



Tradewinds

The newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church
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Wednesday 6-8:00 pm – THE WELL - Worship at 7:30pm
Saturday - 5:00pm – Informal Service with Holy Communion
Sunday - 8:00am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion
Sunday – 10:45am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion*
Sunday – 9:15am – Sunday School for ALL ages, even adults!
* Children's Sermon & Nursery Provided

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year for Christmas Eve we are planning something very special...outside! You know how the shepherds and wise men made it to see baby Jesus? They followed the star. They listened to the angels. Light filled the night sky!

Well, on Christmas Eve the Evangelism Board is inviting all the people of our area to **"follow the light"** and come to Trinity. We will have a giant spotlight outside of our sanctuary shining brightly into the night sky. We are hoping it might cause some people to wonder what is going on and simply follow the light.

"What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." John 1:3-5

We will be doing a special mailing to over 2,000 homes in the Robesonia area inviting them to come and experience Christmas Eve with us, to come and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. We hope that you might extend invitations to others to come and follow the light to Trinity. Christmas Eve is one of those few opportunities that we have when guests are willing to come inside a church, when candlelight and Christmas carols seem to be something they know and appreciate.

We at Trinity have much to offer on this special night. Our sanctuary is decorated beautifully. You can almost imagine you are there in Bethlehem with stars shining all around. Carols fill the air, and beautiful anthems are sung. It is a great night to celebrate God's love as shown to us in Jesus!

I pray you will join us throughout Advent on Wednesday nights at the WELL, as we share in Advent Evening prayer at 7:30pm with communion. We will pack 400 dozen cookies for the CW Food Pantry, make gingerbread houses, and paint ornaments for our trees. I pray you will join us for the Sunday School Christmas play on December 17th, and our very special Lessons and Carols service led by all of our choirs at both services that same Sunday.

December is always busy, but it is a great busy as love abounds and excitement and joy build. I pray you will join us as we listen for the angels' voices over the noises of our lives. I pray you will be a blessing as God has so richly blessed you. I pray that you will **"follow the light"** to Trinity, not just on Christmas Eve, but every week as we share the Good News of the angels. See you in worship, and don't forget to invite friends, family and neighbors to join you.

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bill