## November 2025

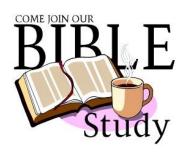
**Elder: Denny Peters** 

Altar Guild: Kay Borchers, Ruth Benda

Stewardship: Sharilyn Buryanek



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nominating Committee meets after worship each Sunday in November until the ballot is filled.						1 6 pm Worship*
2 See Every Sunday 2 11:30 am Church Council Usher Team: Denny Peters Greeters: Brenda Watkins Acolyte: Kezden, Zander Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Tom Murren Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	3	4 Circuit Pastors Meeting	5 5:15 pm Cat. supper 5:45 pm Catechism	6 10 AM Bible Study	7	8 6 pm Worship
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Wednesday Bible Study has **MOVED** to **Thursdays at 10 am**.

We are studying the book of Revelation.

Sunday Bible Study is at 9:15 am, and we are in the book of Romans.

### high school youth bible study will not be meeting in November.





**ELDERS** meet at 8:30 am on Sunday, November 16th.

**LWML** will meet on Monday, November 17 at 7 pm.





**Sunday School** kids will be singing during worship on Sunday, November 9th.

**5**<sup>th</sup> **Sunday Communion** The Elders have voted to have communion at the altar again. People can kneel or stand. Those who can't make it up the steps will receive communion in the pew. This will only be done on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays. The next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is November 30.





# Celebrating Baptisms at Trinity!

Mark Harlan Kleihauer was baptized on September 27, 2025. He is the son of Kevin and Emily Kleihauer, and grandson of Mary Kleihauer. His sponsors were James and Holly Teske. Welcome to the family of God, Mark!







Hazel Mae Clarey was baptized on September 28, 2025. She is the daughter of Cole and Katie Clarey. Her sponsors were Ryan and Molly Molencamp. Hazel's grandparents are Jerry and Sharon Wakeman, and her greatgrandmother is Janet Wakeman. Welcome to the family of God, Hazel!

#### **Showing our Gratitude**

God gives us His love, goodness, and mercy daily. He has given us victory over sin and death through His Son. Christ has given us the blessings of forgiveness of sins, justification, a new life, and an eternal hope. Because of His bountiful blessings, we should be compelled to show our gratitude. Do we? Could we, at times, be taking all that we receive for granted?

If Christ were to come into our homes in physical form, certainly we would express our thanks in tangible ways. Before He arrived, we would clean our homes thoroughly, and, when He arrived, we would make Him comfortable, run errands for Him, offer Him our best food, and give Him our time and attention. Since we don't have that opportunity, we show our gratitude in other ways.

One way that we express our gratitude is to give thanks throughout the day. When we see life and its blessings as gifts, we are prepared to offer our thanks. Our thanksgiving is demonstrated when we use the faith God has given us to live in obedience to His Word. God hears and sees our gratitude through the lives we live. When we generously share our time and money with others in Christian love, we show our thanksgiving for our gifts. Our giving reflects Christ's love in us. We express our thanks to our heavenly Father when we joyfully receive His gifts in private and corporate worship.

As stewards, we find that gratitude to God opens our hearts to receive more of God's love which enables us, in turn, to be more faithful with our time, talents, and treasures. In response to God's love, grace, and mercy, we give ourselves and our resources. When we acknowledge God as our creator and redeemer, Who is the core for everything good in our lives, we will serve the Lord faithfully out of gratitude for all His amazing blessings and gifts to us. Our gratefulness to God will enable us to experience joy in Him even during bad times because God promises to comfort and sustain us in all things. When we know that heaven awaits us, in Jesus, it changes the way we look at life here and now.

Through the eyes of faith, we understand that being thankful to God is the key to living life.



Trinity would like to thank the following people for donations made to our church!

**Logan & Maddie Vlotho** for the changing table in the family room.

**Doug & Breanne Noble** for the crib in the family room.

Bill & Sharilyn Buryanek for the rocking chair in the family room.

**Roger & Audree Olson** for the table and chairs in the pie room.





#### **MEALS NEEDED**

Please sign up to help supply meals for the Catechism classes each Wednesday. Food or monetary donations accepted. Use Meal Train online at

https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/q2v7rr...

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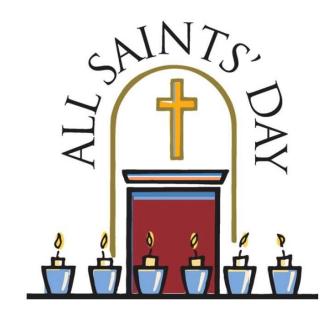
#### **NOVEMBER NOMINATIONS**

The nominating committee consists of all the Trustees and Elders whose terms do NOT expire this year. This year's nominating committee will be: Brett Anderson, Rick Boyer, Ryan Noble, Mike Bockelman, Jon Burt, and Justin DeBruin. The nominating Committee will meet after worship starting Sunday, November 2.

If you are contacted and asked to serve an office within Trinity, please prayerfully consider it.

Every office is a two year term, except the Elders, which is a 3 year term.

And just a reminder: according to the church's constitution, if any voting member has been absent for 4 quarterly voters meetings, their name is removed from the voter's list. They will be reinstated by attending voter's meetings once again, and signing in. They will not be able to vote at that first meeting, but will need to wait until the next quarterly meeting to vote again.



Saturday, November 1, 2025

On All Saints Day we name and remember...

Gloria Green 11-10-2024

Merry Landenberger 12-7-2024

Angela Hoff 4-4-2025

Janice Daggett 5-3-2025

Giving thanks to God for their lives, faith, and the promise of the resurrection of the body and the life of the world to come in-Jesus Christ.



Can you smell it? Turkey or ham cooking... pies made... potatoes boiling.. table set. On the TV the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and next the big game. Memories like this fill our minds in November. It doesn't matter if they are real or not. It doesn't matter if we will actually have a Thanksgiving like this or not. The food, the smells, the gatherings... all of them point to something more- gratitude.

What are you thankful for? It's important to not only reflect on this question, but also to say what you're thankful for out loud. Our family often does this at meal times. Christians are thankful people and, regardless of the day or month, we celebrate thanksgiving. The very life of a Christian is embodied in gratitude.

What are you thankful for? We give thanks for a good harvest, fine food, family, togetherness, and national holidays. We also give thanks for daily bread- everyday gifts from God to you- food, clothing, homes, parents, family, schools, teachers, safe communities, employment, retirement, friends, and opportunities for fun. We also give thanks when we survive periods of suffering, sickness, and grief.

How can we do this? It all comes down to faith in our Father. Deuteronomy 10:<sup>14</sup>Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. <sup>15</sup>Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. He not only is Lord of the earth, He's our God. He chose us as His own. As the catechism says: He richly and daily provides me with all I need to support my body and life.

Of course, His greatest gift is sending Jesus to be our savior from sin and death. That gift is a gift that requires and provides eternal thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is what Christians do every day, year-round. Count your blessings, as the old hymn says, count them one by one. And say them out loud daily. Do it at meal times, in quiet contemplation, and, even, randomly out loud. Be the thankful people of God, He makes you to be.

<sup>ESV</sup> **1 Thessalonians 5:18** give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

#### Happy November Birthdays!

- 3 Rick Boyer, Michael Van Ballegooyen
- 5 Carolyn Puhl
- 7 Emma Pulfrey, Dylan Stevens, Amy Topete
- 14 Gloria Finch
- 15 Lincoln Noble
- 17 Kaci Anderson, Holly Breugem
- 18 Karina Pulfrey
- 19 Tristen Miller, Brinlee Ver Mulm
- 20 Cassie Lachman
- 22 Kendra Schelling
- 24 Janissa Baas, Joshua Lowe
- 25 Dillon McKee, Audree Olson, Alyssa Peterson
- 26 Kelcie Wakeman
- 27 Kurt Bultman, John Jacobs
- 28 Stan Hendricks



#### Happy November Anniversaries!

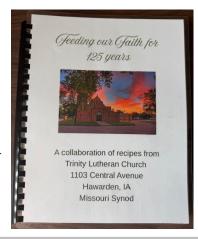
- 12 Derek & Mandie Allen 12 yrs
- 24 Dallas & Ardis Huebner 63 yrs



## Stick a fork in it! Cookbooks are done!

Cookbooks are ready for pick-up! If you order them, they are ready!

See Heather Schurman after church in the narthex OR stop by the church to pick up from Lycia any morning Monday-Thursday.





Thank you to the members who hosted the Concordia Men's Choir in their homes, so they could sing here on Reformation Sunday! You are appreciated!

Thanksgiving Worship will be Sunday, November 23rd. Pastor and family will be visiting their families over Thanksgiving.



WE PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW, AND WE LIVE OUR LIVES IN GRATITUDE FOR HIS GENEROSITY AND GOODNESS.

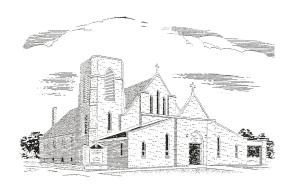
"O give thanks to the LORD, for He is



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**Give thanks** to **the Lord**, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Psalm 136:1



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