

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...**

- Lauren Merkle
- Leo Rohn, hospitalized this week
- Sharon, struggling with a series of challenges
- Levi & Ashley Held and family (grandson and granddaughter-in-law of Flo & Keith Waldron), who suffered a house fire last week. If you'd like to help the family financially, please [click here](#).

**M&M WEEKEND** Services this weekend will highlight the work of Trinity's Braille team. Come learn more about the Lutheran Braille Workers program and Ministry Production Center #203 at Trinity!

**OFFICE CLOSURE** A blessed New Year to you and your family! Trinity's office will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 31, and Wednesday, Jan. 1, in observance of the holiday.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATE** A warm welcome to new board member Tom Morgan, elected at the November voters' meeting, and heartfelt thanks to outgoing member Ashley Sulfaro for her years of faithful service. May God grant wisdom and discernment to all those who serve His people at Trinity.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** If you attend the 10:30am service on Sunday mornings and have a few minutes to spare afterwards, we'd greatly appreciate your help! We're in need of volunteers to help set up tables and chairs for Trinity's Sunday night family meal. Questions? Please speak with Pastor Carrier, or call the office (734-242-2308).

**MERRY CHRISTMAS** It was a great blessing to celebrate our Lord's Nativity together on Tuesday! Special thanks to Deb Saul for the photos below. We pray you continue to rejoice in the gift of Christ for you this season and throughout the year.

*Glory to God in highest heav'n, Who unto us His Son has giv'n!  
While angels sing with pious mirth a glad new year to all the earth.  
LSB 358:15*



**MICHIGAN DISTRICT THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE** The 2025 Michigan District Theological Conference is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 1, at Our Savior Lutheran in Lansing. This year's theme is "We Are Not Alone: Engaging Your Community Together", and keynote speakers include Rev. Jeff Cloeter, Dr. Rachel Ferguson, Rev. Dr. Joel Okamoto, and Rev. Isaiah Turner. General registration is \$35 (student price is \$25) and includes a boxed lunch, or you may register to view the livestream at no cost. Visit [michigandistrict.org/theological25](http://michigandistrict.org/theological25) for more information or to register online.



**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 8<sup>th</sup> 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](#).



### THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

*(Please contact the church office for more information)*

**Sunday, 12/29:** Worship @ 8:30a – HC (*usher team C-3*)  
Bible Study @ 9:30am in Graceful Grounds  
Worship @ 10:30a – HC (*usher team C-2*)  
Trinity Family Meal @ 6p

**Tuesday, 12/31:** *New Year's Eve (office closed)*

**Wednesday, 1/1:** *New Year's Day (office closed)*

**Saturday, 1/4:** Bible Study @ 9a in Graceful Grounds  
Worship @ 6p – HC (*usher team B-1*)

12/18 (Advent midweek) attendance: 6:00p – 550

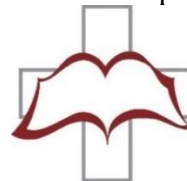
12/21 & 12/22 attendance: 6:00p –68 8:30a –110 10:30a –94

### THIS WEEK IN THE WORD

*Readings for this weekend's services include Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15, Genesis 17:1-12 & Luke 2:21-40*

“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples...”

Luke 2:29-31



### 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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