



Thank you for being a part of today's worship service. Please help us know each other by entering your name, addresses and the names of all family members who are present in the Friendship Pad. Please pass the pad from the inside (center) aisle to the outside aisle and back again to the center.

Notice to Members and Visitors: Trinity Lutheran Church photographs and video tapes events directly and indirectly associated with the church. You or members of your family may be -photographed or videotaped during an event for publicity and/or for event activity archives. These photographs may be placed on bulletin boards, web pages, and promotional flyers and videos. Every effort will be made to limit or exclude personal information of minors for any public posting of event photographs and video. If you wish to exclude yourself or members of your family from any photographs or video please contact the church office. Thank you.

Notes for our worshipers: Nursery care for children, age 3 and under, is in a preschool classroom. Ask an usher for directions. Hearing Assistance Receivers to enhance hearing of today's worship service are available in the narthex. Ask an elder for assistance. Restrooms are located in the church narthex.

CANCER TREATMENT	CANCER TREATMENT	PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND COMFORT
<p>Gary King Debbie Jez (Breast Cancer) Carolyn Stall (Uterine Cancer) Eddie Sibley (brain tumors) Peyton Pritchett (Tumors) (2 ½ months old recovering from surgery and tumor was malignant and will begin chemo) Lindsey Meier (Brain Tumor)Scans every 6 month) Geraldine Abel (Multiple Myeloma) Jimmie Szymanski Floyd Klatt Ron Fitch (prostate cancer) Mickey Stark (Leukemia) Cindy Howard (cancer) Ashlynn Dempsey (4 yrs. old will have scans every three months) Mike Smart – (Prostate Cancer Recovering) Ricky Herbrig (Leukemia) Bruce Surtleff Leroy Ashorn Jr. (Cancer Treatments) Becky Hosak (Breast Cancer -wife of Alan Hosak – Sealy Barber) Joann Lindsay (breast cancer) Mother to Melinda Schiller Gene Sledge (colon cancer)</p>	<p>Patsy Sobel (Breast Cancer) Trisha Ueckert Jerry Pearson (bladder cancer) Mary Francis Deibert (Breast Cancer) Kimberly Jones (Spot on Lungs) (niece to Patsy Tomasek) Kenneth Burnette (Brain Tumor) Connie Kilpen Nell Beckman Turk (Breast Cancer) Norma Massey (Lung Cancer)</p> <p><u>NURSING HOME/SHUT INS MILITARY AND SYMPATHY</u></p> <p><u>Nursing Home Residents</u> Charles Bolten - Colonial Belle Sealy Kirby Heintschel – Colonial Bellville Ellie Michaels – Tuscan Asst. Living Eddie Svinky – Colonial -Sealy Louise Kinsey – Colonial Sealy Nettie Swearingen -Colonial Belle-Sealy</p> <p><u>Shut Ins</u> Jo-Anne Gilliam Edd and Clara Gerstenberger - Kruse Bernice Hintz Joyce Meyer LaVonn Schier</p>	<p>Logan and Jacob Szymanski, grandchildren to Jimmy and Ruth Szymanski, were born Dec. 5th and are about 8 weeks premature. They are in NICU and will remain there for several weeks. Betty Luedecke (recovering at home) Ben Jurek (by-pass surgery recovering) Kody Ressler (Perthes Disease) William Marten (recovering at home) father- in-law to Barbara Vohs Kirby Heintschel – (Hospice) Jerry Emshoff (recovering from back surgery) Annie Ashorn Billy Schaffner Edna Finke – Solera - West Houston 2101 Greenhouse Rd. Houston TX 77084, Room phone 281-599-5558 Dolores Cain Carol Pless (Stroke - Daughter-in-law to Mildred Pless) Carl Clover (Recovering) Patti Castille Linder (recovering) Paulette Plagens Helberg Donna Armendariz Remington Reichardt Kari (Class) Witt</p>

As the Call Committee works diligently, let us do our part by contributing more to the General Fund so the new pastor's salary may be met, as current budget is not being met.

We will no longer use the attendance pads beginning in January. Please fill out the blue cards for attendance. Please make sure to have your child/children listed so they may be counted in attendance.



Preparation for Holy Communion



ALL who commune today are encouraged to prepare themselves by using the “Christian Questions with Their Answers” section of Luther’s Small Catechism found on page 329 of the hymnal.

As a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we celebrate communion believing that we receive the true body and true blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. As such, we invite all to our altar who share our belief and teaching concerning the Lord’s Supper. All are welcome to commune who:

- * Are Baptized Christians Matthew 28:19-20
- * Are able to properly examine themselves recognizing their sinfulness 1 Corinthians 11:27:29
- * Believe that they are eating and drinking Christ’s body and blood 1 Corinthians 11:23-25
- * Believe they need what is offered in this sacrament, namely the forgiveness of sins, the strengthening of faith, and the power to lead a godly life Ephesians 4:22-24

“If you are unsure of any of these points or have questions, please speak with the pastor or an elder.”

**Those who wish to participate in the Lord’s Supper at TLC are requested to sign the “Fellowship Form” and register for communion.* Individual cups containing grape juice placed at the center of the tray for those sensitive to alcohol. Children and others not communing are invited to come to the altar to receive a blessing. Indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.



During Communion – People who have experienced difficulty standing or kneeling at the communion rail while communing may receive communion by sitting down in the front pew (instead of approaching the communion rail.) Elders will come to you so you may receive communion, then you may return to your seat. Or, if you are not able to come to the communion rail due to difficulty walking, you may remain at your pew and inform the Usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat. The Usher will inform the Elders to come and give you communion at your seat.

ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES:

Soup Supper at 6:00 pm and Worship at 7:00 pm

Soup Supper by Church Council, Wednesday December 18th

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

Christmas Eve Service Tuesday, December 24th at 6:00 pm

Christmas Day Service with Communion, Wednesday, December 25th at 9:00 am

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:

Church Office Closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day



Officers Installation will take place Sunday, January 5th.

COOKIES NEEDED FOR CANTATA! The Cantata is Sunday, December 22nd at 7:00 pm. Cookies can be home baked or store bought. Cookies need to be brought to the Fellowship Kitchen Friday morning, December 20th and Sunday morning, December 22nd.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA! “*Bethlehem’s Child*”
A MUSICAL FOR CHRISTMAS CREATED BY

Greg and Gail Skipper

Arranged by Greg Skipper

And Russell Mauldin

The Trinity Lutheran Choir, along with the Bells, and the youth will present "Bethlehem's Child", a Christmas musical. Please plan on attending this year's Cantata on December 22nd at 7:00PM. Refreshments will be provided after the program.



Narthex Mailbox Christmas Cards! For all members - if you wish to send a Christmas card to a member, you may place them in the appropriate slot in the mail boxes located as you enter the glass doors. Members please check your slots every Sunday as they tend to get very full!

Our Stewardship for our Lord December 8, 2013.

<u>December 8, 2013</u>	<u>December 8, 2013</u>	<u>December 8, 2013</u>	<u>December 1, 2013</u>	<u>Second Mid-Week Advent Service</u>
SS.....3	General.....\$5,430.00	G/Fund Contributions	General & Building	Wed. Dec. 11, 2013
High School.....	Building Fund.....\$80.00	Needed Weekly to	\$5,510.00	Attendance ()
Visitors	Sunday School.....	Comply with Budget:		General Fund...\$
Adult Class.....13	Choir Fund.....	\$4,555.00		Advent.....\$
Teachers.....2	Loose Cash.....\$23.00	G/Fund Contributions		Thanksgiving...\$
Staff	Music/Choir.....\$10.00	for		Total.....\$
Total 18	Advent.....\$17.00	12/08/2013		
Worship Service	Total \$5,560.00	\$5,430.00		
December 8, 2013 (76)		Over Budget:		
		\$880.00		

Total received General & Building Fund one year ago (December 9, 2012) - \$4,480.57



Thrivent Financial - \$82.00 was deposited into our General Fund through the Thrivent Choice Dollars during the month of November.



Altar flowers are given for the Glory of God by Jeannie Holland for the Memory of Mervin Holland.

<u>Those Serving Today</u>	<u>Those Serving Next Sunday</u>
Elders: Lee Hobratschk Joel Grigar	Elders: Lee Hobratschk Joel Grigar
Ushers: David Hauschild Johnnie Sodalak Tony Luttrall	Ushers: David Hauschild Johnnie Sodalak Tony Luttrall
Greeters: George and Janice Wied	Greeters: Pat and Mary Buechmann
Lay Reader: Johanna Buechmann	Lay Reader: Becky Tipton
Acolytes: Brittany Luttrall and Briana Kent	Acolytes: Krystal Cash and Kristen Cash
Nursery: Brenda Cash	Nursery: Katie Grigar
Media Team: Pam Epperly	Media Team: Pam Epperly
Videoing: George Wied	Videoing: Mark Romano

Stewardship Corner... *"Wealth and honor come from You; You are the ruler of all things," David said in praising his Lord (1 Chronicles 29:12). Since David acknowledged God's ownership of everything, he was able to give generously which gave the people cause for rejoicing and brought glory to God..*





Mid-Coast Zone Retreat! – All ladies save the date Friday and Saturday, January 17-18, 2014 for the L.W.M.L Mid Zone Retreat presented by Sherrie Whitehead and Denise Afflerbach, at The Orchard at Caney Creek in Wharton, Texas. The Theme is "Treasured" by Deb Burma. Send registration to Gloria Buchhorn, 449 Church lane, Victoria, Texas 77905 or you may contact Gloria if you have any questions glory@awesomenet.net or 361-575-1044 if you interesting in attending. The cost is \$100 for

the weekend. If you are a first time retreat attendee, the cost will be \$75. Registration deadline is January 8, 2014.

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December 15, 2013 THIS WEEK FOR THE LORD

Sunday December 15TH <i>Third Sunday in Advent</i> 	Fellowship..... SS and Bible Study..... Worship/Communion..... NEWS ARTICLES DUE.....	8:45 AM 9:05 AM 10:15 AM
Monday December 16TH	Preschool Board Meeting..... Girl Scouts.....	5:30 PM 7:00 PM
Tuesday December 17TH	Girl Scouts Drive thru Fundraiser.....	4:00 pm-7:00 PM
Wednesday December 18th	Ladies Sewing..... Soup Supper By Church council..... Worship.....	8:30 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM
Thursday December 19th		
Friday December 20th		
Saturday December 21st		
Next Sunday December 22nd <i>Fourth Sunday in Advent</i> 	Fellowship..... SS and Bible Study..... Worship..... CANTATA.....	8:45 AM 9:05 AM 10:15 AM 7:00 PM



December 15 "Forgiveness, the Gift That Keeps on Giving"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz Forgiveness is God's gift that keeps on giving when our giving gives out. (Matthew 18:21-35).....100.7 FM THE WORD - KKHT.



WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken.

This week's topics include: The Movie "The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," Media Coverage of Religion, The HHS Mandate & Contraception, Homosexuality & Divorce and more. You can listen on-demand at www.issuesetc.org.

SEALY CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY is looking for two or more people to represent Trinity Lutheran Church on the Food Pantry Board as a Coordinator. Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm. If you are interested please contact Patsy Tomasek at 877-0848.