

## +Our Mission Statement

*Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.*

**Rector:** The Rev. Robin Trevors 631-0087 (Cell) or 489-3002 (Church Office)  
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**Bulletin Today.** The bulletin is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Bill Knight (husband), Audrey & Lloyd Goodyear (parents) & Sharon (Goodyear) Skinner (sister)** by Sandra Knight & family.

<i>Service Times for December 13 – December 20, 2020</i>		
<i>Sunday, December 13 3<sup>rd</sup> of Advent</i>	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	10:30 a.m.
<i>Thursday, December 17</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	9:30 a.m.
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Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Psalm 126

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Reader: Dale Butler

**Welcome.** A special welcome to anyone who is visiting with us today. If you require a Hearing Assist Device, please ask the Greeters for one.

**Advent.** Today is the third Sunday of Advent. Today, we light the candle of Joy.

**Christmas Services.** There will be three services for Christmas Eve, Family Services at **3:00 p.m.** and **6:00 p.m.** and Holy Eucharist at **9:00 p.m.** As we are limited to 100 people per service, it is recommended that you call the office or email the secretary to register for one of the services. **The deadline to pre-register is December 23, 11:00 a.m.**

**Church Registration.** Anyone wishing to register for Sunday services, please call the office at 489-3002 during **Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m. – 12 noon** or **Friday 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** Or email [holytrinitysecretarygfw@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitysecretarygfw@gmail.com) by Friday 11:00 a.m. For contact tracing purposes, please provide **name, address, and phone number.**

**Volunteers for Christmas Service.** Due to COVID guidelines, the church needs to be cleaned/sanitized between the Christmas Eve services. If you can help with the cleaning, please contact Rev. Robin, 631-0087.

**Church Bulletins in Memoriam.** Anyone wishing to donate a bulletin for a particular Sunday may do so by entering the details on the chart located in the main foyer. The cost of a Memorial Bulletin is **\$35.** Please place your money in an envelope and mark it **Memorial Bulletin.** Please include your name and envelope number.

**Advent Tree.** For Advent we are having a **Random Acts of Kindness** tree. Please write down your kindness that you have done for someone else or another person's act of kindness and we will decorate the tree with that random act of kindness. You can place your note in the box at the back of the church. For example: visited a sick person or brought a meal to a senior/sick person.

**Memorial Tree.** The lighting of the Memorial Tree is this **Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** at **7:00 p.m.** outside the front entrance of the church. Anyone wishing to make a donation, can use an envelope at the back of the church. Please include your name and envelope number on the outside of the envelope.

**Bible Study.** Bible Study **Mondays 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.** in the Chapel. Please use the main entrance.

**Volunteers Needed.** If you are able to help out with the SOUND SYSTEM on Sundays, please contact Rev. Robin, 631-0087 or George Dominix, 489-2609.

**Flowers for Christmas.** Anyone wishing to place flowers in the church for Christmas in memory of loved ones may place a donation envelope in the Offertory Plate. Please mark the envelope **Christmas Flowers.** Also, please include your name and envelope number. All names must be received by **today** to be included in the Christmas Bulletin.

**ACW News.** 1) Church calendars are now available for **\$5** any Sunday at registry desk or by calling Karen Brown at 489-6490 for delivery. Please have correct money due to Covid-19 regulations. Unfortunately, there will be NO IOU's.

2) **Christmas Social.** Due to COVID restrictions, the ACW executive have decided not to hold a Christmas Social for the ladies of the congregation this year. This will be discussed further in the new year. If you have any questions, please contact either Sandra Knight at 489-4092 or Dale Butler at 489-7409.

**Rector's Discretionary Fund.** People wishing to make donations to the discretionary fund to help families at Christmas time and other times throughout the year, can do so by placing an envelope in the offertory plate marked discretionary fund.

**Bulletin Items.** All Bulletin items for **Christmas Eve and Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup>** should be submitted by **Tuesday, December 22.** You may e-mail [holytrinitysecretarygfw@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitysecretarygfw@gmail.com)

**Greeters.** Terry Brown, Bob Dawe, Ed Eastman, Roy Goulding, Nancy Jackson, Sandra Knight

**Luke 1:14** He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth,

**Church Choir.** There will be a meeting/rehearsal of choir members in the main body of the church **Sunday** at 2 p.m. We will enter the church using the side entrance, wearing a mask, signing COVID questionnaire forms, using hand sanitizers, and social distancing. Anyone interested in performing a vocal solo and/or playing an instrument during our church services, **please contact:**

Bev Jones 489-7522, Email: [beverleyjones@nl.rogers.com](mailto:beverleyjones@nl.rogers.com) or Stephanie Jefferies 489-2858, Email: [stephanie.coffin@nl.rogers.com](mailto:stephanie.coffin@nl.rogers.com)

**Seniors' Fitness Group.** The Senior's group have resumed their activities on Tuesday and Friday mornings. However, they have stopped for the Christmas break and will resume in the new year.

**Food Bank.** Holy Trinity Church is now accepting items for the Food Bank. Please place your non-perishable items in the box in the front foyer.

**Financial Update.** The church's finances need to be looked at as we are fast approaching year-end. The year has been a difficult one to maintain givings at the level of previous years and we have only 5 weeks to get ourselves out of the red. The figures below should help clarify our financial situation as it stands up to the end of October 2020.

	YTD	YTD
	Oct-2020	Oct-2019
Total Revenue	\$149,863.06	\$177,698.32
Total Expenses	\$172,794.43	
Net Income	-\$22,931.37	

Because of COVID-19, Synod has helped with our expenses by reducing the 2020 assessment by \$15,000. However, we are still **-\$22,931.37**. As well, we are still carrying some debt for our roof and need to pay back money borrowed. A final push for this year would surely help. Thank-you to all those who continue to give generously. Unfortunately, COVID has hurt us all.

**Secretary Office Hours.** Regular hours are Wednesday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon.  
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### **Please note change of office hours during Christmas.**

Office Hours: Monday, December 21, 2020      9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
                  Tuesday, December 22              9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
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**Office will be closed from December 24<sup>th</sup> to January 6<sup>th</sup>. However, to register for January 3<sup>rd</sup> service, call 489-3002 to leave a message or email:**  
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*The candle is lit.*

**All:** **Come, Lord Jesus, and kindle joy in our lives. Shine in our lives whenever we feel discouraged, to strengthen our trust in you. Give us wisdom to respond to suffering with commitment sustained by joy. Let our faithfulness shine in the world you love. Amen.**

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Thursday, Dec 24 Christmas Eve	3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	Family Service Family Service Holy Eucharist (BAS)	Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalm 96 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-20 Reader: David Mercer
Sunday, Dec 27 1 <sup>st</sup> after Christmas	10:30 a.m.	Carols and Lessons	Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Psalm 148 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:22-40
Sunday, Jan 3, 2021 2 <sup>nd</sup> after Christmas	10:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (BAS)	Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:1-18
Sunday, Jan 10 Baptism of the Lord	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	Genesis 1:1-5 Psalm 29 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11 Reader: Dale Butler
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Thursday, Jan 28	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)	
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