

Trinity at a Glance

- **Welcome to our Thanksgiving Churches Challenge!**

Trinity is aiming to raise **** 700 **** cans (30 oz. ones) of **Pumpkin Pie Mix/Filling**, any brand. These cans will go to the Community Food Basket to provide **700** Thanksgiving meals to those in need. Please place cans by the Giving Tree. **Trinity has collected 151 cans so far. All cans are due by Sunday, November 2nd.**

- **December 2nd, Givebutter** (Trinity's donation platform), **will match 1% of every dollar raised** and stored in Givebutter Wallet. Funds held in TLC's Givebutter Wallet earn 2.5% APY rewards every month, so our donations keep growing. To support Trinity Lutheran Church through Givebutter use your phone's camera to scan the QR code or visit <https://givebutter.com/trinity-lutheran-church-ottawa>.



- **The 2026 calendars have arrived!** (\$20). Marj Nelson 815-973-1286 and Kate Reed 815-830-2061 have copies available in Java Junction and in the church office. **Profits go to the Growing Project.**
- **Lutheran World Relief** now distributes quilts to people in need in the United States, as well as continuing to help around the world. Helene and Milton caused many homes to be damaged or destroyed in the Southeast. Quilts were given to those affected with 43,520 quilts sent to Florida, 13,403 sent to North Carolina and 3,300 sent to Tennessee. This is a total of **60,465 quilts. Trinity Stitchers are happy to have been a part of this effort!**
- For those who asked for **Terry's S'More Treats Recipe:**

Ingredients:

- 1 bag (10.5 oz) of marshmallows, 5 ½ cups
- 1 ½ cups milk chocolate chips (9oz)
- 5 tablespoons butter or margarine
- ¼ cup light corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 box (13 oz) Golden Grahams cereal (8 cups)

. Grease a 13x19 pan with butter. Reserve 1 cup of marshmallows. In a large saucepan, melt the chocolate chips, butter, corn syrup, and remaining marshmallows over low heat. Stir until completely melted. Remove from heat. Stir in vanilla.

. Pour cereal into saucepan. Stir until coated with the melted chocolate mixture. Stir in remaining 1 cup of marshmallows.

. With buttered back of spoon, press mixture in pan. Cool at least one hour or until firm. Store loosely covered at room temperature.

- **Recent events have severely impacted people in Africa, Gaza and other places in our world.** Millions are struggling to stay alive from starvation, the loss of available medical treatment, and more. The loss of help through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has made things worse. There are a number of ways that you can help with monetary gifts. You can designate your donation on your offering envelope or through one of these websites:
 - Lutheran Disaster Response disaster@ELCA.org
 - Lutheran World Relief give.lwr.org
 - ELCA World Hunger elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hungerPlease contact the Mission-Outreach Committee with any questions.

- **Lectors Needed!** Please consider signing up to be a worship lector. This is the person who does the readings and the prayer petitions. Those who have done this in the past and new readers are all welcome to sign up for this very worthwhile and fulfilling ministry. Diane emails the readings and prayers four to five days in advance. Sign-up is in the worship assistants' binder in the Java Junction area, or call the church office 815-434-0596. Contact Pastor Phil if you have any questions.

- **CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- Sept Income = \$17,804.96 (Income YTD = \$178,006.79)
- Sept Expense = \$20,714.58 (Expense YTD = \$181,760.11)
- Income Less Expense = -\$2,909.62 (Income Less Expense YTD = -\$3,753.32)
- Loan Payment = \$2,943.30
- Principal Payment = \$1,000.00
- Left On Loan = \$9,187.37

- **THIS WEEK @ TRINITY:**

- **Monday (10/27):** 10a Staff meeting
10a Drum Fit (Community Room)
- **Tuesday (10/28):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
- **Wednesday (10/29)** 1p Bible Study (Community Room)
- **Thursday (10/30):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
- **Friday (10/31):** *No Sunrise Rotary*
- **Saturday (11/1):** *All Saints Day*
- **Sunday (11/2)** 9a Affirmation Class
9a Sunday Session
10a Holy Communion & Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation
Daylight Savings Time Ends

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE -

Please sign up using the binder at the back of the aisle.

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte:
Ushers:
Lector: *Sue Williamson*
Communion Assistants: *Mary Heider, Sue Williamson*
Altar Guild: *Anne Lauterjung, Katrina Bromann*
Video Tech:
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers:

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte:
Ushers:
Lector: *Amy Boyles*
Communion Assistants:
Altar Guild: *Jan Constantine, Becky Glaser*
Video Tech:
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers: