

# The Trinity Trends - December 2023

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Faith,

Happy New Year! The first weekend in December we begin a brand new Church Year as we enter the season of Advent. Historically, Advent covers the four weeks prior to Christmas, and we “count down the weeks” until Jesus’ birth with the visible sign of an Advent Wreath, lighting an additional candle each week. This year, the fourth weekend of Advent collides with Christmas Eve, so we will have a spectacular series of celebrations on December 23rd and 24th, as we do our final preparations — and also celebrate Christmas Eve, back to back. Check out the schedules to the right for specific times!

This year, we will feature a sermon and study series each week during Advent that we are calling, “Making Sense of Christ’s Birth”! As we prepare to receive Christ born into our world, we recognize that it is through our senses that God meets us. The first week of Advent we will focus on the sense of sight — how what we see informs our experience of God coming into our world. Thank you to Linda Haack for creating our new Advent Banner that you will see at the altar beginning the first week of Advent! Our vision is enhanced and focused that first week of Advent as we collect all the sights and visions that accompany Jesus’ birth.

What other senses are engaged at the Incarnation of our God? Be sure to join us each week to discover and engage your own sensory acuity! Prior to worship on Saturday afternoons, at 4:30pm, and on Sunday mornings at 10am, we will have special activities and conversations about the “sense” of the week for participants of ALL AGES!

Our journey toward “Making Sense of Christ’s Birth” will culminate in our Christmas Eve worship on December 24th, where all of our senses will be engaged as we welcome the Newborn Savior of the World with beautiful song and special music, the warmth of gathering at the Table, and the glow of candlelight reflecting in our countenances the Peace of Jesus.

Looking forward to seeing you  
on the road and at the manger,

**Pastor Bobbie**

**Families** Please pick up your set of *Families Celebrate Advent and Christmas* deck of cards that is full of rituals, prayers, and reflections. Endlessly flexible for busy schedules, you can create a new after-meal ritual, use them as decorations, or carry them on the go. These cards are geared toward ages 3-12.



## Advent Worship

**December 2 and 3—Advent One**  
**December 9 and 10—Advent Two**  
**December 16 and 17—Advent Three**  
Saturday, 5:30pm  
Sunday, 8, 9 and 10:45am

**December 23 and 24—Advent Four**  
Saturday, 5:30pm  
Sunday 10am\*

\* One worship time only on Sunday morning.

**Blue Christmas**  
Wednesday, December 13, 7pm

**Sunday, December 24th**  
**Christmas Eve**  
**Candlelight Holy Communion**



**4pm**

**6pm**

**8pm**

*All Christmas Eve services will include  
traditional carols and special music*



Dear TLC friends,

Now is a great time to connect with S.T.R.E.A.M., Manatee county's social justice organization. You can attend the **Annual Assembly at 6:30pm, Monday Dec. 4 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Palmetto.**

Last year we made solid progress on the two issues we tackled: increasing affordable housing and creating alternatives to being arrested for adults who commit minor, nonviolent offenses.

At the December 4 event, we'll choose the new issue(s) STREAM will immediately start working on. Each congregation will get as many votes as they have members present at this meeting. It's a nice opportunity to see for yourself how the process works. That's a good reason to go, but here are four more reasons!

1. It's God's work. When you support STREAM, you're answering the Lord's call to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8).
2. It's local. STREAM addresses important issues that affect people we know and care about right here in our neighborhoods.
3. It's connection. A number of folks in your Trinity family are already active in STREAM. What could be more fun than hanging out with them, as well as getting to know some additional folks in the other local congregations that have joined STREAM? We're doing this together, in community.
4. It's easy. Just attend the assembly at St. Mary's, 1010 24th Ave W in Palmetto. Need a ride? Let me know! Want to carpool? Meet at Trinity and be ready to roll out by 6:05pm on Monday, December 4.

As a bonus, if you attend you can also vote for the Executive Committee officers for the next year... including me! I've been nominated to serve as the Treasurer.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like additional information about STREAM.

Peace + blessings,

**Pastor Kerri**



## 'tis the Season to Sing!

If you have a love of singing, please consider joining the Trinity Singers (chancel choir for the 10:45am Worship Service) or the Sunday Praise Team (9:00am Contemporary Service) for the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons! New members are always welcome, and you do not have to "read music" to take part!



I am very thankful to be your current music co-director (from November through April) and have appreciated the warm welcome given by all who attend Trinity! I have been a church music leader and organist since 1988 and hold Bachelors and Masters degrees in Music and Music Education. Please see me any Sunday, or feel free to call me (301-524-3600), if you have an interest in singing!

I am looking forward to the upcoming season with the possibility of you joining one of our groups to raise a joyful noise unto the Lord!



**Edgar J. Bower, Trinity Music Co-Director**

## From Tree Of Life Preschool & Daycare Director, Shawna Clark:

2023 is almost out the door. What a year of growth and change it has been. TOL is fully staffed and our capacity is almost full - which is quite exciting!



Our annual Christmas program, where our students will perform The Christmas Story, is **Saturday, December 9th, during 5:30pm worship.** We invite you to join with the students' families and friends to hear the Good News from our littlest angels!

December's weekly themes are

- 4th Winter Animals
- 11th Traditions around the world
- 18th Holidays celebrated in December
- 27th New Year's

Our studies and activities will teach our students about the Color - White, and this month's Value - Courage.

Thank you, TLC Family, for your continued support of our programs, our staff, our students and their families. Your gifts and time are always appreciated!

## Children's Christmas Program is Saturday December 9th, 5:30pm.

During worship, our Tree of Life students will share special songs and perform the story of Jesus' birth.



Please join us for the program and to be the warm and welcoming face of Trinity for their families and friends!

### Update on Julliana and Jamerson

Julliana continues to develop her vocabulary and comprehension skills as she works toward her G.E.D. She also continues to work part-time at Brookdale Assisted Living, and with her work cleaning at Trinity.

As Jamerson gets ready to turn three years old, he is doing well in each of the child development categories except communication. We await some testing that can occur once he turns three, and then will have some additional options for seeking developmental speech training for him.

Julliana continues to be grateful for all the love and support with which her Trinity Family surrounds her. She confesses that she does not know what she would do without us. As the months add up to years, we join Julliana in confessing that we don't know what our lives would be like without her and Jamerson, and thanking God for sending her to us in November of 2020. Julliana's road toward asylum is lengthy and challenging. We are grateful God has called us to accompany her!

As you are sharing your gifts this year, we are grateful for gifts that are directed to our Trinity Advocacy Fund, to help support Julliana and Jamerson's housing needs.



### Blue Christmas Worship: Wed., December 13th, 7pm.

In the midst of the Christmas celebrations, with the carols, parties, decorating, baking, gift giving, and family time, there are those for whom the feeling of Christmas joy seems remote. We offer a worship of Lament gathering to acknowledge the reality of people who are "blue" or in pain at this time, so we may be reminded how Peace is born at Christmas, that Jesus came to offer hope for people who bear heavy burdens. Please join us. Share this invitation.

### Christmas Cookie Sale Fundraiser, December 16th and 17th, to send TLC youth to 2024 ELCA National Youth Gathering!

Next July 16-20, Pastor Kerri will lead four of our high school youth to the 2024 Youth Gathering in New Orleans.



Because of Covid, the gathering was on hold for several years. We are delighted to participate once again! It costs about \$1200 per person to travel and attend this life-changing Faith Formation event. To help fund their mission work, travel and participation, our youth will hold several fundraising events. You can participate in this activity in one or two ways:

- sign up in the Narthex to bring 4 dozen cookies for them to sell. (Please drop off by Sat., Dec. 16, noon.)
- stop by the tables on the 16th or 17th and buy tasty treats for friends or yourself!

Thank you for supporting our youth in their faith formation!

### Faith Formation Team Reforming!

As part of our "re-entry" into being a fully-functional faith community following the de-railing experience of Covid, we are now ready to re-address the faith formation aspect of our community. Our congregation spans ten decades in age groups, and each age group has different faith formation needs. Our Faith Formation Team is charged with developing plans to provide opportunities for persons of all ages to deepen and enrich their faith. We will use John Roberto's book, "Lifelong Faith," as a guide for our planning and program development. Please indicate your interest to be part of our Faith Formation Team on a Blue Form or by contacting the church office, and we will contact you with meeting times and more information.



How is the Faith Formation Team different from our Growing Young Team?

One of the responsibilities of our Growing Young Team is to help develop and deepen faith relationships across generations in the congregation, which is indeed an important facet of faith formation.

Our Faith Formation Team investigates and discerns the needs of each generation to create age-specific learning opportunities.

### Ministry Team Table

<b>Care Team:</b>	Carole Pletcher	941-448-7644	<b>Health Ministry Team:</b>	<i>Seeking coordinator</i>	
<b>Community Ministry</b>			<b>Homebound Visiting Team:</b>	Jan Smith	941-448-9647
<b>Coordinating Team:</b>	<i>Seeking coordinator</i>		<b>Julliana's Team:</b>	Pat Benson	941-758-4610
<b>Eucharistic Ministers Team:</b>	Pastor Bobbie	941-243-9473	<b>Mutual Ministry Team:</b>	Dale Haack	941-374-0899
<b>Faith Formation Team:</b>	<i>To be determined</i>		<b>Property Team:</b>	Doug Roper	941-526-9536
<b>Finance/Stewardship Team:</b>	David Cozzette	941-755-9700	<b>S.T.R.E.A.M.:</b>	Larry Helberg	941-845-4257
<b>Green Team:</b>	<i>To be determined</i>		<b>Teddy Bear Ministry:</b>	Sandie Anello	314-707-1539
<b>Growing Young Team:</b>	Pastor Kerri	941-301-0691			

To know more about any of these teams, please contact the Leader named above. If you have passion for a ministry that is not already happening at Trinity, form a new team! For more info on "how to's" talk to Pastor B!

## We serve our neighbors.

### 155 Thanksgiving Baskets for: Parenting Matters, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and PACE Center for Girls



Lots of food; lots of hands to sort and pack. Thank you everyone!



### PACE Thanksgiving Lunch for Students and their Families

Trinity folks joined with Christ Episcopal peeps to serve 120 pre-Thanksgiving meals On November 17th! Thanks to all who served, or provided desserts or funding for our annual projects!



## We prepare for Christ's birth.

**Angel Tree** for Parenting Matters. The angels flew off the tree right away and the gifts for the families returned by Sunday, Dec. 3rd. Monetary gifts designated to "Angel Tree" provide a basket of household items for Christmas also. Thank you.

### Advent Diaper Drive

benefits families served by **Healthy Start**. We collect diapers for families in need of this basic necessity. To help with this annual ministry, please bring in any size diapers — sizes 2 and up are most needed — and place them in the playpen in the Narthex by Christmas Eve, December 24th.



If you prefer, you may contribute to this Advent project, and we will purchase diapers on your behalf. Please note "Diapers" on your gift. Thank you. Thrivent helps fund this with a \$250 Action Team grant.

← Last year the playpen overflowed! Thank you for participating in this annual ministry.

**Blanket Drive** for Migrant Farmworkers. Help express our care for migrant farmworkers and their families. Let's shield them from the cold with a warm blanket. Our first collection was delivered to **STILLPOINT MISSION** here in Bradenton the last week of November. We will collect blankets throughout December. Please place your new or gently used blankets in the Narthex.



## Poinsettia Order Form



We decorate our Christmas Eve worship spaces with lovely Poinsettias on December 24th. These red Poinsettias are \$12.50 each. To purchase one or more in memory of or in honor of someone, please fill out this form and place it in an offering plate, or mail to the church office. You may also call your order (941-747-3081). Please order your Poinsettias **by Sunday, December 17th.**

Please order # \_\_\_\_\_ (\$12.50 each) poinsettias in  
In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

Here is my payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ (#) poinsettias.

Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

(Please note "Poinsettia" on your payment and place it with the order form in an offering plate, or mail/take to church office, or pay through eGiving.)

# Trunk or Treat brought together hundreds of neighbors!

Hundreds of children brought their families to our annual event on Sunday, October 29th. THANK YOU everyone who participated in any way to welcome them. Special thanks to Joanne Weed and Cheryl Scofield for their leadership!



So much activity: Trunks with candy, indoor games and crafts, a cool jazz combo, and delightfully refreshing Kona Ice on a really hot, sunny day!

HUGE thanks to Tanner Stephens, his friends and Drummer Ted!

# December 2023

Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

**FREE! Manatee Community Band Christmas Concert! Tuesday, December 5th, 7pm.** The full band (60 members) will perform religious and traditional Christmas songs! Hum along to your favorite or familiar tunes! A freewill offering will be collected to support the band's outreach. Come. Bring a friend. Pass the word!



<b>1</b>	9am -12 Office Hours	<b>2 Advent One</b>	4pm Praise Rehearsal 4:30pm J-O-Y for all 5:30pm Celebration Worship
<b>8</b>	9am -12 Office Hours	<b>9 Advent Two</b>	4pm Sat. Praise Team Rehearse 4:30pm J-O-Y for all ages 5:30pm <b>Children's Christmas worship</b>
<b>15</b>	9am -12 Office Hours	<b>16 Advent Three</b>	4pm Sat. Praise Team Rehearse 4:30pm J-O-Y for all 5:30pm Celebration Worship
<b>22</b>	9am -12 Office Hours	<b>23 Advent Four</b>	4pm Sat. Praise Team Rehearse 4:30pm J-O-Y for all ages 5:30pm Celebration Worship
<b>29</b>	9am -12 Office Hours	<b>30</b>	4pm Sat. Praise Team Rehearse 4:30pm J-O-Y for all ages 5:30pm Celebration Worship

**3 Advent One**  
8am Worship  
9am Contemporary Worship  
10am J-O-Y for all ages  
10:45am Traditional Worship  
12:30pm Contemplative CHAIR Yoga

**10 Advent Two**  
8am Worship  
9am Contemporary Worship  
10am J-O-Y for all ages  
10:45am Traditional Worship  
12:30pm Contemplative CHAIR Yoga

**17 Advent Three**  
8am Worship  
9am Contemporary Worship  
10am J-O-Y for all ages  
10:45am Traditional Worship  
12:30pm Contemplative CHAIR Yoga

**24 Advent Four**  
10am Worship  
11am Decorate Sanctuary  
**Christmas Eve:**  
4pm Worship  
6pm Worship  
8pm Worship

**31**  
8am Worship  
9am Contemporary Worship  
10am J-O-Y for all ages  
10:45am Traditional Worship  
12:30pm Contemplative Chair Yoga

**4**  
10am-12 Office Hours  
10am Quilters  
6:30pm STREAM Assembly  
8pm AA

**11**  
10am-12 Office Hours  
1pm Quilters  
8pm AA

**18**  
10am-12 Office Hours  
1pm Quilters  
8pm AA

**25 Christmas Day**  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8pm AA

**5**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
9:30am Exercise  
4pm Sun. Praise Team rehearse  
5pm Trinity Singers  
7pm Manatee Community Concert Band Christmas Concert

**12**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
9:30am Exercise  
4pm Sun. Praise Team rehearse  
5pm Trinity Singers  
6pm Trinity Ringers

**19**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
4pm Sun. Praise Team rehearse  
5pm Trinity Singers  
6pm Trinity Ringers

**26**

**6**  
Office Closed  
8:30pm AA

**13**  
Office Closed  
**7pm Blue Christmas**  
8:30pm AA

**20**  
Office Closed  
8:30pm AA

**27**  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8:30pm AA

**7**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
9:30am Exercise  
1pm GriefShare Group  
3:15pm Contemplative Chair Yoga

**14**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
9am Serve at ODB  
9:30am Exercise  
1pm GriefShare Group  
3:15pm Contemplative Chair Yoga

**21**  
9am -12 Office Hours  
1pm GriefShare Group

**28**  
9:30am Exercise

**Office Closed Christmas Week**

**Ladies' Chat & Chew** Please RSVP to Patty Benson: 941-758-4610 or [pattybeenutty@gmail.com](mailto:pattybeenutty@gmail.com) !  
**Lunch: Saturday, December 2nd, 12:30pm**, Whiskey Joe's Bar & Grill, 5313 19th St E, Ellenton 34222  
**Dinner: 2nd Thursday, December 14th, 5pm**, Christmas hors d'oeuvres potluck! Pat Benson's home, NW Bradenton. RSVP for address!

**Our Daily Bread Serving Date: Thursday, Dec. 14th, 9-11:30am** Please sign up to serve on the bulletin board in the Narthex, or please call the church office (941-747-3081). Thank you for ministering in this way to our neighbors with food insecurities.

## Mission Endowed Fund Impacts Future

Gifts to Trinity's Mission Endowed Fund help it grow to provide more and more investment income we can use to gift ministries in our community. You can donate to our Mission Endowed Fund any time. The gifts accrue to grow the principal in the fund, and the annual disbursements have a target of 3%. Thanks to all who have gifted this fund to make our distributions possible! Please note "Endowed Fund" on your gift.



This year's disbursements are directed to:

\$3,000 to Our Daily Bread for a New Convection oven

\$2,000 for Growing Young at Trinity

\$2,630 Selah Freedom AC repair for living quarters

\$1,128 Hope Family Services— commercial washer

Total \$8,758

Because of the growth of the Mission Endowed fund since its inception in 2018, we have now disbursed over \$50,000 to critical community and church ministries! Thank you for your participation in the extraordinary outreach.

## From Lutheran Disaster Response on the Crisis in the Holy Land:

"...almost 70% of Gazan residents are now displaced, and resources such as food, water and medical supplies are in short supply. The death toll has far surpassed those of previous conflicts in the region in recent decades. Gifts to LDR have equipped us to accompany our partners in the Holy Land."

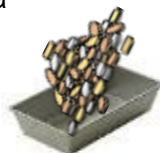
Trinity family, if you wish to respond to this continuing crisis of humanity, gifts designated for "Middle East Crisis" will be restricted to and used in full (100%) for those directly affected in the region. You may make your gift payable to Trinity (by check or eGiving) and note "Middle East Crisis." Or you may go online to give securely at <https://community.elca.org/middle-east-crisis>

## Contributing Stocks or Bonds

As we near the end of 2023, if you seek ways to gift 501(c)(3) organizations, please consider gifting Trinity.

We have an account for just that purpose. Please contact our Church Office for more details and the forms to do so. Thank you.

**"Noisy Offering"** The last weekend of each month we collect a "noisy offering" of coins and rustling paper to support our neighbors in need who are served by Our Daily Bread. You may also drop off your gifts at the Church Office. Thank you!



## Stewardship Up-Date

January-October 2023

Offerings/Income: \$ 302,437.59

### Expenses Paid:

Altar Guild	\$ 837.93
Building Maintenance	4,790.53
Copier Maintenance	4,861.14
Church Council	1,748.48
Custodial/Supplies	3,412.50
Electricity	12,835.41
Insurance-Liability	10,800.80
Lawn Maintenance	130.00
Office Expense	7,197.48
Postage	493.25
Security	948.51
Telephone/Internet	4,658.28
Water/Waste	2,159.32
Christian Education	753.65
Evangelism	524.00
Fellowship	949.17
Stewardship	389.70
S.T.R.E.A.M.	2,000.00
Youth Ministry	241.63
Worship/Music	2,442.95
Synod Benevolence	15,000.00
Staff	215,255.47
Vicar Program	32,497.66
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$324,927.86</b>

**General Fund Balance: -\$22,490.27**

**Summary:** Thank you for your generous giving ! While our giving at this time is right in line with our expectation, several budgeted items have increased. With your help, we look forward to concluding the year at 100%. We are also grateful for all the gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response, funds for our Thanksgiving projects and the Advocacy fund to assist Julliana and the Roof! **Your Stewardship Team**

## Community Ministry Coordinating Team to meet in December.

The Trinity Family delights to be out in our community helping others and showing God's grace and mercy. If you want to share in the planning process for 2024's monthly emphases, please check the Blue Form or contact the church office. We will notify you when a date and time is determined.



## Electronic Giving

You may support our ministries with secure, "paperless" gifts any time — through our website ([www.TLCbradenton.com](http://www.TLCbradenton.com)) by clicking on "Giving," or connecting through the E-Giving logo. Thank you!

# Sunday, December 24th

**4th Advent worship: 10am** *Note: One morning worship time*

**11am Decorate our worship and gathering spaces**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Holy Communion: 4pm 6pm 8pm**

*All Christmas Eve services will include traditional carols and special music*

Invite family and friends to prepare, then celebrate Christ's birth with you. ALL are welcome!

## December Birthdays

- 12/2 Jeffrey Reises
- 12/5 Linda Barth
- 12/6 Beverly Jarnol, Dee Kribs, Annelene McCarville
- 12/8 Barbara Heidelberg, Ann Wikoff
- 12/11 Robert Wurzel
- 12/12 David Gleeson
- 12/14 John Mathey
- 12/16 Jim Cessna, Shawn Monroe
- 12/17 Judi Stephens, Jan Ludwig, Ted Suor
- 12/19 Darrell Mizell
- 12/21 Sandy Groseclose
- 12/22 Linda Siefkes, Candace Rinnert
- 12/24 Peter Procyk
- 12/25 Carole Pletcher
- 12/26 Nancy Cessna
- 12/27 Lynn Collins
- 12/28 Louise Gray, Tom Rogan
- 12/30 Madelyn Murdock, William Horiszny



## December Anniversaries

- 12/2 Joey & Carolyn Tyson
- 12/12 Dave & Kathleen Pederson
- 12/23 John & Angelove Moore
- 12/27 Rev. James & Sandra Dugan
- 12/30 Bill & Denise Cothron
- 12/31 John & Janet Secor



## Chef Darrell's Lump Crab & Cavatappi Pasta Salad

Yields 8 servings

*Ingredients:*

- 2 lb cooked Cavatappi noodles (follow package directions) & chill approximately 1 hour
- 1 8oz can Backfin Lump Crab
- 1 C diced celery                      1 T granulated sugar
- 1/2 C zucchini - seeded and diced
- 1/2 C yellow squash - seeded and diced
- 1/2 C red onion - diced              1/2 C red bell pepper - diced
- 1 C shredded mozzarella      2 C poppyseed dressing
- 1 C basil - julienned

Salt, pepper, granulated garlic to taste

*Directions:*

- In a large bowl, combine all ingredients except dressing, seasoning and basil.
  - Use rubber spatula; fold everything together.
  - Add seasonings, then incorporate dressing.
  - Keep refrigerated until ready to serve.
- Serve with garlic bread.



Everyone who attended the November Chef's Class raved about this salad; seconds were served! We learned some tips about seeding and dicing, too!

**Next Chef's Class and Dinner will take place in January. Watch for date and time!**

## Praise and Pinch Form

As a congregation, we are committed to voicing our praises and "not sitting on our pinches"! To be a healthy, faithful community, we need to be open with one another about what we expect in all areas of our life together. If there is anything in our community life that brings you joy or causes you to be concerned, please share your feelings and questions. Thank you for taking the time to communicate about the ways we are doing well in our ministry together at Trinity, and the areas that need attention. Please mail this form to the church office.

Praise:

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Pinch:

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A specific question I would like answered:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

(If you would like a direct response to your Praise or Pinch)

**Mutual Ministry Team Members:** Dale Haack, Chair, Dave Gleeson, Lucille Hymes, and Pastor Blackburn.



**We Pray for:**

For Dr. Laurel Logas and family at the death of her husband, Jeff Logas  
 For Susan Hullett and family at the death of her daughter, Kim  
 Paula Abrams  
 Julie Adams for Larry Adams, Ellen Crawford and Jeffrey Caputo  
 Connie Alkire for George Mason  
 Evelyn Balon, and for Jan Pearson  
 Pat Benson and Kathy Calello for their brothers, Rory, Ron, Jay and Don  
 Erika Chabra for Brenda Savy and Fred & Heidi Chabra  
 Kim Crawford for Susan Hobstein  
 Judy D'Amico for granddaughter, Allison Berkeley  
 Gail Darga for Liane, Michael & Theresa, Joyce, Gail C., Christine, Helen, Bob & Lucette, Maryann, Stephanie  
 Liane Darga and for Gail Darga and Joyce Snyder  
 Naomi Duttarer for her daughter  
 Diane Fichter for Ron Woshner, Jr., Nancy Psomas, Leslie Harris, Susan Francis and Connie McManis  
 Frees family for Janet Frees  
 Linda & Dale Haack for Dale's brother, Raymond Haack  
 Larry & Rita Helberg, healing for son, Thomas, and for peace on earth  
 Dick Henke  
 Susan Hullett and for Ziggy, Rex, Scott, Kevin  
 Sharon Jones for son, Chris Dunaway  
 Joyce Kajtaniak for granddaughter, Raelin Kajtaniak, and mom, Bernadine Ray  
 Bill and Dee Kribs for Rose Parker, Marilyn Deal, Diane Urban, Marilyn Skinner and Linda Caldwell  
 Karen Kuebler for Lucille Baber  
 Sondra Lee for Sharon Middleton, Vi Stalker, Blair Cecil  
 Ginger Marcinko, and for Marjorie Rowe, Gary and Lenna Phillips  
 Marvel Meister

Debi Miller and John Mathey, and for Gavin, Sully and Jillian York, Grayson Parker, Johnny Spadaro, Jenna Kolb and Bob Rice  
 Misty Misencik  
 Christine Montgomery for the people of Israel  
 John Moyer for Marianne Moyer  
 David Pederson  
 Carole and Duane Pletcher for Jewel and Catherine  
 Traci Pope  
 Birgit Quam for John, Ryan and Marlige  
 Jeff Reises  
 Mark & Candy Rinnert for friend Lee Ann Hurlow  
 Barbara Robitaille for Diane Burnett at the death of her son  
 Kim & Jerry Ryan for Tony Keras  
 Jan Schultz for David Wiley  
 Cheryl Scofield for healing for daughter-in-law, Nanette  
 Janice Shamblen for Mama Wagner and for Tusky valley School District at the death of 3 students and 3 teachers in a bus crash  
 Jean Shoemaker  
 Jan & Jay Smith for friend, Bill Smotherman  
 Karen Smith for brother-in-law, Randy Feltmann  
 Ken Smith for Pat Savaneau, Patti Smith  
 Terry Terhardt  
 Arlene Weier for Kate Gibertson  
 Connie Whitsett for grandson, Brandon Silcox, Lola Danis and Janet Brozsky  
 Ann Wikoff for the Klines  
 Wendy Williams for Kazuko McCall recovering from back surgery, Mamie McCall for health and unemployment  
 Chris & Barb Wolf for Rick Bogner, Leslie Rode and Landen Chandler  
 Don & Kathy Wolf for Donna Stanilla and family at the death of grandson  
 Pat Zink, and for Glenna, Lois & George, Helen, Mattie, Jill, Kimberly and Eileen R.

***Please note:** This list is edited monthly. Please add names on a Blue Form, email the church, or submit through our website (bottom of the homepage).*

**Our Homebound:**

Lucy Baber BD 8/21  
 Brookdale Farmington Hills North  
 27950 Drake Rd.  
 Farmington Hills, MI 48331  
 Bobbie Dever BD 7/25  
 603 63rd Ave. W. Unit R14  
 Bradenton, FL 34207  
 Virginia Duttarer BD 8/13  
 10731 Old Tampa Rd.  
 Parrish FL 34219  
 Ann Guild BD 7/14  
 The Woodlands  
 1055 301 Blvd. E, Apt. 1017  
 Bradenton FL 34203  
 Lorraine Heidelberg BD 4/25  
 6104 10th Avenue West  
 Bradenton FL 34209  
 Lu Hymes BD 6/7  
 4460 Fairways Blvd. #507  
 Bradenton FL 34209  
 Marvel Meister BD 7/20  
 RiverSong Apartments  
 606 3rd Ave West #436  
 Bradenton FL 34205  
 Lidya Taber BD 3/20  
 15329 S. Lone Elm Rd.  
 Olathe, KS 66061  
 Terry Terhardt BD 4/17  
 Pines of Sarasota  
 1501 N Orange Ave  
 Sarasota FL 34236

**RAISE for THE ROOF!**

As of **November 19th**, the giving for the shingle fundraiser is \$78,715.

Shingles and bundles to sponsor are still available on the display in the Narthex. Please select any quantity.

Estimated cost of one bundle of shingles is \$203 — so doing the math, we have already funded 388 bundles!



Thank you for helping us **RAISE for THE ROOF!!!**



**We Pray**

for the Family and Friends of  
**Jeffrey Logas**  
 who entered

**The Church Triumphant**  
 Sunday, November 12th

Trinity Lutheran Church  
2200 26th Street West  
Bradenton FL 34205

**TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL  
PLEASE DELIVER  
PROMPTLY!**

**December 2023**

**Non-Profit Organization  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
MANASOTA FL  
Permit #511**

**Tree of Life Preschool & Daycare  
Providing Pre-Kindergarten  
Instruction and Christian Childcare for  
6 weeks to 5 years old 941-747-1756**

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**ADVENT BEGINS December 2-3!!!**

**S.T.R.E.A.M. Assembly, Monday, Dec.4th,  
St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Palmetto**

**Manatee Community Concert Band for Christmas,  
Tuesday, December 5th, 7pm FREE to all !**

**Children's Christmas Program, Saturday, Dec.  
9th, during 5:30pm worship**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Holy Communion  
4pm 6pm 8pm**



## **Trinity Weekly Worship Times**

### **Saturdays**

**5:30 pm** Celebration Worship

### **Sundays**

**8am** Traditional Worship

**9am** Contemporary Worship

**10:45am** Traditional Worship

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