Trinity Calendar 🚿

Thursday, December 18

- NO Spoken worship at noon
- Sr Handbells, 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- Sr Choir, 7:45 PM, Choir Rm
- Yoga class, 7:30 PM, Youth Rm

Friday, December 19

- Bereavement grp, 11:00 AM
- AA, 8:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall

SUNDAY, December 21–4th Sun of Advent

- Holv Communion. 8:30 & 10:45 AM
- Faith Formation classes, 9:45 AM
- Decorating after 10:45 service
- Worship on the Longest Night, 5:00 PM

Monday, December 22

- Mother's Connection, 9:30 AM, Shepherd's Hall
- Cub Scouts, 6 PM, Shepherd's Hall

Tuesday, December 23

- CBS, 10 AM-2 PM, Fellowship Hall
- AA, 7:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall

Wednesday, December 24–Christmas Eve

- Family Holy Communion, ٠ 4:00 PM
- Holy Communion, 8:00 & • 11:00 PM
- Nar-Anon and AA do not meet

Thursday, December 25–Christmas Day

- Holy Communion, 10:00 AM (ONE SERVICE ONLY; PLEASE NOTE TIME)
- Office closed

Dec 18, 2014-Jan 6, 2015

Friday. December 26

- Bereavement grp, 11:00 AM (tentative)
- AA, 8:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall •

SUNDAY. December 28

Holv Communion. 10:00 AM (ONE • SERVICE ONLY; PLEASE NOTE TIME)

Tuesday, December 30

- CBS, 10 AM-2 PM, Fellowship Hall
- AA, 7:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall

Wednesday, December 31–New Year's Eve

- Nar-Anon does not meet
- AA, 8 PM, Shepherd's Hall •

Thursday, January 1, 2015–New Year's Day

Office closed •

Friday, January 2

- Bereavement grp, 11:00 AM (tentative)
- AA, 8:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall

SUNDAY, January 4

- Holv Communion, 8:30 & 10:45 AM
- Faith Formation classes, 9:45 AM ٠
- God & Family 1st mtg, 10:30 AM, Shepherd's Hall

Monday, January 5

- **ANNUAL REPORTS DUE** •
- Mother's Connection, 9:30 AM, ٠ Shepherd's Hall
- Cub Scouts, 6 PM, Shepherd's Hall
- Tuesday, January 6—Epiphany
- CBS. 10 AM-2 PM. Fellowship Hall
- AA, 7:00 PM, Shepherd's Hall

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December 21. 2014

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO ARE

In the hospital, ill, recuperating from surgery, or undergoing medical treatment: Brigitte, Lee, Nan Bader, Lisa Bagnati, Kitty, Joe Basara, Jack Baum, Jeff Bertone & Ruthie Parker and Alexandria Grace, Joe Bettcher, Nicole Bettcher, Mark Boldish, Amy Booth, Michael Boyd, William Brown, Lilly Browne, Betty Buckmaster, Lynn Byrnes, John Cannon, Gail Cardella, Tamara Casablanca, Christine, Erin Conroy, Helen Conte, Jon Cope, Linda Cowen, Eileen Dahlia, Ben Dalecki, Karen Delduco, Kathren Devine, Dilynn, Gert Donovan, Joanne Dzibela, Altjie Egmon, Priscilla Elz, Wayne Farber, Bea Fieldstadt, Linda Fitzgerald, Christine Gallegher, Avril Gelder, Robert Glad, Barbara Goos, Karen Goos, Eleanor Greene, Eric Halbekath Sr, Jeannine Harris, Johanna Honsch, Jean Hnatow, Walter Jakymiw, Joe, Dick Kittle, Karen Krebs, Joe Laird, Justin Larocchia, Michael, Beth Maley, Dan McGill, Bill McMahon, Mary Jane McMahon, Ziggy Mignanelli, Oliver Milton, Michael Montana, Karen Myerwold, Mike Nicholson, Barbara Nicoletti, John Noone, Pr. Paul Nordeen, Bob Obuck, Pr Garry Patrylo Jr, Ed Ranieri, Ronnie, Rosaleen, Larry Ruhs, Marilyn Schoeller, George Schwarz, Marian Schwarz, John Simon, Theresa Smith, Joe Stark, Curt Stiles, Walter Straub, Meranda Sue, Grace Tadler, John Torlish, Mary Torlish, Greg V., Henry Von Bargen, Katherine Waldvogel, Mary Wilkat, Jessica Wilkson, Gina, Cele, Marv, Arthur, Richard Yessian, Chris Young, Jeff

Wrestling with long-term health issues: Moshen Alameldin, Morgan Andren, Malcolm Beal Sr, Gloria Bretone, Christa, Janet Canor, Tony Cardella, Deena Cox, Tom Curran, Glen DiSanto, Al Eberhardt, Donna Ficara, Jim Fiore, Mollie Fitzpatrick, Margaret Fowler, Amanda George, Chuck Helvig, Sue Kaufman, Raymond Kiernan, Ryan Lee, Reneé McElroy, Thaine Manske, Virginia Mead, George Miller, Tanya Murgai, Regina Paulson, Katie Ray, Betty Rodda, Riley Rushia, Sindy, Zack Small, Kenneth Strawn, Audrey Stone, Kathy Sullivan, Josephine Talley, Gina Venezia, Glenn Wagner, Elizabeth Waugh, Cecilia Winters, Stephanie, Donna

Facing life's challenges: Daniel Baggetta, the Banuelos/Cable/Lyon family, Wanda & Cliff, Della Arndt, Danielle Blummer, the Bueti family, Catherine, Jeannie Graham, Terry Gregori, Larry Hampson, Logan Keane, Matt, Bill & Debbie Logan, Anita Luhrs, Isabel Ranieri, Sue Rodriguez, Alex Smith, Barbara Sparkes, Katelyn Stufano, Kristen Sullivan, Michael Talarico, Jennifer West, Helga Whalen, Dave, Lisa, Jaimie Zeola

Giving thanks for the life of: Thelma MacBrien

Serving in the Armed Forces: Michael Caitney, Dylan Cumpston, Adam Elliott, Phillip Gerhardt, Ron Hansen Jr., Dylan Kinsella, Pr Anthony Stephens, Adam Vieux, Jessica Woodall, all those in the service of our country, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan, and their chaplains **Restricted to home/nursing home:** Marge Christie, Frank Cucinella, Gerrit Franssen, Lucy Hillers, Heddie Kessel, Marian Langlois, Horatio Massatti, Marge Popham, Edna Robertson, Scott Werner

Attending seminary: Dawn Morello

Partnership Ministries: The Northwest Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; the Brewster Soup Kitchen (Brewster 1st Baptist Church) and Brewster Food Pantry (St. Andrew's Episcopal), Brewster Ecumenical Service Partnership (BESP); local small business owners in challenging economic times

Servants of the Church: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, and the Churchwide staff; Bishop Robert Rimbo of the Metropolitan New York Synod and staff; Pastor Jennifer Boyd, Deacons Charles Germain, Jr. and Dorothy Kafalas; Minister of Music Franklyn Commisso; Council members; Sunday School teachers, and worship leaders

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: To add a name to Trinity's prayer list, please complete a request form located in the pew and place it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Names are usually listed for four weeks. Please contact Amy in the church office trinlutheranoffice@ yahoo.com if a person should be listed for a longer period of time, moved to a different area of concern, or removed. Wednesday is the deadline for including names in the following Sunday's printed list.



SCHEDULED TO SERVE

Sunday, December 21—4th Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM: Assisting Ministers/Readers–Mary Gerhardt, Ralph Rudolph; Ushers–Don Icken, Lois Lawerence; Acolyte–one needed; Advent Wreath Lighting–the Lawerence/Wise Family

10:45 AM: Assisting Ministers/Readers–Joan Bradley, Joanne Halbekath; **Ushers**–Stephanie & Peter Lyons; **Acolyte**–Anja Tempel; **Advent Wreath Lighting**–Claudine Hayes

Wednesday, December 24—Christmas Eve

4:00 PM: Assisting Ministers/Rdrs–Dawn Morello, Gail Pease; **Ushers**–Scott Dzibela, Lois Lawerence; **Acolyte**– Lillie Giacomelli

8:00 PM: Assisting Ministers/Rdrs-Three needed, Gail Pease; Ushers-Two needed; Acolyte-Meagan Beal

11:00 PM: Assisting Ministers/Rdrs–Don Icken, Lauren Icken; Ushers–Peter & Stephanie Lyons; Acolyte–Ethan Kovalec

Thursday, December 25—Christmas Day

10:00 AM: Assisting Ministers/Rdrs–Kathie Ruhs, one needed; Ushers–Larry Ruhs, one needed; Acolyte–one needed

Sunday, December 28—One service only

10:00 AM: Assisting Ministers/Rdrs–Don Icken, Lois Lawerence; **Ushers–Two needed; Acolyte–**William Groundwater



IF YOU CAN FILL A NEED ON CHRISTMAS EVE OR CHRISTMAS DAY, please contact Mary Beth Commisso at mbjerry@comcast.net ASAP.

ALL SERVERS: If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange for a substitute and inform the office and Mary Beth Commisso. For acolyte scheduling, contact Charlie Germain.

Readings for Sunday, December 28, 2014–Psalm 96:10-13; Matthew 2:1-12. Read and pray the text each week. Come to worship prepared and eager to hear God's word.

YEARLY CONTRIBUTIONS

 YTD Income
 - YTD Expenses
 = YTD Deficit

 \$153K
 - \$164K
 = -\$12K

 Checkbook

Note-YTD Income includes a 1/1/2014 \$10K loan from the Building Improvement Fund.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to complete a PLEDGE CARD for 2015–cards available in the narthex.

YEAR-TO-DATE CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available upon request from the office. Please contact Amy at trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com or 845-279-5181.

2015 OFFERING ENVELOPES are in the narthex. Please **pick up your box, even if you contribute electronically.** Last day for 2014 contributions: December 31, 2014.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS are being sent out via email each Tuesday. In addition, there are resources listed in December's *Trinitarian*. If you prefer a paper copy, there are a few available in the narthex.



DECORATING the nave will be on Sunday, December 21, following the 10:45 AM service.

LONGEST NIGHT/BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE–For many of us Christmas can be a difficult time. While all the decorations and activities around us call out "be happy and celebrate," we may be feeling sad, aching with the emptiness of having lost a loved one, facing the

breakup of a marriage, dealing with financial pressures or the loss of a job, struggling with illness in ourselves or someone close to us, or feeling lonely away from family or friends. We may just be overwhelmed by the hustle and bustle of the world. There are many reasons why we may be feeling "blue." On **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, AT 5:00 PM** we will have a special worship service that acknowledges that not everyone feels jolly at Christmas time. Called **Worship on the Longest Night** or sometimes a **Blue Christmas Service,** this quiet time for worship provides an opportunity to remember our loved ones or share our hurting places with God, and gives us a time to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. It is held near the day that has the least daylight and the longest night of the year, calling to mind the darkness that we feel in our lives when we grieve. It also provides the reassurance we need that, even in our longest night, God's love surrounds us. Come and share in this time of worship and supportive fellowship.

GOD & FAMILY will meet for the first time January 4, 10:30 AM, Shepherd's Hall, with John Bertone. **GOD & ME** will meet for the first time January 11, 10:30 AM, Shepherd's Hall, with Irene Germain. The other dates they will be meeting will be decided at these first meetings.

WELCA January schedule–Thurs Jan 8 business meeting and Bible study, 10 AM, Fellowship; Thur Jan 15 lunch, time and place TBD; WELCA craft group will meet January 18 after Faith Formation, ~10:40 am.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR–Pre-K through 5th grade Sunday School children sing pre-arranged songs for performances at worship services throughout the year. *We will be dismissed during end of service announcements and meet in Shepherd's Hall (about 9:20).* Singing at **Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Service—looking for a volunteer leader.** Contact Joy Baggetta joy_baggetta@hotmail.com for more details.

This year **BREWSTER EMERGENCY SHELTER PARTNERSHIP (BESP)**, the temporary shelter, runs December 8, 2014 through March 29, 2015 (Palm Sunday). Trinity's dates for providing a hot meal and overnight volunteer hosts (along with the paid overnight host) are: January 19-25, February 23-March 1, and March 16-March 22. Contact Gail Pease at 845-225-8921 or gpeasesoar@aol.com or Irene Germain at 845-225-4698 or Irene6174@comcast.net for questions or to volunteer.

PRAYER SHAWLS—Attention all Knitters, Crocheters, & Yarn Aficionados! One of our un-sung ministries at Trinity is our Prayer shawls. They are created by a variety of people and given out to those who are in need of prayer. Sometimes they are prayers for healing, strength, comfort as well as for times of joy, celebration, and transitions in life. Shawls will be made available in the narthex (look for the shawl bin) for people to use during worship when they feel they need to be enrobed in prayer (or if you are just cold); to take for themselves or to give to someone who is need of prayers; for you to leave a shawl for others to use.

BULLETIN COVERS are needed for January 11 and beyond. Please sign up in the narthex.