

December 21, 2025

**Church @ 9:30am**

**Sunday School &  
Adult Bible Class meets  
after church.**

# THE PARISH CALLER

## Trinity Lutheran Church

*The Mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is the  
preaching, teaching, baptizing and sharing the love of  
Christ in our church, our community and our world.*

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Trinity Ringers / Trinity Choir / Men's Glee  
practices meet the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays:  
Trinity Ringers at 5pm / Trinity Choir at 6pm /  
Men's Glee at 7pm

Lutheran Youth Fellowship (LYF) Teen focused Bible  
Study and Fun Activities—4<sup>th</sup> Sun of the Month; 6-8pm

Senior Moments—1st Thursday of the Month—  
1pm in the chapel

Family Bible Study—1st Sunday of the Month—  
6pm at the parsonage

Girls of Grace—2nd Sunday of the Month—  
6pm Curl Household

Mt. Vernon Ladies Bible Study will meet at 1:30pm. the  
second and fourth Tuesday at Betty Sawyers home

Ladies Afternoon Bible Study will meet at 1:30pm the  
second and third Monday in the chapel



**Prayer Chain** If you wish to be added or  
removed or information has changed, A  
MEMBER OF THE FAMILY NEEDS TO CALL

BOTH the CHURCH OFFICE and  
**MARGE HARRIS @ 236-1935 or**  
**CONNIE CHAPMAN @ 827-0952**

If you are in need of a ride to and from a doctor  
appointment or need to pick up a prescription,  
you may call these people to help you.

Betty Sawyer 417-825-5697



### The Lutheran Hour Sermon Schedule

**December 21, 2025 "Everybody Is Somebody"**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
God sends His people—the Church—to be His letters to the  
world, delivering His Word of promise. Romans 1:7

**The Lutheran Hour** may be heard on the following radio  
stations each Sunday: KKOW-AM, (860) Pittsburg, KS at 9:30 am,  
KLFC-FM (88.1) Branson, MO at 9:30 am; KRUM (100.5) Rogers, AR  
12:30 pm; KNEO-FM, (91.7) Neosho, MO at 1 pm

**Radio broadcast of Trinity Lutheran Church** services may be heard  
on radio station KKBL (95.9) and the radio KKBL website and app.  
The live stream broadcast can also be heard at [www.trinity1874.com](http://www.trinity1874.com)  
using your computer, tablet or smart phone.

**Attendance December 14, 2025** 150  
**YTD Sunday Average** 157

### Birthday's

21-Raylin Choate  
22-Merlin Bracht  
22-Caramie Petrowsky  
23-Susan Jenkins  
24-Trentin Rickman  
25-Jerra Baker  
25-Imogene Knaust  
26-Karsen Rhea  
26-Joshua Spree  
27-Walter Brown

### Anniversaries

27-Mitch & Lauren Choate  
27-Philip & Margaret Kleiboeker-28



### Assisting in the Service December 28th, 2025

**Preacher:** Rev. Jake Sletten  
**Assisting:** Lay Minister Bruce Sletten  
**Elder:** Luke Hansen  
**Assisting Elder:** Parker Schoen  
**Acolytes:** Pistol and Cadence McCullough  
**Sound:** Liam Hansen  
**Broadcaster:** Scott George  
**Communion Setup:** Charlotte Quick  
**Communion Wash:** Charlotte Quick

## Church and School Children's Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 24

@ 6pm

Sound: Shanna Jelinek

## Christmas Day Service

Thursday, December 25 @ 10am

Sound: Bob Senninger

Acolyte: MJ Sletten

**2026 Offering Envelopes** are in the  
south breezeway in alphabetical order.

### **Communion Ware Schedule:**

It's that time of the year to sign-up to help with Communion Ware for 2026. Be sure to add your name to the Communion Ware Schedule – the sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

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**No Adult Bible Study or Sunday School**  
on December 21<sup>st</sup> or December 28<sup>th</sup>

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### **Portals of Prayer and Lutheran**

**Witness**— Please let the Church Office know if you would like to order Portals of Prayer by January 7th, this order will cover the next 4 quarters between April 2026 to March 2027.

I am also taking orders for the Lutheran Witness for 2026 - I'll need this order by February 4th.

Portals of Prayer (pocket size): \$10.25  
Portals of Prayer (large print): \$22.50  
Lutheran Witness: \$20.65

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**LWML** will meet on January 5, 2026,  
at 1:30 pm in Trinity Chapel.

Doris Meyer will have the program.  
A short business meeting will follow.

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**The Altar Committee** would sincerely like to thank everyone that bought poinsettias to help beautify our church for the Christmas Season.

Poinsettias may be picked up after the Sunday service on 12/28 or any time after.  
(no names on the plants)

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### **2025–2027 LWML MISSION GRANT NO. 1 REGIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE LERT SHOWER TRAILERS**

LCMS OFFICE OF NATIONAL MISSION, DISASTER  
RESPONSE MINISTRY | \$81,500

LERT Teams Serve God, Others, and Provide Hope! LCMS Disaster Response is a ministry of presence rich with God's mercy and Word of Life. Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) training is focused on proclaiming Christ while serving thousands of individuals and families who are suffering from loss in the wake of disasters like hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, fires, and tornadoes. It provides an opportunity for the church to be visibly active in reaching out in mercy to serve the hurting and homeless with physical and spiritual care. To date, LERT has trained more than 18,000 Lutheran volunteers in disaster relief and response with more than 50 LERT disaster response equipment trailers utilized by all 35 LCMS districts. When deployed, LERT teams traditionally use congregations in the disaster areas as their base camps. The host congregations provide a place for the LERT teams to sleep, eat, rest, recover, and receive spiritual care during their time of service. Host congregations are incredible to work with as the teams help them rebuild their communities and share the life-changing message of the Gospel. One challenge for team members has been the lack of showers and laundry facilities at a host church. LERT members have showered at national gym chains, in members' homes, in personal campers, or even under cold garden hoses. This grant will fund half the cost of two combination bathroom/shower/laundry trailers to be used during disaster response work. These units will enable LERT volunteers to enjoy a refreshing shower to help them recover from their hard day's work and allow LERT and base camp volunteers a place to do laundry. It is safe to say that you can never underestimate the feeling of having clean clothing and warm showers, especially after working long days in dirty and contaminated environments. Each trailer will be stored in a regionally central location for a quick deployment when needed and will be shared primarily, but not limited, throughout the Midwest and Southern regions of the United States of America.