

News & Notes

November 25, 2018

Today We Welcome Rev. Arthur Burkman! He is filling in today as our worship leader since Trinity is currently in the call process. He will also teach Adult Bible Class at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Thank you Pastor Burkman for joining us today.

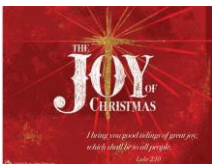


Poinsettia Orders DUE TODAY! – This year you may choose either **red or white** poinsettias or both, each cost only **\$11.00**. Our supplier needs the orders for the **Poinsettias** by **November 25**. Please fill out the order form hanging on the flower chart in the Parish Hall, ASAP! Thank you for helping beautify our Altar for Christmas! You may take the flowers after the service on December 30, 2018. There is no limit to the number of poinsettias you may order.

It's Angel Tree Time! Take a look at the tree in the Parish Hall. It's full of Angels bearing information about a child who could use a little extra attention this Christmas. Take one angel; take two angels; take whatever feels right for you and your family. All UNWRAPPED gifts need to be back under the tree **NO LATER** than Sunday, **December 9th**. If you would rather make a donation, please give the angel you picked along with your monetary donation to Debby or Carl Schmidt or Mary Schoop in the office. There are some folks who would be glad to do the shopping for you.



Sunday School - will present their Christmas Program on December 16, 2018 at the 11 am Service. There will be a Pot Blessing to follow the program at about noon. All are Welcome to join us. Dress Rehearsal will be on December 15, 2018 at 10 a.m. There will be Communion that Sunday only at the 8:00 a.m. Service.



Trinity Choir and Friends are presenting "The Joy of Christmas" - on December 9, 2018. There will be a Pasta, Salad and Dessert Dinner following. This is a Thrivent Action Team and we are asking that each person joining us for Dinner to please bring one of the following: **hats, scarves, gloves or mittens** to help decorate our

Children's Giving Tree. These items will be donated to Salvation Army for them to hand out to needy children in our community.

The Welfare Committee will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to the Greater Hammond Food Bank during the upcoming holiday season. The drive will run through the third week in December. Please remember those in need and be generous with your giving. Thank you.



Golden Opportunities Book - it is that time of year. If you are interested in purchasing a Golden Opportunities 2019 Book, please see Mary. G.R.A.C.E. will be selling them for \$25 dollars and the youth group will make \$7 from each book. This is a great way to help support the Youth Group.

Portals of Prayer – orders for subscriptions are being taken right now and due by Sunday, December 2, 2018. Please fill out the order form on the table by the water fountain and turn it in to Mary.

Altar Guild needs our help! They are having a Tree Trimming on Sunday December 2, 2018 following the 11 am service, so mark your calendars. This is for all ages! Please join us! More details coming soon.



Christmas Caroling to the Homebound - We will be going Christmas Caroling to the Homebound Members of Trinity on Sunday, December 2nd after the Tree Trimming and Lunch. We are looking for volunteers (ability to sing optional). Plan to gather at Trinity at 2:00 pm. We will leave from Trinity. We will Car Pool or you may follow in your own vehicle. After caroling, we will go for pizza at a local restaurant. There will be a sign-up sheet by the water fountain. If you have any questions, please see Mary in the office. Everyone is welcome, even bring a friend along with you.



Dorcas Cookie Sale – Dorcas will be having a cookie sale next Sunday, December 2 in between church services.

Also Dorcas would like you to please sign the card on the table by the water fountain for their Seminary Student Daniel Gray's birthday.

Advent Dinner and Service this Wednesday, December 5th. The Elders will serve be serving the meal this week. Dinner is served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. followed by the 7 p.m. Advent Service. If you can help with desserts please sign up on the sheet by the water fountain.



Advent Christmas Vespers – Valparaiso University Annual service is on Friday, December 7 at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. at the Chapel. The annual service of lessons and carols is a traditional part of Advent celebrations on campus. This year’s “Come, Lord Jesus: Reconcile Your People,” Vespers will feature music by the Kantorei Choir of the Chapel of the Resurrection, the VU Resurrection Ringers hand bell choir, and the Jubilate Choir of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Valparaiso. Tickets are required; contact VU at (219) 464-6517 by November 30.

Memorial was given to Trinity in loving memory of:

† **Mary DeLau** by Fred & Gary Dreischerf, Jim & Ruth Fies, John & Ginny Frederick, John & Nancy Mihich;

† **Clara Nordberg**, † **Herman** & † **Dorothy Larson** by Sharon Dudzik