

Trinity Weekly Tidings For January 29, 2017

“God’s Love – Our Hearts – God’s Work – Our Hands”

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Welcome Guests! We are so happy to see you today! If you are traveling through the area, we wish you Godspeed on your journey. If you live nearby, we hope you will return and worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to make Trinity Lutheran that home. Please sign the guest register located at the entrance into the Sanctuary and/or fill out the yellow card in the pew rack located in front of you, so that we can know who you are. Although you have come as a visitor, we hope that we leave worship as friends!

We welcome the Reverend William Clyma to the pulpit of Trinity Lutheran Church during the 8:15 am service. Rev. Clyma started as pastor of the Congregational United Church of Christ on July 1, 2016. A Connecticut native and graduate of Bangor Theological Seminary in Bangor, Maine, Clyma served as pastor of congregations in Kansas, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin before coming to Sparta.

ATTENTION ALL: TIGER CUBS, CUB SCOUTS, BOY SCOUTS, BROWNIE SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS

We would like to invite all Tiger Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Brownie and Girl Scouts to attend the Trinity Lutheran Church Scout Sunday Celebration Church Service on **Sunday Feb 12th at the 8:15 AM service**. We would like all Scouts to wear their uniform and be in attendance whether you are a member of Trinity Lutheran church or not or a member of Cub Scout Pack 67 and Boy Scout Troop 67 or not. You do not have to be a member of Trinity Lutheran church’s Scouting program Pack 67 or Troop 67 to participate in the Scout Sunday Celebration service.

If you are in Girl Scouting or Boy Scouting come and help us celebrate the anniversary of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts on Sunday, Feb 14th at the 8:15 Am Service. **Please contact the church office and give them your child’s name, Unit# and that you will be attending. We would like to recognize all the Scout’s names in the church bulletin on that day.**

Calling all ladies and gentlemen who would be willing to lend a hand to help clean the church kitchen, defrost the freezers and to take inventory of kitchen supplies. **The date will be Thursday, February 23 at 9:00 a.m.**

Please bring your own bucket and rags. Hoping we will have a good turnout so we can be done in a couple of hours!

If you have items in the freezer or refrigerator, please make sure that these items are removed before this date. Thank you!

Annual Meeting - The annual meeting of the congregation will be held on **TODAY** immediately following the 10:30 worship service. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary.

Praying for Human Trafficking – January 11 was Human Trafficking Awareness Day. The La Crosse Women of the ELCA and the La Crosse Synod determined we would start praying for those victims of human trafficking **and continue till the Super Bowl on February 5**. Human trafficking is the second largest and fastest growing illegal trade in the world. It is a modern day form of slavery and a crime against humanity, and the symptoms are often hidden and hard to recognize. Human trafficking tends to be worse during this time of the year so our prayers for these victims are vital. A prayer for today: On this National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness, we pray for an end to human trafficking of every kind right here in our area and around the world. Help us learn about human trafficking and then see how we can help put an end to this crime that enslaves millions of girls, boys, women and men and is the second largest and fastest growing illegal trade in the world.

Altar Flowers – If you would like to purchase altar flowers in Memory or in Honor of a loved one; please sign up on the flower sheet located by the elevator in the entryway.

Last Call - If you have lost storage containers or bakeware, please check the church kitchen or the bench by the West entrance. These items will be donated to Mary Morrow if they are not claimed. Thank you!

Lost and Found – We have items that we would love to get back to their rightful owners. Please check the lost and found (located under the coat rack in the entryway) before these items are donated. Thank you!

Those for whom we are praying...

For Quaden Baird, Michelle Clark, Joanne Dexter

And Julie (Haugland) Beckel.

Altar flowers were picked up by Gary and Betty Peterson.

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of January 29, 2017

God is good all the time, and all the time, God is good!

You are BEAUTIFUL because you are fearfully and wonderfully made.

You are enough! You are loved!

Please talk to Michelle face-to-face; by phone at 269-5081; call or text at 343-0324; or by e-mail at: thehyattfive@gmail.com for additional information.

Houston, we have a Gathering!!

Grades 7-11 are invited to join us for an informational meeting on Wednesday, February 8, at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a parent, guardian, or other caring adult with you. This AWESOME event is held every 3 years, & over 30,000 young people & adult leaders will gather together as children of God! For more details as to what the Youth Gathering is all about, please go to: www.elca.org/gathering.

Souper Bowl of Caring

Our 4G kids are asking everyone to please bring a can of soup to church next Sunday to help support the "Souper Bowl of Caring." The cans will be donated to our food pantry as we reach out to feed our hungry brothers & sisters in Christ. Thank you for doing your part as God calls each one of us to make a difference!

THANK YOU!

THANK YOU to everyone who pitched in to help make the Mathew's Fundraiser a success! We sincerely appreciate the donations of taco meat & baked goods! A special thank you to Sherrie Kruger, Kevin Peterson, Gary Haskins, Cheryl Brown, Karen Edwards, Gary & Betty Peterson, & Adelynn, Braylee, & Gabby for their help with set-up, serving, & clean-up. Money raised will support camp scholarships & our furnace fund.