning Christmas songs, and will have a comfy pajama party with a short Christmas movie. Jesus was born for us all!

Christian Gift Ideas

Dear Trinity Parents and Grandparents, As you are shopping this month for your youth, please consider some Christian gift ideas. There are many great books, games, and much more to expose your child to God's word and love in your home. To help with your search, here is an Amazon gift list. This list is not perfect, nor comprehensive. You do not need to buy anything, nor does the church profit in any way from this list. We simply wanted to put a few items in a list to help facilitate easy sharing and shopping. If you have any suggestions for future lists, please reach out to me at carol.dettmer@trinity-mc.org. Thank you!

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1I7D8ZXJSX27F>

Practice Christmas Songs at Home

Please check out the following link to learn about the Sunday School Christmas Program on December 14!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/12ZnZliqHt8u-6W4LZ2HnO-PPdcli4cbYAn-QL--gk80kl/edit?usp=sharing>

Parents are encouraged to practice the songs with their children at home. Thank you!



Congratulations to our 2025 Confirmands!

Back (L to R) - Evan Schweitzer, Lear Shultz, Colton Hesley, Gunner Clausen, Cash Edwards, Hayden Zilge, Ranger Rattay, Brady Rish, Pastor Daniel Hanson
Middle (L to R) - Pastor Dan Gerrietts, Aubree Kreimeyer, Raina Rattay, Aubrey Lingbeek, Kelsey Morud, Kathrine Holmes, Carol Dettmer
Front (L to R) - Pastor Beverly Butler, Dani Vogel, McKenna Schlitter, Aubrey Otto, Israella Fredrick, Isaac Peters.



Campfire Kids Fun



S'mores and Bugs at Campfire Kids

BY MICHELLE MURRAY

Nate Ruge and Dani Vogel are leaders extraordinaire of Campfire Kids at Trinity...and they're also big kids at heart who shine in the presence of youth. Their combined background working with young people is pretty impressive. Ruge worked with youth and family in Christian Ed. Ministry at a local church for 14 years while Vogel has almost 18 years of experience. Put the two together in a room with kids and the energy is palpable.



NATE RUGE AND DANI VOGEL

Ruge and Vogel explained the origin of Campfire Kids. "It was invented the second week of August when we were meeting with 'the Dans' [also known as both Pastor Dan and Pastor Daniel]," Ruge said. Vogel added, "We always wanted to have a theme, Bible stories, no screens, and something that was interactive. The focus was to play with the Bible stories."

Ruge said that a campfire is an informal place where we gather, and with Jesus being 'The Light,' the name "Campfire Kids" was a great fit. "We get to go to one [campfire]...and then another..." Ruge said. "It's not just

them sitting and listening to a Bible story." Vogel agreed, "It's interactive activity play-based interaction!" Ruge added, "We find new and unique ways to explore Bible stories."

That's exactly what was on the agenda on this particular Wednesday evening. A box full of small pieces of wood was awaiting the group, and Vogel pointed them out. "We're making table decorations tonight," she said, "and we're using leftover wood from Nate's house." Ruge grinned and said, "Sometimes you just gotta use the stuff that's around you! Be creative!" Both leaders stressed that they want to provide opportunities for the kids who come to Campfire Kids. "We want them to feel free to make a little mess and a little noise," Ruge said. "The more we play together, the more we see that relationships matter. It's always fun to play and learn." He stressed the benefits of spending time together and just hanging out with kids. "It infuses energy!" he laughed. Vogel agreed. She said, "We want kids who are excited to be here Sundays and Wednesdays...and be authentically who they are! We like the kids we have to peel out at the end of the night. We want to become the place people WANT to be!"

And why wouldn't they want to be at Campfire Kids? They learned about Jonah by doing a photo tableau; they did a science experiment that Moses and the Israelites followed in the desert, and once a month, they partner with Healthy Harvest and do a food project such as making fry bread and pickles.

Next month, they'll learn about Santa Lucia and who she was, playing with the church's Nordic heritage as well as talking about their own traditions. Learning and valuing traditions in their own family is huge. It's also important to know the traditions in their Trinity family. Ruge said the kids will be able to say, "I know what that is" as the Santa Lucia girls walk down the aisle at Christmas time. Not only will they know this tradition, but they'll also be able to make Santa Lucia Buns or

Lusserkat. Integrating faith with real life and finding connection points for kids is what this group is all about. So just as a campfire might often have s'mores and bugs, Ruge said Campfire Kids does as well. Instead of asking about the highs and lows of the week, he asks about the "s'mores" (as in 'What was so good this week that you'd like some more?') and the "bugs" (as in 'What bugged you?'). For a group of elementary school-aged kids with several high schoolers who serve as mentors (along with Ruge and Vogel), the amount of sharing and camaraderie is amazing. "We've had a really active group," said Ruge. "Kids are coming with their friends. Some are 'Trinity-adjacent' or 'church explorers.'" Vogel said, "These are kids we see often. They say, 'Your church is fun!' They make a memory and find a tribe!" Ruge agreed, "Kids want to feel valued and want to belong."

From the "s'mores and bugs" to the birthday cake packages made for middle school families in need to the "thankful table decorations," the Campfire Kids made use of every moment one recent Wednesday night. At the same time, every moment was relaxed and filled with smiles and laughter and joking around. Young kids looked up to the high schoolers for guidance as they worked on a project or a craft or simply asked each other about how their day was going. At the end of the evening, Ruge asked if anyone would volunteer to say a prayer to end the night, and a boy raised his hand. It was the same boy who had asked me to take his picture with one of the high school mentors earlier in the evening. He thanked God for Campfire Kids, for Trinity's pastors, and for the great job the Campfire teachers were doing every week. It was so heartfelt and pure that I still cry thinking about it.

It's true. Being with kids will change your life. Ruge and Vogel know that, and they show up for them week after week. That's a definite "s'more." †
(Photos lower left-opposite page)

Swedish Creativity at the Bazaar

BY MICHELLE MURRAY



DALA HORSE

The Scandinavian Bazaar always has gifts galore for everyone, and this year was no exception. A darling red Swedish Dala Horse was one of the finds this year and was created by the very creative husband/wife team of Jim and Cynthia Zach. What is a Dala Horse? It is a "symbol of strength, faithfulness, wisdom, and dignity,

and is a national emblem of Sweden. It also represents good luck, happiness, and prosperity."

How did this gorgeous piece in Trinity's Scandinavian Boutique come into existence? Cynthia explained:

"About 10 years ago, Jim and I were on vacation in Door County, WI, when I found a unique metal Dala Horse candle holder in a Scandinavian shop. I have a collection of the authentic Dala Horse, but thought that one was special. Over the years, we talked about putting our own version together and finally about 4 years ago, we decided to do it. After working at NIACC for years, Jim knew that they had recently acquired a water jet cutter that would work for our project. He created a design based on the many patterns for the horse image.

Then we went to a local metal and welding shop to determine the best gauge of metal to use.

Once that was established, he took the one big sheet of metal out to NIACC to try out the water jet cutter. It worked perfectly!



SCANDINAVIAN BOUTIQUE

The design included the Dala horse and a circle to attach to a thinly sawn birch log. We had approximately 35 perfectly cut horses that we took back to the metal and welding shop to bend the circle section at the base of the horse's legs and cut a hole on the base the size of a votive candle. The next step was to find a local business that could paint the horse stand. Fortunately, we found a powder coating business in Clear Lake that was willing to do this for a reasonable price and short amount of time! I took one of my Dala horses along to find a color match and was thrilled to find the best match!

Once the painting process was done, Jim carefully drilled a hole in the birch slices to match the hole in the metal stand. The birch slices were ordered through a bridal decoration store. The last step was to apply adhesive to the metal stand to attach to the birch slices. With the addition of the small votive candle, it was finished! We decided to donate them to the Scandinavian Boutique at Trinity's Bazaar!"

What will this creative duo come up with next year? A Santa? A Dala Horse? A stained glass window from Trinity? Their ideas all live in my household...and maybe yours as well. †



CYNTHIA ZACH IN THE BOUTIQUE

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Join us next year!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2026

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

SCANDINAVIAN BAZAAR

Thank You!



A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with our annual Scandinavian Bazaar!

Healing Touch Gift Certificates Available

Give the gift of relaxation and healing this holiday season with a Healing Touch Gift Certificate. They are available in the church office for a free-will donation.



Rejoicing Spirits Wed., December 17, 2025

5:00 PM | Fellowship Hall
Rejoicing Spirits is inclusive of all ages and abilities as we connect with God and one another. Join us on Wednesday, December 17 to celebrate the birth of Christ through song, skit, prayer and servant project. Following the worship service, enjoy pizza and root beer floats for a free-will donation.

Book Discussion Monday, January 12

1:00 PM
Gathering Space



Our next book is *Little Wolves* by Thomas Maltman. Set on the Minnesota prairie in the late 1980s during a drought season that's pushing family farms to the brink, *Little Wolves* weaves together elements of folklore and Norse mythology while being driven by a powerful murder mystery. Multiple copies are available to check out from the Trinity Lutheran Church office.

Gifts of Imperfection

**Wednesday Nights - Jan. 7 through Feb. 11
During Wednesday Night Alive**

6:30 PM | Trinity Education Wing

Have you ever thought "What will people think" or "I am not good enough"? New York Times best-selling author and research professor, Dr. Brené Brown will take you through her Guideposts for Whole-hearted Living and leave you feeling more connected and passionate about life. It's a step-by-step joyful, courage-building journey unlike any other. It's heartwork through artwork. Parish Nurse, Becky Elsbernd, will facilitate this six-week art journaling course at Wednesday Night Alive 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. from January 7 – February 11. Cost is \$20 for art journal and Brené Brown's book *The Gift of Imperfection*. Scholarships available upon request. Please register by December 22.





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 GARRETTE TRUE, DEBRA RYAN, JEREMY KLATT,
 LINDA DUFRESNE, REV. STEPHEN BENITZ,
 BECKY ELSBERND

It was a midweek reprieve when 11 pilgrims of faith left the known security of home and family to listen to the Spirit of God at New Melleray Abbey near Peosta, IA. Step A Way is an initiative of Father Stephen Benitz, Northwest Regional Missioner for the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa, and Becky Elsbernd, parish nurse at Trinity Lutheran Church in Mason City. The two spiritual leaders have offered four walking pilgrimages – appropriately named Walk A Way – since 2023. This was the first entirely spiritual retreat offered Nov. 11-13.

The Abbey is home to about a dozen Trappist monks who live by the Rule of Saint Benedict. Their mission is to live in harmony with God, their brothers, and the natural world as they pray, eat, and work together. The visiting pilgrims attended several daily prayer times, among them 4:30 a.m. Vigils, 7:30 a.m. Lauds, 11:45 a.m. Sext, 1:45 p.m. None, 5:30 p.m. Vespers, and 7:30 p.m. Compline. They followed along and participated as the monks chanted and recited Psalms at each of the services along with prayer, Scripture, and other sacred readings. As the bells tolled before each service, the mindfulness of contemplation set it, sometimes in darkness, sometimes in light.

Our leaders directed us in the use of spiritual practices in group gatherings. Of the 11, a few were friends, a few acquaintances, a few strangers. We each shared a word we hoped to find in this time together, be it peace, love, safety, or discernment. Personal time to read, walk, and rest was purposely structured. Meals, for the most part, were eaten in silence or soft tones. A night walk to view the Northern Lights showed us we can follow each other only by the sounds of whispered voices – a reminder that the Spirit is ever present in humanity's darkness.

The Scripture for the pilgrimage was Mark's account of the Feeding of the 5,000. A new spiritual practice for some was to listen to the text and then visualize ourselves in the Gospel scene. Some would be among the tired and hungry disciples who were irritated with Jesus. How could they feed so many people with five loaves and two fish? Another was the servant gatherer of the baskets of leftovers, offering to share with more followers of The Way. And one sitting on the grass with the throng listened to Jesus and in His eyes saw love, compassion, and forgiveness.

The drive home was filled with welcome talk for some and continued quiet for others. The charge to continue what we learned and experienced at Step A Way was present as we returned to the sometimes-chaotic life and world. The lessons of this spiritual respite will live on when we intentionally make time to step away to listen to God the Holy Spirit each new day we are granted by His grace.

In gratitude for Step A Way,

Jane Reynolds

**Monday, December 1, 2025**

9:00 AM	Trinity at Community Kitchen	CK
9:00 AM	Centering Prayer	TR322/Zoom
6:00 PM	Bronze Bell Choir	TS

Tuesday, December 2, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TFH
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Wednesday, December 3, 2025

7:00 A & 8:30 A	Men's & Women's Bible Studies	TLC
12:00 PM	Legacy Appreciation Lunch	NIRC
6:00 PM	Advent Meal	TFH
6:30 PM	Advent Prayer Service	TS
6:30 PM	Campfire Kids	TEW
6:30 PM	Confirmation Class	TFH
6:30 PM	Choir	TCR

Thursday, December 4, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TFH
10:30 AM	Clappers and Coffee Bell Choir	TS
1:30 PM	Christmas Tea	TFH

Saturday, December 6, 2025

5:00 PM	Worship - Christmas Cantata	TS
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Sunday, December 7, 2025 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM	Worship **	TS
10:30 AM	Worship **	TS
9:15 AM	Sunday School	TEW
11:45 AM	Youth Group	TYR
5:00 PM	Caroling at Fat Hill	FHB

Monday, December 8, 2025

9:00 AM	Trinity Quilters	TFH
9:00 AM	Lectio Divina	TR322/Zoom
9:30 AM	Altar Guild	TR300

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TGS
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Wednesday, December 10, 2025

7:00 A & 8:30 A	Men's & Women's Bible Studies	TLC
9:30 AM	Lydia Circle	TR208
6:00 PM	Advent Meal	TFH
6:30 PM	Advent Prayer Service	TS
6:30 PM	Campfire Kids / Choir	TEW
6:30 PM	Confirmation Class	TFH

Thursday, December 11, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TGS
9:30 AM	WELCA Bible Study	TR208
10:30 AM	Clappers and Coffee Bell Choir	TS

Saturday, December 13, 2025

5:00 PM	Worship	TS
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Sunday, December 14, 2025 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM	Worship	TS
9:15 AM	Sunday School	TEW
10:30 AM	Worship - Sunday School Program	TS

Monday, December 15, 2025

9:00 AM	Centering Prayer	TR322/Zoom
9:00 AM	Trinity Quilters	TFH
10:00 AM	Healing Touch Exchange	TR321

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TGS
9:30 AM	Fellowship Coffee	TFH
10:45 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	TR307

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

7:00 A & 8:30 A	Men's & Women's Bible Studies	TLC
2:00 PM	Cancer Support Group	TR300 & Zoom
5:00 PM	Rejoicing Spirits	TFH
6:00 PM	Advent Meal	TFH
6:30 PM	Advent Prayer Service	TS
6:30 PM	Campfire Kids	TEW
6:30 PM	Confirmation Class	TFH
6:30 PM	Choir	TCR

Thursday, December 18, 2025

8:00 AM	BASES Exercise Class	TGS
6:30 PM	Sisters In Grace	TEW
6:30 PM	Friends in Faith	TL

Saturday, December 20, 2025

5:00 PM	Worship **	TS
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Sunday, December 21, 2025 - 4th Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM	Worship **	TS
10:00 AM	Blood Pressure Checks	TGS
10:30 AM	Worship **	TS

Wednesday, December 24, 2025

ALL DAY	Church Offices Closed	TLC
1:30 PM	Christmas Eve Worship Service	TS
4:00 PM	Christmas Eve Worship Service	TS
5:30 PM	Christmas Eve Worship Service	TS
10:00 PM	Musical Prelude	TS
10:30 PM	Christmas Eve Worship Service	TS

Thursday, December 25, 2025

ALL DAY	Church Offices Closed	TLC
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Friday, December 26, 2025

ALL DAY	Church Offices Closed	TLC
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Saturday, December 27, 2025

5:00 PM	Worship	TS
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Sunday, December 28, 2025

9:00 AM	Worship	TS
10:30 AM	Worship	TS

Monday, December 29, 2025

9:00 AM	Trinity Quilters	TFH
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CALENDAR KEY

TLC - Trinity Lutheran Church (Various Locations) / **TFH** - Trinity Fellowship Hall / **TR** - Trinity Room (Number)
TGS - Trinity Gathering Space / **TS** - Trinity Sanctuary / **TPL** - Trinity Parking Lot / **TEW** - Trinity Education Wing
CK - Community Kitchen / **YTFB** - YouTube & Facebook / **FHB** - Fat Hill Brewing / **NIRC** - N.I. Regional Conference Center
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Office Hours

9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM M-Th

8:00 AM TO 4:00 PM F

Worship

Saturdays at 5:00 PM

Sanctuary

Traditional Service

Sundays at 9:00 AM

Sanctuary & Online-

Livestreamed on Facebook
and YouTube, or listen live on
KCMR 97.9 FM or kcmrfm.com

Traditional Service

Sundays at 10:30 AM

Sanctuary

Contemporary Service

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