



HELLO TRINITY FRIENDS!
News for the week of January 4, 2026

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

- The family of **Harold Coon** (father of Naomi Coon), who died Dec. 21
- The family of **Gary Gerweck**, who died Dec. 25

FAITH, FAMILY AND FUN – SESSION 2 Our Wednesday night gatherings resume January 7 – please join us for dinner (5p) and a new slate of studies for youth and adults of all ages (beginning at 5:45p). Flyers with details on class offerings (and meal menus) are available on the church information tables, or from the office. Hope to see you on Wednesday!



CHRISTMAS QUIZ How much did you learn from the Christmas sermon series? [Click here](#) to test your knowledge with a Christmas IQ quiz from Pastor Grenz. After you've submitted your response, select "view score" to see the correct answer for each question.

GUEST SPEAKER This Wednesday, Jan. 7, middle school students from Trinity and Holy Ghost will welcome guest speaker Dr. Irene Butter, Holocaust survivor, to Trinity. Born into a Jewish family in Berlin, Dr. Butter's childhood was cut short when she and her family were deported to two prison camps, including Bergen-Belsen, where childhood acquaintance and former neighbor Anne Frank was a fellow prisoner. Irene barely survived until being released along with her family in January of 1945. Her "Holocaust to Hope" presentation is open to all members of circuit congregations – if you'd like to attend, please join us at 10:30am in the church.

TOWN HALL MEETING Pastor Grenz is calling a town hall meeting on Monday, Jan. 12, at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Come and hear about his observations from his time thus far at Trinity, and his initial thoughts on the mandate given him to "focus" the ministry here. He will also outline the next steps and a timeline for this undertaking. Your input is needed and will be sought out. Please come to this meeting to start to find your place in our shared efforts here at Trinity at service and witness over the coming years.

YOUTH MINISTRY INFORMATIONAL MEETING (SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES) This summer, Trinity's youth group will have two opportunities for travel. The first trip is a servant event where participants will work around camp Youth Haven (just outside of Lansing). The second is the Michigan District High School Youth Gathering on Mackinac Island. Both trips are for students 14+ or entering high school in 2026. An informational meeting for parents and youth has been scheduled for Sunday, **Jan. 11**, at **6pm**. Contact Mendy (734-309-6093) for more information.

Serve the Lord with Plastic!

A congregation-wide service project.

Wednesday nights at Faith, Family, & Fun
7pm in the Youth Room
(church basement)

Keep the bags coming!

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January 13 at 12:00 pm
Graceful Grounds

SPECIAL PROJECTS SURVEY Pastor Grenz and the Special Projects Team (formerly the “Dream Team”) are compiling a list of events, fundraisers, and other initiatives Trinity has hosted in the past and/or might host in the future. Please [click here](#) to add your project to the list.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT TRINITY We’re in need of an afternoon custodian to help maintain the cleanliness of our church and school facility. This is a part-time, hourly position (approximately 20 hours per week). The exact working hours for this position, during the school year and through the summer, will be determined by the Facilities Manager. Please contact Richard Hackbarth at rhackbarth@trinitylutheranmonroe.org (or call the church office) for a full job description or with any questions regarding the position.

ALTAR FLOWERS If you would like to provide altar flowers in honor/memory of someone, [contact Shelly Vorrath](#) at (734) 621-3548 or email: 1wyldkingdom@comcast.net. The sign-up board is posted on the wall near the rear of the sanctuary. If you sign up on the flower board, please include your phone number and email address.



THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

(Please contact the church office for more information)

Sunday, 1/4: Worship @ 8:15a – HC (*usher team B-2*)
 Bible Study @ 9:30a in the gym
 0-3 Bible Study @ 9:30a in Faith’s Odys. Rm.
 Worship @ 10:45a (*usher team D-1*)
 Trinity Family Meal @ 6p

Monday, 1/5: *School Resumes*
 Bible Study @ 1p in the chapel

Tuesday, 1/6: Choir @ 7p in the chapel

Wednesday, 1/7: Agape @ 9a & 11:30a in Graceful Grounds
 “Holocaust to Hope” @ 10:30a in the church
 Faith, Family & Fun @ 5:00p in the gym

Saturday, 1/10: Bible Study @ 9a in Graceful Grounds
 Braille @ 9a in the church basement
 Bible Study @ 5p in the chapel
 Worship @ 6p (*usher team B-1*)

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday – “Small Books of the Bible” -
 9:30am in the gym
 “Zero-Three Bible Study” -
 9:30am in Faith’s Odys. Rm.

Monday – “Will the Real Jesus Please
 Stand Up?” - 1pm in chapel

Wednesday – Agape women’s studies -
 9am & 11:30am
 Faith, Family and Fun –
 5pm in the gym

Thursday – “Hope in the Wilderness” -
 10am in Graceful Grounds

Saturday – Fuhlbrigge Bible Study
 9am in Graceful Grounds
 “Small Books of the Bible”
 5pm in the chapel

12/27 & 12/28 attendance: 6:00p – 63 8:15a – 57 10:45a – 90

Weekend Service Times

Saturday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Homebound? Ill? Watch our 8:15 a.m. service live on Facebook on Sunday mornings.

Office Contact Information

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In need of pastoral care? Pastor Grenz may be reached at (734) 309-6092.

Websites – www.tlcmonroe.org (church) & www.tlsmonroe.org (school)

Facebook – Trinity Lutheran Church Monroe & Trinity Lutheran School Monroe