

A Community

Following Jesus

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The Messenger

Children's Christmas Worship: Christ the Savior Is Born

By Rhonda Synovec

Jesus Comes

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“Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord” (Luke 2:11).

The shepherds came to see the baby—
Stood by his mother's side.
Here laid the Savior
Inside a manger.
Oh, what a glorious night!
Oh, what a glorious night!

I hear the angels singing,
Hallelujah!
Let the earth receive her king!
I know that love has come.
Singing it out:
Jesus Christ is born!
Jesus Christ is born!

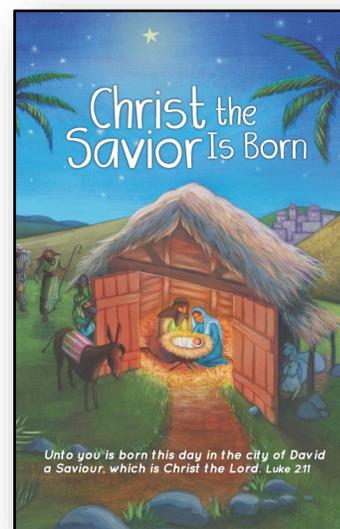
The miraculous, joyful news that the angels brought to the shepherds is miraculous, joyful news for us today! You are invited to join us in worship as the children lead worship and share with all to hear: Christ the Savior is Born!

Shawnee Campus
Sunday, December 9
11am Worship service

A dress rehearsal will be held on Saturday, December 8, 9 – 11am.

Mission Campus
Sunday, December 16
9:45am Worship service

We are trying something new this year! The chil-



dren's Christmas worship at the Mission campus will be at the 9:45am service. Please note that this is a change from last year.

Jammies and the Journey

By Rhonda Synovec

Epiphany
Sunday, January 6
9:45 – 10:45am



Children's ministry families, mark your calendar!

Jammies

At **both** campuses children are invited to wear their jammies to church this morning during the Sunday School hour!

The Journey

We will continue the Christmas story with a special event telling the Epiphany Story—the Journey of the Wise Men—to meet baby Jesus.



Jesus Comes *We Prepare*

Advent Devotions

By Pastor Ben Vineyard

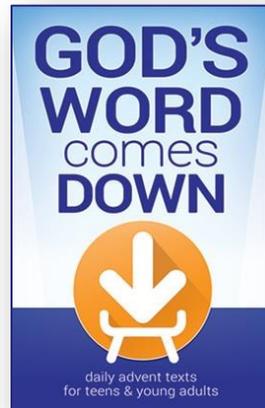
Peace to you and your dear ones!

We at Trinity will provide Advent devotions again this year. There are a few formats to try. The old favorite at Trinity is the collection of printed booklets. Those will be available at both campuses.



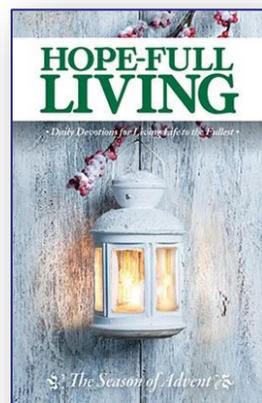
For young families we picked out *What Child is This?* It's a sticker storytelling devotional perfect for gathering around a tabletop Advent wreath through the season.

For junior and senior high youth we picked out *God's Word Comes Down*. It focuses on topics that connect best with youth. We're also trying a new thing for youth this year. DCE Beth and I (Ben) are weaving together a matching devo-



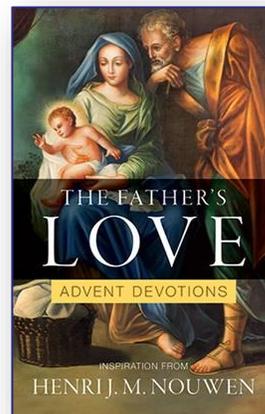
tional element that will post to Instagram every day. The post will match the booklet and the booklet will work as an "if you want to go deeper" sort of thing. Follow those @TLCMSYouth.

For our senior adults we picked out *Hope-Full Living: The Season of Advent*, which comes from a ministry Dr. Rich Bimler is part of. Many of you are friends of Rich's and others

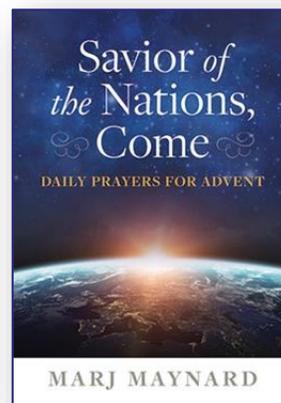


still remember when he was at Trinity!

For adults, there are three options. First, Henri Nouwen is a favorite for many of us, so we picked another devotional with his writings called *The Father's Love*.



Second, I picked out a devotional called *Savior of the Nations Come* by Marj Maynard because I think the voice, leadership,



and perspective teachings coming from women theologians are instrumental in helping us pay attention in seasons like Advent. And finally, my brother Samuel and I have been working on another devotional book together. It focuses on readings, prayers, and contemplative actions that fit the season well. Sam created the artwork again.

The devotional I'm putting together is a printed booklet and a daily email. If you would like to sign up for the email, follow this link: <https://tlcms.us1.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=004aae89255881a7822a4dccc&id=f6bfbb7893>. The link is also available at tlcms.org.

May the peace Christ brings in the reading of the Word and breaking of the Bread dwell within you and your dear ones. Peace to you.

Advent Lessons and Carols

By Ben A. Spalding

**Saturday, December 8
5:30pm**

Join us for our Advent Lessons and Carols on Saturday, December 8, at 5:30pm. This service of magnificent songs and moving readings from Holy Scripture is a spiritual oasis in the midst of the busy holiday hubbub, offering time for reflection, medita-

tion, and peace. The emphasis of this Lessons and Carols is on hope, anticipation, expectation, and spiritual renewal in preparation for the coming of the Messiah. The Trinity Choir and Festival Brass will lead this beautiful service by candlelight with a reception to follow.



Advent and Christmas 2018: "Jesus Comes"

By Ben A. Spalding

Advent is a season of both quiet reflection and joyful expectation. It is a time of spiritual preparation, as we watch and wait for the coming of the Kingdom of God. Through our experience of sacred Word, music, and service to others, the story of the coming of Christ gradually unfolds and deepens our understanding of God's message of love and redemption. May our Advent journey propel us toward the true joy of Christmas. Our Advent theme this year will focus on four very poignant readings from the Old Testament proclaiming "Jesus Comes"—to give us God's righteousness, to bring judgment but also grace, to defeat our enemies and bring us joy, and to tenderly lead and guide us.



*Behold, a virgin shall conceive,
and bear a son, and shall call
his name Emmanuel.*

—Isaiah 7:14

Advent 2

**Jesus Comes
as a Messenger of the
Covenant**

Malachi 3:1-7b

December 9

*Shawnee campus Christmas
service, 11am*

Advent 3

**Jesus Comes
as King in Our Midst**

Zephaniah 3:14-20

December 16

*Mission campus Christmas
service, 9:45am*

Advent 4

**Jesus Comes
as Shepherd of His Flock**

Micah 5:2-5a

December 23

Normal worship schedule

Jesus Comes *We Prepare*

Advent Study Opportunities

By Pastor Ben Vineyard

Advent is a season of preparation. It's a preparation for receiving Jesus, the one who came, who is present, and who will come again. In ancient times, we called this a "penitential" season, or a season of repentance and change. Such is what we Christians desire and Advent as a season seems to intensify that desire.

To encourage living into that desire and change, we're hosting three new classes or opportunities this Advent. I also have a little survey to see if you'd be interested in other things, too.

For the Mission campus, Nancy Smith will be leading a class hosted in the Lounge on Sundays at 9:45am that will be a conversation and study of Advent themes. It's title is **"The Uncluttered Heart: Making Room for God."**

Jenny Vineyard will lead a smaller conversation in the Mission Heritage Room also at 9:45am on Sundays for prayer and quieter readings related to Advent. Her study is called **"While We Wait: Living the Questions of Advent."** Both conversations will be rela-

tionally rich as well.

For the Shawnee campus, I (Pastor Ben) will guide us through an Advent-related conversation Sundays at 9:45am and I'm going to take ideas from both of the above women! I suppose we could call it **"Making Room for God: Living the Questions of Advent"** (or something like that!). Regardless of the title, we'll focus on, well, focusing—especially when it feels impossible to do so. And the "what" (or rather, "who") of our focus will be the substance of all the above classes.

I also have an experiment I want to try.

Advent is a sacred time for me. I love the contemplation of it. The whole world seems comfortable bending closer to my preference for silence. Yet, most of the world also bends against silence and stillness. It can be too loud. There can be too many words (and of course, too many advertisements!). In response, I want to fall toward stillness, where the heart is prepared by the Spirit of God to live out good action when the

time calls for it.

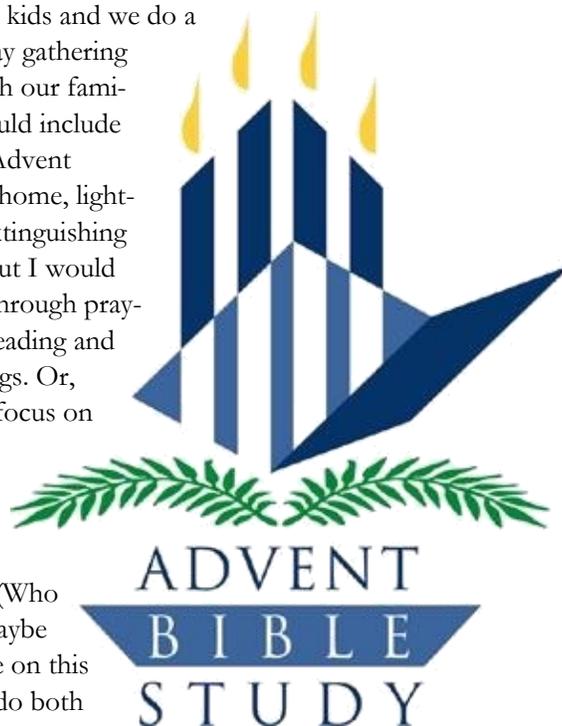
Do you want to join me in such a stillness? A Wednesday evening time for prayer, reading and stillness?

Here's what I want to do. I want to do this online. (That's the experiment part.) In the quietness of our homes, we'll gather online and I'll guide us through prayer, stillness, and other traditions that are helpful to me.

There can be two options. Let me know if you resonate with one or the other. One: with kids and we do a Wednesday gathering online with our families. It would include using an Advent wreath at home, lighting and extinguishing candles, but I would guide us through prayer and a reading and other things. Or, two, let's focus on our adult spirituality and be nourished that way. (Who knows, maybe you'll vote on this and we'll do both tracks).

I'll share more details for those interested. Letting me know you're interested doesn't mean you're a permanent fixture. It's just a little nod of interest.

Let me know here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdhLx7qMM5aySg6Ru_uG7SCkcIIQ3JheGtkHRDVoZSF0bP1rQ/viewform. A link is also available at tlcms.org.



Poinsettias—Shawnee Campus

By Dianna Mayfield

Freewill Donation See Bucket in Foyer

Help decorate the altar at Shawnee for Christmas! We

are collecting donations to purchase poinsettias for Christmas. You may leave your contribution in the bucket marked

“Poinsettias” on the table in the back of the sanctuary.



Christmas Cookie Walk

By Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

Saturday, December 8

Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

The LWML of the Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 4153 Rainbow Boulevard, Kansas City, KS, is sponsoring our seventh annual Christmas Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 8, in the downstairs fellowship hall beginning at 9am. We will have a large assortment of wonderful, delicious cookies for sale at \$8.50 a pound. This event is being

advertised publicly, and we expect a good turn-out for this sale. You are encouraged to come early for the best selection of cookies. Please bring cash only as no checks or credit cards will be accepted on this day. The proceeds will provide funding for LWML selected charities and activities that will be posted in our fellowship hall. Questions may be directed to the church office administrator, Kim, at 913-236-6228. We hope to see you there!



Memory Verse

John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, …He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”

Luke 3:16



Jesus Comes *We Celebrate*

50+ Christmas Party

By Iva Schlatter and Barb Littell



Wednesday
December 12, 11:30am

Mission Campus
Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a catered turkey dinner with all the fixings! Entertainment will follow dinner. The featured entertainment is a

Christmas carol sing led by Ken Ehle and accompanied by Ben Spalding. You never know, Santa Claus may even put in an appearance!

The lunch is free. An optional freewill offering will be collected at the event.

Please RSVP in one of four ways:

1. By calling Iva Schlatter, 913-333-0981, or Barb Littell, 913-897-2292
2. By signing up at the Welcome Center
3. At the 50+ Bible study
4. Or online at tlcms.org.

Shawnee Seniors Christmas Brunch

By Tom Perry



Christmas
Brunch

Thursday, December 13
9:30am

Shawnee Campus

On December 13 you are invited to a holiday brunch at the Shawnee campus from 9:30 until noon. This will be an opportunity to meet and to renew ac-

quaintances with those fellow members age 60+. Gloria Garrelts will help with some Christmas goodies. We will be delighted by the preschool children singing for us as well as a children's choir from Hope Lutheran School. We are planning to

help a preschool family and you will have the opportunity to give a freewill offering at that time. I hope to see you there. Please RSVP to Tom@tlcms.org so that we can gauge the amount of goodies needed. Merry Christmas!

... and the Total Is: 180!

By Lois Gunlach



The quilters made 180 quilts this year!

The quilting group is pleased to report that they were able to make 180 quilts this year to benefit those less fortunate. They were able to donate:

- 140 quilts to Lutheran World Relief
- 25 quilts to Haskell Indian School
- 15 quilts to the Metro Lutheran Ministry Christmas Store

The quilters have concluded their work for this year, but will begin again in January. They are always in need of fabrics and sheets for the quilt tops and backings, and blankets for the inside. If you have any spare supplies, consider donating them to this worthy cause.

Handel's Messiah: A Christmas Tradition

By Ben A. Spalding



Composed in a mere 24 days, Handel's *Messiah* continues to be the composer's most popular work and may well be the most performed classical work of all time. The Spire Chamber Ensemble and Baroque Orchestra returns to Helzberg Hall just in

time for the holidays to perform this masterpiece with period instruments like you have never heard before...inspiring, dazzling, joyous. This is a Christmastime concert experience not to be missed!

PERFORMANCE: Messiah

Wednesday, December 19, 7pm

Helzberg Hall

Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts

1601 Broadway Boulevard

Kansas City, MO 64108

Purchase tickets at spirechamberensemble.org/messiah.



German Service of Lessons and Carols at Trinity

By Lara West

Weihnachtsgottesdienst in deutscher Sprache

German Christmas Service of Lessons & Carols



**Monday, December 10
7 pm**

Mission Campus

All are invited to a German language service of Advent and Christmas lessons and carols, on Monday, December 10, at 7pm at Trinity's Mission campus. This service is sponsored by the KC German Language Meet-up

group and other area German clubs. Music will include congregational carols, instrumental music, and songs from Olathe South high school students and the Liederkranz Singers. A fellowship time will follow the service. Contact Organist Lara West with questions.

Jesus Comes *We Care for Others*

Remembering the Homebound at Christmas

By Gretchen Hollman

From a meal delivered to your doorstep, a few words of encouragement, or remembering each other in daily prayers, Trinity members care for one another. At this meaningful time of year, as you prepare your Christmas cards and gifts, you may consider sending a note of cheer to our homebound members and friends.

Betty Becker

Park Meadows Senior Living
5901 West 107th Street, Apt. 201
Overland Park, KS 66207-3848

Don & Glenda Bischoff

7510 Eaton Street
Prairie Village, KS 66208-3610

Norma Brock

16207 Midland Drive, Apt. 11
Shawnee, KS 66217-9496

Phyllis Corthon

Victory Hills Senior Living Community
1900 North 70th Street #805
Kansas City, KS 66102

Walter & Donna Erickson

8651 Greenway Lane
Shawnee Mission, KS 66215

Conrad Fassold

11913 West 131st Street
Overland Park, KS 66213

Allene Gantz

Rose Estates
12700 Antioch Road, Room # 25
Overland Park, KS 66213

Shirley & Robert Hemenway

23513 West 58th Street
Shawnee, KS 66226

Phyllis Henderson

302 East 83rd Street
Kansas City, MO 64114

Dick & Audrey Humes

13875 W 115th Terrace #1508
Olathe, KS 66062-7938

Lois Klausen

Delmar Gardens #215
12100 West 109th
Overland Park, KS 66210

Ruth Kroenke

Addington Place
2700 Somerset Drive #106
Prairie Village, KS 66206

Richard Krueger

Shawnee Post Acute and Rehab Center
7600 Antioch Road, Room 317
Overland Park, KS 66204

Betty Kueker

12700 Antioch Road #51
Overland Park, KS 66213

Evelyn Lauber

Westchester Village
8505 Pflumm Road, Apt. 208
Lenexa, KS 66215

Pauline Mowder

Shawnee Hills
6335 Maurer Road, Apt. 303
Shawnee, KS 66217-8113

Lillian & Jerry Mueller

c/o Westchester Village of Lenexa
8505 Pflumm Road, Room 144
Lenexa, KS 66215

Betty Peppers

10665 Barkley #104
Overland Park, KS 66212

Robert Reese

7920 El Monte Street
Prairie Village, KS 66208-5047

Garry & Joanne Schottman

8101 Mission Road
3rd Floor HC
Prairie Village, KS 66208-5238

Rose Seifferlein

13810 Metcalf Avenue, #3110
Overland Park, KS 66223

Jerry & Mary Ellen Stephenson

13800 West 116th, #2304
Olathe, KS 66062

Jeanne Stevenson

Kingswood Senior Living
9908 Summit Street
Kansas City, MO 64114

Helen Wendlandt

3517 West 92nd Street
Leawood, KS 66206

George Zschoche

Aberdeen Village
17500 West 119th Street, #86
Olathe, KS 66061

In Memory of Lillian Hebr

By Gretchen Hollman

Lillian Margaret Hebr, a former long-time member of Trinity who served the church in myriad ways including as an office volunteer, died recently at the age of 86. Her memorial service was November 12 in Richland, Washington. Please keep the Hebr family in your prayers. Condo-

lences may be sent to her brother:

Thomas and Beldad Bander
1629 George Washington
Way, Apt. 338
Richland, WA 99354



Advice & Aid News

By Mary Newcomer

New Awakenings Program

Advice & Aid Pregnancy Centers, Inc. is offering a private, confidential, Christ-centered program called Awakenings dedicated to bringing the healing Word of God to those who have suffered a pregnancy loss. We meet individuals on their journey by providing one-one-one sessions and eleven-week Bible studies, for either loss from abortion or loss from miscarriage, stillborn, or newborn death; both programs are designed for healing and restoration. New sessions are starting in January. For more information, or to

enroll, please contact our Awakenings Coordinator, Kelly Carter, 913-962-0200, ext. 1010 or email at kellyc@adviceandaid.com.

Volunteers Requested

Advice & Aid is in need of volunteers, including bilingual volunteers, and will be offering a Volunteer Informational Meeting on Monday January 7, 7-9pm. The meeting will be held at 11644 West 75th Street, Shawnee. For more information on volunteering in this ministry or to RSVP, please contact Mary at 913-962-0200 or email volunteer@adviceandaid.com.



The generosity of your church is overwhelming. The gift bags [for cancer patients] are WONDERFUL. We've started giving them out already and the patients are so appreciative. The items that were selected are just perfect! Thank you so much. Please share our thanks with your awesome group!

Grateful,

Beth Hitzelberger,
KU Cancer Center

Jesus Comes *Worship*

Christmas Eve Worship: Jesus Comes as a Child

By Ben Spalding

Isaiah 9:2-7

Luke 2:1-20

Christmas Eve Worship with Children, Youth, and Families

4pm and 6pm

Shawnee Campus

and

Christmas Eve Worship with Children, Youth, and Families

4pm

Mission Campus

Jesus, the Light of the World, arrived on that wonderful Christmas night. The light of a special star appeared over his birth place in Bethlehem. The radiance of God's glory surrounded the shepherds as the angel of the Lord announced his birth. Jesus came to save us from sin and darkness, and he continues to shine his light upon this world until he returns as promised. These special worship services offer special music and family-friendly elements woven within our worship, communion (Shawnee campus), and candles.

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols

6pm

Mission Campus

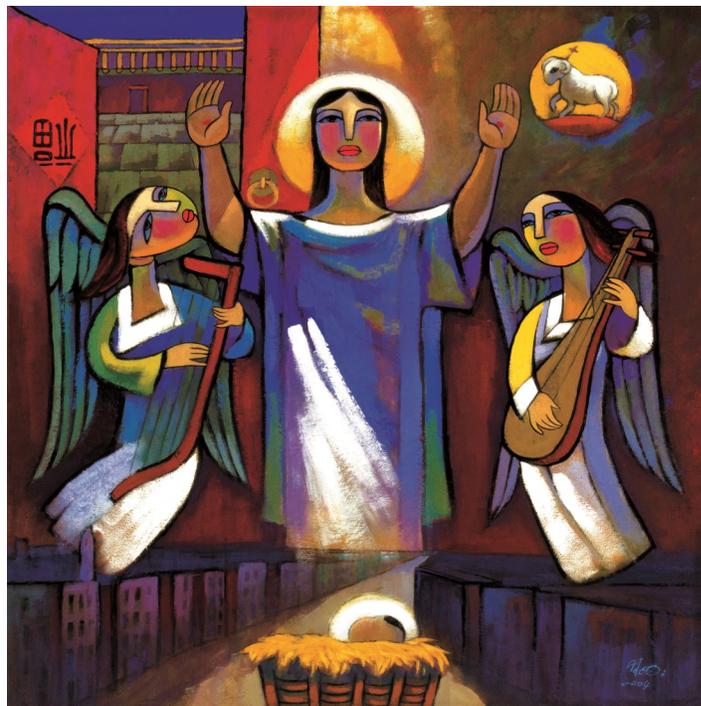
This annual celebration on Christmas Eve is designed for people who are looking for a traditional Lessons and Carols service. The service combines scripture and music to tell the story of the expectation and birth of Christ. The story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus is told in nine short scripture readings from Genesis, Isaiah, and the gospels. Christmas carols will include *Joy to the World*, *O Come, All Ye Faithful*, *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*, *Silent Night*, *Go Tell It on the Mountain*, and more. The Trinity Choir and Festival Brass lead this joyful Christmas Eve service. No sermon will be given.

Christmas Eve by Candlelight with Communion

9:30pm

Mission Campus

This traditional late evening service on Christmas Eve begins with a 20-minute prelude of special music and



For the 2018-2019 season we will be highlighting the beautiful artwork of Dr. James He Qi during the festivals of the church year. Currently a Minnesota resident, He Qi was the first among mainland Chinese citizens to earn a Ph.D. in Religious Art after the Cultural Revolution. He received a 20th-century Award for Achievement in recognition of outstanding achievements in the field of Religious Art Theory and Christian Art Creation of IBC in Cambridge, UK.

congregational carols. Music will include pieces by J.S Bach, Johannes Brahms, Morten Lauridsen, and carol arrangements by Sir David Willcocks. A sermon, candles, and Holy Communion are included.

Jesus Comes *We Give*

Rushton Elementary: Adopt a Family for Christmas

By Rhonda Synovec

As believers in Christ, we are reminded at Christmas of the wonderful gift given to us through the birth of our Savior, Jesus. We are called as His disciples to love our neighbors and to

serve those in need. You are invited to serve families from the Rushton Elementary School community who are in need of our help.

Please bring your *wrapped*

gifts by Sunday, December 9. Also, please place a tag on the gift indicating the gender and age of the person for whom you have provided. Your generosity will help these families



know we love and care for them. Sign up at tlcms.org or contact the church office to help.

Trinity Gift Shop

By Gloria Garrelts

Christmas is in the air at Trinity's book and gift shop. Please stop by on Sunday mornings and check out our new

Christmas items. We have nativity sets, ornaments, Advent wreaths, and special Christmas books and games for children. We also have

gift ideas for that special someone and a large variety of greeting cards. Hope to see you on Sunday!



Support Trinity through Amazon Smile

By Larry Conrad

Let Amazon contribute to Trinity Lutheran Church while you shop.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of your purchase price to char-

itable organizations you select. Trinity Lutheran Church is now registered! Go shopping and Trinity benefits. It's simple, with no added cost to

you. As you shop, be wise and compare before you buy, but let AmazonSmile contribute to Trinity. Visit tlcms.org/Give for a quick link to shopping.



LWML Coffee and Tea Sale

By Elfriede Mobling

**Mission Campus
December 9**

Be sure to stop by the table to select from the wide variety of flavors available for all your holiday entertaining and gift-giving needs. Selected varieties are

available for purchase in the gift shop between sale dates. The large purple and white mite box will be available on the coffee table to deposit your loose change. One of the many mission projects being supported by

your donation is the Nursing Students Serving with Mercy Medical Team. Learn more about this project from the poster behind the mite box. Thank you for your support!



Jesus Comes We Look Ahead

2019 Altar Flower Chart – Mission Campus

By Gretchen Hollman

Would you like a meaningful way to commemorate a special event in your life or the life of a loved one? How about dedicating altar flowers?

The 2019 altar flower chart is now available for signups in the Mission campus foyer. After the altar flowers grace the altar for worship a team of delivery volunteers takes turns in hand-

delivering bouquets to members for special events, including birthdays, illnesses, hospitalizations, and anniversaries. If you would like to participate in making deliveries, contact Susan Zoller.

Please keep in mind the following guidelines for donating flowers:

1. Each bouquet is \$45. Please submit payment

to the church office. Checks may be made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church. Please mark “Altar Flowers” in the memo line.

2. There are places to sign up for two bouquets each weekend. Please do NOT sign up for a third bouquet.
3. Please write your name and a brief dedication

on the sign up chart.

4. Please mark whether you would like to donate or keep the bouquet.
5. You will receive a reminder phone call the week before your bouquet donation to finalize your dedication and remind you of payment.

2019 Altar Flowers

\$45 Place money in envelope and give to the church office. Make checks payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church". Put "Altar Flowers" and date in memo.

Sunday School Schedule for Christmas Break

By Rhonda Synovec



There will be NO Sunday school on December 23 or December 30. Children’s Ministry will not have Sunday School on these dates

so our volunteers may spend time with their families over the holidays.

New Address and Pictorial Directories

By Gretchen Hollman

Directories

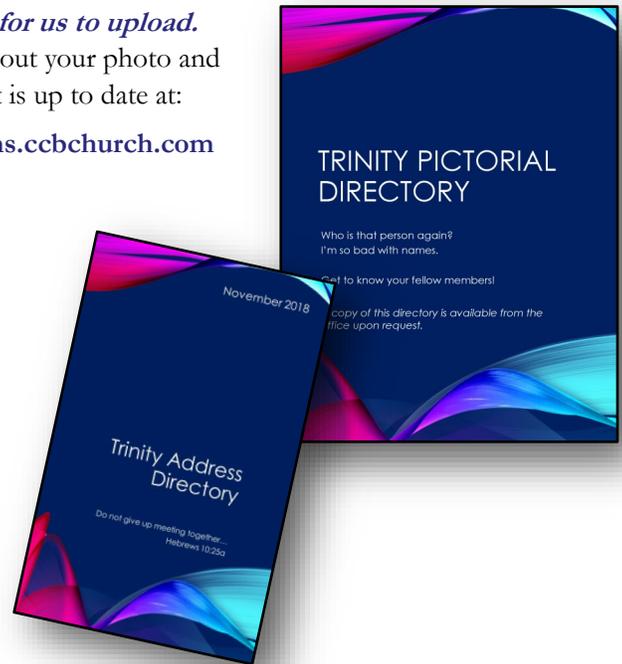
New printed church directories have been produced in the church office, an address directory and a pictorial directory. The address directory is divided into two sections, a family address section and an individual phone and email section. This same information is always available on Trinity Cloud. If anyone would like a printed directory, let the church office know and we would be glad to print a copy for you.

Are you sending Christmas cards? Send Trinity one!

Many people put together family Christmas cards to send to family and friends. If you have a new family photo or individual photos, keep Trinity in the loop! As a part of welcoming new members and getting to know one another, we continually collect member photos. *If you have a new photo, upload it to your profile in Trinity Cloud or send it to the church*

office for us to upload. Check out your photo and see if it is up to date at:

tlcms.ccbchurch.com



Trinity's Weather Policy

By Larry Conrad

With the onset of winter weather, we want to take this opportunity to remind you of Trinity's long-standing policy regarding weather cancellations:



Worship Services:

Services will be held as scheduled regardless of the weather conditions. As always, please exercise your judgment regarding your participation.

Sunday School:

Sunday School will NOT be cancelled. Please exercise your judgment regarding your participation.

Events Concerning Children and Youth:

Children and youth events will follow school cancella-

tions for the Shawnee Mission School District.

Adult Events:

The 50+ Group follows Shawnee Mission School District cancellations. Decisions for all other groups are left to the discretion of the group leaders.

Events with Child Care:

Child care will not be able to be provided for adult events even though the events may not be cancelled. Child care cancellation follows the Shawnee Mission School District.

Preschool:

In the event of snow, ice, and extreme cold please listen to your television for school closings. Trinity will close when the DeSoto School District is closed. Announcements will be made on radio and television on the 10pm news and/or 6am and following newscasts. You may go online to the DeSoto school district website at www.usd232.org. If DeSoto classes are to dismiss early, Trinity dismisses all at 11:30am and afternoon preschool and extended day sessions will not be held.

Jesus Comes We Look Ahead

Education Wing Doors to Remain Locked

By Pastor Mark Schulz

Due to security concerns, the exterior doors at the west end of the education wing at the Mission campus will remain locked at all times effective immediate-

ly. Several incidents occurred that can be a potential liability with this being an unmonitored entrance. In today's environment, we feel this is an important

safety measure to implement. The doors will continue to be available for exit only. Please use the main entrance doors when entering the building.



Christmas Undecorating

By Julie Mohling

**Sunday, January 13,
after 11am Worship
Mission Campus**

We will be taking them the Christmas decorations down on Sunday, January 13, after the 11am service. A light lunch will be provided at the end of service

around 12:15pm and then we can begin taking everything down. If you have any questions you may contact Julie Mohling at 913-574-8607(cell) or jmohl4@yahoo.com



Experience Germany: Lutherland and Oberammergau Passion Play

By Pastor Tom Harries

September 5-14, 2020

Pastor Tom and Diane Harries of Lenexa are hosting a Germany tour in 2020 from September 5-14. The trip will include touring Lutherland, attending the world famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, and visiting other historic and colorful sites of Germany.

Brochures and information are available by calling 913-888-4772 or by emailing harriesth51@gmail.com. For links to a brochure and to register, please visit tlcms.org.



Therefore encourage one another...

1 Thessalonians 5:11 ESV

Birthdays



- December 12** – Katie Hall, Lauren Kellogg, Jean Schlesselman, Zach Winter
- December 14** – Hannah Froehlich, Katelyn Guerry, George Hanauer, Deb Hartje, Eric McHugh, Carolyn Miller, Janet Sereres Blair, Katrina Wilcott
- December 15** – Phinehas Adams, Deb Killingsworth, Lucy Pace, Connie Quick, Carson Schlotzhauer, Cameron Schroeder Price
- December 16** – Robert Auerbach, Doug Behrens, Thomas Cook, Kimberly Emert, Ethan Oleen, Dana Pasley, Joshua Small, Damara Stevens, Joan Vaughn, Debbie Wells, Andrew Young
- December 17** – Joan Davidson, Lauren Hoestje
- December 18** – Hank Hanusch
- December 19** – Katie Dodson, Marj Lyon, Greg McBride, Ann Ninneman, Jim Williams
- December 20** – Nancy Brillhart, Eric Jonas, Melissa Ryan, Paulette Thornton, Kathleen Zweifel
- December 21** – Joann Daniels, Brynner Dieckhoff, Gloria Holcroft, Sandy Linville, Sean McNeely, Sara Miner, Michael Mrosso, Aimee Oehlert, Donna Wilson
- December 22** – Ryan Hartje, Betty Hild, Mason McSweyn
- December 23** – Ava Carlson, Janet Gunnels, Josef Haas, Jill Meier
- December 24** – Audrey Humes, Rebecca Matters, Nathaniel Theiss
- December 25** – Valerie Bosworth

Anniversaries



- Rik & Patty Scarborough..... December 15 (28th)
- Scott & Joyce Schau December 16 (23rd)
- Jeff & Debbie Quast..... **December 18 (20th)**
- Harlan & Kathryn Koca **December 19 (59th)**
- Rick & Brenda Traughber December 19 (48th)
- George & Lois Hanauer..... **December 21 (60th)**
- Benjamin & Jenny Vineyard..... December 21 (16th)
- Steve & Lisa Finkemeier December 22(39th)
- John & Jane Musgrove..... **December 23 (40th)**
- Chris & Suzanne Cox December 24 (24th)

Prayers



Deaths

Marjorie Fassold, 12/4

Retirement Facility/Homebound

- Betty Becker, *Park Meadows*
- Don and Glenda Bischoff, *at home*
- Norma Brock, *at home*
- Phyllis Corthon, *Victory Hills*
- Ted Dahl, *at home*
- Walter and Donna Erickson, *at Garden Terrace*
- Conrad Fassold, *Lakeview Village*
- Allene Gantz, *Rose Estates*
- Robert and Shirley Hemenway, *at home*
- Phyllis Henderson, *at home*
- Dick and Audrey Humes, *Santa Marta*
- Lois Klausen, *Delmar Gardens of OP*
- Jean Klemp, *McCrites Plaza Assisted Living*
- Ruth Kroenke, *Addington Place*
- Richard Krueger, *Shannee Post Acute and Rehabilitation Center*
- Betty Kueker, *Rose Estates*
- Evelyn Lauber, *Westchester Village*
- Bill and Charlene Millsap, *at home*
- Pauline Mowder, *Shannee Hills*
- Jerry and Lillian Mueller, *Westchester Village*
- Betty Peppers, *Bickford*
- Robert Reese, *The Sheridan at Overland Park*
- Garry and Joanne Schottman, *at home*
- Rose Seifferlein, *Tallgrass Memory Care*
- Jerry and Mary Ellen Stephenson, *at Santa Marta*
- Jeanne Stevenson, *Kingswood*
- Helen Wendlandt, *at home*
- George Zschoche, *Aberdeen Village*

Member Prayers-Mission

- Eileen Coleman
- Jane DeLeon
- Tom Dempsey
- Kathy Ellwein
- Quintyn Hendrich
- Don Moehlenkamp
- Ann Ninneman
- Ralph Tinnin
- Don Unger
- Bob Wilson

Member Prayers-Shawnee

- Allan Alft
- Elaine Pattison

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Save the Dates!

**SHAWNEE CAMPUS
JUNE 24-28**

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JULY 8-12**

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Sunday Mornings

8:30am Family-focused Worship with Communion

9:45am Praise Service with Communion

9:45am Sunday School

11am Family-focused Worship with Communion

Shawnee Campus

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