



# 1ST SUNDAY OF *Advent*

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10:15 a.m. Service

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Arendtsville, Pennsylvania

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(Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 1:30-5 pm)

\* *Congregation stands, as able*

(*Pastor's parts*) – in light print

**ALL join in!** – in bold print

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHERING

#### \* CONFESSİON AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,  
and of the <sup>☩</sup> Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our  
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to**

**do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the <sup>☩</sup> Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**\* GATHERING SONG**

ELW # 244

***'Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers'***

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear;  
The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.  
The bridegroom is arising and soon is drawing nigh.  
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; at midnight comes the cry.
2. The watchers on the mountain proclaim the bridegroom near;  
Go forth as he approaches with alleluias clear.  
The marriage feast is waiting; the gates wide open stand.  
Arise, O heirs of glory; the bridegroom is at hand.
3. The saints, who here in patience their cross and suff'rings bore,  
Shall live and reign forever when sorrow is no more.  
Around the throne of glory the Lamb they shall behold;  
In triumph cast before him their diadems of gold.
4. Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;  
Arise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere.  
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see  
The day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660-1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823-1907. Music: Swedish folk tune.

**\* GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

**<sup>2</sup>My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

**<sup>4</sup>Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

**<sup>6</sup>Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

**<sup>8</sup>You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

**<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

## SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

<sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM: ‘A Tiny Child Will Come’**

Besig/Price

## \* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.*

## \* GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke the twenty-first chapter:  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will

come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth.<sup>36</sup> Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**HYMN: 'O Come, O Come, Emmanuel'**

ELW # 257

*Verse 1:* O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.

*Refrain:* Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel.

## PRAYER FOR LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.  
You call all nations to walk in your light  
And to seek your ways of justice and peace,  
For the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near.  
Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.  
Rouse us from sleep,  
That we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes  
And welcome him into our hearts and homes,  
For he is our light and our salvation.  
Blessed be God forever.

**Amen.**

## SERMON

Pastor Ben Siebert

\* **HYMN OF THE DAY**

ELW # 435

**'Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending'**

1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending,  
Once for our salvation slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending  
Join to sing the glad refrain:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ the Lord returns to reign.

2. Now redemption, long expected,  
Comes in solemn splendor near;  
All the saints this world rejected  
Thrill the trumpet sound to hear:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
See the day of God appear!
  
3. Yea, amen, let all adore thee,  
High on thine eternal throne;  
Savior, take the power and glory,  
Claim the kingdom as thine own.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. Music: Thomas Olivers, 1725-1799.

### \* CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

### \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

*A brief silence.*

God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the

globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await births, deaths, divorces, new unions, new jobs, retirements, healing, and life transitions of every kind, especially those on our prayer list and those we silently name who are in our hearts. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural disasters, for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

**Amen.**

#### \* **THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*Let us share signs of peace as we greet one another.*

## THANKSGIVING

### **OFFERING**

#### \* OFFERTORY: '*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*'

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
And fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
That we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
Unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
And give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

#### \* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

#### \* LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be thy name,  
    thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
        on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
    and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## SENDING

#### \* BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{\textpm}$  give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**'The King Shall Come'**

1. The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light triumphant breaks,  
When beauty gilds the eastern hills  
And life to joy awakes.
2. Not as of old a little child,  
To bear and fight and die,  
But crowned with glory like the sun  
That lights the morning sky.
3. Oh, brighter than the rising morn  
When Christ, victorious, rose  
And left the lonesome place of death,  
Despite the rage of foes.
4. Oh, brighter than that glorious morn  
Shall dawn upon our race  
The day when Christ in splendor comes,  
And we shall see his face.
5. The King shall come when morning dawns  
And light and beauty brings.  
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray:  
Come quickly, King of kings.

Text: John Brownlie, 1859-1925. Music: A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003.

\* **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

\* **Postlude**

## The Ministers of Worship & Service

Presiding Minister	Pastor Ben Siebert
Organist/Pianist	Ellie Vranich
Choir Director	Amanda Hollabaugh
Children's Choir Director	Josie Pelc
Children's Choir Accompanist	Andy Pelc
Administrative Assistant	Kathy Singley
Altar Guild	Audrey Ridinger & Nancy Costella
Head Usher	Jim Ridinger
Ushers/Greeters	(Volunteers)
Lector	Brad Hollabaugh
Acolytes	(Volunteers)
Sound Technician	(Volunteer)
Head Counter/Offering Counters	(TBD)

**The Altar Flowers** are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Irene Hartman, by Tonya White.

**Welcome Visitors:** It is a pleasure having you join us for worship today. If you would like to offer any comments on your worship experience at Trinity or have any type of request, please consider sending us a note to P.O. Box 309, Arendtsville, PA 17303 or office@trinityarendtsville.org.

### **Giving from 11/1/21 – 11/17/21:**

Current	\$6,843.94
Building	244.00
Benevolence	1,274.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$8,361.94</b>

– *Thank you for your offering contributions!* –

### **MTD & YTD Income/Expenses as of October 2021:**

	<u>October 2021</u>	<u>YTD 2021</u>
Income	\$ 4,402.97	\$134,148.06
Expenses	12,051.87	128,096.60
<b>Excess Income/Expenses:</b>	<b>(\$ 7,648.90)</b>	<b>\$ 6,051.46</b>

### **Attendance Last Week:**

Early Worship (in person) **32**      Late Worship (in person) **32**

### **Calendar for 11/28/21 – 12/5/21:**

Sunday 11/28

**DUE: Poinsettia Orders**

Wednesday 12/1

**NO EIMI Confirmation Class**

Thursday 12/2

Choir Practice 7 pm

Sunday 12/5

**Advent Service: Music & Prayer (Zoom) 7 pm**

**'Hanging of the Greens' 8:45 am**

*(Sunday School Hour)*

**Calendar for 11/28/21 – 12/5/21:** (cont.)

Sunday 12/5

**NOTICE: Congregational Meeting 11:30 am  
(Sanctuary)**

EIMI Confirmation Class (Trinity) 6-7:30 pm

**Children's Choir** practices each Sunday from 8:45 to 9:00 a.m. in the Social Room. All youth are welcome to participate.

**Services Available in Person and via Zoom.** All are invited to join together in person or online (via Zoom) each Sunday to share in worship together. Regular worship with two services and singing is held at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. (Masks will be worn for indoor worship and ministries.) For the appropriate link or additional information for worship, if participating by Zoom, go to the website at: [trinityarendtsville.org](http://trinityarendtsville.org).

**Sermons and Worship Resources Available.** Sermons are available via Trinity's podcast. Just search for "Trinity Lutheran Church: Arendtsville" in iTunes or find them on our Facebook page. The Trinity website also offers resources for worship. Go to: [trinityarendtsville.org](http://trinityarendtsville.org).

**Needed: Offering Counters.** Offering Counters are needed to count the offering contributions. It typically only takes about an hour. If you would like to give it a try or would like more details, contact Beverly Brilhart at 717-677-4643 or by email at [brilhart.beverly@gmail.com](mailto:brilhart.beverly@gmail.com) or [beverly@trinityarendtsville.org](mailto:beverly@trinityarendtsville.org).

**Devotional Booklets Are Available.** The regular and large print *Christ in Our Home* devotional booklets for the fourth quarter (October through December) of 2021 and the first quarter (January through March) of 2022 are available. They can be picked up from the usher's table or in the literature rack at the front entryway.

## **“HANGING OF THE GREENS”**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 • 8:45 a.m.  
(Sunday School Hour)**

All are invited to participate with the “Hanging of the Greens” on **Sunday, Dec. 5**, during the Sunday School hour. This activity was greatly enjoyed in past years by all in attendance, especially the children. So, plan to join us on Dec. 5, beginning at 8:45 a.m., as we decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas season!



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## **OFFICIAL NOTICE:**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 • 11:30 a.m.  
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Members will gather in the sanctuary following the 10:15 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, Dec. 5**, for the annual Congregational Meeting. The agenda will include the 2022 Proposed Budget and nominations and election of new Council members. If you are interested in serving on Council, please see Council President Ted Brilhart or Pastor Ben for more information as to which committee positions need filled in 2022.



# • PRAYER LIST •

November 28, 2021

## Our Prayer List

### 'A Friend'

James Altland & Beverly  
Dayton & Blake Biesecker  
Bob & Doreen  
Doug Bower  
Deb Brooks  
John Brown  
Heather Wegley Ceryan  
Reynolds Christman  
Tim Clarenbach  
Matthew Coar & Sons  
Camden Colangelo  
Charles Costella  
Bonnie Dean  
Ginger Deaver  
Jackie Deitrich  
John Ernst  
Stella M. Fox  
Sally Gardner  
Sue Garretson  
Rev. Bob & Pam Gray  
Dorothy Gulden  
Bill Hale  
Jon Hall  
Clarissa Hammar  
Donny Hartzel  
Mandy Hartzel  
Hunter Herb  
Maddie Hill  
Patti Hockensmith  
Jay & Mary Jackson  
Harold Kint  
Jadin Koons  
Catherine Leider  
Kaedyn Lentz  
Braden Leonard  
Matt Livesberger  
Dave Martin

Cindy Maurer  
Donald & Joanne May  
Cole McCowen  
Gary Lee McDannell  
Nancy McFeaters  
Robert McQuaid  
Cathy Miller  
The Millers  
Rev. Eugene Moore  
Ike Moore  
David Owsley  
Geraldine Phillips  
Ferd Prehn  
Jennifer Rauscher  
Chuck Ritter  
Kevin Sanders  
Carl A. Seils  
Charlotte Seitz  
Drew Seitz  
Katy & Dillon Shatzer & Baby  
Deb Simon  
Charlotte Sites  
Brave Michael Smith  
Mike Sobotor  
Ida Staub  
Sue Stuffle  
Kitty Unrue  
Shelly Vought & Family  
Jude Walz  
David & Bea Waybright  
Judy Wegley  
Everly Grace Williams  
Tim Woodward  
Bob Wright  
Dan Wright  
Cathy Yadlosky  
Donald & Linda Yingling

## Our Long Term Prayer List

Max Abraham  
Bradon & Jace Arter  
Dorothy Carey  
Maizey Clayton  
Gage Cordero  
Alyssa Eastridge  
Kristi Ebbert  
John Emanuele  
Beverly Hartlaub  
Luci Hartman  
Tina Hollabaugh  
Creta Jacobs  
Anthony Kane  
Crystal Kettle  
Jason King  
Stephanie Luengren  
Sam MacPherson  
Rev. Terry & Susan McCarthy

Shirley Menges  
Lorenzo Moreno  
Roy 'Chip' Plank III  
Dick & Phyllis Price  
Larry Riley  
Daniele Serro  
Brian Smith  
Laura Starner  
Peggy Swartz  
Dori Tillett  
Robert Vogelsong  
Barry Warrenfeltz  
Beatrice Weinreich  
Derek Wolfe

★ *Grant Bailey, Jorden Trostel,  
and All Our Service Men  
and Women*



## Prayer List Submission Guidelines

Names on "Our Prayer List" will run for four weeks, unless otherwise requested. Those names with an ( \* ) have been on the list for four weeks. If you wish to have them stay on, please let us know or the names will be moved to the "Long Term Prayer List." Names on the "Long Term Prayer List" run indefinitely. **Let us know when they should be removed.** To place someone on the list, fill out the following form and give it to an usher, place in the offering plate or give it to the church office.

**Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Which List?** \_\_\_\_\_ Our Prayer List \_\_\_\_\_ Long Term

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_



## Expectant Waiting

A pastor once summarized the way God answers prayers with three categories: yes, no, and not yet. To his young audience, these categories made sense and served as a simple way to think about their prayer life. But having clear categories does not dismiss the fact that it is often easier to receive the answer “yes” or “no,” compared to the answer “not yet.” After all, the answer “not yet” often involves waiting. And waiting can be exhausting!

Whether it be waiting for a medical diagnosis, longing for healing in a relationship, expecting a child, or enduring another situation beyond our complete control, it can be challenging to be patient, accept the unknown, and trust God’s promises in the meantime.

This is a reality Jesus understood, and one that is at the heart of his parable of the fig tree in today’s reading. The early believers needed encouragement as they waited for the coming of the Lord. Patience, endurance, and trust did not come any easier to them than they do to many of us today. Yet that is precisely what followers of Christ are invited to do during the season of Advent: to remain prayerful and expectant as they await the birth of Jesus.

Perhaps that is why Jesus gives his followers something to do in their waiting. Jesus’ words urge us to be on the lookout for signs of God’s kingdom, even as we await the fulfillment of God’s promises in the future. The sign you see may be a neighbor helping another in need, a child growing and thriving, or a card received from a friend. God’s promise is that even as we wait for the fulfillment of God’s kingdom, it is drawing near—and is, in fact, already among us.



## **Announcements for November 28, 2021**

- † **TODAY: NO EIMI Confirmation Class.** “Thanksgiving Break.” The EIMI Class will resume next Sunday, Dec. 5, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Trinity. If questions, see Pastor Ben.
- † **TODAY: Poinsettia Orders Due!** These festive flowers will beautify our sanctuary during the Christmas season. Cost: **\$9.00**. Place your orders with payment to Audrey Ridinger sometime **TODAY**. (See *insert/order form*.)
- † **Dec. 2, 9, 16 & 23: Advent Music and Prayer via Zoom.** Each Thursday in Advent, all may gather online via Zoom for a brief time of music and prayer, as we take this moment to give thought and pray for Emmanuel to come soon. On Dec. 2, 9, and 23, we will gather at **7 p.m.** On Dec. 16, we will gather at **6:30 p.m.** *All are welcome to participate!*
- † **Dec. 5: ‘Bonnie’s Mitten Tree’ ... in memory of Bonnie Roth,** will be put in the upstairs vestibule (where the ushers are located) on Sunday, Dec. 5, during the “Hanging of the Greens”. Your help is needed to decorate it. Bring your donations of mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, and socks to the church in the upcoming Sundays through **Sunday, Dec. 12**, and place them on the table outside the sanctuary. These items of warmth and comfort will be used to decorate the tree. Later, they will be distributed locally by the schools and local charities to those in need this winter. (See *insert*.)
- † **Dec. 11: “Come and See” – 4th Annual Live Nativity** will be held on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 126 Church St., Bendersville, and is being hosted by the Bendersville Lutheran Parish. There will be animals, hot chocolate, goodie bags, and carols! *Everyone is invited!*
- † **Dec. 15: What’s Cookin’.** On Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., all youth from Pre-K to Grade 6 and friends are invited to Trinity for another great time of What’s Cookin’! The youth will enjoy a light meal together, a special Bible lesson, and other fun activities of crafts and games. Masks will be required for the children and adults in attendance. If questions or wanting to RSVP, please contact Ellie Vranich at 717-677-4431 or [evranich@comcast.net](mailto:evranich@comcast.net). See *insert or bulletin boards!*
- † **Helper Needed!** The intermediate elementary Sunday School class under the guidance of Jenni Kane is seeking a helper, co-teacher, or replacement person for the class. If interested, please see Betty Ann Bryan or Jenni Kane for more details.
- † **AED Training.** A training session on the use of the AED will be held in the near future. If interested, please contact Dick Price at 717-677-6901 or notify the church office. A convenient time will be scheduled.

**HELP US DECORATE ...  
‘BONNIE’S  
MITTEN TREE’**

- In Memory of Bonnie Roth •**

*With Your Donations of ...*

Mittens, Gloves, Scarves, Hats,  
and Socks



The tree will be decorated with donated items during the  
“Hanging of the Greens” on Dec. 5 through Dec. 12.

# = What's Cookin'

**Hey, Kids! It's time for What's Cookin' 2021-2022!**

Preschoolers through 6th Graders are invited to join us at Trinity Lutheran Church (38 North High Street, Arendtsville) for our monthly What's Cookin' program! On the third Wednesday of each month from 6:00-7:30pm, we will gather for a light meal together, fun, and Bible-themed lessons and activities.

**Mark your calendars now,  
so you don't miss out on the fun!**

*December 15*

*January 19*

*February 16*

*March 16*

*April 20*

What's Cookin' is now being held indoors.

Masks will be required to be worn  
by all participating individuals.

Contact Ellie Vranich if you would like to volunteer to help or  
if your family/organization/committee would like to provide  
the meal for one of our monthly gatherings  
([evranich@comcast.net](mailto:evranich@comcast.net) or 717-677-4431).

**All local kids are WELCOME! Bring a friend!!**

# 2021 Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

As the Christmas season rapidly approaches, it's time to place your order for Christmas Poinsettias! Poinsettias this year cost \$9.00 each.



Give the completed form with money to Audrey Ridinger or place in the offering plate **No Later Than** Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Donations can also be made to the Lutheran Disaster Relief Fund in lieu of a flower. Checks can be made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church (indicate LDRF donation in memo field).

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Please word the dedication **exactly** as you'd like it to appear in the Christmas bulletins. **Thanks for ordering by November 28<sup>th</sup>!!!**

Poinsettia #1 Dedication:

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\_\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_

Poinsettia #2 Dedication:

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\_\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_

Poinsettia #3 Dedication:

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\_\_\_\_\_ by: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Total Poinsettias Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ Total Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Your flowers can be picked up after the late church service  
on Christmas Eve.