

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, November 4

8am-9am: Church Service-Communion

Monday, November 5

5:30pm-6:30pm: PTL Meeting

6:30pm-8:30pm: Women with Mission Meeting

7pm-8pm: Board of Property Management

Tuesday, November 6

10am-11am: Seniors' Bible Study

3pm-4pm: Bible Bowl Practice

6:30pm-8:30pm: Griefshare

Wednesday, November 7

6:30am-7:30am: Bible Study

1pm-2:30pm: Ladies' Aid Board Meeting

4pm-5pm: Public School Catechism

6:30pm-8pm: Adult Instruction-New Members Class

6:30pm-8pm: "Be Ready To Give An Answer"
Bible Class-Dr. Ken Schurb

Thursday, November 8

9am-2:30pm: Quilters

3pm-4pm: Bible Bowl Practice

Friday, November 9

8:15am-8:45am: Veterans Day Chapel

5:30pm-6:30pm: Junior High Lock-In,
Washington, IL

Saturday, November 10

5:30pm-6:30pm: Church Service-Communion

Sunday, November 11

8am-9am: Church Service

10:30am-11:30am: Church Service-Communion

**TRUSTING IN THE LORD
CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT -
BLDG. FUND**

Thru the month of September 2018

Months completed: 22

Months to go: 14

Pledges made: \$746,518

Amount received (60%): \$452,509

Contributions Report - Thank you for your financial support to the Trusting In The Lord building campaign. As you can see we have already received over 60% of our pledges. Your contributions are greatly appreciated in providing for our \$3 million in improvements at the church and school. Please keep this endeavor in your prayers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN WITH MISSION: WWM will meet on Mon., **Nov. 5** at 6:30pm at the school. Our mission project this month supports The Ronald McDonald House. We will continue with our Bible study from Sip, Savor, and Drink Deeply by Deb Burma. For more information, contact President Shannon Shannon at 217-819-1832. All women of the congregation are invited to attend!

BAND CONCERT: On Thur., **Nov. 8**, the Concert Band from Lutheran High School Northwest in Rochester Hills, Michigan will be having a concert at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Springfield, Illinois at 7pm. A free-will offering will be taken. Special guests and performing with the 37 high school students will be our very own Trinity Band and the students of the Our Savior's Band. Join us for this special occasion.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL FALL PLAY: Lutheran High School invites you to their fall play on **Nov. 9-10** at 7pm. The students will be presenting "Airline" the story of an oddball assortment of characters aboard a wacky flight. \$10 for adults, \$8 seniors/students, \$3 children 3-5, free admission for 2 and under.

MEN'S TARGET SHOOTING RETREAT: Men of all ages: Only 5 days left to register for the Men's Target Shooting Retreat at Camp CILCA **Nov. 9-10**. Hear Rev Jonathan Fisk give permission for men to be men. Cost is \$65 per person and includes overnight lodging in the Christian Growth Center and 3 meals on Saturday. Rev Jonathan Fisk will be presenting between target shooting. Bring your favorite firearm and ammunition. All ages are welcome but children under 18 should be accompanied by an adult. Visit cilca.org or call 217-487-7497 for more information.

LADIES AID: We will meet Wed., **Nov. 14** with an early start time of 11am to work on the Project Christian Love cookie tin decorations. Our special guest is Dr. Samuel Wheeler, Illinois State Historian, speaking on the 200th Anniversary of Illinois. A special menu will be served based on favorite recipes of presidents from Illinois. Janie Rast will lead devotions and mites will be collected.

"BOOT"IQUE: The second grade class will once again sponsor a resale shop for gently worn winter boots and snow pants. Proceeds will go to purchase postage for the cards and letters the second graders will mail to military service personnel. Bring your child's boots and snow pants they have outgrown to school during the month of November. Please be sure items are clean and in good condition. We will sell these to parents of Trinity students on Fri., **Nov. 16**. (Parent's Day). Each pair of boots and snow pants will be just \$2. Items may be dropped off at locations around the school. (Boxes will be labeled: "Boot"ique. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Rodgers at srodgers@trinity-lutheran.com. Thanks for your help with this endeavor.

BIBLE BOWL: Attention all Bible Bowl enthusiasts in Grades 5-8, if you are interested in participating in Lutheran High School's annual Bible Bowl challenge, please contact Mrs. Rodgers at Trinity Lutheran School. Practices will be held in Room 205 from 3pm until 4pm on Tuesday 11-6, Wednesday 11-7, Thursday 11-8, Monday, 11-12, Tuesday, 11-13, Wednesday, 11-14 and Thursday, 11-15. The Bible Bowl is held on Sat., **Nov. 17** at Lutheran High School 3500 W. Washington St. If you want further information, please contact Mrs. Rodgers at 217-787-2323.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

- Lutheranism 101: The Lord's Supper, taught by Pastor Holmes in the Science Room.
- Women's Bible Study: Living the Fruit of the Spirit, taught by Amy Holmes in the Extended Care room.
- Burning Questions, taught by Pastor Hemenway in the Parish Center.

SENIOR CITIZENS BIBLE CLASS (Tuesday):

Class begins at 10am in the Parish Center.

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY:

We will meet in November at the home of Lana Schurb, 130 Pinehurst (behind Our Savior's in Country Club Estates). We will continue with our bible study on Sip, Savor, and Drink Deeply by Deb Burma. For more information or directions, please call Lana at 217-679-8169. Please note that we will not meet on November 20 due to the Thanksgiving holiday!

"BE READY TO GIVE AN ANSWER" BIBLE CLASS-

This Bible study takes place on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm-8pm in the Parish Center. Taught by Dr. Ken Schurb of the CID office, this study will focus on questions such as: Who is Jesus? Did everything just evolve? Does Science have it all figured out? Discussion will include how to engage unchurched people regarding these and other questions. For more information, please call the Church Office at 217-787-2323.

SUNRISE BIBLE STUDY (Wednesday):

All members of Trinity are welcome to join us in the school library for Sunrise Bible Study every Wednesday at 6:30am. For questions, please contact Bill Rast at 217-585-0571.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL: "God Provides Manna, Water, and Quail" is the Sunday School lesson for today. Just as God provided manna, water, and quail for the hungry and complaining Israelites to preserve them, in Christ, God feeds us with the manna of His Word and the water of forgiveness, satisfying our eternal hunger and quenching our eternal thirst. Consider discussing, "How does sin cause us to be lost and hungry and thirsty for what we cannot have?" Talk about Jesus, the bread of life and the living water, and how He satisfies our spiritual hunger and thirst.

CHOIR SCHEDULE: NOVEMBER

Primary Choir:

November 17: 5:30pm Service

Junior Choir:

November 18: 10:30am Service

Trinity Choir:

November 11: 10:30am Service

November 18: 8am Service

Adult Choir:

November 4: 10:30am Service

Kindergarten Performance

November 11: 8am Service

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS GRIEFSHARE: A free GriefShare - Surviving the Holidays seminar, will be held on Sun., **Nov. 18**, at Trinity Lutheran School Parish Center from 1-3 pm. It offers practical, actionable strategies for making it through the holiday season. At this two-hour seminar, you'll view a video featuring advice from people in grief who've faced the holidays after their loss. You'll hear insights from respected Christian counselors, pastors and psychologists. You'll receive a Holiday Survival Guide with over 30 encouraging readings, helpful charts and tips to manage the holiday season during this difficult time. At GriefShare - Surviving the Holidays, you'll meet with other grieving people who have an understanding of what you're going through. They won't judge you or force you to share, but will accept you where you are and will offer comfort and support. Your holiday season won't be easy; your emotions may ambush you and suck you under at times. But you can choose to walk through this season in a way that honors your loved one and puts you on the path of health and healing. To register or find out more about GriefShare Surviving the Holidays, call Joleen Hoff at 217-899-9418 or email trinitygriefshare@yahoo.com

LUTHERAN HIGH CHRISTMAS WREATHS: Lutheran High School is selling fresh, hand-made Christmas wreaths.

Visit trinity-lutheran.com/lutheranhigh to download and print an order form. Orders must be received by **Nov. 21** and will be available for pick up on Nov. 30 from 3-6pm.

LUTHERAN OLDER ADULT RETREAT: Save the date-**May 1-2, 2019** at Pere Marquette Lodge in Grafton, IL. You are invited to gather with other older adults from Central and Southern IL and Eastern MO for a special opportunity to enrich your father, fellowship and fun at this retreat. More information will be provided as the date nears.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION WEEKENDS: Food donations are collected the first Sunday of each month, except December, at both locations. Collections begin in Nov. 3-4, 2018 and continue through Nov. 2-3, 2019.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS:

Trinity Church and School: 217-787-2323

This will remain the primary phone number for **both** the church and the school on a permanent basis.

Church After-Hours/Emergency: 217-522-8151

We all have times that tragedy can happen and a pastor needs to be contacted immediately. The after-hours/emergency phone number is intended for emergencies such as a death, serious accident/injury. When you call this number you will be connected with our answering service. The operator who receives the call will take your message and promptly forward it to the pastor on-call.

GIFT CARDS FOR SEMINARY STUDENTS-NOVEMBER 2018: During church services on Nov. 3, Nov. 4, Nov. 10, and Nov. 11 you will have the opportunity to contribute towards a collection that will be used to purchase gift cards for seminary students. The Gift Cards will be purchased through Lutheran High's Shopper's Blessings program and will be sent to our seminaries in Fort Wayne and ST. Louis. Your donation will give financial assistance to our seminary students and to Lutheran High School. Thank you for your support.

LWML CID MISSION GRANT #2: Camp CILCA Christian Growth Center (\$15,000) The Camp CILCA Christian Growth Center is used by many groups who meet to learn new ways to spread the Gospel, as well as groups who meet for Bible study and Christian fellowship. Many updates need to be made, especially to the kitchen. This grant will be used to repair or replace the stove and other needed items. *What can I do?*

Pray for this mission that God would provide the resources for Camp CILCA to be able to make these renovations. Support your church's LWML society by dropping all that loose change in the designated large mite box. Contact any member of your church's LWML society for more information about this grant.

STRATEGIC SPOTLIGHT

In 2016, Trinity Lutheran Church and School adopted a Strategic Plan to guide its efforts and bring about improvements across all areas of ministry. In these weekly spotlights, we are featuring areas of the Strategic Plan that have been completed or are currently in development.

Throughout the strategic planning process, it was clear that communication and scheduling were areas that needed significant attention. The introduction of an annual master calendar meeting was a specific action item included in the strategic plan. The 2018 master calendar meeting took place last Sunday evening, and we would like to thank all those who attended and provided information to populate the calendar. We will continue to utilize Google calendars for our master calendar. A new Google calendar has been created that will replace all previous calendars (church, school, athletics, and facilities.) This new calendar can be viewed online at trinity-lutheran.com/calendar.

Please note that the "Calendar of Events" found in the resources section of the website does not automatically populate from the Google calendar. All efforts will be made to keep that calendar up to date, but we encourage you to visit trinity-lutheran.com/calendar for the most timely and accurate information.

MEMORIALS

Memorials for October 2018:

In Memory of Emma Armitage:

Building Fund-Mike and Suzanne Kluge

In Memory of Helen Moll:

Faith Forward Fund-Elvera Franzen

In Memory of Richard Fliege:

Organ Fund-John and Linda Rodenburg

In Memory of Otto and Edna Krueger:

Faith Forward-Cliff and Lisa Krueger

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

INVEST WITH A PURPOSE! Earn not only a return on your investment but the added blessing of providing resources for the growth of God's Kingdom! The Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund (CID-CEF) partners investors who wish to grow God's ministry with churches seeking to build or expand. Because our church obtained financing for its building project through the CID-CEF, the CID-CEF is offering a special interest rate of 1.5% for a 2-year investment certificate (\$500 minimum) to members of our congregation and our church and its organizations. Please contact Chris Anderson or Susan Short at the CID-CEF at: 217-793-1802 or email: cef@cidlcms. You may also visit their website: cidlcms.org for this special interest rate or other investment options. Thank you for investing in the future of our LCMS!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL MASCOT: Over the years, Trinity Lutheran School has used a variety of tiger graphics for spirit wear and athletic purposes. However, we have never had our own tiger mascot, specific to Trinity. Thanks to the efforts of the Trinity athletic committee, volunteers, and a generous donor, we were able to work with an artist to develop our very own tiger graphic. The new tiger mascot was introduced to students in a pep rally on Wednesday and can be viewed at Trinity-lutheran.com/athletics. If you would like to order attire with the new logo, order forms are available in the school office.

ATTENTION SCHOOL PARENTS: Parents paying tuition and fees by bank draft need to give notice of any changes to bank information at least one week in advance of the draft date. This allows time to make changes before the bank builds the file for drafting. Thank you for your consideration.

ONLINE AUCTION TO SUPPORT 8TH GRADE CLASS TRIP: The 8th grade class will be hosting an online auction to raise funds for the annual class trip. Please consider donating items that might be of interest for the auction. This is a great opportunity to market your business to Trinity families while supporting our 8th graders. The auction will be hosted online in late November to early December just in time for Christmas shopping. All donations are greatly appreciated! Visit trinity-lutheran.com/auction to donate items.

HOT LUNCH MENU

Monday, November 5

Cheese Pizza, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, November 6

Hamburger W/Bun, Oven Fries, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, November 7

Chicken Wrap, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, November 8

Pizza Stick, Corn, Fruit, Milk

Friday, November 9

Hotdog W/Bun, Baked Beans, Chips, Fruit, Milk