

TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS and NOTES

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY December 10 – 17, 2023

SUNDAY	9:00am	Live Stream Traditional Worship [Facebook]
	9:00am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion [Sanctuary]
	9:00am	Christ's Kids Sunday School
	Between Services	Coffee Hour sponsored by Board of Parish Ministry [Café, MPR]
	10:00am	Comfort Dog Ministry Cookie Walk and Craft Sale [MPR]
	10:45am	Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion [Sanctuary]
	11:45am	Greening of the Church
MONDAY	6:30pm	Church Council Meeting [Stammel Center]
TUESDAY	3:00pm	Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study [Stammel Center]
	7:00pm	Tuesday Evening Ladies Bible Study [Zoom]
	7:00pm	TLS K-Grade 8 Christmas Concert [Gym]
WEDNESDAY	9:30am	Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study [Stammel Center]
	10:00am	Ladies Fellowship Group [YSR]
	7:00pm	Advent Bible Study [Facebook and Zoom]
	7:00pm	Praise Band Rehearsal [MPR]
THURSDAY	7:00pm	Confirmation Classes - Grades 6,7,8
	8:00pm	Trinity Choir Rehearsal [CMR]
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY		
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2023-2024 Ministry Support Goal: \$9,230.00 per week

Sunday – December 3	9:00am	Online Attendance: 20	December 3 Offerings: \$10,552.00
	9:00am	In Person Attendance: 76	Sunday School: 13
	10:45am	Attendance: 18	

A note about online attendance: These numbers reflect how many connections are made to the Facebook live stream so the actual number of people watching live is greater than what you see here. There are multiple people and families watching together from one device. The numbers are also increased after the stream is over and people are watching it from the saved video on Trinity's Facebook page and website. The far-reaching impact is great! Thanks be to God!

GIFTS and MEMORIALS

Gifts and memorials have been given for the glory of God to Trinity Lutheran Church to the Trinity Choir Fund in loving memory of Deborah Crawford by Kathleen Krass; to the Doris Mill Memorial Fund in loving memory of her sister Doris Mill by Kathleen Krass.

PASTORAL EMERGENCY CONTACT In the event you or your family would need to reach a pastor during Trinity's off hours, please use the following number, for true emergencies, and you are unable to reach anyone in the office. The number to call is 516-931-7147.

INSPIRATION FOR OUTREACH

Mark 1:1-8: An elderly man had been fitted with a hearing aid and returned to his doctor's office a week later for a checkup. "How do you like your new hearing aid?" the doctor asked. "Just fine," the man replied. "How does your family like it?" inquired the doctor. "Oh, I haven't told them yet," the man answered, "but I have changed my will three times already." How's your hearing? If we are hearing God's Word, well...it may not be just our will that we change, but our entire lives. God's voice was proclaimed loud and clear through the voice of Isaiah, Peter, and John the Baptist, who all speak the Law and Gospel calling for us to repent of our sin, to be forgiven, and to walk the way of God. By the grace of God, your hearing has changed your life! Ask someone, "How's your hearing?" and tell them what a difference hearing the Word of God has made for you!

INSPIRATION FOR STEWARDSHIP

2 Peter 3:11 *"Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness?"* All the things of the earth have an expiration date: "Good until the last day." On that day, all these things will be dissolved. The things that seem so important now will simply cease to be. Peter issues this to us as a challenge: Since this is so, what kind of life should we be living? What should your priorities be? On things? Or on the things of God?

ADVENT DEVOTIONS 2023 A printed Advent devotional booklet is available for the Trinity family located at the church entrances. In addition, the devotions are posted on our website and daily on our Facebook page. The devotions are from Lutheran Hour Ministries and they will cover the First Sunday in Advent through Epiphany.

POINSETTIA ORDERS If you wish to sponsor one or more poinsettias to beautify our Sanctuary in celebration of the birth of our Lord, please fill out a memorial envelope, enclose payment and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Or you can email the church office at kmerz@trinityhicksville.org and then PushPay or mail your payment to Trinity. Price for each potted poinsettia is \$20.00 and the deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 17.

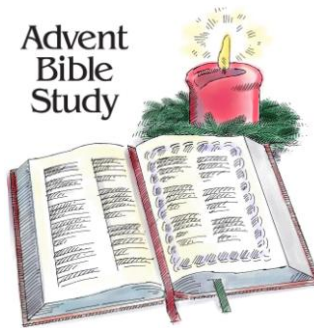
CALLING ALL TRINITY YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADUATES! On Sunday, December 17 the children will be singing a very simple Christmas preparation song at the 9:00am service. We would love to include our middle school graduates. This simple song can be easily learned by attending short rehearsal times, either at 10:10am this Sunday and next or right after the 9:00am service, meeting at the teacher's lounge. We miss you and would love to include you in welcoming Jesus!

LWML UPDATE Our prayers are needed for Helen for a speedy recovery from her fall last week. She is in good spirits but will need some time for full recovery. Until otherwise notified, we will still have our December 18 meeting. The LWML will be collecting items for the Blessing Box as well as having a small Christmas celebration during our meeting. Non-perishable foods, paper goods, and toiletries please. So pick up an extra item or two as you go about your shopping. Just as a heads up for our January meeting, we will be collecting layette items for Uniondale and Appalachia.

THOSE SERVING THE LORD and TRINITY TODAY

Preacher Pastor David Wackenhuth, Regional Vice-President, LCMS-Atlantic District
Organist Henry DeVries

	Deacon/Assist. Minister	Readers	Acolytes
9:00am	Lynn Waldeck	Lynn Waldeck	Ella De Castri Sonia Montanez
10:45am	John Doughty, Assist. Minister	John Mohlin	Gavin D'Amato



Advent 2023 Bible Study
“Keeping Christ in Advent”
via Zoom and Facebook Live

December 6, 13, 20 at 7:00pm

(Facebook link and Zoom info will be emailed each Wednesday morning)



**It's time to decorate the church
for Christmas!**

TODAY! Sunday, December 10
following the 10:45 service

Families are welcome!
Children are welcome!

It will be a great time of fellowship as we
prepare to celebrate the birth of our
Savior in this festive and enjoyable
activity.

Please join us!



**Abraham and Beloved Comfort Dogs
invite you to**

A Christmas Cookie Walk and Craft Sale

A Comfort Dog Ministry Fundraiser!



Trinity Lutheran Church and School

**Sunday, December 10, 2023
10:00am – 12:00pm**



**Fancy Christmas
Cookies and Candies**

Wreaths, Homemade Decorations and much more!

Leave your holiday baking to us!
Many different varieties of delicious
homemade cookies and candies
to choose from for only \$10.00/pound!

