



Our congregational bylaws require that we hold an annual meeting between January 15 and 31. The Executive Committee has set the following dates for our budget information meetings and our annual meeting.

### **Budget Q & A Meetings**

10:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 19 —Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22 —Choir Room

### **Annual Meeting**

10:00 a.m. on January 26—Sanctuary

## **Year End Contribution Statements**

They are available on the counter in the narthex. If you have any questions regarding your statement please contact Tammy in the church office. If you have not yet turned in your 2025 pledge card there is still time. Please grab a pledge card that is by the Contribution Statements and fill it out and return it to the office or the offering plate on Sunday.

*Thank you for your continued faithfulness and support to Trinity Lutheran Church.*

## **Living Lutheran Print Magazine is Back!**

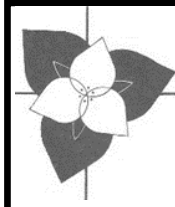
We heard you—and listened. We have found a way to bring back the magazine's print publication in a quarterly fashion. Each issue (spring, summer, winter and fall) will feature the stories you know and love, along with updates on the church and your ELCA community.

The cost for one year will be \$19.95 for an individual subscription and \$17 per year for a congregation group subscription. If you would like a subscription at the \$17 congregation group subscription rate please grab an envelope off of the information counter.

Place the envelope in the offering plate or leave it in the office. Place envelope in the offering place on Sunday or return it to the church office by Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.



Scan the QR code to visit our online giving page.



# **TRINITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

January 19—26, 2025

**Welcome to Trinity – A Stephen Ministry Congregation**

*Today we pray especially for:*

The family of Bill Anderson, Joanne, Brett, Chloe, Kathie, and Rob.



*Bring comfort to:*

Conrad & Rachel Favor, Ken Nelson, Cathy Palmmini, Richard and Nicole, Jeff, Judi, Karen, Mary, Tyler, Logan, John & family, A.Z. and Family.

*Restore the health of:*

Sally B. Sandy Koch, Gloria P. Russ Peterson, T.J. Schwebach, Candy, Gloria, Ted and Vicki.

## **Prayer Requests**

Do you have a prayer request? Place your request on the "Prayer Tree" in the narthex, we will include your prayer in the prayers of the church today. Each week you can add a prayer for that Sunday.

## **Prayer Chain**

*Share a joy, a sorrow, a concern or need for yourself of someone else. Call the church at 715 344-2869 or email us at [trinity@trinitysp.com](mailto:trinity@trinitysp.com).*



This morning's Altar Flowers are given by Ozz & Lois Hagen.

## **For Your Convenience**

- ◆ Center of sanctuary seating for special needs.
- ◆ Activity Bags for small children are available on the hall tree near the sanctuary door.
- ◆ Hearing Loop available.
- ◆ **If desired Pre-packaged Communion Kits are available at the front of the Sanctuary.**

## **Annual Report**

The 2024 Annual Report is available in the narthex for you to pick up.

## This Week At Trinity

### Monday, January 20

1:00pm Joy Circle  
1:00pm Service Broadcast 95/984  
4:30pm Call Committee—Choir Room  
5:30pm Executive Committee  
6:45pm Troop 293/9293 Meeting

### Tuesday, January 21

9:45am Stevens Point Health Services  
10:45am Portage County Healthcare Center Services  
12:00pm Lunch Bunch at The Rose House  
1:00pm Service Broadcast 95/984  
1:30pm Library Committee  
6:30pm Pack 293 Cub Scout Meeting

### Wednesday, January 22

5:15pm Endowment Committee-Choir Room  
5:45pm Bell Choir  
6:00pm Budget Questions/Answer Session  
Choir Room  
6:30pm Confirmation  
7:00pm Trinity Choir  
8:00pm Service Broadcast 95/984

### Thursday, January 23

8:00am Men's Bible Study  
9:00am Quilters

### Saturday, January 25

10:00am Pack 293 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby

### Sunday, January 26

9:00am Worship in-person and online  
10:00am Annual Meeting  
10:00am Coffee Hour  
10:10am Sunday School

## Serving Us Today

Trinity Choir Director:.....Kelly Nielsen  
Assisting Minister:.....Olivia Santangelo  
Greeter:.....Ed Gerbitz  
Coffee Host:.....Bea Berg and  
Brenda Saeger-Wroblewski  
Livestream:.....Jim Wiegand  
Camera:.....Pat Gerbitz  
Flower Delivery:.....Ed & Sue Clussman

## Altar Flowers

You may sign up for 2025 Altar Flowers on the chart in the narthex, by email at [trinity@trinitysp.com](mailto:trinity@trinitysp.com) or call the church office at 715-344-2869.

If you would like to dedicate flowers in honor of a loved one, celebrate a special occasion or remember a meaningful event, please consider signing up. Lily & Vine Floral designs beautiful floral arrangements each Sunday. The cost is \$40.00 a week.

**Dates available are** February 2, and 9; March 2.

**No flowers in Lent**, starting on Sunday, March 9 through Easter on April 20.

Then, we have dates available on May 11; June 15, 22, and 29; July 6, 13; September 28; October 12, and 19; November 9, and 30.



## Loose Change

*For the months of January and February, our loose change is designated for the CAP Services Skills Enhancement Program.*

This is a local workforce development program that assists motivated low-income individuals obtain the skills needed to compete for living wage jobs. The program can assist with tuition, books, supplies and training-related expenses such as transportation, internet service and childcare that participants could not otherwise afford. The program also provides students with the supportive services they need to successfully achieve their goals, including education on saving and achieving financial stability. Recipients for services must enroll in the program and meet criteria including a household income at or below 200% of Federal Poverty Level and work a minimum of 20 hours per week. Participants have a strong desire to pursue training for an occupation which will increase their income.

For 2023, in Portage County, 38 individuals received services and six of these enrollees were new. That year, five participants graduated from the program. Examples of their life-changing achievements include: income gains (average increase was \$14,225), hourly wage gains (average increase was \$8.89), securing full-time employment (2 of 5) and access to employer-sponsored benefits (1 of 5)! Please visit the display kiosk in the narthex for more information on this community-forward program.

You can support this program in one of two ways! First, the collection plate on Sundays--pour in your loose change. Or, should you prefer to contribute cash or check, please designate your gift clearly! Second, visit the Trinity website and follow the instructions for online giving.

*Your generosity will be appreciated by all participants!*

## The Mobile Pantry is the Recipient of the Trinity Grocery Cart for the Month of January 2025

The second and fourth Thursdays of the month, the items donated are sorted and packaged to be delivered to recipients who may have no other way to get food. Fresh produce from local grocery stores and the Giving Gardens are packaged for delivery. 40-50 people are helped each month, mostly elderly and low-income people who have limited transportation or disabilities.

Food items needed include peanut butter, jelly, chicken in a can, sugar, flour and canned fruit. Non-food items needed include laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash and deodorant.

The Mobile Food Pantry is operated by the Hunger and Poverty Prevention Partnership to ensure that rural residents of Portage County have access to food assistance as needed. It is headquartered at Beloved Community Church.

Members of Trinity, thank you for filling the Grocery Cart the last few months and please continue to be generous. **Thank you-The GLO Committee**

