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"Abundant Grace for Daily Living"*

The Prime Timers are going to Nashville this Fall!

We are leaving on **Monday, October 3**, and returning **Saturday, October 8**. While in Nashville we will see **shows at The Grand Ole Opry** and the **Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theater**. Admission to **The Country Hall of Fame**, the **Grand Ole Opry Behind the Scenes Tour**, and **Madame Tussauds Wax Museum**, will also be included. We will also enjoy tours of **Nashville** and the **Belle Meade Historic Site and Winery**.

The cost for this amazing trip is only \$670 p/p (double occupancy). It includes transportation, hotels, tips, 5 breakfasts and 3 dinners. A \$75 p/p deposit is due at signup. If you have any questions, call Nancy Priest (815)985-1064 or Sue Neal (815)398-6387.



The Angel Tree is standing for the Advent/Christmas season in the Sanctuary by the pulpit. The tree looks different this year. It is bare and we are asking you to decorate it with an ornament. At the end of the season, these ornaments will be donated for others to use in the future. We also invite you to donate either

AMC Gift Cards or cash to buy gift cards to be donated to MOSAIC Rockford, to provide their clients an afternoon at the movies.

Mosaic Rockford, a Lutheran ministry, provides whole-person healthcare services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental health needs and autism. Please consider giving a gift.



Did You Know?

- **Mary Bowen**, our church secretary, is an **Illinois Notary Public** and is able to notarize your documents during office hours. No fees for church members and their families!
- **Trinity News** can be delivered straight to your inbox via email. If you would like to receive the newsletter through email, please email the office at mary@trinityrockford.org or call the Church office at 815-963-4446.
- **Office Hours** are 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Monday—Thursday
- **Check out our website** by visiting www.trinityrockford.org.
- **Upcoming deadlines for the Trinity News** are:

January 14th issue is December 31st January 28th issue is January 14th

NOTE: Please make submissions before the deadline.

Notice: The Annual Congregational Meeting for Trinity Lutheran Church will be held on Sunday, January 30th at 9:30 a.m. (between services) in Anderson Hall.

Trinity's Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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to serve through word and deed in daily life.
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“The Thread of Life”

A simple thread can be snapped. It can be broken easily by a child. But when four or five strands of thread are put together not even a strong person can break such a network of threads. I relate that to you and me. As a single individual, we have some strength but we know that we have weaknesses and we simply can't do all that is required alone. When we join forces with other Christians, we become a strong network of faith and commitment. Together, we can do incredible acts in the name of Christ.

Our treasurer's report is not just a bunch of numbers. They represent faith, concern, compassion, and servanthood. What we do in terms of giving helps to create hope for those in despair, light to those in darkness. Our continual, consistent support of our ministry is an act of strengthening the church throughout the world. We create a network of threads forming a fabric of love and faith.

God works through us to be ambassadors. Opportunities are constantly before us to invite others, lend a helping hand, encourage others to new levels, and to serve in areas where we feel called to act.

We are a “family” that enjoys having fun, being playful, celebrating, sharing in fellowship and welcoming others in the spirit of Christ. Much can be said about hospitality at Trinity. Your ability to go out of your way to make a visitor feel welcome is a beautiful expression of being the church.

We are ready to begin 2022, evolving in God's grace and open to God's Spirit and guidance. May God find us faithful in our worship and in our commitment to live out the Gospel.

Pastor Jay

Church Calendar January 1 - 15

Saturday, January 1st – Revelation 22
New Year's Day

Sunday, January 2nd – John 1: 1-18
8:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)
10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, January 3rd – Jeremiah 31: 7-14

Tuesday, January 4th – Ephesians 1: 3-14
10:00 a.m. Hope Circle (SL)

Wednesday, January 5th – 2 Timothy 1: 8-14

Thursday, January 6th – Zechariah 8: 14-17

Friday, January 7th – 2 Corinthians 12: 1-10
Team and Committee Annual Reports Due

Saturday, January 8th – Psalm 147: 12-20

Sunday, January 9th – Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22
8:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)
10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, January 10th – Isaiah 43: 1-7
5:00 p.m. Finance Team (AH)
5:45 p.m. Administrative Team (AH)

Tuesday, January 11th – Acts 8: 14-17
12:30 p.m. Prime Timers Meeting (AH)
2:00 p.m. Bible Study: Titus and Philemon
6:30 p.m. Bible Study: Titus and Philemon

Wednesday, January 12th – Matthew 3: 13-17
9:30 a.m. Stitchers and Quilters (QR)

Thursday, January 13th – Colossians 3: 12-17

Friday, January 14th – Ephesians 4: 1-6

Saturday, January 15th – Psalm 29

Youth 2022 Calendars Sales

2022 Calendars are available for sale for \$8.00 each. Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and write 2022 Calendars in the memo line. If paying with cash, please try to have exact change! Please contact the church office at: 815-963-4446. Orders will be fulfilled on a first come-first served basis as there are only 25 calendars total.



Bed Sheets Needed



The Trinity Quilters are in need of colored and/or patterned bed sheets to be used as quilt backings.

We pray for:

Aleck, Gerry, Tom, John, Brian, Virginia, Duane, Amy, Jim, Kathy, Larry, Deb, Joe, Sandra, Jason, Kamdon, Kennedy, Scott, Vanie, Patrick, Nancy, Mark, Connie, Barb, John, Sue, Kathy, Hope, Al, Jan, Julio, Reggie, Cayden, Ware family, Dave, Lisa, Lynn, Orest, Victoria



PRAYER

January Birthdays

Marie Andreassen	100	1/17
Geraldine Gullickson	93	1/19
James Greenland	95	1/25
Garnett Johnson	96	1/31