



From the Pastor's Desk.....

"Come, thou long expected Jesus" is the first line of a powerful Advent hymn penned by Charles Wesley in the 1700's. The season of Advent is one of expectation and anticipation. At Trinity, we build on this excitement that leads up to the celebration of Jesus' birth through our ministry which includes the following:

Sunday Morning Worship: We should never underestimate the importance and impact of regular Sunday morning worship. Each Sunday in Advent, we light an Advent Candle to count the weeks until we celebrate the Lord's birth. The messages during this season will lead us into a deepening relationship with Christ, and a greater appreciation for God's "indefinable gift" of the Christ Child. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ this Advent as we glorify God, prepare each Sunday for the celebration of Christmas, and grow in our discipleship.

Children's Christmas Program: Our Christian Education students and Little Lights Preschool children will present the Christmas Story on December 13th at 4:00PM in the Family Life Center. We will follow the program with cookies, juice, coffee and fellowship. I believe it is important for the Trinity family to join our children for this special afternoon. When I baptize children, I use these words at the conclusion, "We welcome you into the Lord's family...." Our children are part of our Church family, they need the support of their aunts and uncles, grandfathers and grandmothers and all of their extended family through Christ. Come join your Trinity family for a special Christmas celebration on **December 13th at 4:00PM.**

The Sounds of Christmas Concert: Our church musicians will join together on December 20th to present the Sounds of Christmas. With two locations and a very tight Sunday morning schedule, there are some logistical challenges to gathering a combined choir and all of our musicians. In order to have the Adult Choir, TLC Bells, Instrumentalists and Praise Team present the Sounds of Christmas together, we will not hold the 8:00 AM service on December 20th, but look forward to the blessing of our unity as we hear the joy and power of the Christmas account in scripture and music at our 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM services at the Family Life Center.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship: Our Christmas Eve services, December 24th, will be at 3:00 and 9:00 PM at the Church Center and 5:00 and 7:00 PM at the Family Life Center. Christmas Eve is one of the greatest opportunities to reach people who are open to growing a deepening relationship with Jesus Christ. The mystery and majesty of the Christmas story has an incredible capacity to touch people's heart and stir up a hunger to know the Savior whose birth we celebrate on Christmas. In your prayers, I encourage you to begin asking who God is calling you to invite to join you for worship on Christmas Eve. We will advertise. We will make announcements. We will place banners near our buildings to invite people to Trinity. But....the most effective means for reaching others is a personal invitation from a family member or friend. Who is God calling you to invite?

May God bless you as you look toward Christmas with expectation and anticipation.

Your Pastor and Friend,

Pastor Dick

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NEW OPPORTUNITY TO GROW IN GOD'S WORD

Rooted Adult Bible Survey will finish reading through the entire Bible on December 16. It has been well worth our time and effort. While reading God's word was Trinity's focus in 2009, next year we are focusing on taking God's word to heart and being "doers" of the word. To encourage us in this journey we will use the book, **"Experiencing God"** by Henry Blackaby as a guide. For more than 15 years, this book has been effective in showing believers how to know God intimately while encouraging them to step out in faith and join Him in His work—with miraculous results.

We are providing two class options from which to choose:

During the Rooted hour (6:30 - 7:45 PM) on Wednesdays beginning January 6 at the CC

During the day on Mondays (1:00 - 2:30 PM) beginning January 11 at the FLC

We are pleased to offer childcare at the CC during the evening class for families with children too young for a Rooted class. We recommend that all participants purchase the book/workbook for \$15.00. Sign up at the Information Desk or contact the church office by December 15.

WE ARE EXCITED TO EXPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER!

ENRICH YOUR DEVOTIONAL LIFE

Also in 2010, we are encouraging everyone to read the Moravian Daily Texts to encourage and challenge us in our daily walk with Christ. These devotions are read by more than 1.5 million believers each day. If you have not heard of this resource, the following is the text for November 19, 2009

Psalm 130, Daniel 7:23-8:27; Jude 1:1-10, The fear of the Lord is Zion's treasure. Isaiah 33:6, Paul wrote: I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection. Philippians 3:10; Lord, we are powerless. Thank you for taking our sins at the foot of the cross. Renew us by your Spirit this day so that we might walk anew. In Jesus' name we ask.

This book is a great tool to develop the practice of daily devotions. Pre-order your copy at the information desk or by contacting the Church office by December 15. Cost per copy is: paperback (\$10.50), large print (\$13.00), or flip calendar (\$13.50).



- **Pastor's Report** – The Associate Pastor Call Committee has been formed with the members selected by Council at the October 20, 2009 meeting. The Synod representative will meet with the committee for the first time on November 12, 2009.

- **President's Report** – Council is asked to assist staff with the Visitor Center during the holidays.

- **Interim/Acting Treasurer** – Rich Kuper agreed to serve as Interim Treasurer until May 2010 and Council approved his appointment.

- **Personnel Guidebook** – Joan Kunes briefed Council regarding the Personnel Guidebook; Council approved it as a matter of policy. The HR Team did an excellent job in developing the guidebook. Role profiles (job descriptions) have been developed and will be updated as needed and reviewed at least annually. Joan reported that the evaluation of the Senior

Pastor had been completed.

- **Constitutional Change for Office of Treasurer** – Council will complete the resolution to return the Treasurer position to that of Congregational Officer and schedule the necessary publications and meetings in compliance with the Congregational Constitution.

- **Nominating Committee** – This committee is meeting to select candidates for the 2010 congregational elections.

- **2010 Budget** – The Finance Committee representative, Interim Treasurer and Staff Bookkeeper presented the proposed 2010 Budget to Council. After significant deliberation and minor changes Council voted unanimously to present it to the congregational for approval at the Annual Budget Meeting, immediately following the 11:15 worship service on Sunday, November 22, 2009.



New Members: We welcomed into membership on Sunday, November 29, the following: Amy Johnson; Tim Macrander; Gregory Pflugh; Jeff Matter and his son, Greg; and Stephanie Sessler and her sons, Brent and Brandon. It is our joy to have them join our Trinity family. Say hello as you see them in worship, fellowship and service to God.

Music of Christmas: We continue our tradition with a special morning of music on Sunday, December 20 but with one change this year. To enable all of our music groups to share their instrumental and vocal gifts with us, we will worship together at the Family Life Center at either 9:00 or 11:15 AM. Doing so offers our different musical ministry groups the opportunity to come together and lead us in worship. It will be a glorious day to hear them sing and play praises to God. Please note that there will not be an 8:00 AM service on 12/20. See you at the FLC. On Monday, December 21, we will be blessed with a Christmas Cantata at the Church Center at 7:00 PM.

Rooted: Our mid-week ministry will meet December 2, 9 and 16. We will take a break December 23 and 30. Enjoy your this time with your family and join us again on January 6 at 6:30 PM. Remember we offer a delicious meal and friendly conversation from 5:30 - 6:15 PM in the Fellowship Hall at the CC.

Book Reader Discussion Group: We will not meet in December. Pick up a copy of *The Turk and My Mother* by Mary Helen Stefaniak (Nebraska author) (311 p.), read it and join us for discussion on January 19 at 7:00 PM at the CC. *Synopsis: Josef leaves for America in 1914 only to discover the Great War has separated him from his wife, Agnes, in Hungary. To help out on the farm, Agnes and her mother agree to take in a P.O.W.*

Financial Peace University: The next 13-week course begins Sunday, January 3, meeting from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Dan and Ronda Mohr will host this session. Please order your \$100 kit from the Mohr's by calling 614-7176. Register for the class online at www.daveramsey.com. FPU has been a blessing to many right here at Trinity. The course will provide you the principles that, if put into practice, will allow you the opportunity to one day yell, "I'M DEBT FREE!"

stocks and mutual funds are also ways to benefit Trinity. Gifts of appreciated stock owned for more than one year entitle you to deduct the fair market value of the stock without having to report the capital gains you would have realized had you sold the investment. If you have any questions about how this giving option can work for you, please consult with your personal tax advisor or contact a member of Trinity's Finance Committee which includes Tina Persinger, Rob Lamp, Dan Jaksich and Gary Moores.

STEWARDSHIP STIRRINGS

The touch of God's hand and the life giving breath of the Holy Spirit is evident in our faithful response to God on Consecration Sunday. We received 248 Estimate of Giving cards for the General Fund and 129 Estimate of Giving cards to the Building and Repairs Fund. These estimates of giving and previous giving patterns led the members of Trinity to approve a \$950,763 budget. Included in our income is \$29,067 of "In Faith Income" representing our ongoing commitment to growth in stewardship. Our giving will support missions, provide Christian Education materials for our children, send youth on faith development retreats, provide inspiring and meaningful worship, and a host of other ministry through Trinity. Thank you for your generous response. Thank you for your faithfulness. Thank God for His work through the Trinity family.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Contact information is bulleted

- 12/03 - Fifty-Five Plus - 1 PM - CC
 - Sue Lauritsen - 331-2672
- 12/07 - Adult Quilters - 12:30 PM - FLC . We will only meet the first Monday in December.
 - Joanne Ahlers - 339-3190
- 12/10 - Stitchers - 7 PM - IT Village - Karen Popelka hosts
 - Joan McAleer - 339-3448
- 12/11 - Scrapbookers - 7 PM - CC
 - Amy Masek - 934-4975
- 12/17 - Afternoon WELCA - 1 PM - CC
 - Marie Olson - 339-3454
- 12/17 - Evening WELCA - 7 PM - Ellen Smith's home, 809 Western Hills, Papillion
 - Karen Gerdes - 253-2263
- 12/29 - TOTS - 10:30 AM - Christmas Party at the CC
 - Pat Njus - 592-5751

2009 TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Thank you for your faithfulness throughout 2009; your gifts make Trinity's mission possible. To be sure your year-end contributions are included on your 2009 statement, they must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2009. Gifts of

October Ending Balances

General Fund - \$(30.73)
 Benevolence - \$5,032.17
 Building Fund - \$51,369.46
 Mission Fund - \$1,866.02
 Technology Fund - \$11,717.00
 Trinity Relief Fund - \$678.78
 Memorial Fund - \$26,547.75
 FLC Loan - \$738,711.18
 Farm Escrow - \$6,241.87



Generosity - Wow, November was a great month. The Bible tells us that we love because God first loved us. And God tells us to care for the needs of others. We did that by filling the grocery carts in the entry time and again to take to the Tri-City Food Pantry. We gave additional support for Shalom Ministries in India when Vijay visited. And we provided all 110 Thanksgiving baskets that were needed to meet the needs of families in Omaha. Sometimes people curse God thinking He has let so many suffer. But when others are hurting, that is an opportunity for the body of Christ to bring comfort, support and the Good News of Jesus to meet those needs and to show the world that God loves others through His family. May we continue to love on others with overwhelming generosity for God's glory!

Adopt-a-Family - We collect toys for the Heartland Family Services Holiday Assistance Program through December 6. Place your **new, unwrapped items** beneath the tree at either worship location. If you would like to give money to purchase gift cards for the teens, please place your check (*payable to Trinity Lutheran Church, note "Adopt-a-Family" in the memo*) in the envelope on the bulletin board.

Serving at Christmas: It takes many hands and smiling faces to create an a warm and welcoming atmosphere for Christmas Eve. Because many people come to worship who do not have a church home, it is important to put our best foot forward. And while each week, we do just that, on Christmas Eve we have an abundance of tasks that need some extra heart. We are looking for

- Cold lovers willing to be **parking lot attendants** or **outdoor greeters**
- People with big smiles and warm handshakes to **greet** our guests
- People who are bold to assist people by **ushering** them to a seat
- People with steady hands and long arms to **light candles**
- People to set up and clean up **communion** and also people to serve
- People with who love to cook to **prepare a crock pot** or two of soup for the Christmas Eve workers who are unable to go home between worship services.

If you will serve in any of these areas, please contact Sharon Bernady, 339-3788 or sign up in the entry at either worship location. We look forward to a beautiful evening worshipping Jesus Christ, our King!

Stephen Center: We will not serve in December but will resume on January 22, 2010. If you would like to cook, please contact Mike (597-1660). If you will transport the meal, please contact Ethyl O'Neal (618-5637). See the bulletin board at either worship location, to sign up to bring food items to prepare the meal. Please have your items in the kitchen at the CC no later than noon on Wednesday, January 20.



We invite you to use your musical gifts to God's glory in Trinity's Music Ministry!

It can't be almost Christmas already, can it? How many times have you heard that in the last few weeks? Well, yes it CAN be almost Christmas, and IT IS almost Christmas! My primary effort in the next couple of weeks will be to complete the plans for six major events in Trinity's December which include the **Sounds of Christmas** on December 20th at the Family Life Center, the **Christmas Cantata** on Monday, December 21 at the 7:00 PM at the CC and four **Christmas Eve Worship** Services (3 & 9 at the CC and 5 & 7 at the FLC). Throughout the year, but especially at these six special services in December, I would like to involve as many people as possible. This includes all of the "regular" singers and musicians that share their talents on a weekly basis, but I would also like to include the many others, who have musical gifts but cannot commit to weekly rehearsals and worship services throughout the year. This might include:

Singers who would sing in a larger vocal group or choir

Singers who would sing as a soloist or in a small vocal ensemble

Instrumentalists who would play in a larger instrumental group

Players who would play as a soloist or in a smaller instrumental ensemble

People who are interested in readings, dialogs or narrations

I need to make final decisions for all services, music, singers and instrumentalists VERY SOON, so please contact me by e-mail or phone as soon as possible! How about today!? Thanks for your prayerful consideration!

Gene Walden

Music & Worship Director

gwalden@trinitylife.org



We are busy learning and preparing for Jesus' Birthday this month in preschool. The children will sing and read about Christmas. We will have special opportunities to meet with our friends from the Village, reading a Christmas story and singing Christmas songs together. In October we collected 150 gloves, mittens and hats to give to our "Loving Hands Campaign." Two local

elementary schools were very excited to be on the receiving end of such generosity. Continue to pray for our preschool and the Little Lights families. We are having fun including Jesus in our learning.

Registration for 2010-2011

Registration information will be available at both Church locations after Christmas. Starting January 25th, church

members may register. All forms must be mailed to the Little Lights Preschool, 520 W. Lincoln Street, Papillion, NE 68046. They will be honored in the order they are received. Current Little Lights families may sign-up beginning January 12th at 8:15 AM through January 22nd.

Nancy Wert
Director of Preschool
littleglights@trinitylife.org



Celebrating the "Good news of great joy for all the people" is high on the list of priorities for the Christian Education department this month!

Rotation Sunday School has a busy month planned. **December 6th** is the last day of lessons in our "Good News of Great Joy" unit, and the children will be singing the songs they've learned in Music at our 11:15 service that day! On **December 13th**, the RSS kids will meet in the Sanctuary during the Sunday School hour to practice their songs for the Christmas program before enjoying a special nativity presentation by the high school students. Following the nativity, children are invited to bring birthday gifts for Baby Jesus and lay them at the manger. Sleepers, blankets, clothing, diapers—any baby-type item would be fabulous! All gifts will be donated to the AAA Center for Pregnancy Counseling to help young mothers in need! **December 20th** will bring a special craft activity in the

Fellowship Hall for the RSS students as well as the 5th and 6th graders. Christmas break is **December 27th**, but we start back up again—all ages—on January 3rd! At that time, RSS will begin a new unit covering the life of Moses!

Trinity's Christmas program will be held at 4:00 PM at the Family Life Center on **December 13**. Little Lights Pre-school and Rotation Sunday School children will be singing and our 5th and 6th grade students will have skits to present. Everyone is encouraged to bring cookies or bars to share.

With the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping, baking and parties, let's be sure to take time to stop, set aside all the commotion and enjoy the true meaning of the angel's message of "good news of great joy that will be for all the people." Jesus humbled himself to be a servant and save each one of us! He left heaven to come to earth as a baby, live among us and finally to die for us! Mind blowing, isn't it,

that God would do that for me and for you?! Considering the sacrifices He made, the very least we can do is to remember the real reason we celebrate Christmas and to share the "good news of great joy" with all the people we know. Have a very blessed Christmas!

Sheila Kendall

Christian Education Director
skendall@trinitylife.org

DATES TO NOTE

- 12/06 - RSS children sing at 11:15 worship
- 12/13 - RSS kids practice in Sanctuary, see the live nativity and have a birthday party for Jesus
- 12/13 - Children's Christmas Program
- 12/20 - Special craft activity for RSS through grade 6. This will be a fun day
- 12/27 - No Christian Education
- 01/03 - Christian Ed Resumes



Greetings to Trinity Family and Friends,

Thank you for the warm welcome you have given me as I have embraced a new role in serving Trinity Youth. I have been blessed with the opportunity to assist the ministry of Quest with Matt Pearson. We are so excited to see God move in this place!

Eric Baker is my wonderful husband and we have belonged to Trinity since June. We love this church family, and have especially grown from our involvement with College and Career Bible Study at the Granville's. We find the worship element at Trinity to be flourishing, and we particularly are inspired by the dedicated investment placed into the nourishment and growth of its members from their birth to parting. This gives us great assurance that we are in the right faith community to raise our family one day!

Thus far I have found the Youth at Trinity to be exceptional leaders with hearts that are eager to serve others and share faith as their Everything. Music is a critical element with which we inspire worship and praise as one; and the first way that I hope to offer support and growth opportunities for worship is through our awesome praise band, Laminin 117! Secondly, I have been asked to assist with the ministries of our young ladies 5th grade-up. My role also entails various assignments including, but not limited to assistance with youth events, trips, worship preparation and creative outlets. I am super excited and honored!!

In brief reflection, I find this to be a humbling and great learning experience as I teach and lead others. My previous youth and music experiences have shown me that the most successful pursuits occur when multiple generations unite and we think outside our comfortable bubbles. Your feedback, prayers, and support are needed and appreciated. You needn't be a youth or a parent to express your opinions, ideas, or to get involved. There are a multitude of opportunities and challenges that do not meet the eye and I love the adventure we are on!

Peace and Gratitude,

~Katharine V Lamarche-Baker

*"Time will Fly, but until Then, I'll Embrace Every Moment I'm Given.
There's a reason I'm alive for the Blink of an Eye" – Mercy Me*

THINGS TO NOTE

- **Quest Student Ministries**

- December 6 - Sr High Youth Group - 6:00 PM - FLC

- December 13 - Bunko - 6:00 PM - FLC - All ages are invited!

- This is a great opportunity to invite friends. This is a great opportunity for families to stay following the Children's Christmas Program. Bring a snack to share.

- December 20 - Sr High Christmas Party - Details to be announced.

- **Rooted News**

- December 2, 9 & 16 classes will meet for all ages from 6:30 - 7:00 PM

- December 23 & 30 we will take a break. See you in class on January 6, 2010!

- **Acquire the Fire** - February 19-21 - Jr & Sr High Trip

- **Dare 2 Share** - February 26-28 - Jr & Sr High Trip

Greetings Matt & Urban Plunge Alumni:

Thanks so much for your donation to help with our Urban Plunge Program. We're blessed by your kindness.

*~In Christ,
Michael*



Among Our People

Happy Birthday to Trail Blazers:

- 12/05 - Gene Tschida, 11308 Oakland Dr, Papillion, NE 68133
 12/10 - Gene Ellefson, 7750 S 155th Ave, Omaha, NE 68138
 12/13 - John Ward, 908 Bellevue Blvd N, Bellevue, NE 68005
 12/15 - Marie Olson, 614 S. Jefferson St, Papillion, NE 68046
 12/25 - Joy Ballou, 522 W. Lincoln #1001, Papillion, NE 68046
 12/25 - Ralph Bichel, 6737 Woodbine Circle, Ralston, NE 68127
 12/26 - Howard Bestmann, 15702 S. 99th St., Papillion, NE 68046

Happy Anniversary:

- 12/20 - Roger & Dolly Hedin, 2114 John St., Papillion, NE 68133
 Celebrating 57 years of marriage
 12/23 - Otis & Marlene Carr, 809 Waterford Circle, Papillion, NE 68046
 Celebrating 53 years of marriage

Hospitalized in the last month (If you are hospitalized or have personal needs, please call the Church office.)

Kristi McKenna, Caden Gilbreath, Elizabeth Hamon, Len Dagerman, Elizabeth Gulzow, Marilyn Hawn

Sympathies: We extend our care and prayers to the following: the families of Carl Williams on the loss of his brother; Carol Richey on the loss of her sister. May God bring peace, comfort and consolation to these families in their time of need.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Ushers for December 8A-Jeff Thompson, Cal Nelson, Carl Williams, Del Reibold 9A- Rick and Diane Bussard Mark, Kim, Luke and Nathan Jatzak 11:15A - Lee Milne, Claire Keogh 8A Lay Reader - Carol Gates Greeters are listed on the date they signed up to serve		1 11:30A-Staff Lunch 1P-Staff Meeting 6:30P-TLC Bells 7:30P-WT Vocalists	2 10:30A-Bible Study 5:30P-Rooted Meal 6:30P-Rooted 6:30P-Adult Choir 7:30P-College & Career Grp	3 1P-Fifty-Five Plus 6:30P-Basketball	4	5 7A - Men's Early Word 8:30A-WT Instrumentalists 9A-Worship Team 10A-Girls for God
6 - 8, 9 & 11:15-Communion 10:05A-Christian Education 6P-Quest for Sr High 8A - Neal & Ardis VonSeggren 9A- Ryan Sis Family	7 12:30P-Quilters 7P-Communion Worship	8 10:00A-Staff Mtg 6:30P-TLC Bells 7:00P-Council Mtg 7:30P-WT Vocalists	9 10:30A-Bible Study 5:30P-Rooted Meal 6:30P-Rooted 6:30P-Adult Choir 7:30P-College & Career Grp	10 6:30P-Basketball 7P-Stitchers	11 7P-Scrapbooking	12 7A-Men's Early Word 8:30A-WT Instrumentalists 5:30P-Empty Nesters 10A-Girls for God
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CHRISTMAS EVE AT TRINITY

3:00 & 9:00 PM - Church Center
5:00 & 7:00 PM - Family Life Center

CHRISTMAS DAY AT TRINITY

10:00 AM - Church Center



Erik Boye - Senior Pastor
Portia Iverson - Interim Associate Pastor
Sharon Bernady - Resource Coordinator
Sheila Kendall - Christian Education
Matt Pearson - Youth and Family Ministry
Juli Staab - Office Manager
Shelly Surita - Bookkeeper
Gene Walden - Music Minister

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Trinity Lutheran Church is an ever-widening circle in Christ where the Gospel is proclaimed, the Bible is taught, and people gather to worship, serve and glorify God.



Trinity is a place where people are able to establish a solid foundation in Christ upon which faithful and fulfilling lives can be built.



We want to see God move in and through the people of Trinity. Prayer is vital to this. In December pray that:

- God will move in our hearts to be a light in our community.
- God will use this time of Advent to prepare the hearts of our friends, family, coworkers and neighbors to accept our invitation to Christmas worship.
- All of us will desire to grow in our knowledge of Christ through Christian Education at Trinity.

Weekly Publications: All details to be included are due by noon on Tuesdays. **Monthly Newsletter:** All details for the January *Trinitarian* are due at the office by 12/15. **Office Hours:** Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM. The office will be closed December 25. Our staff meets at 10:00 AM on Tuesdays and the phone is answered by a volunteer, and for lunch the first Tuesday of each month. If your call is not answered, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. The general church voicemail is not checked regularly on the weekend so if you have an *emergency* on Saturday or Sunday, please call a staff member listed in the directory and they will relay your message to the appropriate person.