



Faith Formation News

December 2022

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church - New Prague, MN

Happy Winter Wonderland to you all!

I am so excited about being a part of the Family Christmas Service this year. There will be many preparations, and before you know it, it will be 2023!

The holiday season can be bittersweet. For instance, being grateful for the people in your life while simultaneously missing loved ones that are no longer with us. I hope this month brings love and comfort to you and your family. Please know I have regular **office hours on Tuesdays from 3-6 pm**. If you would like to pop by, my door is always open. Stay tuned to the CYF Google Calendar for fun winter activities!

Fun Facts: My family has two traditions that I absolutely love. First, we always get together around Christmas, go to a local sledding hill late at night and have the greatest time. Street lamps light up sections of the hill so you can still see, but typically nobody else is out when we go. The second tradition that my parents started when I was little was writing our favorite Christmas memories on a hand-made tree skirt. My mom made the tree skirt over 20 years ago, so looking back at all of the memories written down is so much fun! Last year, my mom made a tree skirt for me, and I am so excited to carry on with that tradition. I'd love to hear about your family traditions or your favorite part about the holiday season!

Christmas Blessings to you and your family,
Lauren



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Faith Formation for all ages!

CREW TIME

Sundays and Wednesdays
during worship.
Pre-K - 5th grade
Large & small group learning

CONFIRMATION

Wednesdays, 6 - 7:30 pm
6th - 8th grade
Worship & small groups

AGAPE

Wednesdays, 6 - 7:30 pm
9th - 12th grade
Food, Faith & Fun!

Register online!
holyltrinityonline.org

Save the Date!

Please refer to calendar on page 2 for complete info.

12.18

BLUE CHRISTMAS

Grief & loneliness. Not all holidays are merry.
Dinner @ 6 pm
Worship @ 7 pm

12.21

CYF CHRISTMAS

Kids, costumes & celebrations!
Eat, Worship, Celebrate!
5 - 7:30 pm

12.28

NO PROGRAMS

No Dinner
No Worship
No CYF Programs

New Member Class

Interested in becoming part of the community at Holy Trinity?

Our next New Member Class will be on Sunday, January 8, 2023 in Paul's Place. Light refreshments will be served. We will take some time to hear about you, to understand why we are Lutherans, and to learn what it means to be a member. New Members will officially join Holy Trinity during worship on Sunday, Jan. 15 at 9 am or Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6 pm. [Sign up here!](#)

CYF Christmas!

Family Christmas Service

Wednesday, December 21

Dinner @5 pm, Worship @ 6 pm, CYF Celebration @ 6:30 pm

Crew Time students are invited to dress their best to tell the Christmas story as only they can. Songs, costumes, and a post-worship celebration are highlights of this special service. 5th grade students will have reading opportunities. CYF Celebrations start at 6:30 pm - treats, games & festive photo booth. [Sign up for Prelude Performers or 5th grade readers HERE!](#)

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Communication

CYF Google Calendar

[Click to subscribe!](#)

RED - Birth - 3 years

ORANGE - Pre-K - 5th grade

YELLOW - 6th - 8th grade

GREEN - 9th - 12th grade

BLUE - All CYF Programs

PURPLE - CYF Volunteers

Remind App

Send a text this number: 81010

Crew Time families

Type in message area: @8db42a

Confirmation students & families

Type in message area: @cb3k67

Agape student & families

Type in message area: @bab2bdb7

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4 Worship @ 9 am Crew time (during worship)	5	6 Lauren's Office Hours 3-6 pm	7 Dinner @ 5 pm Worship @ 6 pm Crew Time (during worship) Confirmation & Agape (after worship)	8	9	10
11 Worship @ 9 am Crew time (during worship)	12	13 Lauren's Office Hours 3-6 pm	14 Dinner @ 5 pm Worship @ 6 pm Crew Time (during worship) Confirmation & Agape (after worship)	15	16	17
18 Worship @ 9 am Crew time (during worship) Dinner @ 6 pm Blue Christmas @ 7 pm	19	20 Lauren's Office Hours 3-6 pm	21 Dinner @ 5 pm Family Christmas Service @ 6 pm Crew Time Celebration, Confirmation & Agape Christmas Parties (after worship)	22	23	24  CHRISTMAS EVE 2 pm, 4 pm 10 pm
25 Merry Christmas! Worship @ 9 am	26	27	28 No dinner No worship No CYF programs	29	30	Serve as a Worship Assistant during Christmas! Sign up here