



## Activities and Opportunities

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### December 23, 2018

#### Hospital Patients

Audrey Delap - discharged

Jan Griffin - discharged

Alex Nix - discharged

Brad Wood - 3405, Greenville Memorial

#### Announcements

**The Church Office is open until 9:55 am this morning.**

**Candlelight Christmas Eve Services - Monday, December 24.** The following services of Holy Communion will be celebrated: 10:00 am with Children and Youth Choirs. 5:00 and 7:00 pm with Adult Choir and Brass.

**End of Year Giving.** According to IRS regulations, gifts should be made on or before December 31 to be considered tax-deductible for the year 2018. During the last week of the year, the Church Office will be open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm on Thursday, December 27, Friday, December 28, and Monday, December 31, as well as Sunday, December 30 from 8:30 to 11:00 am.

**2019 Envelopes.** The offering envelopes for next year have been mailed. Note that those who contribute by bank draft will not receive envelopes, but are welcome to use the envelopes in the pew racks for additional offering. Please wait until the new year to begin using the new envelopes.

**Chrismon Tree.** Brochures which give a brief history of the tree and description of the Chrismons are available in the Narthex.

**Prayer Requests.** If anyone has a special request to share with Trinity's Prayer Ministry Team, please write your request on a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and place it in the wooden Prayer Box located on the table close to the Pulpit.

**Grace Bags.** Bags containing canned food and snacks, as well as a list of agencies in the community who can help individuals move beyond poverty, are available in the Narthex for worship guests in need of a meal. In lieu of giving money, worshippers are encouraged to give Grace Bags to guests in need.

**Devotional booklets** are available in the Narthex for adults and for children.

**Living Lutheran magazine.** The December issue, as well as the November/December issue of the *SC Lutheran* are available in the Narthex and the Pence Building hallway.

#### Relational Groups

**New G.I.F.T. Group Forming.** A new G.I.F.T. Group will be forming for those who missed the fall registration deadline. G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) groups are adult small groups that meet monthly for food, fellowship, Bible study and spiritual growth opportunities. Adults who would like to participate in a week-night meeting at the Church should contact Amy Brown through the Church Office.

**Young Adults Group - Thursday, January 10, 7:00 pm.** Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet for dinner and fellowship at The Trappe Door, 23 W. Washington Street. Those interested in going are asked to RSVP to Mandi Whitley no later than Monday, January 7 so that a reservation can be made.

**LGBTQIA Fellowship Group - Thursday, January 17, 6:00 pm, Assembly Room.** Trinity invites members and friends who identify as LGBTQIA+ to a fellowship group. Participants will share dinner and conversation. Please contact Bob Whitley at 610-620-5921 or Vicar Mary Dickman Parris at 242-5702 with any questions. The meal will be provided.

## Music Ministry

Children's and Youth Choirs Warmup - Monday, December 24, 9:30 am, Sanctuary.

Adult Choir Warmup - Monday, December 24, 4:15 pm, Choir Room.

## Children and Youth

LCY will resume on Sunday, January 6.

**LCY Ski Retreat.** LCY's annual ski retreat will be Friday, January 25 through Sunday, January 27. Registration forms and payment information have been emailed to parents and are due to Mandi Whitley this morning.

**High School Mission Trip.** The 2019 High School Mission Trip will be Sunday, June 23 through Saturday, June 29 in Clarkesville, Georgia. Registration information has been emailed. A registration form and a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit are due to Mandi Whitley by Monday, December 31.

## Education

**Sunday School classes for all ages will resume next Sunday, December 30.** On that day there will be one adult Sunday School class. Pastor Parham will lead a study of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*.

**Confirmation Event - Sunday, January 6, 12:30 to 3:30 pm.** A *We Are Lutheran Event* for 8th or 9th graders and at least one parent. Lunch will be served. The registration deadline for this event is next Sunday, December 30.

## Outreach Opportunities

**Advent Collection.** Trinity is collecting food during Advent for AID Upstate. AID Upstate is a non-profit organization that provides case management services to HIV-positive clients and HIV testing, counseling, and education to the general public. Bags with needed items are available in the Narthex, Breezeway and the Multipurpose Room. For more information, contact Bette Anderson at 864-286-9442 or [betteonthego@gmail.com](mailto:betteonthego@gmail.com).

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 23 THROUGH DECEMBER 30

### TODAY - DECEMBER 23

7:00 am GAIHN Takedown  
9:30 am Adult Choir Warmup  
10:00 am Christmas Lessons and Carols

### MONDAY

9:30 am Children's/Youth Choirs Warmup  
10:00 am Holy Communion with Candlelighting  
4:15 pm Adult Choir Warmup  
5:00 pm Holy Communion with Candlelighting  
7:00 pm Holy Communion with Candlelighting

### TUESDAY

Office Closed

### WEDNESDAY

Office Closed

### NEXT SUNDAY - DECEMBER 30

9:00 am Holy Communion  
9:50 am Coffee and Conversation  
10:10 am Sunday School  
11:15 am Holy Communion