

*****Trinity at a Glance*****

- **Open Table** will have a **free community lunch today (11/9) at Noon**. Open Table is located at 910 Columbus St. They will be serving ham, potato casserole, green beans, cranberry sauce and dessert.
- During October, **our Sunday Session students put their faith into action** by assembling solar-powered light kits for children overseas who live in communities without electricity. These lights will help students study and do their schoolwork after dark. This is a small gift that will make a huge difference. We are grateful to Thrivent for providing the light kits through the generosity of their customers, and to church members who made this project possible through their support and service. We are grateful to get to help our young friends share God's light, both near and far!
- **By the grace of God, we did it!** 700+ cans of pumpkin pie mix were collected for the Community Food Basket by members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church. So many of our neighbors are sure to have a happy Thanksgiving this year. Your ambitious efforts have made a positive impact in our local community. Thank you for so generously shining your light, Trinity.
- **Wednesday November 12th 5-8pm is Culver's Night!** Support the Rotary by eating out that night! 10% of sales will be donated. Volunteers are also needed for 2 shifts: 6-7pm & 7-8pm. Contact Jane 815-343-7655 if you can help.
- **Thursday, November 13th at 7 pm**, come support our congregants, **Mary Heider, Suzannah Walter & Jeanie Ruhland**, as they sing at the Ottawa Center for the Arts in An Evening of Americana. \$10 suggested donation at the door.
- TLC is looking for volunteers to **help decorate the Sanctuary for the holidays. Decorating will start November 23rd**. A sign up sheet is in Java Junction.
- **Join Humankind Initiative** for a Friendsgiving Potluck on **November 23rd 1 pm**. Enjoy a free meal in a friendly setting, and then enjoy some board games and help them decorate trees! The center is located at 1660 N 2501st Rd, Ottawa. Use the following link to sign up and register:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWj6xz2NwqTykAjhsv8qrZoZQjqqw11OtX-4ELDScTiQMogw/viewform?pli=1>
- **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.
- **The Rotary is collecting books and toys for the Salvation Army.** The deadline is **Friday, November 27th**. Please bring items to church. There will be a collection box set out.
- **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>.



- **Trinity Evangelical Church in Marseilles will once again be sponsoring a cookie drive.** Cookies will be packaged and distributed to patients of local nursing homes, Veterans home, the Youth Detention Home, Under His Wings, Servant's Heart, Lamb's Fold and other charitable organizations. They will need approximately **6,000 to 10,000 cookies**. Please put the number of cookies on the outside of your package. As in the past, they are looking for assistance in providing cookies and packing them. **Cookies can be delivered to the church on Sunday, November 30th, or brought the day of cookie packing.** Church office: 815-343-5537. **December 3rd 10 am, will be counting and packing day.** They are looking for volunteers to help count and pack. Please note: cookies can NOT contain nuts or fruits. Thank you for helping!
- The next **blood drive** at TLC will be on **December 17th**.
- **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.**
- **The loss of help through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and other events have severely impacted people in our world.** Millions are struggling to stay alive from starvation, the loss of available medical treatment, and more. Please 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 , and ELCA World Hunger elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger
- **CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT:**
 - Oct Income = \$15,391.44 (Income YTD = \$193,397.64)
 - Oct Expense = \$18,617.14 (Expense YTD = \$200,114.72)
 - Income Less Expense = -\$3,225.70 (Income Less Expense YTD = -\$6,717.08)
 - Loan Payment = \$2,943.30
 - Principal Payment = \$1,000.00
 - Left On Loan = \$6,268.13

● **THIS WEEK @ TRINITY:**

- **Monday (11/10):** 10a Staff meeting
10a Drum Fit (Community Room)
11:30a Marketing Committee (Church Office)
- **Tuesday (11/11):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
7p Finance Committee (Board Room)
Veterans' Day
- **Wednesday (11/12)** 1p Bible Study (Community Room)
6:30p Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Support the Rotary! Eat at Culver's tonight!
- **Thursday (11/13):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
1p Trinity Stitchers (Sewing Room)
- **Friday (11/14):** 7a Sunrise Rotary
- **Saturday (11/15):** *National Recycling Day* 
- **Sunday (11/16)** 9a Affirmation Class
9a Sunday Session
10a Holy Communion

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE -

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

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte: *Anna Reed*
Ushers:
Lector: *Ellen Gross*
Communion Assistants: *Ellen Gross, Brad Gromm, & Sue Williamson*
Altar Guild: *Cindy & Jay Komater*
Video Tech:
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers:

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte: *Reagan Duffield*
Ushers:
Lector: *Shannon Matteson*
Communion Assistants: *Ann Enke, Shannon & Mike Matteson*
Altar Guild: *Jan Beckman & Sally Mathis*
Video Tech:
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers: *In honor of Matthew Constantine from Jan Beckman*