

GSRP OPENINGS—If you know anyone looking for preschool for the winter, Trinity’s Great Start Readiness Program Preschool is still enrolling students. The income requirements have been lifted, making this preschool program free for most people. The program is open to students who are 4 years old by Dec. 1. For more information, visit Trinityct.org/GSRP, or call the ECC at 586-463-8803.

>ANNOUNCEMENTS

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION—It’s time to renew your Lutheran Witness subscription! The Lutheran Witness is the official periodical of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and is published 11 times a year. It provides stories and information that complement congregational life, foster personal growth in faith, and help interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective. Subscriptions are \$11.60 per year through Trinity. Renewals are due to the Church Office by Dec. 2. Make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church.

THANK YOU—To Deanna Hollrah, Peggy Redoute, Sue Wise, and Robin Shuell for planning my retirement luncheon and for quickly shifting gears. The foyer was beautiful and created a safe place for many conversations and blessings! Thank you to Pastor Ken and to everyone for your words of appreciation and for your emails, notes, cards, and gifts. What a treasure to finish well and to be so valued and blessed! I look forward to the day we can all gather for worship and seeing what God has in store. Blessings in Christ! Sue von Fange

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS—Due to the Department of Health orders, our desire to keep our staff healthy, the Church Office hours and staff will vary throughout the coming weeks. If you have an immediate need, call the Church Office at 586-463-2921 before you visit to make sure someone is able to assist you.

This week at Trinity—Nov. 30-Dec. 5, 2020

Monday (30)	No events scheduled
Tuesday (1)	No events scheduled
Wednesday (2)	6:30 p.m. Youth Meeting—Microsoft Teams 7 p.m. Blue Christmas-Sanctuary
Thursday (3)	No events scheduled
Friday (4)	No events scheduled
Saturday (5)	10 a.m. Bethlehem Breakfast—Online 5 p.m. Worship—Sanctuary and online

PRAYER LIST

Members Who Are Ill/Recovering

Helen Luft, Carol Jobse, Frank and Kathy Carpenter, Kris Rice, Bruce Rieck, Fran Kuchenmeister, Gloria Price, Kathe Balon, Vanessa DeGeorge, John Cress, Jim Ringstad, Tony Kirkum, Karl Hallberg, Jane Boeling, Bill Leibnitz, Howard Aho, Don Hartop, Steve Stewart, Mary Cosart, Greg Dennis, Dawn Klein-McDonald, Nicole Carson, Jeannie Kirkum, George Wagner, Nancy Kepsel, Debi Madeleine, Anna Puranen, Edna Grogan, Dave Dobner, Lynda Ringstad, Dan Simurdiak, Jason Nowak, Lloyd Kandt, Eleanor Hurley, Bob Grand, Robert DeRidder Sr., Trudy Terry, Terri Cory, Paula Davis, Debbie Hayes, Bill Moore, Susan Riske, Richard Perkins, Elaine Smigielski, Jeremy Young, Cathy Holley, Rick Lynn, Marius Rosso, Paula Davis, Eleanor Berry, Jeff Soenen

Others Who Are Ill/Recovering

Colleen Caster, Ernest Schutt, Pat Gohdes Payton Shock, Lauren Duomat, Al Sullivan, Sara Halbert, Judi Kilcher, Gary Goins, Michael Denby, Larry Knapik, Hunter Bethuy, Carolyn Pawlak, Renee Hecker, Jackson Whitmore, John Mellon, Bernie Nummer, Jackson Turner, Carol Nyberg, Pamela Mughannam, Nino Badamenti, Ronald Trombley, Eric Edwards, Nancy Knieper, Bradley Nagey, Bradley Amos, Beverly Pleau, Joel Dudek, Todd Gedell, Roger Ramocan, Terry Hartley, Sandi Gritzmaker, Phil Shrigley, Pam Tyszkowski, Cindy Davey, Terry, Sue Walsh, Ryan Bowling, Arthur Baker, Anita Ferretti, Bill Everette, Larry Klein, Donna Hay, Terri David, Robert Fromm, Tom Repp, Suzie Robinson, Irma Hoops, Patricia Parsons, Kerry Albertson, Eric Schroeder, George Ski, Ryan Hayes, Stacy Hickson, Dan Checkowsky, Jeff Roberts, Patty Palermino, Sue Knapik, Joy Kukuk, Denise Homan, Baby Abby, Robert and Marjorie Dismuke, Pat Conley, Bonnie Gekiere, Brian Smith, Sue Hurst, Ella Rose, Virginia Dailey, Sharon Francis, Darlene Layman, Carol Terrell, Bob Rumpf, Mark Frato, Ken Jaklic, Bob Carson, Elaine Harmoning, Tim Devore, Jerry and Rhea Switzer, Nora and Lary Viers, Tim Gladstone, Diane Gladstone, Jonah Crawford, Joni Scott, Fred Stafford, Oliver Wisnieski

Special Prayers

- For the sick and suffering
- In thanksgiving for our church family and for their gifts and talents
- For the Holy Christian Church & for the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
- For those who don’t know Jesus as their Savior
- For those impacted by COVID-19
- Principal search process

Baptisms

Ethan Malachi Sutton and Luke Elijah Sutton, sons of Joda and Kathryn Sutton, Liliana Marie, Evola, daughter of Daniel and Julia Evola

In Memoriam

Dahlia Kiley-Meli, Jean Gawinski (stepmother of Bob Gawinski), Greg Kloster (brother of Jeff Kloster)



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9 a.m. Worship—Sanctuary and Online

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Today at a Glance: Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020

What’s Happening at Trinity

COVID 19 UPDATE—Due to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases in our county, and the impact it has on our congregation, community, and the health care system Trinity is going to temporarily suspend most of its in-person activity. This includes all non-Trinity sponsored groups. We will also be temporarily cancelling all live/in-person Trinity groups. Our goal is to resume regularly scheduled events the week of Dec. 6. If you have comments or questions, contact Pastor Ken at 586-463-2921 ext. 105 or pastorken@trinityct.org.

Advent Begins! Here are some ways you can engage God more fully during the season of Advent.

Advent Mid-Week Devotions—Pastor Gary will livestream a brief service of scripture and prayer on Wednesdays at noon beginning Wed. Dec 2.

Advent Mid-Week Bible Study—Pastor Ken will live stream a Bible student each Wednesday at 7 p.m. beginning Wednesday, Dec 2, focused on the Christmas accounts from Matthew 1, Luke 2 and John 1.

Advent CrossTalk Devotions begin Monday, November 30. These 5 minute devotions are sent directly into your email inbox each day if you have signed up for them. If you’d like to be included and have not received Crosstalk in the past, contact Rebecca Thomas our Communications Director at rthomas@trinityct.org. You can also find these devotions on iTunes or Google Play by searching for Trinity Lutheran CrossTalk.

> ENGAGE GOD

ADVENT SERMON SERIES— Our Advent preaching series, “This or That” begins this weekend Nov. 28/29. As the season of Advent comes upon us, we find ourselves living in two world, the secular and the sacred. We find ourselves pulled in different directions. Where is our focus; on the “cultural” Christmas or the “Christ” of Christmas? Join us for worship as we explore this together.

- Nov 29—Holiday or Holy Day or Holy One?
- Dec. 6— Doing or Being?
- Dec. 13—Comfort or Discomfort?
- Dec. 20—War or Peace?

COMMUNION—Our midweek communion services occur on an every-other-week schedule. Our next scheduled communion days are Dec. 8 and 10. Go to Trinityct.org/communion to sign up. If you have any questions, call the church office at 586-463-2921.

HEY YOUTH—Mr. Wright has to move our Wednesday evening meet ups to Teams for several week. We hope to resume meeting in person on Dec. 9. The event is open to all kids in grades 6-12. If you have any questions, email Mr. Wright at bwright@trinityct.org.

KIDS MINISTRY UPDATE—To help engage your children while we are unable to meet in-person, Emily Wright is creating videos that can be found on our newly established YouTube Channel; TrinityCT Kids!. We are also sharing these videos and other resources on the Facebook page; Trinity Lutheran – 252 Ministry. We have been playing these videos as well in the Sunday morning services twice a month, but we felt that it is important to provide resources to families on a weekly basis, so we are putting them on YouTube for easy viewing access and also on our Facebook Group. If you have any questions, contact Emily Wright at ewright@trinityct.org.

MONDAY EVENING LADIES BIBLE STUDY Bonnie Young’s Monday evening Bible study will **meet again on Dec. 7, unless otherwise noted. Please watch the Announcer for information as it becomes available.**

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY-- The Tuesday morning Bible study led by Lila Tirsell **will resume on Tuesday, Dec. 8, unless otherwise noted. Please watch the Announcer for more information in the coming weeks.**

WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets at 6 a.m. on Wednesday mornings in the Community Center. Due **to the COVID-19 closures, it will resume on Dec. 9, unless we are told otherwise by the government.** The topic changes regularly. Study guide, provided. We will NOT have coffee to serve. Pat Anderson will lead the group.

> ENGAGE GOD'S PEOPLE

BLUE CHRISTMAS—Our Blue Christmas service is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 2. Blue Christmas is intended for those who have experienced a significant loss in their life, whether it be a loved one, job, home or hope, and are seeking the hope and comfort of Immanuel, God with Us. If you know someone who could benefit from this service, invite them. It will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. This year, we require a reservation so that we might prepare for you and keep our process safe. To do so, please call 586-463-2921 or email rshuell@trinityct.org.

BETHLEHEM BREAKFAST— This annual event will be held virtually and will not be canceled! We wish to invite the ladies of your household to livestream this year’s Bethlehem Breakfast - "Christmas by Faith" next Saturday at 10 a.m. It can be livestreamed at Trinity’s Webpage, trinityct.org, or you may use our direct link: <http://trinityct.churchonline.org> Please invite your families, daughters, mothers, neighbors, friends to join us and (if you feel comfortable) to join you for breakfast around your own table this year, stay in your PJs and grab a coffee. Questions? Please call or text Bonnie Young 586-350-3222.

MITE BOX WILL BE HERE NEXT SUNDAY—Next Sunday, Dec. 6, is the first Sunday of the month, which means the Lutheran Women’s Mission League will have the Mite Box available. Empty your individual mite boxes into the larger box and take the small one home to refill for next month. The change is used to suppose the LWML mission grant projects. The Mite Box will be in the foyer.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING is open and available to serve your needs for Christ-centered professional counseling. Appointments can be scheduled via telehealth (phone or video) or in-person sessions. We have four clinicians with unique training and experience: David Brown, Kristin Hardy, Zhela Bennett and Dan Burke. Visit www.trinityct.org/counseling for more information. Or email counseling@trinityct.org or call 586-468-0401.

STEPHEN MINISTRY—Our Stephen Ministers are trained to listen. They will hear what you share and provide loving, non-judgmental support and you work through personal challenges or difficult life situation. For more information, call the church office at 586- 463-2921.

> ENGAGE THE WORLD

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS—Trinity will again help the needy in the community through Christmas food baskets. A list of needed items is available at the Welcome Center. A cart will be placed in the foyer for non-frozen donations brought in during the week (between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.) and during weekend services. Bring frozen items to Door 33 between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on weekdays. To make arrangements to drop off frozen items at another time, call Cynthia Chilcutt at 586-747-7594.

MCREST UPDATE—Yes, Trinity is hosting MCREST this year the week of Christmas. It will look different in that the guests will not be live on-site at Trinity. There are still many needs to supply for that week, including meals, special gifts for the guests for Christmas Day, and we have some specific instructions as to how meals need to be served, etc. Let’s make this MCREST an outstanding event for our off-site guests. More information to come.

> SCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

TRINITY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL SEARCH – Our nationwide search for a new principal is underway. You are welcome to submit names and contact information of qualified candidates to our co-chairs: Gordon Kennedy (gkennedy@trinityct.org) or David Brown (dbrown@trinityct.org) or to Pastor Wise (pastorken@trinityct.org) Please continue to pray that God would lead us to the person He’s choosing to fill this important ministry position for Trinity.

GSRP TEACHER NEEDED--Trinity is seeking a preschool teacher with a bachelor’s degree in Early Childhood Education for a GSRP classroom. Teachers are responsible to teach 4-year-old preschool Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) using Creative Curriculum, assess children using GOLD Assessment paired with Creative Curriculum 3 times per year, follow all GSRP guidelines, and co-teach Jesus time after GSRP hours. For more information call 586-463-8803 or fill out an online application at <https://trinityct.org/eccjobs/>.