The Visitor

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HOLY TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH
♦ An ELCA Congregation ♦

Church Office Hours

Monday—Friday
8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Interim Pastor Hans Lee

We enter the season of Advent with hope and expectation for what God promises to do. Advent grounds us as we anticipate our annual celebration of the promise of Jesus' birth. And Advent stretches us, as we remind each other of the promise that God creates a future, that Christ will come again.

Advent is a fitting season for Holy Trinity. You are hopeful as you anticipate the future. I have been impressed by the strong investment in the life of this congregation, and there is no better way to prepare for the future than to remain actively engaged. There are strong leaders among us, and the future God creates in partnership with us is compelling. Thank you for all the ways you participate in the life and mission this community.

One of the things that will be slightly different this season is that we will hold a **Longest Night Worship** service on **Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00 pm.** This will be a more meditative celebration of Christmas, especially for those who may be less inclined to the more robust worship on Christmas Eve (but certainly, you can attend both). This service will not have a sermon, but some intentional moments of silence and reflection, to accompany the words of promise. There will not be a Service of Remembrance this year; instead, the Longest Night Worship will include a time of remembrance.

This is a good place. I've enjoyed getting to know many of you, and look forward to more conversations. Please give me a call, and let's get together!

Pastor Hans

Upcoming Events

- December 1st @ 6:30pm—Christmas Tea
- December 11th—Sunday School and Crew Time Christmas Program
- December 21st @ 7:00pm—Longest Night Worship

Christmas Eve service times
3:00pm; 5:00pm; & 10:00pm

Christmas Day service time
9:00am

Holy Trinity's Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

Distribution of the Lord's Supper is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. All are welcome to the Lord's Table.

Coffee and Fellowship follow Sunday's worship service.

Your Church Council Members

Pat Remfert—President
Luke Friendshuh—Vice-President
Sharon Brown—Secretary
Jed Trachte—Treasurer
Paul Newton Jason Fife
Deb Lindblom Jeremy Torgerson
Nate Kahnke Doug Dietrich
Kim Gassner Dean Podratz

Holy Trinity's Staff

Meal Ministry: Becky Valek
Organist: Rita Sapp
Adult Choir Director: Toby Thietje
SONSHINE Christian Preschool:
Lori Tiede, Director
Marilyn Breimhorst, Lead Teacher
Stacy Kiihn, Assistant Teacher
Facility Manager: Jon Bergquist
Custodian: John Malay, Jim Cody
Nursery Coordinator: Kristen Palma
Ministry Coordinator: Karen Taylor
Office Manager: Jamie Bisek
Hospitality Coordinator: Donna Galvin
Middle School Youth Coordinator: Melissa Horejsi
Sunday School Coordinators: Jamie Sticha & Sarah Becher
Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministry: Sonja Nelson
Senior Pastor:

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OR CURRENT RESIDENT

Notes from the Finance Committee:

October was a trying month related to budget at HTLC. Revenues are typically very strong as you begin the fall season at the church and as such the budget looks for increased numbers and positive cash flow for the month. Revenues were approximately $5,000 less than expected, with shortfalls on giving and Sonshine. In addition, expenses were higher than expected for October. There were increased expenses with the pastoral change and building maintenance costs that were outside of the budget. Total expenses were about $6,000 higher than expected. The net result of the lower revenues and higher expenses was a $11,000 short-fall relative to budget and a shortfall of revenues to expenses.

YTD, HTLC is approximately $45,000 behind the budget thru 10 months of 2017. While we have an obvious hurdle to clear for the current year, we have a lot to look forward to at HTLC. Consecration Sunday was held November 13th and the results were incredible. HTLC was able to celebrate about $36,000 in new giving for the year ahead. That is an awesome start to the goals we have as a church. While attendance was large that Sunday, the people represented on Consecration Sunday was only a part of the congregation. Additional blessings can be expected to help the church cover its financial needs both for this year and moving forward.

The month of December is the most active month at the church. The Sharing Tree, Christmas Tea and other wonderful events are all part of the celebration of Christ's birth and help fulfill the mission of the church and serve God. We have so much to be thankful for as individuals and as a church. We appreciate everything you do for the church and support of its work and look forward to seeing you in December!

God Bless!
HTLC – Finance Committee

Church office will be closed on Monday, December 26th.

Merry Christmas
and have a wonderful New Year

Church Council meeting minutes, October 17, 2016 7:00 p.m.

Call to meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Quorum Established

Members Present: Pastor Hans, Newton, Dietrich, Fife, Torgerson, Remfert, Trachte, Lindblom, Friendshuh, Gassner, Brown, Podratz

Opening Prayer– Friendshuh

Approve Agenda: Motion by Brown, 2nd by Dietrich

Approve Sept 2016 Minutes: Motion by Trachte, 2nd by Gassner

SAT Update: Worship: Not available for update tonight
Hospitality: Not available for update tonight

Strategic Plan: Discussion around which stakeholders are to report to council and when. Amber Kahnke is a good candidate for Mission & Outreach Team. Teams should provide report to Executive prior to each agenda setting meeting. Annual review of successes with stakeholders and council on December 4th each team will prepare their monetary needs to discuss. Celebration in future is in order.

Mission & Vision Discussion: Tabled.

Web Site Development: Update by Lindblom. One year membership to ShareFaith. Lindblom is designing; goal is to have it complete by the end of the year.

Pastor's Report: In November he will report on his activities and help us learn and evolve as a council and prepare to build relationship with future pastor.

Treasurers Report: Trachte: September $5,000 short of budget, $25,000 borrowed against line of credit. Revenues $4,000 light. Sonshine is running about $1,000 short.

Old Business:
Sonshine enrollment growth discussion. Podratz and Director will report to Council in November.
Call process update
Council Member Worship & Close Up Duties: Add: Check that candles are lit.

New Business: New council member selection process will be established. Friendshuh will report to Council in November.

Action & Decision Register: Fife reviewed and updated.

Closing Prayer— Pastor Hans

Meeting Adjournment at 8:39 p.m. Motion by Gassner, 2nd by Fife

Next Meeting: November 21, 2016

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Brown

In Our Prayers

In a Health Care Facility..

Georgia Franz

Ellen Niski

Barb Loebner

In Our Prayers…

Bonnie Tupy and Laurie Tolzmann

Please inform the church office of any illnesses, hospitalizations, or prayer requests.

Call the church office if you would like a visit from Pastor Hans.

Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate Sales

Sunday December 4th & 18th

from 8:30am – 10:30am

Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate Sales make a world of difference to small scale farmers throughout the world in creating a more sustainable livelihood. Your purchases supports one of Holy Trinity's Mission projects!

AMAZING GRAYS

(SENIOR COFFEE)

meets every

Wednesday at

9:00 a.m.

All are welcome to Amazing Grays (senior coffee)! We get together every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. and enjoy a monthly road trip outing, usually on the first Thursday of each month. Starting in January, the last Wednesday coffee hour of each month will be a "game" day (i.e. bingo).

Upcoming events include:

December—Christmas celebration at the Jasperson's. Thank you to Dennis & Dorothy for welcoming us to your home.

January—tour Busch Borthers Machining in New Prague

February—a speaker from Great River Energy will the coffiee hour

Watch the church bulletins for upcoming November and December activities.

Suggestions for topics at the weekly get-together and monthly road trip events are encouraged and welcome.

SUCCESSFUL – The Very Merry Little Christmas Book Sale held on Saturday, November 12th was a success . A total of $85.25 was made in just over 2 hours! A grand total of $1030.95 has been given to the Food Shelf!

Church Council

Nate's Council letter to the Holy Trinitarians (December 2016)

Hello fellow parishioners!

Somehow I am lucky enough to get to write the council letter at what I consider the best time of year! If your house is anything like ours, you are busy getting the yard ready for the long winter ahead and the house ready for Christmas. It's a great time of preparation. We prepare for winter, we prepare for our holiday gatherings, and we prepare for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. How lucky are we to share in God's love year after year?

Speaking of transition, this time of year is a chance to reflect on how things went over the past year and what we can look forward to in the year to come. What is in your life that makes you thankful? I'm a simple man. I'm thankful for fresh air, the chance to take a walk with my dog, and the chance to wrestle with my young children on the living room floor. I'm thankful for music. When I hear a song I like, I can feel it down in my soul, and for me it's some special connection that I can't explain. I'm thankful for how beautiful God made this earth that we get to enjoy every single day. I'm thankful for my family, my friends, and the great community in which we live. It's easy to forget about all these things as we get busy throughout the year, especially when things are troubling us. What a great time of year to reflect and put this in perspective.

In the church we are also preparing for transition. Some of our council members's terms are up and a few more may join us for the year to come. We should thank Pat Remfert and Jed Trachte for their service as executive council members and their leadership. Along with Pastor Erick, the HTLC staff, and many others, they have made incredible progress in our church over the last several years and we are very grateful for their gifts of time and talent. The fruits of their work will be experienced for years to come.

Our transition doesn't stop there. As we transition from Pastor Erick to interim Pastor Hans and eventually to another permanent pastor, I am confident we will come together as a family of Christ and successfully navigate these changes.

On another front, we have all been called through George Winn's leadership regarding Stewardship and the recent events including Consecration Sunday. As we transition from 2016 to 2017 and we all plan our personal budgets for the coming year, we are called to consider giving God our 'first fruits.' This means prioritizing our offering to God instead of giving a portion of what is left over. For many of us, this is different from how we have traditionally thought about stewardship. What a great time of year to reflect, be thankful, and prepare.

On behalf of all of our council members, we wish you the most blessed holiday season! Take time to care for one another and cherish the great moments in our lives which will soon be memories.

God Bless,
Nate Kahnke

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

will be held on Sunday, December 11th, 2016 after worship service to approve the Call Committee that has been approved by the church council.

Adult Faith Formation at HTLC

Sundays at 10:15 am in Paul's Place:
- December 4 – No Adult Class
- December 11 – No Adult Class
- December 18 – The Christmas Gospels – Pastor Hans
- December 25 – No Adult Class

Beginning on January 15, 2017, Adult classes will *typically* be held each Sunday, *except for the first Sunday of the month.*

On Wednesday evenings at 6:05 pm in the Fireside Room: Small Group gathering open to all!

Sonshine Preschool was a busy place this fall! During the month of November we had a fun visit from the New Prague Fire Department. The kids were able to explore the inside and outside of the fire truck, and ask many questions. We also had "Donuts with Dad." It was great to see so many Fathers, or special guests take time out of their busy schedules to come in and visit! Currently, we are collecting canned goods to bring to the local food shelf. We are grateful to have so many giving families in our preschool.

December is always the most exciting month for us here at Sonshine. This year we are devoting the entire month to celebrating the birth of Jesus. The kids will be busy making their own Baby Jesus to hold during our Christmas Programs. We are working hard with the preschoolers to prepare them for their programs, and we look forward to having many special guests attending.

Sonshine Preschool will be hosting a "Gingerbread House Making Party" in the Fellowship Hall on December 8th from 6:30-7:30pm. All Holy Trinity Families with children age 7 and under are welcome to attend! Please sign up now so we have enough supplies available. Families are also asked to bring one bag of candy to share for decorating the houses. As always, we never turn down a donation…if you would like to donate frosting, graham crackers, or candy for this event, please drop them off in the church office.

We hope that everyone has a safe, healthy, and blessed month of December! Lori, Marilyn, and Stacy

Lori Tiede
Director of Sonshine Preschool

History of Hymns: Christmas Edition

Christmas Carols are some of the most common tunes we know. But few people know the stories behind these hymns.

Silent Night
According to several music historians, when Father Joseph Mohr went into the sanctuary of St. Nicholas Church in Oberndorf, Austria on Christmas Eve, 1816, he suddenly found the organ not working. Not wishing to disappoint his congregation on this momentous occasion, he summoned his choir director (no texting available), and together they wrote the words and music for *Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht! Silent Night was then taught and sung for the first time to the accompaniment of Fr. Mohr's guitar. Interestingly, other sources insinuate that Fr. Mohr may have damaged the organ on purpose so he could accompany the service on his guitar.*

O Come, All Ye Faithful/ Adeste Fideles
Persecuted for his Catholic faith during the Jacobite rebellion, composer John Francis Wade was forced to flee England in 1735. He then taught music at the Roman Catholic College and Ministry Center in Douay, France where he eventually became renowned for his musical artwork. At that time, printing music was a highly laborious effort, but copying them by hand was thought to be a work of art. In 1743, he "produced" a Latin hymn entitled *Adeste Fideles, Laetri triumphantes. Believed at first to be an ancient hymn discovered by Wade, many historians now believe it was an original piece composed by him, but as a refugee living in a foreign land, he did not wish to draw attention to himself.*

It Came Upon A Midnight Clear
This hymn is one of the first carols written by an American. Reverend Edmund Hamilton Sears (1810-1876), published it in 1849 at a time of great unrest in our country. With the frantic California Gold Rush, the Industrial Revolution causing great change and upheaval in New England, and mounting tension between the North and South, this carol quickly became popular for its hopeful message of peace. "Who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow." It was also one of the first songs to incorporate the angels' message: "Peace on the earth, goodwill to all, from heaven's all-gracious king…..Look now, for glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing…..when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendor fling."

What A Year

2016 was quite the year! Thinking back, Holy Trinity has its own mini-Reformation. We adopted the Strategic Plan in January and changes started happening. Big changes; hiring new staff and the resignation of Pastor Erick. Subtle changes; new lighting throughout the building. Noticeable changes; Wednesday evening meal + children & youth education + church services = a church building full of energy! The list could go on and on. The end result is a church that had a great year of change and things are still moving forward!

Our church offers many different ways in which to contribute. **We need 2017 Worship Assistants, Kitchen Helpers on Wednesday Evening, and a variety of opportunities in Youth Education on both Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings.** Whatever skill you would like to share, we have a spot for you. It This is a great way to meet new people while sharing your faith. Check out our church website at www.holytrinityonline.org to find something for you.

Holy Trinity wants your membership to be meaningful. We hope that you will discover how rewarding it can be to join in the mission and ministry of the church. If you are ready to get started on this great journey, please email me at volunteer@holytrinityonline.org or call the church office at 952-758-3513.

Blessings,

Karen Taylor
Ministry Coordinator

December Worship Assistant Opportunities

Altar Guild – Prepare Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday/Wednesday and Christmas Eve.

Ushers – Wednesday Evenings

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

If you are interested in assisting, please contact Karen Taylor, Ministry Coordinator at volunteer@holytrinityonline.org

Wednesday Evening Kitchen Opportunities

Meal Prep – Typically completed on Tuesdays
Cooks – Wednesday afternoons
Servers – Wednesday afternoons & evenings
Clean-up – Wednesday Evenings

If you are interested in assisting, please contact Donna Galvin, Hospitality Coordinator at 952-486-3242 (call/text)

CHILDREN, Youth & Family MINISTRIES

Christmas Program

Our Sunday School and Crew Time children will be leading worship on Dec. 11 at the 9:00 a.m. worship. The worship will include the Christmas story, traditional carols and will celebrate Martin Luther's hymn, "From Heaven Above". Practice for the program will be on Dec. 10 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Snacks will be provided for the children. Contact Sonja Nelson, youth@holytrinityonline.org or Sarah Becher, sarahbecher@yahoo.com for more information.

Confirmation Caroling on Wednesday

Confirmation students will be caroling on Dec. 14 during the normal class hour, 6:00 – 6:55 p.m. The students will be visiting our local retirement communities and nursing homes.

No Crew Time – We're Going Caroling!

On Dec. 14, we will not be having Crew Time. Instead, Crew Time families are invited to go caroling with our Confirmation students to our local retirement communities. Meet in the regular Crew Time rooms at 6:00 P.M. or earlier to be assigned where to go. Children must travel with their parents/guardians because of safety reasons.

High School Youth Group

Every Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m. the high school youth meet in the Youth Room for faith, fun, and friendship. Alyce Price leads the group in talking about faith and life, with a little bit of fun mixed in. Friends are welcome!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Wednesday night Contemporary Worship Service is at 7:00 p.m.

Join Us For Dinner

Wednesday evening dinner will be served from 5:30-6:45 p.m.

Menu:

December 7 – Sweet and Sour Chicken
December 14 — Ham
December 21—Soup and Sandwich
December 28—No meal served

If you'd like to help prepare or serve the meals, please use the Sign Up Genius link on the website.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM THE CONSECRATION SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:

Thank you to all of our members who have completed their Estimate of Giving cards indicating what their family plans to give to God through Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in 2017. The ministry our congregation provides to the people of New Prague and our surrounding area depends on the prayers, individual service and financial support of each of our members. We are thankful for the past support of each of our families, what each family gives is between them and God as to whatever they decide to give back. Thank you!

For those who still have an Estimate of Giving Card to complete, we ask that you return your completed card in the stamped envelope you received last week. If you cannot give this year, please indicate that on the card and still return it. We are also updating our membership phone and address from this information from these cards.

Our Holy Trinity 2017 ministry and operating budget will not be completed until we know what the total of our family giving will be. Thank you to each of you for your prayers, service and giving over the past years!

Merry Charitable Christmas!

Looking for a way to make a difference this Holiday Season? Here are three suggestions on the local, county, and international levels.

The Peace Center is requesting white and brown sugar, mayonnaise, canned fruit, pudding packages, jello packages, flour, cake mixes, frostings, oil, pickles, and fresh fruit (especially oranges). There is a box outside of the main office for your donations.
The Peace Center is a food distribution center that helps 5,000 people annually in New Prague and the surrounding areas. They rely on the community, local businesses, civic organizations, and churches for donations of food and money. To make a donation in person, please visit during their business hours (M, W, F 9:00-12:30 p.m. and Th 4:30-6:30 p.m.). To mail in a donation, please send it to 313 Columbus Ave N., New Prague, MN 56071,or call with any questions, 952-758-4688.

Le Seuer County Adopt a Family Program is represented by the Sharing Tree in the Narthex. Please consider taking a tag or two to help a child have a better Christmas. These tags include necessary outerware, shoes, and warm clothing. Toys for all ages are also accepted. All donations must be new, unwrapped, and turned into the church by Sunday, December 4th. Holy Trinity is proud to sponsor 34 families this year. For any questions, please contact Mary Hanson-Busch at mmeabusch@bevcomm.net or Julie Popple at popplenp@hotmail.com.
The Adopt A Family Program was started in 1989. They now help over 800 children from more than 320 families. The need is determined by the county's Department of Human Services and they match families with churches, businesses, school, families, and individuals to provide them with the essentials for getting through a Minnesota winter.

Recently, a representative from **Food For the Poor** spoke about their charitable work. A highly transparent and accountable organization, 95% of all donations go directly to helping the poor in 17 countries throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Currently, more than *one billion children are living in poverty. Even the smallest donation can feed a child for an entire year ($43.80), purchase a goat ($90), provide a clean water pump for an entire village ($285), or build a concrete block home that can withstand hurricanes ($3600).*

Food for the Poor provides food, safe housing, clean drinking water, orphanages, and medical care to the poorest of the poor. Please see their website if you can help: www.FoodForThePoor.org or call 877-654-2960.

DECEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm Christmas Tea 8:00 pm A.A.	2 9:00 am A.A. 7:30 pm A.A.	3
4 8:00 am Choir Practice 9:00 am Worship 10:10 am Sunday School 10:15 am Regular Stakeholder Meeting—Fireside Room 5:30 pm Rose Fife—FH 7:00 pm A.A	5 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm CODA-New Prague 7:00 pm A.A. & Al-Anon	6 6:30 pm Committee Meetings 6:30 pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting Room 205A	7 9:00 am Amazing Grays Coffee Hour 5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:00 pm High School Youth 6:15 pm Crew Time 7:00 pm Worship	8 6:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Sarah's Bible Study—Paul's Place 6:30 pm Gingerbread House Making—FH 7:00 pm Lions—Room 206 7:00 pm Cub Scouts Den 21—Room 205A&B 7:00 pm WebelosCubs #2 8:00 pm A.A.	9 9:00 am A.A. 1:00 pm Ladies Sewing Group 7:30 pm A.A.	10 1:00pm—3:00 pm Sunday School Christmas Program Practice
11 8:00 am Choir Practice 9:00 am Worship—Sunday School Christmas Porgram 10:15 am Congregational Meeting 5:30 pm Rose Fife—FH 7:00 pm A.A	12 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm CODA—New Prague 6:30 pm Executive Committee 6:30 pm Tiger Den—FH 7:00 pm A.A. & Al-Anon	13 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Troop 27256—Room 206 7:00 pm Wolf Cubs—Room 205A 7:00 pm Webelos Cubs #1—Youth Room	14 9:00 am Amazing Grays Coffee Hour 5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner 6:00 pm Confirmation 6:00 pm High School Youth 6:15 pm Crew Time 7:00 pm Worship	15 6:30 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Lions—Room 206 7:00 pm Cub Scouts Den 21—Room 205A&B 7:00 pm Bear Cubs—FH 8:00 pm A.A.	16 9:00 am A.A. 7:30 pm A.A.	17
18 8:00 am Choir Practice 9:00 am Worship 10:10 am Sunday School 10:15 am Adult Ed 5:30 pm Rose Fife—FH 7:00 pm A.A	19 12:30 pm All Staff Meeting 2:30 pm Sonshine Christmas Program 6:30 pm CODA—New Prague 7:00 pm Church Council 7:00 pm A.A. & Al-Anon	20 11:00 am Sonshine Christmas Program	21 9:00 am Amazing Grays Coffee Hour 5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner No Confirmation No High School Youth No Crew Time 7:00 pm Worship	22 6:30 am Men's Bible Study 8:00 pm A.A.	23 9:00 am A.A. 1:00 pm Ladies Sewing Group 7:30 pm A.A.	24 3:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship Service 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship Service 10:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship Service
25 9:00 am Worship 7:00 pm A.A 	26 Office Closed 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm CODA-New Prague 7:00 pm A.A. & Al-Anon	27 7:00 pm LGBT Support 7:00 pm Webelos Cubs #1—Youth Room	28 9:00 am Amazing Grays Coffee Hour No Wednesday Dinner No Confirmation No High School Youth No Crew Time No Worship	29 6:30 am Men's Bible Study 8:00 pm A.A.	30 9:00 am A.A. 7:30 pm A.A.	31

January 2017

Sunday Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Worship at 7:00 p.m.

USHERS

SUNDAY	*WEDNESDAY*
Bob Austin	Robb Baribeau
Paul & Laurie Meuwissen	Jack Baribeau
Sarah & Janae Becher	

GREETERS (Front & South Door)

January 1		
	9:00 a.m.	Audrey & Lowell Lamping
January 4		
	7:00 p.m.	Lee & Sue Marquardt
January 8		
	9:00 a.m.	Nate & Amber Kahnke & Family
January 11		
	7:00 p.m.	Heidi & Jed Tratche & Family
January 15		
	9:00 a.m.	Lois & Mike Ryan
January 18		
	7:00 p.m.	Rob Carstens and Dennis Jasperson
January 22		
	9:00 a.m.	Joe & Janell Maxa
January 25		
	7:00 p.m.	Annette & Angela Millette
January 29		
	9:00 a.m.	Dean & Ana Podratz & Family

READERS

January 1		
	9:00 a.m.	Bruce Stupica
January 4		
	7:00 p.m.	Ella Horejsi
January 8		
	9:00 a.m.	Nate Kahnke
January 11		
	7:00 p.m.	Jack Baribeau
January 15		
	9:00 a.m.	Karen Hoylo
January 18		
	7:00 p.m.	Joe Taylor
January 22		
	9:00 a.m.	Tim Dittberner
January 25		
	7:00 p.m.	Chris Loose
January 29		
	9:00 a.m.	Dean Podratz

ALTAR GUILD

Shari Nytes and Nancy Sletcha

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

January 1
9:00 a.m. George & Joan Winn, Jerry Privratsky

January 4
7:00 p.m. Lee & Sue Marquardt, Melissa Horejsi

January 15
9:00 a.m. Reidun Peulen, Jim & Kerry Heckenlaible, Eunice Anderson-Webb, Macy Pongratz and Jack Zabka (basket holders)

January 18
7:00 p.m. Deb & Tom Lindbloom, Alyce Price, Rob Taylor, Olivia & Taylor Lindbloom (basket holders)

POWERPOINT RUNNERS

January 1	9:00 a.m.	Tristan Friendshuh
January 4	7:00 p.m.	Jeffrey Price
January 8	9:00 a.m.	Brady Bouffleur
January 11	7:00 p.m.	John Taylor
January 15	9:00 a.m.	Sue Gilles
January 18	7:00 p.m.	Abby Lindbloom
January 22	9:00 a.m.	Janae Becher
January 25	7:00 p.m.	Drew Dietrich
January 29	9:00 a.m.	Liam Fife

OFFERING COUNTERS

January 1	Renee Dietrich and Dennis Jasperson
January 8	Sande Schoenecker and Carrie DeValk
January 15	Nancy Slechta and Carrie Kitner
January 22	Dan Popple and Sue Marquardt
January 29	Julie Popple and Tammy Kajer

COUNCIL PERSON

January 1
January 4
January 8
January 11
January 15
January 18
January 22
January 25
January 29

RADIO BROADCAST

January 1
January 8
January 15
January 22
January 29

December 2016

Sunday Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Worship at 7:00 p.m.

USHERS

Jon & Kristina Madigan — Jeremy Torgerson
George Winn — Maggie Bass

Christmas Eve Ushers

3:00 p.m. *Bob Nelson, John Nelson, Colton Nelson, Mike Rademacher*

5:00 p.m. *Maggie Bass, Mark Walser, _____, _____*

10:00 p.m. *Jeff & Laurie Tolzmann, _____*

Christmas Day Ushers

Maggie Bass, Shari Nytes, _____, _____

GREETERS (Front & South Door)

December 4
9:00 a.m. Jeff & Laurie Tolzmann
December 7
7:00 p.m. Baribeau Family
December 11
9:00 a.m. Brandy Benes & Craig Rossow
December 14
7:00 p.m. Horejsi Family
December 18
9:00 a.m. Chad & Jenny Bakke
December 21
7:00 p.m. Kayla & Chirlyn Thorsfeldt
December 24
3:00 p.m. Liz Nelson and Maggie Bass
5:00 p.m. Mark & Jenny Walser & Family
10:00 p.m. Val Drummerhausen and _____
December 25
9:00 a.m. _____, _____

READERS

December 4
9:00 a.m. Kate Kienow
December 7
7:00 p.m. Kristen DeLuca
December 11
9:00 a.m. Children's Christmas Program
December 14
7:00 p.m. Ella Horejsi
December 18
9:00 a.m. Darcey Schoenebeck
December 21
7:00 p.m. Nate Kahnke
December 24
3:00 p.m. _____
5:00 p.m. Ana Podratz
10:00 p.m. Kristen DeLuca
December 25
9:00 a.m. Marcia Jarrett

ALTAR GUILD - _____, _____

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

December 4 - Intinction
9:00 a.m. Jim & JoAnn Olson, Mary Turek
December 7 - Intinction
7:00 p.m. Beth Baribeau, Alyce Price, Joel Loose
December 18 – Bread & Wine
9:00 a.m. Gary & Mary Eagen, Donn & Judy Conn (runner), Nick & Noah Sticha (Basket holders)
December 21 – Bread & Wine
7:00 p.m. Jennifer Fiala, Chirlyn Thorsfeldt, Nate Kahnke, Karen Taylor (runner), Daniel Price and Lucas Fiala (Basket Holders)
December 24 – Intinction
3:00 p.m. Alyce Price, Liz Nelson, Maggie Bass, _____, _____, _____, _____
5:00 p.m. Marcia Jarrett, Jenny Walser, Dean & Ana Podratz, _____, _____, _____
10:00 p.m. Kristen DeLuca, Sue Moore, Val Drummerhausen

POWERPOINT RUNNERS

December 4	9:00 a.m.	Brady Bouffleur
December 7	7:00 p.m.	Jeffrey Price
December 11	9:00 a.m.	Drew Dietrich
December 14	7:00 p.m.	Joe Taylor
December 18	9:00 a.m.	Tristan Friendshuh
December 21	7:00 p.m.	Jeffrey Price
December 24	3:00 p.m.	Jeffery Price
	5:00 p.m.	_____
	10:00 p.m.	_____
December 25	9:00 a.m.	_____

OFFERING COUNTERS

December 4 Sande Schoenecker and Dan Popple
December 11 Renee Dietrich and Dennis Jasperson
December 18 Julie Popple and Tammy Kajer
December 25 Maggie Bass & _____

COUNCIL PERSON

December 4	S. Brown	**December 7**	K. Gassner
December 11	P. Remfert	**December 14**	J. Tratche
December 18	J. Fife	**December 21**	J. Torgerson
December 24			
December 25			

RADIO BROADCAST

December 4 Roundbank
December 11 Gary and Barb Comfort
December 18 Daryl and Addie Thietje
December 25 Denise Smisek