

TRINITY TIDBITS ~ DECEMBER 11, 2016

SERVANTS IN WORSHIP

ELDER OF THE MONTH

Tim Hartley

ALTAR STEWARD

Jennifer Smith & Betty Clinard

GREETERS

Clyde & Carolyn Schroeder

USHERS

Jer Geiger & Tom Riesterer - Center Aisle

Les Keller & Loren Replogle - Side Aisles

ACOLYTE

Isadora Hygrell

CLEANING

Dec. 11-17 - Cheatham

DISCIPLESHIP FOR CHRIST

Weekly Budget Needs – \$2,488.62

Last Week's Tithes & Offerings – \$4,968.30

Attendance Last Sunday – 83

76 Members, 7 Visitors

Wednesday Advent Services Attendance - 32

LIFE THOUGHTS – Jesus shines God's attention and showers His assistance upon blind and deaf, lame and leprous, unresponsive and impoverished persons (Matthew 11:5), even though it earns Him opposition (Matthew 11:12). Better that we should patiently (James 5:10-11) endure violence against us as His kingdom than that any unborn, impaired, overlooked, elderly, or otherwise vulnerable suffer death. *O God our Lord, come and ransom every uncertain heart into everlasting joy. Amen.* *Life Thoughts are based on the appointed readings from Lutheran Service Book*

LIFE QUOTES - "Mary and Joseph's hardships serve as a vivid reminder that as God's children, we don't always have it easy either. But because Mary and Joseph followed God's will, countless generations benefit from the presence of this child's life in the world. Let's put that in the context of modern life—a young couple facing an unexpected pregnancy. If they follow God's will, abortion will be averted, and countless generations will benefit, albeit in a much smaller way, from their child's presence in the world." *Bradley Mattes, Executive Director of Life Issues Institute – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

STEWARDSHIP - **Isaiah 35:4** "Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." The return of our Lord at the Last Day is a cause of joy and anticipation for us believers. We know our Lord and His love, and we look forward to His Second Advent. Indeed, how we live our lives here and now flows from our certain hope of resurrection and eternal life.

Stewardship bulletin sentences are provided by LCMS Stewardship Ministry

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 11

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

9:30 a.m. - Worship & Communion

Church Conference

10:45 a. m. – Sunday School & Bible Study

12:30 a.m. - Confirmation

MONDAY – DECEMBER 12

8:30 a.m. - Bible Study

6:00 p.m. – Elder's Meeting

7:00 p.m. – Church Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 14

10:30 a.m. - Bible Study

Noon – Mid-week Advent Service

6:00 p.m. – Light Supper (LWML)

7:00 p.m. – Mid-week Advent Service

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 15

Pastor's Day Off

ALTAR FLOWERS

During the season of Advent, a season of penitence in preparation for Christ's second coming, flowers are removed from the altar. Songs of praise, such as "This is the Feast" and expressions of joy as "Alleluia" are temporarily removed from the liturgy until Christmastide.

MID-WEEK ADVENT SERVICES

Please join us each Wednesdays during Advent for our mid-week services at noon and 7 p.m. A light supper will be served at 6 p.m.

2017 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR

If you would like to furnish flowers for our Altar on any Sunday in 2017, please sign up on the Flower Calendar on the bulletin board. Please include any information you wish to be printed in the bulletin, such as if you are purchasing the flowers in honor or memory of someone, or in celebration of a birthday or anniversary. The cost for the two floral arrangements is \$35. You may take your flowers home following the worship service.

TRINITY'S ANGEL TREE

Our "Angel Tree" is in the Narthex. Can you find it in your heart to choose an angel this year? The green tags are 'family angels' and the white tags are 'children angels.' Please purchase everything that is listed on the tag. You may add extra items if you wish. We need the gifts wrapped and under the tree before our 7 p.m. Christmas Eve service. See or call Jessica Owen for more information. (615-989-1301)

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKLET

Advent devotional booklets are available in the Narthex. We ask for a \$2.00 donation per booklet to offset printing costs. Please place payment in the envelope on the table.

Let us pray

**That the Good News of Jesus Christ
will be heard and accepted throughout the world.*

** For our country, that we may be true to our spiritual
heritage and become truly 'one nation, under God.'
May our leaders seek God for guidance and strength.*

**For those who are serving in our military... watch
over and protect them as they serve our country to
keep our nation safe.*

CANCER PATIENTS

- *John Bain (Gramse) - lung cancer
- *Helen Dunsing (Al & Doris Mann's daughter)
- *Brandi Cajudo (Cheatham)
- *Don Copley (Replogle) – bone cancer
- *Shirley Duke, (Rosalie Replogle's daughter's
mother-in-law) – breast cancer
- *Janet Edwards (Debbie Scott's Aunt)
- *Emma (5 years old) - Leukemia
- *Lisa Hampton (Gramse)
- *Kimberly Heaney (Linda Pfeiffer's daughter-in-law)
- *Margaret Henson (Halliburton) - breast cancer
- *Barbara Hatch (Jennifer Hygrell's bosses' wife) –
breast cancer
- *Kendra Jackson (Kaia Howard)
- *Joyce Jewell (Irelan)
- *Mary Alice Riesterer (Tom's mother)
- *Brandi Shrum (Replogle)
- *Carol Simpson (Adelsen)
- *Ted Stenberg (Rosalie Replogle's brother)
- *Vanessa Vale (niece of Doug Howard's co-
worker)
- *Harley Danielle Watts (granddaughter of Rob
Benjamin's co-worker)
- *Helene Welches (Replogle)
- *Karl Woodard (Replogle)

MILITARY

- *Matthew Benjamin – deployed
- *Christopher Greenwood – Afghanistan (Cheri
Buttrey-Jenkins' Nephew/Shirley Peat's grandson)
- *Will Replogle (Loren & Rosalie's grandson) –
being deployed



HEALTH CONCERNS

- *Sarah Alford (Durham) - Lupus
- *Bobby Ashbaugh (friend of Melissa Adelsen) –
Injured in car accident
- *Dale Burie – eye surgery
- *Elsie Cislo - suffering from back pain
- *Titus Davenport (Bush) – infant – brain surgery
- *Tom Edwards (Debbie Scott's uncle)
- *Keith Engblom (Benjamin) - rheumatoid arthritis
- *Sue Givens (Rosalie's son's mother-in-law) -
Parkinson's, dementia, & strokes.
- *Mary Jo Hall (Teara Scott) – recovering
- *Max Hampton (Gramse) – back issues
- *Charlene Harwell (Jeremy Owen's grandmother)
- *Victor Hooge
- *Max Irelan (Jeanne's husband) - hospitalized for
"exacerbated COPD"
- *Kilian (Benjamin) – infant with heart problems
- *Carol Kraemer - degenerative disc disorder
- *Karin Lehmann
- *Kathy Martinez (Loftis) - corneal neuropathy
- *Nicholas Moura (Clinard) – depression
- *Marie Mohme (Lauren Claxton's grandmother) –
hospitalized
- *Bobbie Newby (Replogle)
- *Greg Nienaber (Sandra's husband) – recovering
from surgery
- *Gus Olsen (Bush) – heart problems
- *Bob Price (Norm Kraemer's brother-in-law)
- *Betty Ruemler (Randy's Mother)
- *David Sokol (Lisa Benjamin's father)
- *Ruth Sokol (Lisa Benjamin's mother)
- *Clay Vaughn (friend of Debbie & Tracy Boyd) –
injured in hunting accident & now diabetic episode
which has left him in a coma
- *Susan Wurth (Susan Gramse's sister-in-law)

THANKSGIVING

**for God's ever-present and undeserved protection
and for the freedom and liberty He has so
graciously given us.*