



Trinity Trumpet

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Deer Farm Cookout



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and Learning Center
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Service Schedule:

Sunday

Bible Study & 9 AM
Sunday School
Divine Service 10:15 AM

Wednesday

Catechesis 6:30 PM
Service 7:00 PM

Monday-Friday

Children's Matins 10:00 AM

Private Confession & Absolution

Wednesday 10:30-11:00 AM
Saturday 8:00-8:30 PM
or by appointment



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Wise not Foolish

In Ephesians 5:15-16, St. Paul tells us, "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

St. Paul is directing you to give attention to our Christian walk. Don't just do whatever comes to mind.

Consider your words and actions. As a Christian, you have been given wisdom from the Word of God. You have been taught that your own sinful nature is not to be trusted. More than that, you know that the days are evil, which is to say that suggestions which come from the sinful world are not going to be God-pleasing. The world desires to lead you astray from our Lord.

God teaches you through His Word to confess your sins revealed by the Law. He invites you to believe in Jesus' forgiveness revealed by the Gospel. Furthermore, God

always give believers a new heart. You, too, desire to please Him. You look to the Ten Commandments as a guide. You begin each day saying, "...and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doing and life may please You." An unexamined life—one that is put on auto-pilot and follows the guidance and direction of this world—would be a foolish mistake.

Therefore, St. Paul tells us to "redeem the time." This phrase literally means that you are to "buy back the time," though a more colloquial translation would be to "make the most of our

opportunities." Each one of us have been given physical life. And with God's gift of life, comes opportunities to use that physical life.

In His wisdom, God has not given each of us the same blessings. Some are given relatively healthy lives, while others have disabilities or limitations. Some are blessed with many worldly riches, while others have less. Not everyone can play the violin, throw a baseball ninety miles-an-hour or do differential equations. Some are given lives that span

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The Learning Center

By Keely Gelso
ECLC Director

I can't believe the year is almost over.....with that comes fun events here at Trinity

Thursday, December 5th,
Gingerbreads with the Grandparents – Pre-K 1 & Pre-K 2 children and a grandparent (or another family member) to decorate cookies, drink Hot chocolate and listen to a story read by Mrs. G

Thursday, December 12th, Trinity Christmas Party from 10:15-11:30 look for a sign-up sheet in each child's room for gifts and treat list.

Wednesday, December 18th The Polar Express will be riding into town at 9 am. Please have your child come dressed in Christmas jammies! We will be watching the movie and having hot chocolate and cookies for the event.

Thursday, December 19th
Children's Christmas



Program @ 7 – please have your child come to the basement door of the Church at 6:40 pm. Boys will be shepherds and girls will be angels. We will provide the costume. Please make sure that girls DO NOT have big bows in their hair they will be taken out.

Pre-K 1 & Pre-2 children only.

We ARE SO VERY THANKFUL to the Church members that participated in the Trunk or Treat with the School! It was a great day for the kiddos. Also, a big thank you to Owen & Emmaline's Grandparents for participating.

Also, thank you to our church members who always are helping to make upgrades and providing building maintenance! WE



couldn't make it without you!

Reminders!

Children now need winter coats, hats and gloves daily! Baby it's cold outside....and remember we go outside 25° and up!

Please make sure your child has an extra change of clothes and that they are ready for winter.

Please make sure you check your child's

folder daily for important notes, newsletters and updates.

Please be aware that during nap time 12:45-2:45 the building will be closed, and codes do not work. Please schedule appointments before or after these times.

Mrs. Laura will be scheduling parent/teacher conferences for Pre-K 2 in the beginning of November look for a sign-up sheet in her room. --Mrs. G



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almost a hundred years, while others are called away in the prime of life. The new “Our Family Daily Prayer” hymn is #448 (from The Lutheran Hymnal). The very title, “Brief Life Is Here Our Portion,” teaches that no matter how many years the Lord has given, your days are numbered, and earthly life is brief.

St. Paul is directing you to examine your life and accurately assess whether you are making the most of the gifts God has given you. How well are you doing? Ephesians 5:17, says, “Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.” It would not be wise to neglect God’s gifts. When St. Paul speaks of “understanding what the will of the Lord is,” most people think that this is simply a reference to comparing your life with the Ten Commandments or the Law of God. Here in Ephesians 5, St. Paul is teaching so much more. Don’t misunderstand me. God does give believers the Law so that we have a guide and know what kind of life and actions please Him. We don’t decide what is pleasing, God does. However, in



Ephesians 5, St. Paul assumes that the believer is using the Ten Commandments as a guide for holy living, (as well as a mirror to show him his sin when he fails).

St. Paul tells us just exactly what he is thinking when he says, “the will of the Lord.” After giving some examples of foolish and wise living in verses 18-19, he says in verse 20, “giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of God.” As Christians, we know that our salvation has been completely secured by the atonement of Jesus Christ and through faith in His promise, we are saved. Our Christian walk is not done to earn anything. The will of God is a wise



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Christian walk performed in thanksgiving.

Examine your life to see if the Christian walk is being accurately reflected in your life. The Christian walk is a life of thanksgiving. I don’t need my good works; I’m already saved. God doesn’t need my good works, but my neighbor does need them. The wise Christians then makes the most of his walk of thanksgiving in two ways.

First, Eph 5:19 says that you should be “speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in

your heart to the Lord....” Your thankfulness is seen in attending God’s services so that you regularly receive Christ’s forgiveness with singing and praise. Second, Eph 5:20 says, “submitting to one another in the fear of God.” It pleases God when I use the blessings God has given me to serve my neighbor. When I wisely direct his blessings according to his will, it reveals that I believe in God’s completed salvation for me, and it shows my thankfulness.

--MDH

November 2019

MONDAY - FRIDAY
Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Acolytes: Fri(1) Crucifer/Gospel Book-Tom Weber, acolytes-Colton Weber, Sun(3) Luke Phillips, Sun(10) Liam Phillips, Sun(17) Dylan Dunaway, Sun(24) Olivia Dunaway</p>		<p>Elder-Dan Byrne(997-4667); Altar Guild-Butch and Mary Schroeder; Church Cleaning-Nov 3/10 Turner, Nov 17/24 Tomkins</p>			<p>1</p> <p>All Saints' Day</p> <p>7:00 PM Divine Service</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Damstaedt Wedding</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends</p> <p>Trinity 20</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p>10:15 AM Divine Service</p> <p>Voters' Assembly and Potluck following the service</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Election Day</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Gustavus Adolphus, King and Confessor</p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</p> <p>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Martin Chemnitz, Confessor</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Martin Luther, Doctor and Confessor</p> <p>Third Last Sunday in Church Year</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p>10:15 AM Divine Service</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 PM Board of Education</p>	<p>13</p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</p> <p>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:00 PM Ladies' Missionary Society (Patti Baker's)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>5:30 PM Game Night</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Second Last Sunday in Church Year</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p>10:15 AM Divine Service</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:00 PM Elders' Meeting</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</p> <p>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Last Sunday in Church Year</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p>10:15 AM Divine Service</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</p> <p>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day</p> <p>9:00 AM Matins</p> <p>ECLC Closed</p>	<p>29</p> <p>ECLC</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Saint Andrew, Apostle</p> <p>6:00 PM Decorating for Holy Days</p> <p>7:00 PM Vespers</p>

December 2019

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Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 First Sunday of Advent 9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	2	3	4 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	5 Nikolaus Senekker, Confessor 6:30 PM Ladies Christmas Party (Mary Brieschke's)	6	7
8 Advent 2 9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	9	10 6:00 PM Board of Education	11 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	12	13 St. Lucy, Martyr	14 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
15 Advent 3 9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service 1:00 PM Christmas Caroling	16	17 O Wisdom	18 Ember Wednesday 7:00 AM Matins O Adonai and Ruler 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	19 O Root of Jesse 7:00 PM Children's Christmas Program	20 O Key of David Ember Friday 7:00 AM Matins	21 Ember Saturday Saint Thomas, Apostle 7:00 PM Vespers O Dayspring
22 Advent 4 O King of Nations 9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service <i>Learn-by-Heart recitation of Lord's Prayer</i>	23 O Emmanuel	24 Christmas Eve 3:00 PM Vigil of the Nativity 11:00 PM Christ's Mass Midnight	25 Christmas 8:00 AM Christmas Day Matins 9:00 AM Christ's Mass Day	26 Saint Stephen, First Martyr no service	27 Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist 10:30 AM Divine Service	28 The Holy Innocents 7:00 PM Vespers
29 Christmas One <i>Learn-by-Heart Certificate for Lord's Prayer</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	30	31 New Year's Eve Eve of the Name of Jesus 7:00 PM Divine Service	Acolytes: Sun(1) Tom Weber, Sun(8) Colton Weber, Sun(15) Luke Phillips, Sun(22) Liam Phillips, Tue 9 AM(24) Crucifer/Gospel Book-Tom Weber, acolytes- Dylan and Olivia, Tue-9AM(25) Crucifer/Gospel Book-Dylan Dunaway, acolytes-Olivia and Tom, Sun(29) Dylan Dunaway, Tue-7PM(31) Gospel Book-Tom Weber, acolytes-Colton and Olivia		Elder-Victor Turner (521-7451); Altar Guild-Marsha Kay Turner; Church Cleaning-Dec 1/8 Stretch, Dec 15/22 Smith, Dec 29/Jan 5 Schroeder	

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More Trunk or Treat

Hike with Pr. Mike



Bp. Heiser's Visitation

Dcn. Harroun's 80th Birthday

