

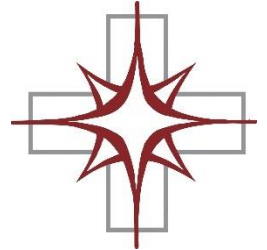


HELLO TRINITY FRIENDS!
News for the week of December 22, 2024

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

- **Mack Rivera**, a Trinity student battling illness
- **Millie Rieger**, experiencing health problems
- **The family of Dennis Wagasy**, who died Dec. 14

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES Please join us for Christmas Eve services **this Tuesday**, December 24! We'll celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord at 3pm, 6pm, and 11pm. Services at 6 and 11 will include Holy Communion and candlelight.



CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE Our senior pastor call committee has received a second list of 13 candidate names from the Michigan District. Call committee meetings will resume after the first of the year. Please continue to pray with us: O Gracious Father, You led Your holy apostles to ordain ministers for the proclamation of Your Word and the faithful administration of the Sacraments of Christ. Grant to this congregation the guidance of the Holy Spirit to choose a suitable pastor according to Your will for the blessing of Your Church in this place; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

BLOOD DRIVE The American Red Cross will host a blood drive in Trinity's gymnasium on Monday, Dec. 23, from 12pm-6pm. If you'd like to donate blood, please schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED CROSS or visiting RedCrossBlood.org and entering code TRINITYLUTHMONROE.

HOUSING NEEDED A Trinity member is seeking housing (one-bedroom apartment preferred) for a family member in need. Have a rental available, or know of a space that may work? Please contact the office.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY The cost of everything keeps going up, and programs like Financial Peace are helping families counter rising costs by using their money wisely. Beginning January 8th at 5:45pm, Ashley Sulfaro will teach a 9-week Financial Peace University course. This is a program designed to help families manage their God-given financial resources to best care for their families and community. This is one of our class offerings in January for Faith, Family and Fun – join us for a meal (starting at 5pm) and, if you have children, let them enjoy our children's ministry study and activities (5:45p) while you take your own class. To make the Financial Peace program more affordable for families, Trinity has purchased 10 copies of the course at a reduced price (\$60; regular program cost is \$154). We'll sell these 10 kits at cost to the first 10 people who sign up for the class. Please call Sirena in the office (734-242-2308) to purchase your copy. If you don't receive one of our kits and still desire to take the class, we'd love to have you – we'll provide information on purchasing your own copy online. At Trinity, we believe that managing all our resources (time, talents, and treasures) is important, and we want to help equip you to find financial peace. – Pastor Duerr

ISRAEL TOUR SURVEY Pastor Duerr is seeking input on a possible June 2025 Israel tour. To share your thoughts, please [click here](#). For more information, [click here](#).

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

TRINITY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

Tuesday, Dec. 24 • Wednesday, Dec. 25 • Tuesday, Dec. 31 • Wednesday, Jan. 1

REMODELING LOAN UPDATE After November's loan payment to First Merchants Bank, the balance on Trinity's loan is \$26,994. Of the \$403,760 pledged for debt elimination, \$94,635 remains outstanding.

SELAH'S CENTER OF HOPE FUNDRAISER On Saturday, January 25, Selah's Center of Hope will host "Duelling for Selah's" at Laroy's Hall in LaSalle (12375 Telegraph). Doors open at 5:30pm, dinner is served at 6:30, and entertainment will be provided by Piano Wars. For more information, visit <https://www.selahs.org/events>.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given...
And he will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6



THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

(Please contact the church office for more information)

- Sunday, 12/22:* Worship @ 8:30a (usher team A-1)
 Bible Study @ 9:30am in Graceful Grounds
 Worship @ 10:30a – HC (usher team D-1)
 Trinity Family Meal @ 6p
- Monday, 12/23:* Blood Drive from 12-6pm in gym
- Tuesday, 12/24:* *Christmas Eve (office closed)*
 Worship @ 3p (team A-4)
 Worship @ 6p – HC (usher teams B-1 & C-4)
 Worship @ 11p – HC (usher team B-2)
- Wednesday, 12/25:* *Christmas Day (office closed)*
- Saturday, 12/28:* Bible Study @ 9a in Graceful Grounds

12/11 (Advent midweek) attendance: 6:00p – 253

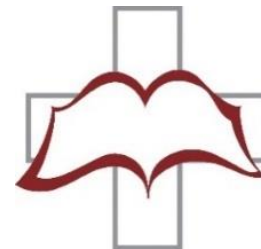
12/14 & 12/15 attendance: 6:00p –76 8:30a –82 10:30a –74

THIS WEEK IN THE WORD

*Readings for this weekend's services
include Micah 5:2-5a, Romans 6:1-11 &
Matthew 3:13-17*

And he will be our peace.

Micah 5:5a



How to Watch / Worship / Join Us!

Weekend Worship –

- In Trinity Sanctuary - Times: Sat. 6 p.m. and Sun. 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Facebook LIVE - Sundays at 8:30 a.m. (or later on our website)

Blessings from all of us at Trinity!

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