

We must never take the praise of our prosperity for ourselves.
"You may say to yourself, 'My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth." (Deut. 8:17-18).

Our Sunday School

Classes to resume on January 9th.

Our Youth Group

Youth Event- for all 6th-12th graders. Youth Encounter "QUAKE ZONE", March 4-6, 2011 at the Chula Vista Resort, WI Dells. Speaker is Wes Halula & musician, Peder Eide. Sign up now to take advantage of the early bird rate of \$135 pp. \$30 deposit is due by Dec 20th! More information can be found on the Youth board.

Superbowl Sub Sale- for Feb 6th will begin Sun, Jan 2nd. \$3 each (Ham, Turkey, Salami) \$4 for combos. If you order 12 Subs you get the 13th FREE. Questions, contact Mike Stapleton.

Youth Bible Study- for all high school youth & their parents. Beginning Sun, Jan 9th from 10:30-11:30am in the Youth room. We will begin a study by David Nasser & Mac Powel from Third Day; entitled "Why Jesus?" It will answer tough questions about our Savior. The study was filmed on location in Israel. Invite a friend!

Our Day School

Christmas Vacation- Dec 22nd thru Jan 2nd. Classes resume Mon, Jan 3rd.

Technology Upgrade Project for the Church & School- If you are able to help with a monetary donation or if your employer has matching gifts or grants, please contact the School office. Please mark your donation "Computer fund."

School Open House- here at Trinity on Thurs, Jan 27th from 10am-7pm. Tell your friends-have them stop by for a tour or to talk to the teachers!

A Night at Cavanaugh's- for all Day School families. Fri, Jan 21st at 5:30pm at Cavanaugh's Carriages in Neenah. Enjoy chili, apple cider, snacks, sing songs, pet the animals & enjoy a sleigh ride. Check out the posters around school!

NEW LHS BB CAMP- will start Sat, Jan. 8th for students in grades 1-4. They will have the chance to participate in basketball camp at NEW Lutheran HS in Green Bay. Boys, girls & coaches from Blazer teams will help kids learn skills of the game. Cost is \$25 (6 one-hour sessions, scriptural themes, t-shirt & chance to play at halftime of a Blazer varsity game). Times: 1st/2nd grades 9-10am & 3rd/4th grades 10:15-11:15am. Contact the school at (920) 469-6810.



December 25 & 26, 2010-Weekly Bulletin

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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church & School, Menasha in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A special invitation is extended to all who are visiting to return and worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, please inquire about the mission and ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church & School by calling the Church office. **Weekly Bulletin and Order of Worship can be viewed online at www.trinitymenasha.com**

† Serving Our Lord This Weekend†

Acolyte- Alexandra Woodburn

Ushers- 5:00 No 5 pm Worship
9:00 Wray/Sexmith

Lector- 5:00 No 5pm Worship
9:00 Doug Pomerence

Communion Assistants-

5:00 No 5pm Worship

9:00 Nielsen/Reinke

Greeters- 5:00 No 5pm Worship
9:00 Genevieve Mueske

Dec/Jan Elders- 5:00 Harrmann/Becker 9:00 Nielsen/Kislewski

Organist- Nancy Lephart, Elizabeth Berg

Choir Director- Michael Peitsch

Altar Flowers Have Been Given- in memory of Lillian Mielke & Gertrude Linsdau & in honor of Corrine Linsdau, by Evie Sanders in memory of family members (Norman Sanders, Mr. & Mrs. William Sawyer, Diane Wells & Charles Sawyer).

Prayer Chain Coordinator- Barbara Kester 722-3228 or barbarakester@att.net

Parish Nurse- Mary Howden 730-9521 or mchowden@sbcglobal.net

Attendance Last Weekend- 373 (Wed) + 91 (Sat) + 219 (Sun) = 683

12 Ordinary: 12

Pastor's Class: 32

SS/Youth: No Class

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 26th

9 am Worship
10:30 am Education Hour
No Sunday School
4 pm Men's BB

Monday, December 27th

Pastors Day Off
No School
8-Noon Office Open
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, December 28th

No School
8-Noon Office Open

Wednesday, December 29th

6 am Women's Bible Study
No School-No BB Practice
8-Noon Office Open
No Confirmation

Thursday, December 30th

6 am Men's Bible Study
No School
8-Noon Office Open

Friday, December 31st -New Years Eve

No School-Offices Closed
6:30 pm Worship

Saturday, January 1st -Happy New Year

No 5pm Worship

Sunday, January 2nd

9 am Worship
Sub Sale
4 pm Men's BB
4:30 pm Bowling League

Pastor's Notes †

Hebrews 1:1-6: In Old Testament times God sent prophets to let people know what was in His heart. In New Testament times God did not simply send letters or messengers to let us know what is in His heart. Instead He sent His only-begotten Son to redeem us from sin, death and the devil and open up the eternal gates of heaven so that we may enter. Merry Christmas!

Galatians 4:4-7: Jesus coming into the world on that first Christmas is proof positive that God keeps His word and promises. As redeemed Christian stewards, in cooperation with and encouragement from fellow redeemed stewards, we freely and joyfully manage all of life and life's resources for God's purposes.

Weekly Bulletins, Orders of Worship & Monthly Newsletters

Can be viewed on our website www.trinitymenasha.com or pick up your copy of each at church. A recorded copy on CD of worship can also be checked out through the office. See what is new & improved on the website & please don't forget to register! **Registering will give you access to church & school calendars as well as updates to the church directory. Check it out today!!!**

\$\$ Monthly Finances \$\$

November

Income: \$70,950

Expenses: \$77,335

YTD Income: \$330,808

YTD Expenses: \$353,806

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

PLEASE TURN OFF OR SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS!

Get Your Scrip Today! - There are several stores that are kept in stock & can be picked up in the office. Please call ahead for availability.

Life Quotes-Lutherans for Life- "There are many of you in this congregation who think to yourselves: 'If only I had been there! How quick I would have been to help the baby! I would have washed His linen! How happy I would have been to go with the shepherds to see the Lord lying in the manger!' Yes, you would! You say that because you know how great Christ is, but if you had been there at that time you would have done no better than the people of Bethlehem. Childish & silly thoughts are these! Why don't you do it now? You have Christ in your neighbor. You ought to serve Him, for what you do to your neighbor in need you do to the Lord Christ Himself." -Martin Luther

Special Envelopes- designated for various projects here at Trinity are in the holder mounted in the Narthex.

CPR Certification- If you are currently CPR/AED certified please contact Mary Howden, PN (730-9521).

Cancelled- All Tues. morning quilting in the SFH is cancelled for the month of December. See you in January.

Soup & Sandwiches- Beginning Sat, Jan 22nd, Trinity will host a soup & sandwich meal prior to the 5pm service. Serving from 4 -4:45pm in the LFH. Meals will be offered the 4th Saturday of the month-free of charge. Watch the bulletin for more details on how you can help make this outreach successful or contact Sandra Guiley at 969-0475.

Dinner Theater Auditions- for "I'll Get My Man" are: Sun, Jan 9th at 4pm & Mon, Jan 10th at 6:30pm. No experience is needed. Performance dates are March 31st, April 1st & 2nd.

Voters Meeting- Jan 4th at 6:30pm to elect new board members for 2011. List of nominations available in the Narthex. Please attend!

Dinner Theater Needs Envelopes- to fill several mail bags for one of the props in the play. Please bring envelopes from cards or other letters & drop in the box in the Narthex. Please NO WINDOW ENVELOPES. In March we will have a drawing & that person will receive a free ticket for this year's production. So bring us your mail & join in the fun.

Cold Weather-Too Busy to Cook- soup sale every weekend in Feb in the Narthex. Soup & fresh bread will be for sale. Soup \$5, Soup Mix \$4, Bread \$3. All proceeds to benefit the organ fund. Soup donations are welcome! Please contact Elaine (470-9090) for more information.