
December 4 – 10, 2011

trinity lutheran church
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

◆NEWS FROM TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH◆

FROM THE VICAR: Once again, the Advent season is upon us. We look forward in anticipation and preparation for the birth of the Christ child in Bethlehem and to Christ's triumphant return on the last day. Advent and Christmas tracts are on the tract rack for you to take, read, and share with others. An important part of our preparation for Christmas is our weekly mid-week Services to be held on Wednesday November 30, December 7, and December 14. Please plan on attending as our Advent series this year is "Wait, Pray, and Live by Faith." A couple of changes that may make it easier for you to attend are that the complimentary dinner will begin at 5:30 PM and the service will begin at 6:30 PM so that people will not get home so late. In addition we are planning on having a staffed nursery for young children. See you at church!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: The Trinity Youth Group is going to be doing some Christmas Caroling to spread the joyous news of our Savior's birth. We will be heading to Athens Regional Hospital, St. Mary's Hospital, and downtown Athens if time permits. Everyone is invited to join us for this event. We will meet at Trinity at 3PM on Sunday December 4 and the first caroling begins at Athens Regional at 3:30. Please see or contact Vicar or Shashana Reinking for more details or to let us know that you want to come.

BE A TRINITY ANGEL: The Preschool and Learning Center directors are looking for Trinity members to serve as **Trinity Angels**. Our teachers need your prayers and support every day, if you would like to be a praying angel for one of our teachers then, choose a teacher's name on the angel tree (in the Gathering Room) and leave your name and contact information. If you are a family or individual who likes to be in the background, remain anonymous, and cares about our early childhood education missions at Trinity, then please, consider becoming a **Trinity Angel**. I will contact you with your angel assignment. For more information you may contact Shannon Veeder at 706-546-8081 or sveeder@trinity-athens.org.

ADULT INSTRUCTION/NEW MEMBER CLASS: The adult instruction/new member class is meeting during the Sunday School Hour in the 5th room of the Trinity Learning Center (Daycare). We have a great group of folks learning about our Lord Jesus Christ and the teachings of the Lutheran Church. Here is the

schedule for the rest of the class: Sunday December 4 – meet at 10 AM; topics: Baptism and the Office of the Keys. Sunday December 11 – meet at 10 AM; topics: The Office of the Keys and Communion AND lunch at noon and spiritual gifts inventory until 2:30 PM in the fellowship hall. Sunday December 18 – meet at 10 AM; topics: Trinity and her ministries; Reception of New Members at 11 AM Service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE: On Sunday, Nov. 20th, 27th, and Dec. 4th the Children involved with the Christmas program will practice during the Sunday school hour. Please make sure your children are present for practice each week if they are going to participate in the program. All Adult classes will be held as normal. Christmas Program Practice will also be held on Saturday, Dec. 10th followed by a “Happy Birthday Jesus” Lunch. On Dec. 18th there will be no children’s Sunday school and on Dec. 25th and January 1st there will be no Sunday school for children or adults.

ADVENT SCHEDULE

MID WEEK ADVENT SERVICES NOV. 30th, DEC. 7th, 14th

5:30 P.M. DINNER HOSTED BY BOARDS

6:30 P.M. MID-WEEK SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

11:00 A.M. SERVICE ON DEC 11th

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON DEC 18th

6:00 & 10:00 P.M. CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

10:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 A.M. NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

✠ **BIRTHDAYS:** 12/05: Sandra Sheridan; 12/09: Roger Nilsen; 12/10: Ian Ensley

PRAYERS

Today in worship we lift up the following people. Please keep them in your prayers too.

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| <p>✠ Pastor Heller, healing</p> <p>✠ Abby Wilson, grand-niece of Al & Judi Krummon, lung cancer</p> <p>✠ Michael & Sandra Hammons, healing</p> <p>✠ Cooper Vaughan, Mary Ann and John Semley's newborn grandson, healing</p> <p>✠ Theresa McLean, friend of Joe D'Errico, lymphoma</p> | <p>✠ Casey Winters, Eric Bunkers brother-in-law, back trouble</p> <p>✠ John Nuss, cardiovascular problems</p> <p>✠ Patti Slavic, recovering from surgery</p> <p>✠ In Thanksgiving, for the birth of Jesse Dawson, Dan & Patsy Aamoth's grandson</p> |
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SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Ian Ensley, US Army; Craig Kriesel, US Marine Corp; Scott Coulter, US Army; Matthew Taylor, US Navy; Frank Gile, US Army. Brent Kickbush, Jr., US Air Force; TJ Lalicki, US Coast Guard

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Worship Services Coffee Fellowship following the services (Nursery provided)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Opening
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Christmas Caroling
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Christmas Party
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Board of Church Property
	6:00 p.m.	Board of Christian Service
Tuesday	10:45 a.m.	Bell Training
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Advent Dinner hosted by BCS
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Service
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Practice
Friday	6:00 p.m.	TLC & TLP Staff Christmas Party
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Christmas Program Practice and Birthday Party for Jesus
	5:30 p.m.	Praise Service w/Meal
Next Sunday:		8:30 a.m. –Worship Service 11:00 a.m. – Sunday School Christmas Program (Nursery provided) 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School Opening

Please contact Church Administrator, Shashana Reinking (706) 546-1280
Ext. 1, for any additions to the church calendar.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

THIS WEEK	SUNDAY	
	<i>8:30 a.m.</i>	<i>11:00 a.m.</i>
PASTOR:	Rev. Gary Dehnke	
ELDERS:	Ron Raschke Kent Erb (cc)	Joe D'Errico Cliff Kachur (cc)
HEAD USHER:	Don Schneider	Dale Willard
USHERS:	1. David Triplett 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.
MUSIC:	Tom Ayer	
ACOLYTES:	Celina Guven	Jonathan Munneke
READERS:	Kristin Schmidt	Connie McAlister
FELLOWSHIP TIME:	Ernie & Esther Sundstrom	Ernie & Esther Sundstrom
SOUND SYSTEM:	Ronnie Johnson	Bob Willard
INTERCESSORY PRAYER (ELDER)	Ron Raschke	Joe D'Errico
INTERCESSORY PRAYER (STEPHEN MINISTER)		
ALTAR GUILD:	Brenda Malueg	
ALTAR FLOWERS:		
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INTERCESSORY PRAYER (S.M.)		
ALTAR GUILD :		
ALTAR FLOWERS:		

FINANCIAL & WORSHIP REPORTS

GENERAL FUND	2011		2010	
	November 27th		November 28th	
SERVICE	<i>Attnd.</i>	<i>Giving</i>	<i>Attnd.</i>	<i>Giving</i>
Sunday 8:30				
Sunday 10:00	196		188	
Sunday 11:00				
TOTALS	196	\$3,410.00	188	\$5,497.00
<i>(Preceding Week)</i>	November 20th		November 21st	
SERVICE	<i>Attnd.</i>	<i>Giving</i>	<i>Attnd.</i>	<i>Giving</i>
Sunday 8:30	56		64	
Sunday 11:00	111		114	
TOTALS	167	\$3,803.00	178	\$5,480.00

Simply Giving for Month \$10,205.00

October		
	Month	Y-T-D
Contributions	\$ 34,162	\$ 351,709
TLC Full Time	\$ 42,676	\$ 441,674
TLC Preschool	\$ 5,472	\$ 43,519
TOTAL	\$ 82,310	\$ 836,902
EXPENSES	\$ 73,090	\$ 853,568
BALANCE	\$ 9,220	\$ (16,666)