# November 2021

Elder: Denny Peters

Altar Guild: Kay Borchers & Ruth Benda

Stewardship: Ashley Bultman



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# ALL SAINTS DAY, 2021 A CELEBRATION OF CHRIST'S VICTORY OVER DEATH

WE REMEMBER...

DUANE MEETHER JANUARY 2, 2021

LYDIA ANDERSON JANUARY 16, 2021

OINA VANDER FEEN March 9, 2021

> STACI BIRMES APRIL 8, 2021

DALE BOERMA
JUNE 14, 2021



# November at Trinity



Trinity Social Club meets the first Wednesday morning of each month at 9:30 -11 am. We meet for fellowship and a short devotion. Our next "Girls Outing" is a crafting afternoon on Saturday, November 6 at 1 pm.



## Family Group

Family Group will have a Date Night for couples on Friday , November 19. Meet in the church parking lot at 6 pm.

# Veterans Day

Veterans Day is November 11. We would like to take this opportunity to honor and thank all our Veterans for their sacrifice and service. Thank you!





# Hymn of the Month

"Come Ye Thankful People Come" LSB 892

This hymn is often associated with harvest time and thanksgiving. But the theme also fits the last Sundays of the Church Year. It paraphrases the parable of the of the weeds in Matthew 24. That is a parable of judgment. The joy of our Christian faith is our confidence rests in Jesus' promise that we are His and that He is coming soon to save us! The tune is called St. George's Windsor, which is the Queen of England's chapel at Windsor Castle. George Elvey was organist there in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.

## Giving

You support and take care of the things you love. There's so much to love about what the Lord is doing at Trinity. In these last months of 2021 help us complete our budget by adding an extra \$5, 10, 20 or more dollars to giving. This ensures we can keep doing the things the Lord has given us to do here. And it takes all of us! Please help out as you are able.



# Be in the Word-Bible Studies

Wednesdays at 7 pm

**Bible Class** 

<u>Cults.</u> Discover why some denominations that seem Christian, really aren't. Everyone is welcome to attend!

## Sundays at 9:15 am Adult Sunday School

This Fall we will be doing Sunday School lessons together as a congregation. The Adult Bible Class will study the same lessons that the Sunday School students cover each week. Please join us! There's coffee!

# News from the Pews

We are trying a NEW section for our newsletter called "News from the Pews". We want to include your family news like births, adoptions, baptisms, engagements, marriages, milestone birthdays, deaths, milestone anniversaries, cards of thanks, events, celebrations, card showers, open houses, new address, getting home from the hospital, etc.



Asher Jay Schelling was baptized on Saturday, October 23rd here at Trinity. Parents are Trevor and Kendra Schelling. Asher's sponsor is Chris Schmidt. Welcome to the family of God, Asher!





Dan & Peggy Christensen invite you to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary at an Open House on Sunday, November 14, 12 pm-2 pm, here at Trinity. The couple requests no gifts, only the honor of

Happy Anniversary, Dan and Peggy!

Thank you to everybody for all the prayers, cards, and food that was brought in while I was in the hospital. Special thanks to Pastor Lowe for all his visits, calls and prayers. It was all greatly appreciated!

your presence.





"Main Street Living" and "This Is the Life" programming information for ovember, 2021

#### November 7

This is the Life – "The Deadly Pen" – A businessman struggles with the quilt of another man's death.

Worship Service – Rev. Paul Ferderer of Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Lake City, IA, delivers the message.

#### November 14

This is the Life – "Transition" – A young boy reacts to the reality of the divorce of his parents and the new reality he now faces. Worship Service – Rev. Robert Mayes of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Beemer, NE, and Zion St. John Lutheran Church in Wisner, NE, delivers the message "Let Us Not Be Distracted" based on Hebrews 10:11-25.

#### November 21

This is the Life – "Senior Citizen" – A man struggles with purpose and a place in life after retirement.

Worship Service – Rev. Jeffery Warner of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Laurel, NE, delivers the message "Stay Awake" based on Mark 13:24-37.

#### November 28

This is the Life – "The Gift" – A daughter struggles with what to do with birthday gift money.

Worship Service – Rev. Jason Letsche of First Lutheran Church in Kingsley, IA, delivers the message "Reviving His Tree" based on Jeremiah 33:14-16.

Additional information is available on the web site: <a href="https://www.mainstreetliving.com">www.mainstreetliving.com</a>.



#### Blessed to Be a Blessing

May we during this Thanksgiving season be mindful of all the wonderful and amazing blessings that come from God. Because God gives, we receive, and then we can give. Interestingly, in giving, we receive even more. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

God is a loving and giving God. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). Through His Word and Sacraments, God provides:

- His grace that gives us this life and life eternal.
- His love that didn't spare His only Son.
- His forgiveness.

His victory over sin and death.

In spite of our unworthiness and our sinful ways, God blesses us physically and spiritually. He promises never to leave us or forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). God promises that, when we draw near to Him, He will draw near to us (James 4:8). He loves us unconditionally. God gives and keeps on giving. Because Jesus gives us His love, grace, and goodness, we are enabled to be loving and giving people. "We love because He first loved us" (1 John 4:19). All love comes from God. We are enabled to love only because we have received His love.

God's Word clearly directs us to use the blessings we receive from Him to bless others. We are blessed to be a blessing. In Christ's name, we are to clothe the naked, feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, and help the sick (Matthew 25:35-36). God blesses us not only to take care of our needs; He blesses us so that we can use what we receive to bless others. Paul wrote "So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:10). Paul's words to the church in Corinth and to us. "You will be made rich in every to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God" (2 Corinthians 9:11).

The wonderful thing is that, as God blesses us to bless others, we are blessed again. When we give faithfully and generously, we will hear God's words, "Well done, good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21). As people who are a blessing to others, we will enjoy intimate fellowship with our Father and His Son, Jesus. Is there any greater blessing than this?

#### From Pastor's Desk

The days are getting shorter, the world is darker. The leaves are falling, the corn harvest-ed. The cold wind is blowing, winter is coming. The Church reflects the reality of the season as the Sunday scripture readings center our focus on the end of the world, the judgment, and Christ's return. When tend to mask these realities with early Christmas decorating, lights and tinsel and lots of eating, but we who have ears to hear should listen.

Christ prepares us daily for the end. We begin our work with rest. Every night we go to bed preparing for the end. It's not very comforting to think of sleep as preparing to die, but if you like to sleep or you know how important it is, then maybe you can see what a gracious thing it is that the Lord prepares us to sleep in death in the same way we prepare and sleep at night. Death is eternal sleep. Jesus refers to death continually in the Gospels as "sleeping" (Matthew 9:24). Paul calls death sleep in the great chapter on the resurrection in 1 Corinthians 15:51. The hymnody of the Church speaks this way in many of the evening hymns. Teach me to live that I may dread; The grave as little as my bed. Teach me to die that so I may Rise glorious at the awe-full day. (LSB 883, Thomas Ken). Our Lord invites us to see our end only as going to sleep and waking up.

Our faith holds the Lord's promise as reality. Unless Christ returns, we will fall asleep in death, but we will rise. <sup>13</sup> But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup> For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

Encourage one another with these words! I find this season of the church full of great comfort and hope, and even excitement! We are always waiting for the day of Christ's return! We are waiting with to see Him as He is and to "know the splendor of the eternal God." The cry for Jesus to come is our daily prayer. It is our prayer at meals-"Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest..." And our prayer "Deliver us from evil..." And He is coming. He is coming soon. His coming is not to be dreaded but anticipated with excitement and joy! It's all about Jesus! With Him we are safe and secure and whole and right- with Him we are ourselves and at home. In Him the light shines... even in these dark days and themes. ESV John 1:5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. Christ is risen! Christ is coming!

And in the meantime, pray and memorize this verse: ESV **Psalm 4:8** In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.



- 2 Marcella Brandhagen, Helen Kool
- 3 Rick Boyer, Michael Van Ballegooyen
- 4 Derek Benda
- 5 Amanda Mace, Carolyn Puhl
- 7 Emma Pulfrey, Dylan Stevens, Amy Topete
- 11 Shelly Reece
- 13 Julie Kool
- 14 Gloria Finch
- 17 Holly Breugem
- 18 Karina Pulfrey
- 19 Tristen Miller, Brinlee Ver Mulm
- 20 Cassie Lachman
- 21 Terry Zierke
- 22 Kendra Schelling
- 23 Jim McKee
- 24 Janissa Baas, Joshua Lowe
- 25 Audree Olson
- 26 Kelcie Wakeman
- 27 Kurt Bultman, John Jacobs
- 28 Stan Hendricks



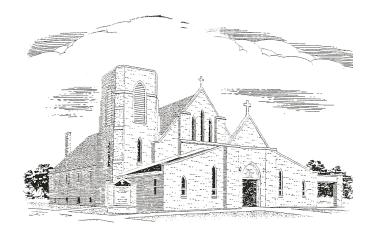
## November Anniversaries

12 Derek & Mandie Allen (8 yrs)

24 Dallas & Ardis Huebner (59 yrs)

# Read the Bible in one year by reading the following passages this month...

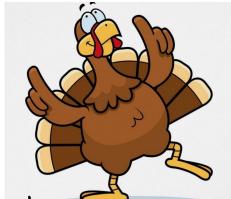
1. Exodus 15:1-18	Hosea 8-10
2. Psalm 122	Hosea 11-14
3. Psalm 123	Joel
4. Psalm 124	Amos 1-5
5. Psalm 125	Amos 6-9
6. Psalm 126	Obadiah, Jonah
7. Psalm 127	Micah 1-3
8. Psalm 128	Micah 4-7
9. Psalm 129	Nahum
10.Psalm 130	Habakkuk
11.Psalm 131	Zephaniah
12.Psalm 132	Haggai
13.Psalm 133	Zechariah 1-5
14.Psalm 134	Zechariah 6-10
15.Psalm 135	Zechariah 11-14
16.Psalm 136	Malachi
17.Psalm 137	Matthew 1-2
18.Psalm 138	Matthew 3-4
19.Psalm 139	Matthew 5-6
20.Psalm 140	Matthew 7-8
21.Psalm 141	Matthew 9-10
22.Psalm 142	Matthew 11-12
23.Psalm 143	Matthew 13-14
24.Psalm 144	Matthew 15-16
25.Psalm 145	Matthew 17-18
26.Psalm 146	Matthew 19-20
27.Psalm 147	Matthew 21-22
28.Psalm 148	Matthew 23-24
29.Psalm 149-150	Matthew 25-26
30.Exodus 15:1-18	Matthew 27-28



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