

# NOVEMBER 2021

## Birthdays

- 1- Melba Muhlenbruch  
Jodi Patton  
Kari Behn
- 2- Hudson Hansen
- 3- James Showalter
- 4- Rozann Herwig  
Henry Subbert
- 6- Drew Abbas
- 7- Cliff Berghoefer  
Audrey Brooks  
Mandie Pigman
- 8- Jamie Fink  
James Meyer  
Rev. Joseph Bangert
- 14- Jim Stahl  
Pam Hansen
- 15- Chris Oehlert
- 16- Justin Behn
- 17- Traci Kloetzer  
Adam Akers
- 18- Lester Schnabel  
Elaine Meyer
- 21- Marvin O. Rodemeyer
- 23- Dorothy Brinkley
- 25- Ruth Long
- 26- JoEllen Arends  
Keith Freie
- 27- Beverly Stratmann
- 28- Carol Schnabel



## Anniversaries



- 1- Robert & Traci Kloetzer
- 14- Evan & Cary Treanor
- 19- Kevin & Stephanie Behn
- 20- Mitch & Deb Vanness
- 21- Drew & Emily Abbas  
Matt & Kristy Abbas
- 22- Gareld & Lois Johnson
- 26- Rev. Cory & Tori Kroonblawd
- 28- Randy & Nicole Pock



## Ushers

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| Gene Miller, Chairman | Casey Heilskov |
| Matt Abbas            | Justin Schabel |
| Phil Hauser           |                |

## Greeters

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| Matt & Kristy Abbas | Gerry & Sarah Heilskov |
| Cheryl Barrick      | Randy & Lucy Oehlert   |
| Rory & Teri Fender  |                        |

## Acolytes

- 7- Benjamin Harvey
- 14- Caiden Heilskov
- 21- Lily Pigman
- 25 (Thanksgiving)- Parker Haller
- 28- Madison Heilskov

## Special Services

Harvest Festival Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

Thanksgiving Day Worship Service  
9:00 AM November 25<sup>th</sup>



Please do not hesitate to call the church office if you would like to receive individual or small group communion during this time.

## LWML NEWS



November mission:

LWML Mites

Esther Circle is Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Devotion/Bible Study: Beth Fink

Hostess: Karen McVicker

Trinity's LWML News:

Our special "muffins for mites" LWML Sunday quarterly offering yielded \$1,715.00 towards mites. Thank you to all who contributed to help missions sponsored by the LWML.

The Trinity Ladies Society sign-up book for 2022 will be out on the table in the entryway. Workgroups have been established, but please sign up for committees, devotions and hostess opportunities for the general meeting and Esther Circle meetings. Thank you!

The love offering envelopes will be in your mailboxes in late November. Please return these to Dorothy Brinkley or the church office in December.

LWML Zone News:

The Eldora Zone Fall Rally was attended by 29 LWML ladies and 2 Pastors and our own Vicar Brooks at Immanuel in Iowa Falls on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vicar Brooks gave the opening devotion and District President, Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders spoke about being "Joyfully Lutheran". \$830 was raised for the ingathering mission, Orphan Grain Train. Trinity reported 12 lap robes, 2 bags of clothing and 14 quilts taken to Orphan Grain Train in August for this past reporting period.

We still need to provide a volunteer to be on the Zone Christian Life committee. Please let me know if you would be willing to serve.

In Christ,

Stephanie Behn, President



Advent and Christmas are around the corner. Information for ordering Poinsettias for the season will be in a bulletin soon 😊.

The 2022 Lutheran Hour and Trinity's Worship Broadcast Sponsor Sheets are out on the Narthex table. Please sign up for your special Sunday if you are interested.

### Love Thy Neighborhood...

This is a new booklet that highlights the Biblical theme of God's people caring for and helping their neighbors in the communities where they live. This is done with Christ-centered service, a loving witness, and showing a genuine, non-partial concern for those in one's neighborhood.

Project Connect booklets are designed to meet the needs of today's adults and families. Each booklet covers real-life issues written from a Christian perspective.

Please see these and other project connect booklets on the display rack in the Narthex. These are provided by our Evangelism Committee.



Remember our shut-ins with your prayers...

\*Country View Nursing Facility:

Mavis Claypool, Jennie Dellinger,  
Lillian Green, Wendell Schmitt,  
Bob Heilskov, Ruth Long, Melba  
Muhlenbruch

\*Apple Valley Assisted Living:

Donna Helmke, Dixie Schmitt, Lois Stratmann

\*Rehabilitation Center of Hampton: Daisy Bentrott,

Jamie Fink, Tillie Nelsen

\*Leahy Grove Assisted Living: Mildred Pingel

\*Keelson Harbour, Spirit Lake: Betty Fink

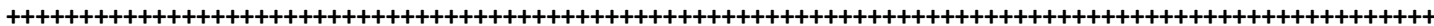


# WHOLLY SMOKE BBQ

## WHOLLY SMOKE BBQ (OUR OWN ROB DIETZ 😊)

will be catering our Harvest Festival on November 21<sup>st</sup>!

Please join us for worship that morning and then enjoy a meal in the fellowship hall. It will be so good to visit and enjoy our harvest meal together again! (take out will be available)



**Rejoice This Christmas in the *Child of Promise*** - Beginning Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, we will enter the season of Advent. The Evangelism Committee will once again broadcast Advent devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries over KLMJ radio daily at 7:30 AM. As you prepare to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, we hope you enjoy listening to this devotional series titled *Child of Promise*.

Copies of these Advent devotions will be available on the table by the church office.

You can also receive these Advent devotions via e-mail by going to [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org) and signing up to receive daily devotions.

Greetings Trinity Lutheran Church Family!

Harvest season is in full swing, the fall colors are peaking, Reformation Sunday has come and gone, Thanksgiving Day is just around the corner, and deer hunting begins next month! I am constantly being reminded just how grateful I am right now when I see all of God's glory visible in His creation. I'm sure you are too.

I am so very grateful for my wonderful wife, and lovely daughters. I am truly blessed to have them, and they are so supportive of me. Some of the other things I'm thankful for stem from God placing me here as a Vicar at Trinity Lutheran Church.

I'm grateful for a good supervisor in Pastor Bollhagen, and that all of you are a part of my training and formation for the pastoral office. I'm grateful that we have such a wonderful Church secretary, and that all of you received me and my family so lovingly (and continue to do so). I'm grateful for a nice house to stay in, which has become home to my family and I (for the time being). I'm grateful for new friendships and the meaningful relationships that we are developing together.

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

So many good things are happening here at Trinity Lutheran Church right now, so we have a lot of reason to give thanks to God. He daily and richly provides for all our needs. Our Worship Service attendance is up, Sunday School and Confirmation Class attendance is up, and so is Sunday Adult Bible Study and Monday Morning Bible Study. Our Harvest Festival is coming up, here on the 21<sup>st</sup>.



St. Paul talks about how the Church, as the body of Christ is *called* to be together. God brought us all together intentionally. For that, we should be thankful; that we have each other and can build each other up as brothers and sisters in Christ.

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful (Colossians 3:15).

Being able to gather in person, *in peace*, to worship God as the body of Christ is one of our greatest blessings right now. Even if we cannot think of anything else to give thanks for, we have that. The peace we have with God is in Christ, who gave His own body on the cross, to pay for our sins by His blood. He satisfied God's wrath by His suffering and death, so we don't have to.

I've been teaching the kids here in Sunday School and Confirmation Class, how to pray. Maybe this will help you too. Of course, we always have the Lord's Prayer, taught by our Lord Jesus Himself in Matthew Chapter 6. Saint Paul also reminds us we should "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). We can also use the acronym A.C.T.S. to remember what else we can pray for:

A – Adoration  
C – Confession  
T – Thanksgiving  
S – Supplication

Adoration is adoring God for His power, wisdom, strength, faithfulness, mercy, and graciousness. Confession is bringing our sins to the foot of the cross in repentance, asking God for the forgiveness bought by the blood of His Son Jesus, and turning from our sinful ways back to Christ. Thanksgiving is not just a holiday; it's thanking God for all that He gives to support our needs in this body and life. Supplication is asking God for our daily bread, and trusting that His will be done, and that as the one who knit us together in our mother's womb, He knows what's best for us and will continue to take care of us.

As Thanksgiving Day draws near, remember all that God blessed us with, especially in sending us His Son Jesus, and the identity He gives us in Christ. But also remember all the other blessings He gives us in all our *daily bread*, and we can remind each other, and our neighbors as well.

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! (Psalm 105:1).

A couple of prayers that begin with giving thanks to God, *gifts from the Reformation*, are Luther's morning and evening prayers:

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings in life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (Luther's Morning Prayer, LSC. LSB Page 287 from *Responsive Prayer 2*).

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (Luther's Evening Prayer, LSC. LSB Page 287 from *Responsive Prayer 2*).

Prayer is the communication part of our relationship with God. We are so blessed that He encourages us to communicate with Him directly, about everything and anything. After all, isn't communication one of the most important parts of a relationship?

May the Lord continue to richly bless us by His Word and the wonderful people He has placed in our lives. May we also always remember to give Him thanks, honor, and praise!

In Christ,

Vicar Micah J. Brooks, Trinity Lutheran Church