Church Night at NEW Lutheran HS Basketball Games On Fri, Jan 8th for girl's games (6 JV & 7:30pm Varsity), Tues, Feb 23rd for boy's games (4:30pm Fresh, 6pm JV & 7:30pm Varsity) you are invited to attend for free. Please come and enjoy some excellent basketball action and meet fellow Christians who are committed to raising kids to be leaders for Christ. Concessions available.

Please see insert(s) for more things happening here at Trinity!

Our Sunday School

Today, the children will hear the message of the angel to Mary, telling her that the promised Savior would be born to her (Luke 1:26–38). God favored Mary because of Jesus Christ, choosing her to be the mother of Jesus. God favors us because of Jesus Christ, choosing us to be His children! Remind your children that God grants us unmerited grace & favor because of His Son, who unites Himself with us through His Word and Sacraments.

Mission Project- Our Fall quarter offerings of $98.49 went to a Children's Orphanage in Haiti. The Winter quarter project will be "Feed The Poor."

Traveling Trophy- for the highest class attendance last Sunday was the 3rd & 4th graders with 80%. To God be praised-Keep up the great attendance!

"The Real Story of the Twelve Days of Christmas"- Sunday School program will be held Sun, Dec 20th at 10:30am. The last practice will be held: Dec 19th from 9-10:30am with a dress rehearsal for all grades.

Our Youth Group

Youth Information/Upcoming Events- The Centershot Program will end this Sunday, December 13th.

National Youth Gathering 2010- Fundraisers are in full swing! Please check out the Youth table in the Narthex to see how you can help our Youth program.

Our Day School

Christmas Program- Will be held on Wed, Dec 16th at 6:30pm. Come celebrate "My Dear Lord Gave to Me" with all the children performing.

Christmas Break Begins- Tues, Dec 22nd with classes resuming on Mon, Jan 4th.

Holiday Office Hours- Dec 23rd (8-Noon), Closed Dec 24th-27th, Dec 28th –Dec 30th (8-Noon), Closed Dec 31st-Jan 3rd. Hours resume Mon, Jan 4th (7:30am-4pm).

Our School Website- Go ahead & log on to www.trinitymenasha.com to register & see what's new. Read about the faculty & staff & get the latest forms for Scrip as well as view calendars of upcoming events for the school & church.

Trinity Day School Basketball Game- that was scheduled for Dec 10th has been reschduled until after the holidays. New date and time will be advised.

Members & Guests…..please don't forget to sign the pew pads!

December 12 & 13, 2009-Weekly Bulletin

(920) 722-2662 phone
Rev. Steven S. Billings, Pastor
Michael Stapleton, DCE

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- Jake Fulcer
Ushers- 5:00 Voigt
9:00 Diesch/Maynard
Lector- 5:00 Karen Zachek
9:00 Elaine Trimberger
Communion Assistants-
5:00 Kraus/Harrmann
9:00 Nielsen Kislewski
Greeters- 5:00 Rudy & Barb Vitek
9:00 Barb Sexmith

✞Serving Our Lord Next Weekend✞

Acolyte- Kayla Olsen
Ushers- 5:00 Harrmann
9:00 Reinke/Weinig
Lector- 5:00 Brian Wendler
9:00 Char Elliott
Communion Assistants-
5:00 Becker/Kopitske
9:00 Nielsen/Flater
Greeters- 5:00 Cheryl Wendler
9:00 Gail & Don Burrows

Elders of the Month- 5:00 To be Advised 9:00 Bart Nielsen

Organist- Nancy Lephart **Choir Director**- Michael Peitsch

Altar Flowers Have Been Given- in celebration of Jean Becker's birthday by her husband, Mark Becker.

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

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

Attendance Last Weekend- 116 (Wed) + 116 (Sat) + 213 (Sun) = 445
Corinthians Class: 9 Pastor's Class: 26 Sunday school/Youth: 33
Centershot Program: No Report

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 13th
9 am Worship
Ladies Aid Cookie Sale
Scrip Order Date
Youth Shelter Breakfast
10:30 am Education Hour
3:30 pm Men's BB

Monday, December 14th
Pastor's Day Off
6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, December 15th

Wednesday, December 16th
6 am Women's Bible Study
8:45 am Chapel
10:30 am Worship
No Confirmation
5:15 pm Advent Dinner
6:30 pm Day School Program
7:30 pm Choir

Thursday, December 17th
6 am Men's Bible Study

Friday, December 18th
6 am Men's Bible Study
5 pm Caroling for Shut-Ins

Saturday, December 19th
9 am Food Pantry
5 pm Worship

Sunday, December 20th
9 am Worship
BP Checks
Scrip Order Date
10:30 am SS Christmas Program
3 pm Deaf Service
3:30 pm Men's BB

Pastor's Notes ✞

Pastor Billings is on campus 6 days a week, maintaining the hours Tues-Thurs from 8:00am–4:00pm. He is also available Fridays & Saturdays by appointment. If you would like to contact him, please call the church office. In an emergency he can be reached at (920) 385-8170.

Attention- due to concerns over the Swine Flu (H1N1 virus) the sharing of peace has been omitted from the services until further notice.

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!!!**

Year to Date Finances $$

General Fund as of 12/5/09-
Offerings: $520,123
Expenses: $567,773

Building Fund as of 12/5/09-
Offerings: $101,519
Expenses: $126,961

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Mail Box Tags- Please DO NOT remove or switch around the name tags. This is making it difficult for people to find their mail! If you have concerns about your mailbox, please contact the church office.

Scrip Order Dates- Dec 13th & Jan 3rd, 17th & 31st

Please Turn Off or Silence- ALL cell phones and pagers during worship!

Food Pantry – Meets every 2nd & 4th Saturday at 9am. Any donations are greatly appreciated; please place in the donation barrel. Thank you for your continued support of our food pantry ministry. -The Guileys & Boettchers.

Workers Needed- for the final Packer game of the season. We are in need of 4 volunteers for the Sun, Dec. 27th game. Sign up in Narthex.

Young Adult Ministry- What is Young Adult ministry? Young Adult ministry may include social outings, Bible studies, servant events, or any other activity the group determines. Who can be a part of the group? Anyone who is a young adult! This will be further defined by the founding members of the group, but could include people who are high school graduates through – hmmm – age 50? (Sounds young to me!) We'll leave it to the group to decide. Anyone who is interested in helping to form a Young Adults group is asked to speak with Ann Reinke & Lillie Kroes.

Come Hear Us Sing- Mike Stapleton, Mike Peitsch & Ken Kamprath will be singing with the Women's choir Sun, Dec 20th at 4pm at Trinity, Appleton.

Ladies Aid Cookie Sale- in the Narthex again this weekend. Come check it out!

The Board of Stewardship Could Use the Help- of 5 or 6 people to serve on this newly constituted body. If you would like to help please contact Larry Olsen at (739-8486) or lolsen1@new.rr.com

In Loving Memory of- Dr. and Mrs. David Early and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Feivor a gift of $200 to the Trinity Food Pantry by Jim and Renee Early.

In Loving Memory of- Ray Martens, gifts of money given by Irene Schwerbel, Robert and Doris Andre and Lee and Karen Zachek.

Voter's Meeting Rescheduled- for Tuesday, December 15th at 6:30pm.

Share the Gift of Warmth- Ladies of our church have shared their time & talents by making blankets to be used as gifts for our Food Pantry families. If you would like to make a monetary donation to help cover the costs of the blanket materials, please take an envelope from the Warming Tree located in the Narthex. Place your donation in the offering plate or the office. We have all been blessed with the warmth of God's love. Thank you for sharing that love both physically and spiritually with those in need.