

Trinity Lutheran Church

The Sunday News

December 9, 2018



Second Sunday of Advent

Today in Worship: Esther

Prayer of the Day:

L: God of justice, you sent your servant Esther into a life of privilege so that those without would be taken care of. In our privilege, show us how to advocate for those who have less, so that your world might be peaceful and just. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. C: Amen



Today in Education:



- ◆ STS 9:45am in Room 209
4-week Advent Study
- ◆ Coffee Talk 9:45am in the Library
Q & A Forum
- ◆ ROC (*Raised on Christ*) 9:45am
(Age 2 through 12th grade)
- ◆ 11:00am Bible Study in Room 209 -
Studying the Book of Acts
(No Class Dec. 16th)

Visitor Information:

We are delighted to have you join in worship with us today! Please help us to become acquainted by signing the attendance form at either end of the pew and supply as much information as you feel comfortable giving.

Welcome to the Lord's Table:

All are invited to the table to share in Holy Communion.

Children Welcome in Worship:

Children are a welcome part of our community and invited to attend the entire service. However, if you feel your child needs a break, there is a "Childs Room" to the immediate right leaving the sanctuary.

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Contemporary Services, Order of Worship

8:30am & 11:30am (Liturgy and Songs Projected)

- ◆ Announcements
- ◆ Confession
- ◆ *Advent Kyrie / O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 1)*
- ◆ *Wreath Lighting / O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 2)*
- ◆ Hymn of Praise - *Shine, Light of the World*
- ◆ Prayer of the Day
- ◆ Lesson: Esther 4:1-4
- ◆ Children's Sermon with J. J. (*All children are invited up front*)
- ◆ Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16
- ◆ Sermon
- ◆ Response/Creed/Prayers/Peace
- ◆ Offering - *Respond with Love*
- ◆ Words of Institution/Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Communion - *Jesus be the Centre*
- ◆ Prayers/Blessing Benediction
- ◆ Closing Hymn - *Canticle of the Turning*

Traditional Service, Order of Worship

9:45am Traditional Liturgy is in the LBW (Setting 1)

- ◆ Prelude - *Sleepers, Wake, A Voice is Calling*.....Bach
- ◆ Announcements
- ◆ Confession.....p. 57
- ◆ Hymn: Fling Wide the Door LBW #32
- ◆ Lighting of the Advent Wreath (*Projected or See Insert in Pew*)
- ◆ Prayer of the Day
- ◆ Lesson: Esther 4:1-4
- ◆ Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16
- ◆ Sermon
- ◆ Hymn - *I Wonder As I Wonder*.....WOV #642
- ◆ The Creed/The Prayer/ The Peace.....p. 65
- ◆ Offertory Music - *O Come to My Heart (Chancel Choir)*.....Rouse
- ◆ Offertory Response.....p. 66
- ◆ The Great Thanksgiving.....p. 68
- ◆ Lamb of God.....p. 72
- ◆ Communion Music - *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*
Traditional German
- ◆ *Post communion Canticle*.....p. 73
- ◆ Blessing Benediction
- ◆ Hymn - *Prepare the Royal Highway*.....LBW #26
- ◆ Postlude - *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*.....Pachelbel

Preaching Text: Esther 4:1-4

When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes, and went through the city, wailing with a loud and bitter cry; he went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one might enter the king's gate clothed with sackcloth. In every province, wherever the king's command and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and most of them lay in sackcloth and ashes.

When Esther's maids and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed; she sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth; but he would not accept them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Christmas Worship Schedule:

Dec. 16th: Normal schedule for 8:30am & 9:45am; ROC will be held.
Cantata will be at 11:00am worship ONLY; No reception.

Dec 23rd: Normal schedule for worship and education classes.

Dec 24th: 3:00pm-Communion service for adults;
5:30pm-Designed for families with young children;
7:00pm-Candlelight service with communion featuring children's sermon and singing of carols;
9:00pm-Candlelight service with holy communion;
11:00pm-Midnight Christmas Eve Candlelight with holy communion.

Dec 30th: 10:00am worship ONLY-"Come Into His Presence with Singing"

Gatherings & Events This Week:



CLASSES:

TODAY @ 10:45, Youth Dance Rehearsal
 Tuesday @ 6:30pm, **Trinity Ringers Rehearsal**
 Wednesday @ 10am, **Pastor Foltz's Bible Study**
 Wednesday Youth Schedule
 5:45pm *Sr. High Supper Club*; 6:15pm *PreK BOLD & Children's Choir* (K-5th Gr);
 6:45pm *BOLD* (K-8th Gr)
 Thursday @ 9am, **Quilting Group**
 Thursday @ 9:30am, **Women's Bible Study**
 Thursday @ 7pm, **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

FELLOWSHIP:

TODAY, Sr. High return from **Winterfest**
 Monday **Uplifting Sisters** @ 6:30pm
 Tuesdays @ 11:15am **Seasoned Men's** meet at
 Gus's Restaurant
 Wednesday @ 11:30am
Mid-Week Quiet Communion
 Friday @ 6:30pm, **TLC's MTO**

MEETINGS:

TODAY following 8:30am & 9:45am and before
 11:00am - Congregation Meeting to approve 2019
 budget and three new council members.



Opportunities to Serve:



Instrumentalists (of all ages) are invited to play
 Sunday morning, **December 30th**, for a prelude of
 Christmas carols at 10:00am worship. Sign-up
 sheet is posted in the back of the sanctuary. See
 Joy Ide with any questions.



Marc Spiridigliozzi is leading a Thrivent Action
 Team to place wreaths at Fort Indiantown Gap on
December 15th. Contact him to see how you can
 participate!

Upcoming Deadlines:

- ◆ **Trinity's Giving Tree** tags *Mistle "Toe" Sock, Snack & Gift Roll* are due **TODAY!** Place the tag on your sock roll and return to appropriate age box by Giving Tree.
- ◆ Christmas Poinsettia Memorial/Honorariums due **NEXT SUNDAY.**

Gatherings & Events This Month:



Trinity's Christmas Cantata rehearsal schedule:
**Thursday, December 13 at 7:00pm – 9:00pm; and
 Dress Rehearsal on Saturday, December 15 at
 10:00am – 12:00pm.** The Cantata will be presented
 at **ONLY the 11:00am service on December 16.**



Uplifting Sisters is for women of all ages to join
 together for conversation, laughter and to lift each
 other up. We meet the 2nd Monday of each
 month at 6:30pm. **TOMMORROW** we will meet at
 Folklore Coffee in Elizabethtown (1 North Market
 Street, Elizabethtown). For more information contact
 Tina Ahrens at
 tina.a.ahrens@gmail.com or the church office.



The December **MTO (Mom's Time Out)** will be **Friday,
 December 14th at 6:30pm** at Jessica Good's
 house. Please dress in your favorite Christmas pajamas
 or holiday shirt and comfy pants! To keep it stress-free,
 you do not need to bring anything!
Please RSVP to Jessica by December 9th.



BOLD Christmas Parties - It's the year of Elf! Join
 us at BOLD, normal schedules and locations, on
Wednesday December 19th.



Sr. High ROC is all about money during the month
 of January - join us each week for Dave Ramsey
 teachings on how to Biblically handle our finances
 now and in the future.



New members will be received **Sunday, January
 6th** prior to the 11 AM service. Contact Pastor
 Matt if you would like to join Trinity!



Sr. High Human Sexuality Retreat at Camp Mount
 Luther, **January 19 7:30 am - January 20 12:00pm;**
 \$60 registration and forms due January 6; **Parent
 meeting at 9:45 am January 6;** forms available at
 youth board or at www.tinyurl.com/trinityfamilies



Epiphany Pay-It-Forward Event; BOLD normal
 schedules and locations on Wednesday, January
 9th.



Self Defense Class for Women/Girls ages 13-100;
 Saturday, March 23, 2019; Deposit secures spot.
www.f2womensselfdefense.com

Flowers in the chancel today,

are in memory of Jeanne's parents, Lewis and Shirley Fritz,
 by Jeanne Wivell

Stewardship in Worship Today:

Assistant	8:30	9:45	11:00
Head Usher	Jay Hoberg	Bill Troutman	Dennis Brouse
Greeters	Watson Family	Deb Wingenroth & Marilyn Sharpe	Rick & Rhonda Friese
Lector	Charles Peterman	Linda Stapler	Linda Boozer
Acolyte	Tommy Troutman	Molly Horvath	Peyton Llewellyn
Crucifer	Lily Troutman	Owen Horvath	Andrew Myers
Communion Bread		Dave & Linda Stapler	Roger & Audrey Hess
Council Rep.	Debbie Williams	Alex DeCarja	Tina Ahrens

Communion Assistants (Check with Head Usher – See Blue Board)

Altar Duty - Dani Zurin and Ronna Gall

Flower Delivery - (Open)

Food Bank Delivery - Harry Goehring

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