

# Trinity Highlights

January 2023 Newsletter

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## Stewardship Report:

General Fund Report:	November	Year to Date	Year to Date
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income	\$ 22,120	\$244,957	\$227,130
Expenses	<u>59,249</u>	<u>329,277</u>	250,268
(Deficit)/Surplus	(37,129)	(84,320)	

Giving in November was in-line with projections. Expenses were again way above budget due to paying 35% of the roofing project from the General Fund as approved by the Voters Assembly in September. Factoring out the roofing project, expenses year to date are approximately \$4,200 under budget. The General Fund balance at the end of November was \$166,123.

Let us give thanks to the Lord for His continued blessings and pray that we may continue to be faithful stewards until the day of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Rob Fornoff  
Chairman - Board of Finance

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## Important Dates in January 2023

### One Service

Sunday, January 1, 2023  
9:00 a.m.

### Epiphany Service

Friday, January 6, 2023  
6:00 p.m.

### Take Down Christmas Decorations

On **Sunday, January 8 at 12:00 p.m.**, we will take down Christmas decorations in the sanctuary. We need your help! There's a job for everyone.

### Voter's Assembly Meeting

Our regularly scheduled will be held **Thursday, January 12 at 6:00 p.m.** All communicant members of the congregation, 18 years of age and older, are encouraged to attend. This is an excellent time to be brought up-to-date on what is going on at Trinity.

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## Trinity's Service Volunteers - January 2023

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### ACOLYTES

01/01 9:00 a.m. Ella Spaeth  
01/06 6:00 p.m. Ella Spaeth  
01/08 8:15 a.m. Leah Brown  
10:45 a.m. Kiedrych Dockins  
01/15 8:15 a.m. Lexi Brown  
10:45 a.m. Kiedrych Dockins  
01/22 8:15 a.m. Emily Anton  
10:45 a.m. Kiedrych Dockins  
01/29 8:15 a.m. Will Brown  
10:45 a.m. Kiedrych Dockins

### BIBLE BREAKFAST HELPERS

#### **Pick-Up Donuts:**

01/01 *No Sunday School*  
01/08 *Open*  
01/15 *Open*  
01/22 *Open*  
01/29 *Open*

#### **Prep Donuts, Make Coffee, Pour Juice:**

01/01 *No Sunday School*  
01/08 Kathy Seidell  
01/15 *Open*  
01/22 *Open*  
01/29 *Open*

### USHERS

01/01 9:00 a.m. O. Miller, D. Harms  
M. Seidell, A. Juergens  
01/06 6:00 p.m. O. Miller, D. Harms  
01/08 8:15 a.m. C. Whitley  
10:45 a.m. M. Seidell  
01/15 8:15 a.m. O. Miller, D. Harms  
10:45 a.m. M. Seidell, A. Juergens  
01/22 8:15 a.m. C. Whitley, D. Harms  
10:45 a.m. M. Seidell, B. Juergens  
01/29 8:15 a.m. O. Miller, D. Harms  
10:45 a.m. M. Seidell, A. Juergens

### ALTAR FLOWERS

01/01 Poinsettias  
01/08 *Open*  
01/15 *Open*  
01/22 *Open*  
01/29 Delores Gresham, *in memory of Robert Speck*

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**Operation Christmas Child:** After sharing the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus said “*Go and do likewise*” Luke 10:37. That is the mission of Operation Christmas Child, to follow the example of Christ by helping those in need and proclaiming the hope of the Gospel. Thank you to all who donated to Operation Christmas Child. We were able to put together 63 shoe boxes!

**2023 Offering Envelopes:** If you haven't picked up your 2023 offering envelopes they are on the table below the screen in Room 10. If you don't have offering envelopes and would like some contact the church office.

**2023 Flower Chart:** The 2023 flower chart is up on the bulletin board in the narthex. Simply sign your name by the date you wish to donate flowers. A form will be sent to you when your date is near. Dates are chosen on a first come first serve basis.

## January Birthdays

Jan. 1

John Bennett

Jan. 3

Nicholas Prather

Jan. 5

Steven Seidell

Cori Spaeth

Jan. 8

Hannah Bennett

Rev. Simeon Raddatz

Jan. 9

Darren Upchurch

Jan. 10

Jeremy Egli

Carol Spaeth

Cameron Speck

Connor Speck

Lindsey Watters

Jan. 11

Lannette Speck

Jan. 12

Joseph Gramlich

Kaydi Steele

Jan. 14

Michael Seidell

Jan. 15

Pennie Adkins

Jeff Hemp

Jan. 16

Jenna Owens

Jan. 17

Curtis Egli

Jan. 18

Lori Kincaid

Zander Seidell

Jan. 20

James Raddatz

Micah Raddatz

Jan. 21

Sloan Grosch

Zelene Grosch

Jan. 23

Linda Wolters

Jan. 26

Betty Robinson

Jan. 31

Seth Cooney

## January Anniversaries

Jan. 1

Brad & Christi Juergens

Jan. 17

Michael & Jaymie

Townzen

Jan. 20

Mike & Sheryl Jones

Jan. 24

Dave & Lynn Wyatt

*If your birthday or anniversary was omitted or a date is incorrect, please contact the church office so we can update our records.*

## Peoria Area Lutherans

**for Life** is excited to announce the results of a funding effort they began in early 2022. They asked for support from members of the area Lutheran churches to help provide funding for the newly opened Living Alternatives pregnancy resource center on Peoria's south side. Many generous donors stepped up to help raise funds matched by the LC-MS Million Dollar Life Match program. They applied for a matching grant. \$7,144 was raised and a match of \$3,500 was received. They are presenting a check for \$10,644 to Living Alternatives. Thanks to all who contributed to this project.

## Sunday School November Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to: Emily Anton, Leah & Lexi Brown, Haven Harms, George McAvin, Ella & Mabel Spaeth and Henry Stout.

## GSLs

### Dining Night Out

The next Dining Night Out for Good Shepherd is Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at Denny's from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Show a flyer on your phone or bring a paper copy. Paper copies are available on the table in Room 10.

# January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9 AM WORSHIP/ COMMUNION	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6 PM BOARDS OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE - EVANGELISM	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 6 PM CHURCH COUNCIL	<b>6</b> 6 PM EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD SERVICE	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 8:15 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM S.S. & BIBLE CLASS 10:45 AM WORSHIP/ COMMUNION 12 PM TAKE DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 6 PM BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	<b>11</b> 4:30 PM YOUTH CATECHISM	<b>12</b> 1:30 PM CONCORDIA 6 PM VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 8:15 AM WORSHIP/ COMMUNION 9:30 AM S.S. & BIBLE CLASS 10:45 AM WORSHIP	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:30 PM GSLS BOARD	<b>18</b> 4:30 PM YOUTH CATECHISM	<b>19</b> 6 PM BOARD OF TRUSTEES	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 8:15 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM S.S. & BIBLE CLASS 10:45 AM WORSHIP/ COMMUNION	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 4:30 PM YOUTH CATECHISM	<b>26</b> 7 PM BOARD OF ELDERS	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 8:15 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM S.S. & BIBLE CLASS 10:45 AM WORSHIP	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				



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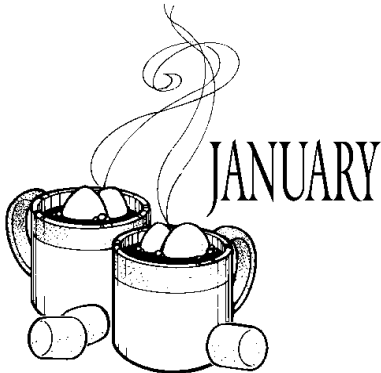
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**Celebration of Life!** *“When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb.”* Luke 1:41 NIV Peoria Area Lutherans for Life believes in the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. We are preparing for our annual fundraising event and we need your help to make it a success. The event is called *“Pennies for Life.”* Since this is our only fundraising effort each year, we rely on the proceeds from this event to fund our on going efforts throughout the coming year to educate Lutherans of all ages in the tri-county area to support life. We attempt to accomplish this mission through events such as our annual life essay contest and by lending financial support to many pro-life organizations such as the state and national Lutherans for Life organizations, Central Illinois Right-to-Life, Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center, Women’s Care Center, Lutheran Hillside Village, and Peoria Rescue Ministries.

On Life Sunday, **January 22, 2023** we hope that you will express your thankfulness to your Heavenly Father by contributing a penny for each year of life you have been blessed with. Please consider this opportunity to support life. We stand ready to continue our work, but we need your help! Please also consider joining us the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Morton. We are a family of believers supporting God’s gift of Life.