

Please pray for...

Our Church Family: Week of 1/5/2025— Mark Koch 12/29/25—Carol Dohrmann 12/15/24—Mo White 12/10/24—the family of Nancyann Eckhart, Lesa Snedegar


Our friends and relatives: Week of 1/5/2025 Pr. David Omerod, Barbara Omerod, Liz Morgan, the victims of the New Year’s attach in New Orleans and their families, repose of the soul of President Jimmy Carter, Tyler Murry, Teresa Pinillos, Billy Nippers, Liz Cecil 12/29/24 Ursula Fitzner, The family of Greg Vitala, Aubrey Hilbert, Jillian Hilbert 12/18/24 – Liz Cecil, Frank Bassett, John Schwerdtfeger, Gene Symak, Teresa Cornell, Kate Bridgett, Those who do not have the Christmas spirit this year, Our Police, Fire and EMT Departments, Pastors Ken and Andrea, and memory of Judy Rumpf and Gail Brehm 12/8/24—Connie Stombaugh, John Washburn, Sofia Azelton, Mary Roberts, Crystal orkaski, Jeremy Perry, Family of Shirly Zink

Ongoing church family, friends and relatives: Dick Vercruysse, Lori Allen, Peggy Torgerson, Mary Ann Kraft, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Fred Eskuri, Sharon Faulkner, Mary Lou Burke, Carolyn Chamberlain, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Dietmar and Norma Bennett, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Sean Costa, Don Randolph, Karen Smith, Audrey Stamps, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert, Amy Meyer, Annette Morden, Frances Fenwick, Carol Civitella, Judy Stratton

In Hospice care: Becky Burrows, Elaine Dougan

Please also pray for our Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Valerie’s House, Ministry of Tender Hearts, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders.

Something
for
the
kids...
(or kids at
heart!)

**CRACK THE CODE!**

This secret message uses a Pigpen Cipher. Use the key to decipher what God said to Jesus at his baptism.

KEY CODE					
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- Luke 3:22b



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

Are You a Visitor or Guest? We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a **CONNECTION CARD** in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

Holy Communion—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

Large Print Service Slide Booklet—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a notebook for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the notebook. Please return the notebook at the end of worship.

Hearing Assistance – We have a limited supply of hearing devices available for use. If you feel you need one, please see the sound booth attendant at the back of the sanctuary. You can also connect to our sound system through Bluetooth using DN-300BR

Church Staff

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Rev. Eric Twine, Uganda

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Marianne Click
Gail Hintz
Steve Wuckert

SUNDAY STAR

TODAY'S SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

9:00am: BULLETINS: Rosemarie Conklin

Reader: Wayne Marshall

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Tee Callan, Landon, Chris Briggs, Andrew Stiemke

10:45: GREETER: Greg and Lorrie Kobliska **BULLETINS:**

READER: Marianne Click **OFFERING:** Richard Schnur

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Jackie Possel, Maryrose Risner, Sally Simpson, Diane Boettcher

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Early: Ruthann Wicks Late: Phil and Lisa Mohr

SUNDAY FLOWER DELIVERY: Jo Duhn

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT MONTH ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX

TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our 9 and 10:45 services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the bold, black print.

HYMNS @ 10:45am:

Opening: ELW 449 **Sermon:** ELW 304 **Sending:** ELW 774

Bible Readings: Psalms 51:6-17; Luke 3:1-22

Church Council Members

You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.

President—Theda Bunker, Vice-President—Phil Deel,
Secretary—Jeanne Gaston, Treasurer—Shawn Hernandez.

At large: Beau Beaudine, Mike Felt, Richard Schnur, Jan Schroeder, Lisa Mohr, Mandy Knollenberg

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday—Jan. 13

9:00a—Food Pantry

Tuesday—Jan. 14

10:00a—Bible Study Resumes

1:00p—Dorcas Circle

1:00p—Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday—Jan. 15

9:00a—Food Pantry

12:15p—Women's Luncheon

6:30p—Chancel Choir

Thursday - Jan. 16

9:00a—Quilters

9:00a—Men's Breakfast

6:30p—Trinity's Praise

Friday—Jan. 17

Office Closed

Saturday—Jan. 18

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Sunday - Jan. 19

9:00a—Celebration Worship

9:15a—Let's Talk

9:45a—Sunday School

10:45a—Traditional Worship

Our Financial Stewardship

Donations YTD: Actual donations compared to plan. Each week is a cumulative total. (000s)

NOV Actual \$539.9

Needed \$530.1

Over/(Under) \$ 9.8



ACTUAL NET YTD:

NOV 24 \$2.9

15 year Mortgage

as of 1/1/24 \$293.4

as of 11/30/24 \$206.8

YTD reduction \$86.6

Today's altar flowers are
presented
To the Glory of God



The communion wine is
In loving memory of
Kenneth Nuse Sr.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 9— Nick Callan
Marilyn Carlson
Jan. 12— Greg Ezell
Jan. 13— Anna Walsh
Tom Yorke
Jan. 15— Sally Buuck
Mark Koch
Ron Messinese
Jan. 16— Don Ring
Jan. 17— Dale Christine
Doug Knoller
Rick Mackenzie

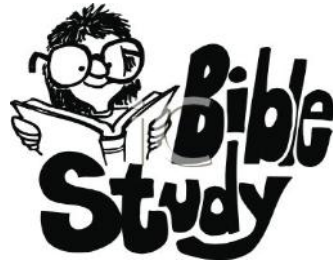


In-person Attendance

January 5, 2025—312
Last year 2023—192



Gift cards are available! All proceeds go directly towards paying down our mortgage. Additionally, there are several hundred other gift cards available that you can special order and receive the following Sunday!



Pastor Ken's Tuesday morning Bible Study resumes **JANUARY 14th!** The Bible Study meets on Tuesdays@10am in the Fellowship Hall. This study is open to all who seek to learn more about God's word and how to apply it to our lives. Please join us—ALL are welcome—no matter how much or little about the Bible you know!! Bring your Bible and something to take notes with. See YOU on **Tuesday, January 14th** as we begin a new study!

It's NEVER too late to join the Choir. Practices are Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Meet new members, make new friends. Any questions, please ask the choir director. **1st practice 1/8/25 at 6:30.** All are welcome!



LADIES LUNCH

**Our Ladies monthly luncheon for January will be at
Cody's Roadhouse**

January 15th at 12:15. Door prizes and games.

Sign up sheets are in the Narthex



**Thursday
January 16th
(9:00) at IHOP!
Bring your
appetite.**

You can find your 2025 Offering Envelopes on a table in the narthex. They are in order according to envelope number. If you don't know your number, there is an alphabetical list available to check. Please be sure to check your number against the envelope label. Notify the office if there is an error. If your envelopes are not there OR if you want envelopes, please write your name on the tablet.



Peanut Butter

Please only plastic containers and no bigger than 18oz. The first to ensure no breakage the second to ensure fairness.

Thank you!!!!

**FLOWER and
COMMUNION WINE**

**Signup Sheets are
available for 2025**

In the Narthex next to the
coffee bar.



Join us for a church outing to a Spring Training game
between the Rays and Tigers.

February 27th.

Tickets are \$40 and include lunch and the seat! Sign Up
Sheets are in the Narthex.



Apologies!

Our telephone answering
service has been down—for
a long time! It now works!
We are sorry for not getting
back to you promptly!



“Well, Mr. Ruffles, this is quite a conundrum.
Bark at me and risk waking the baby, or deny
your instincts? Tick-tock, Mr. Ruffles, tick-tock.”

**You did the best you could
with what you knew at the
time.**

**Don’t let new
wisdom lead
you to con-
demn yourself
over old strug-
gles.**

**Forgive yourself and move
forward.** Morgan Richard Oliver



On Sunday, January 5th, Jennifer Glabe along with two other veterans, was awarded a Quilt of Valor from the Burnt Store Colony QOV quilters led by Barb Graham. Surrounding them are previous Quilts of Valor recipients, including Ed Graham.

The **Quilts of Valor Foundation** began in 2003 with a dream, literally a dream. Founder Catherine Roberts’ son Nat was deployed in Iraq. She said, I could see his war demons clustered around, dragging him down into an emotional gutter. Then, as if viewing a movie, I saw him in the next scene wrapped in a quilt. His whole demeanor changed from one of despair to one of hope and well-being. The quilt had made this dramatic change.

(source: <https://qovf.org>)

LISTEN to the Wind, IT TALKS

LISTEN to the Silence, IT SPEAKS

LISTEN to your Heart, IT KNOWS

Native American Proverb

**Your 2024
Giving
Statements are
ready to be
picked up in the Narthex.**

Thank you!

A gracious thank you to all the wonderful elves who came on Wednesday to help take down our Christmas decorations. See you all in November for decorating!



10 FUN FACTS

1. You can't see your ears without mirror.
2. You can't count your hair.
3. You can't breathe through your nose, with your tongue out.
4. You just tried no.3
6. When you did no.3 you realised that it is possible, only you look like a dog.
7. You are smiling right now, because you were fooled.
8. You skipped no.5
9. You just checked to see if there is no.5
10. Share this with your friends so they can have some fun too 😊



Wednesday, January 29 10:00am

'Angels Watching Over Me'

Craft morning!

Join us for a fun morning of fellowship and crafting...after all ***crafting is better than housework!!!***

All supplies for this craft will be available for you...so there will be no cost for this craft—just bring yourself (and a glue gun *if you have it*).

Starlight Ballroom

Trinity Theater Dinner

One Night Only! January 30th

Tickets: \$20 No reservations needed.

Doors Open: 5:00 Dinner: 5:30 Show: 7:45

Tickets will be on sale: 1/19 and 1/26

Trinity theater presents as our entertainment

The Silver Foxes direct from the Venice Theater!



M

STARTERS

Miss Connie's Salad Supreme

HTLC World Famous cheesy bread

E

ENTREES

Roasted N Y Strip Steak Loin hand carved to your liking

1950's Chicken Divan boneless with broccoli, light cream sauce and 2025 splash of wine

N

Tuscan Style Shrimp made with sun dried tomatoes, spinach and imported pasta

Herbed Barley Pilaf

Chunky Yukon Gold Potatoes

Vegetables infused with Balsamic Flavors

U

DESERT

Chef Mark's Banana's Foster

Welcome to our New Members

Holy Trinity is a place to grow in your relationship with God, a place of fellowship with His people, a place to share your gifts and talents, and a place to turn in time of need. Today we are blessed to welcome the following people onto our membership. Please take time to welcome them and introduce yourself to them! We ARE the family of God!



Don and Eileen Meyer Formerly from the State of Michigan, their hobbies include fly fishing, jewelry making, cooking, baking and yard work (or just work). Food panty has been a passion of theirs.

Madonna Schoen Lives full time in Maple Leaf. She has two sons, the oldest lives in Jersey City, NJ, and he has one son. Her youngest son lives in Auburn, FL and has twins that are 18. Madonna enjoys golf, walking, reading and water aerobics.



Reta Sprecher A resident of North Port, she is retired from Cummins Engine Company and lived in Indiana. Reta moved to FL in 2010 and has two stepsons, three grand children and three great grands! Reta enjoys reading and golf.

Charlene Toloso Originally from Virginia, she moved to Florida with her wonderful husband in December of 2023. They have two sons who continue to live in Virginia. Charlene enjoys sewing, crafting, gardening walking and of course, the beach.



Annie Boykin Annie is a retired home health nurse and currently working in the pathology office at Shore Point Health as a transcriptionist until she retires, again. Annie is a fan of both college football and professional basketball and loves to play cards and games with her mother, Judy.

Judy Prier comes from a family of teachers. Her husband was both a teacher and coach. She was a teacher, counselor and church organist. Two of Judy's sons and granddaughter are/were college professors. She likes music, books, and the arts. She also enjoys meeting new people and learning about their stories.

Marilyn Hale Originally hailed from Ohio, she has two daughters, two grandsons and three great grand children. Married for 55 yrs, her husband, Don, passed away in 2016. Marilyn has traveled the world for 23 years and moved to North Port in 2017. Speaking of moving, she has moved 20 times! Marilyn is retired from the State Fire Marshall's Office—arson investigation. Her interests include wine tasting, traveling, golf and walking.



Gerald and Nancy Holt Originally from Bigfork in the great state of Minnesota. They have been married since 1991 and call Port Charlotte home.

Julie Kost She has lived her whole life in a 'small town' in southern Indiana before moving to Port Charlotte. She has a son and a dog and works from home for a claims management company. Julie also does substitute teaching, and volunteering for Charlotte Cares. She spends much of her time with her family and friends. For recreation, she likes to swimming, snorkeling, boating and traveling.

