Trinity Lutheran Church
New Richland

NEWS LETTER

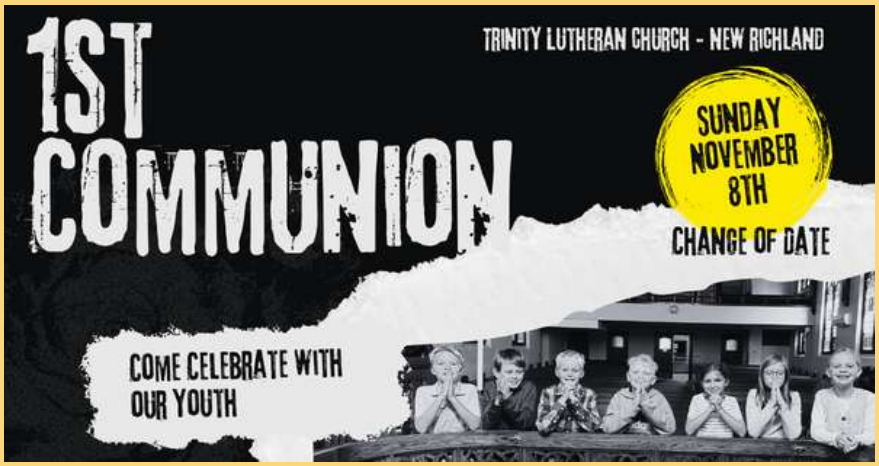


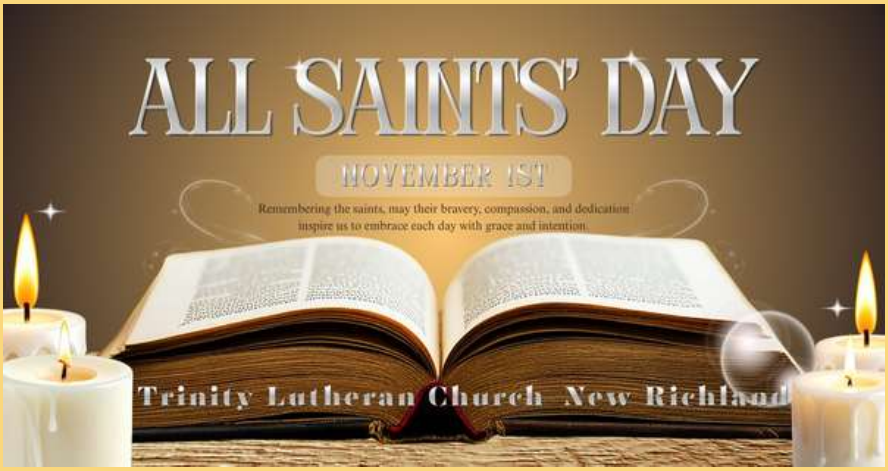
As We Enter November:
Remembrance & the Communion of Saints
Take a moment to pause and witness God's natural beauty all around us. Amid the changing seasons, we remember with love those who have gone before us in faith, give thanks for their witness, and find comfort in the hope of the resurrection.
Though separated by death, we remain united in Christ and held in God's everlasting love.
"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." — Ecclesiastes 3:1
We pause. We remember. We give thanks. We live in hope.

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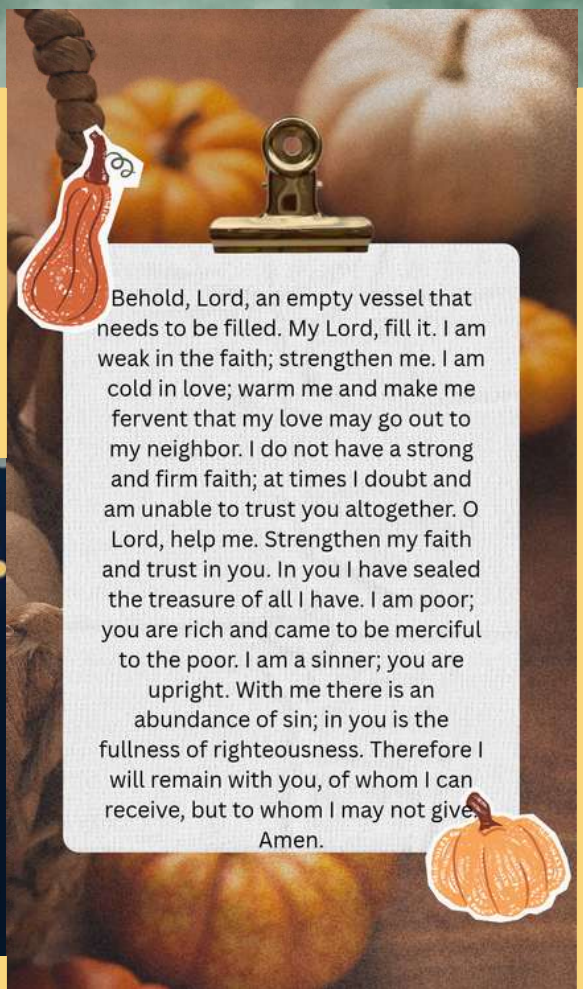
Youth Church Camp Experiences
Hey Youth!

We would love to hear about the church camps you've attended! We want to hear about your experiences, what you learned, the friendships you made, and how camp helped you grow in your faith.

Did you know that grants are available to help support youth attending church camps? If you're interested in attending a church camp in the future, we encourage you to reach out and learn more about the opportunities available.

We'd love to hear your stories and help you find ways to continue growing in your faith through church camp experiences! Please connect with us to share your experience. We can't wait to hear from you!

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Adult Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for volunteers to help finish our back sidewalk landscaping project.
We are also in need of large boulders/rocks to complete the project.
If you are available to volunteer your time or have large rocks to donate, please speak with the office to coordinate a date.
Thank you for your generosity and support in helping beautify our church grounds!

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COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Coffee and Conversation invites you to join us after worship for fellowship and refreshments. If you are willing to help with hosting, serving, or providing treats, please reach out to Pam.



November

Church Christmas Decorating Day!

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!
We will be decorating the church for the Christmas season on November 22, immediately following worship, and all volunteers are welcome!
Come join us as we work together to make our church beautiful and festive for the Christmas season. We appreciate everyone who is willing to share their time and help make our church feel warm and welcoming!
Thank you for your help and Christmas spirit!

CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!

IF YOU KNIT OR CROCHET, WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE PRAYER SHAWLS FOR OUR MINISTRY. PRAYER SHAWLS PROVIDE COMFORT, SUPPORT, AND A REMINDER OF GOD'S LOVE TO THOSE FACING DIFFICULT TIMES.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE. YOUR TALENTS ARE A BLESSING TO OTHERS!



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DAILY DEVOTIONS

Daily devotion books are available for you to take home. Please feel free to take one and spend time each day in God's Word, prayer, and reflection.

Calling All Quilters

Trinity Lutheran Quilters
The quilters meet
On Mondays
9:00—11:00 am.
More hands are always
WELCOME!

PASTOR Peg
WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Though it may vary week to week, Pastor Peg's schedule will usually be:
Working in New Richland
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday, Working from home ~ Monday
Days Off ~ Friday and Saturday
Pastor Peg may be reached seven days a week by calling or texting 301-639-3099 Or email pastorpeg2021@gmail.com

St. Olaf Cemetery
If you ever have any questions about St. Olaf Cemetery – questions about current plots you own or questions about purchasing new plots, please contact Ryan Tucker. He can be reached on his cell phone: 320-309-7924. Please leave a message, if needed, and Ryan will return your call.

A joyful reminder to our families

If you have welcomed a new little one into your home, we would love to celebrate the gift of baptism with you! Please contact the church office to schedule your child's baptism. We look forward to sharing in this special milestone with your family.



HAPPY FALL

In Need of prayer?
Prayer is an important part of Supporting people who are ill or struggling. If you or a family member would like to be on our public prayer list, please contact the Church office. Those we are lifting up in prayer include: Amy Ferber, Gary Oppedal, Alex Merritt, Caryn Wendt



Wholesome Meals

DELIVERED

Trinity Meals on Wheel
November Schedule
Nov 2,3,5,6,11,30 Dale B
Nov 4 Pam & Larry G
Nov 9,10,12,13 Bob & Cyndi W
Nov 16-20 Kathy M
Nov 23-27 Brian V

Thanks for all you do

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Advent begins

Let Us Prepare for the Coming of Christ!
As a church, let us embrace the season of Advent with hearts full of hope, peace, joy, and love. Let us prepare not only our homes but also our hearts through prayer, repentance, forgiveness, and acts of kindness. May this Advent season bring us closer to Jesus Christ and strengthen our unity as a Christian community. Let us walk together in faith as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior.
Amen.

First Sunday in Advent
Theme Verse: Isaiah 64:1-9

Second Sunday in Advent
Theme Verse: Mark 1:1-8

Third Sunday in Advent
Theme Verse: Psalm 126:1-6

Fourth Sunday in Advent
Theme Verse: Luke 1:26-38

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New Member Sunday Will be November 22 Please speak with Pastor Peg if you are interested in joining



FUNDING OUR MINISTRY

NEED OFFERING ENVELOPES? Please contact the church secretary when you need more envelopes. If you have any questions about your contributions, please feel free to call Mary Berg, Financial Secretary.

WAYS TO GIVE TO THE MINISTRY OF TRINITY

QR Code We are pleased to offer a QR code option for your church contributions. Simply scan the code to make your offering or donation quickly and securely. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to our ministry!

Cash or Check

Place your check or cash in the offering during any service.

Online with Vanco Giving

Online giving is a safe and easy way to support Trinity Lutheran Church. You can schedule new gifts at any time and modify or cancel gifts prior to the date they are scheduled. You can also view your contribution history. An authorization form can be picked up in the office.

Securities

Appreciated securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds) donated to Trinity may provide significant tax benefits to the donor. Gifts of securities may need additional time to process. Plan ahead to make sure transfers are completed by the end of the tax year. Contact the church office

Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund

Here is your chance to make a significant gift to Trinity and also protect your estate for your family, loved ones and other organizations. Contact the church office, Jon Meyer, Cyndi Wenzel or Mary Berg.

Thanks for your attendance in Person or Live Streaming as we continue to be the church apart and together. The Funding Ministry and Church Council appreciate your generous support. Your faithful Stewardship is essential for us to continue to support our ministries at Trinity Lutheran.



Dear Members and Friends of Our Congregation,
As the Stewardship Committee, we want to thank you for the many ways you support our church. Stewardship is more than financial giving—it is sharing our time, talents, gifts, and faith with one another and with our community.
Your generosity helps our congregation continue its ministries, care for others, and share God's love. Every gift and every act of service makes a difference.
We encourage each of you to prayerfully consider how you can continue to support the mission and ministry of our congregation in the coming year.
Our Church Council requires new members for the upcoming year. If this is a position you are interested in please contact a council member, as it is an excellent way to serve our congregation.
Thank you for your faithful commitment, generosity, and love for our church.
With gratitude and blessings,
The Stewardship Committee

Pastoral Pondering for November 2026

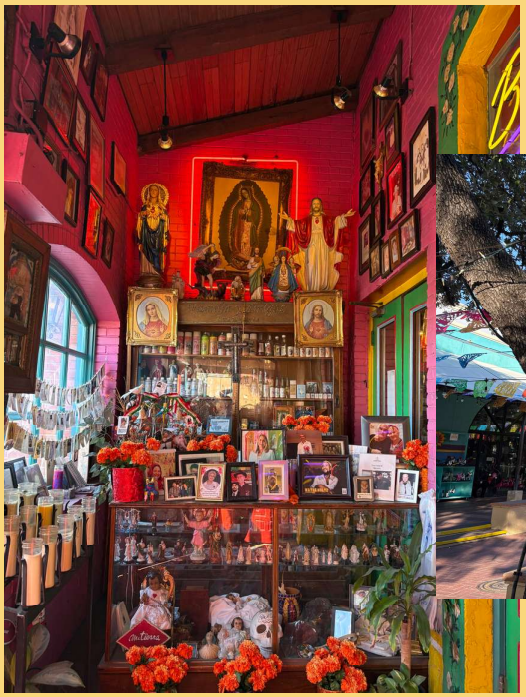
Did you know…

The period from October 31 through November 2 is sometimes called “Allhallowtide.” And in communities of Mexican heritage, many celebrate this period as encompassing the Dia de los Muertos, “The Day of the Dead,” a time to gather in order to pray, remember, and commune with friends and family members who have died.

November 1 is All Saints' Day, a festival celebrating all the saints, known and unknown

November 2 is All Souls’ Day, honoring those who have died (especially relatives). In April this year I began a course in Intentional Interim Ministry, and I completed it last week in San Antonio, TX. It was intense, and well worth the time and financial investment. We were given one evening “off” and I went to the Riverwalk downtown. The bright colors of the Mexican culture assaulted me from every direction! It was fascinating to contemplate the various ways we here in America celebrate those who are baptized into the family of Christ and the baptismal promises that lead to every lasting life in Christ for those that believe in Him. While we do not hold the tradition of communion with the dead in the same manner as those of Mexican Heritage, when we feast at the Lord’s table during the Holy Eucharist, Lutheran tradition is such that we believe that the “communion of saints” who have gone before us are gathered around the table with us. When we are at the communion rail, I visualize a direct line from heaven to earth and want to linger there, connected to my parents, brothers, grandparents and all who have concluded their earthly walk. You also can linger at the rail and do not have to leave at the same time. It’s okay to linger at the rail, the cross, in the sanctuary as the postlude is being played. It’s okay to linger in prayer and Contemplation, sadness or joy. We are living in the liminal time between the almost and not yet, anticipating Christ’s return when we will see clearly and understand fully the depth and breadth of God’s never-ending love for us, God’s children. All of life is lived in transition for one minute to the next, so let us be intentional in giving grace and forgiveness to one another. I am thankful to be a part of this loving and caring congregation. In the words of Martin Luther, “This is most Certainly true.”

Serving Christ Together,
Pastor Peg







In the month of October, we joyfully celebrated the Holy Trinity, giving thanks to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. May the Holy Trinity continue to guide, protect, and bless us with love, unity, and peace. Amen.

















Monthly Service Project
Wishing Tree
Share the Joy of Christmas!

This holiday season, we invite everyone to participate in our Wishing Tree Project, a special service initiative to bring Christmas joy to the youth in our community.

Choose a wish from our Wishing Tree and help make the holidays brighter for a local child or teen. Every gift is an opportunity to spread kindness, share hope, and show our youth how much our community cares.

How to Participate:


Select a gift tag from the Wishing Tree.


Purchase the gift listed on the tag.


Please leave gifts unwrapped and attach the original gift tag.


Place your gift in the basket next to the office by December 5th.

Every gift, big or small, makes a difference! Let's come together to make wishes come true and bring smiles to the faces of youth in our community.

Thank you for helping us spread Christmas cheer and make this holiday season extra special!

“Give a little kindness, share a little joy, and make a child's Christmas brighter!”

Ushers
Jon Meyer
Andy VanHal
Neil Schlaak
Tony Schlaak

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Altar Guild
Julie Peterson
Kathy Meyer

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Worship/ Communion/ Confirmation & 1st Communion Class/Bible Study	2 SAIL 8:30-9:30 Quilting 9:00	3	4 SAIL 9-10	5	6 SAIL 9-10	7
8 Worship/ Communion/ Christmas Program Practice/1st Communion	9 SAIL 8:30-9:30 Quilting 9:00	10 FISH 3:30-5	11 SAIL 9-10 Council 6pm	12	13 SAIL 9-10	14
15 Worship/ Christmas Program Practice/ Confirmation Class	16 SAIL 8:30-9:30 Quilting 9:00	17 FISH 3:30-5	18 SAIL 9-10	19	20 SAIL 9-10	21 Thor & Hannah Routh Wedding
22 Worship/ Christmams Program Practice/ Decorating the Church/Bible Study	23 SAIL 8:30-9:30 Quilting 9:00	24	25 SAIL 9-10 Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7pm	26 	27 SAIL 9-10	28
29 Worship/ Christmas Program Practice	30 SAIL 8:30-9:30 Quilting 9:00					



UPCOMING DATES



- **Nov 1** All Saints Sunday
- **Nov 1** Confirmation
- **Nov 1** 1st Communion Class
- **Nov 8** Christmas Program Practice
- **Nov 8** 1st Communion
- **Nov 10** F.I.S.H.
- **Nov 15** Christmas Program Practice
- **Nov 17** F.I.S.H.
- **Nov 22** Christmas Program Practice
- **Nov 22** Decorate the Church for Christmas
- **Nov 25** Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7pm
- **Nov 29** Christmas Program Practice
- **Dec 1** F.I.S.H.
- **Dec 4 & 5** Home for the Holiday Concert
- **Dec 6** Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal after Worship
- **Dec 8** F.I.S.H.
- **Dec 11** Blue Christmas
- **Dec 13** Christmas Progam
- **Dec 25** Christmas Eve Worship 5pm
- **Dec 27** Breakfast Worship



PORCH POTS



Small/
Medium
(6-10 in)
$25



Large/
X-Large
(11-15 in)
$45

Order Name: _____

Pot Provided: YES NO

Size: Small/Medium or Large/X-Large

Birch: YES NO

Dogwood: YES NO

Ribbon: YES NO

Color Preference _____

Deadline for special order November 15th
with Pick up November 22nd

WELCA of Trinity Lutheran Church

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