



# Trinity, Algona

## News & Notes for January 15, 2023

### Partnership Call Process Update

**Pastoral Vacancy** - Pastor Adam Barkley will not be joining us as our Partnership associate pastor. Please pray for Pastor Barkley as he continues to serve God's kingdom in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Our Partnership is now proceeding to submit our application to receive a seminary graduate to be our associate pastor. We will know if our request will be fulfilled by late April.

### Mark Your Calendars

**St. John's Fish Fry** - Join our Partnership congregation at St. John's, Burt for a fish fry on Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm! We'll be eating the fish the St. John's youth caught on their recent ice fishing outing. A free will offering will go toward purchasing children's books for evangelism resources.



## Annual Meeting

Be Connected ~ Be Heard ~ Be Informed

**Trinity's Annual Meeting** is **January 22** at 1 pm. The youth are serving a **Soup Luncheon** at noon. A freewill donation will support youth activities. Childcare will be available. Please also consider that we need a **quorum of 104 voting members** present to approve our budget and council members, so your attendance would be truly appreciated!

### Supporting God's Work

**Giving Envelopes** have arrived and are available in the narthex. If you

would like envelopes and are unable to find yours; or if you have envelopes but no longer need them, please contact the church office.

**Note:** there was a little mishap involving coffee and the envelopes – if your envelopes are damaged and you'd like different ones, please contact the church office. Thanks!

**Thank You** to all who support God's work here at Trinity. Give online via [trinityalgona.org/give](https://trinityalgona.org/give), via our app, or text TrinityAlgona to 888-364-4483.

**IOWAY Donations** can be placed in the bin in the office lobby. These items are always needed: Adults & Children – hats, mittens, socks, & underwear; Hygiene Items – wash cloths, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, & toothbrushes.

### Ways to Serve

A **Council Position** is still open on the ballot for President. If you or someone you know is interested in serving, please contact Jody Bierstedt at 341-5300.

**Year-End Reports:** If you're responsible for a report or schedule for the annual yearbook, please email by January 15 to the church office at [office@trinityalgona.org](mailto:office@trinityalgona.org). Contact the church office with any questions.

**Enjoy Baking?** Please sign up at the youth table to bring bars or desserts for the annual meeting on January 22.



### **Church Volunteer Schedules:**

Please contact the church office to sign up or request changes for the 2023 schedules (greeters, ushers, readers, altar guild, etc). Additional volunteers are always needed. Thank you to all who serve in this way!

### **Ushers are Needed for 2023!**

Available months for 8:00 include Jan, Apr, May, Jun, Aug, Oct, & Nov.  
Available months for 10:45 include Mar, Apr, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept, & Oct.  
To help, contact Merril Friedrich at 320-4739 or call the church office.

**Altar Guild** is in need of people to clean up after communion. Available months for 8:00 include Apr & May. Available months for 10:45 include May, Jun, & Oct. To help, contact Kate Samp at 320-4797 or call the church office.

**Readers are Needed** to read the scripture during Sunday services. Volunteers typically rotate & serve at either the early or the late service. To help, contact the church office.

**Greeter Coordinator is Needed** to set up greeter schedule. Contact the church office if interested.

**Greeters - Choose Your Date & Service Time!** To serve as a greeter, please sign up in the narthex for 2023. There are openings for both services nearly every month.

**Sponsor Altar Flowers or Lift High the Cross** radio broadcast for 2023. Sign up in the narthex or contact the church office. Available dates:

**Altar Flowers**

July 2, 9, 16

August 13, 27

October 8, 22

December 31

**Radio**

December 31

Thanks!

**Funeral Ushers Needed!** This is not a scheduled duty - you would be contacted when funerals come up to check your availability. Contact the church office to volunteer!

### **Youth Corner**

**Grades 6 – 12:** Please sign up at the youth table to help with the meal prior to the annual meeting on January 22.

**Junior High Lock-In** will be Friday, Feb 10 from 6:30 – 11 pm in the Life Center. Sign-up and more information at youth table in narthex. Parents who would like to chaperone this event should email Pastor Cowell before Feb 10 at [pastor.cowell@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.cowell@gmail.com).

### **Stay Connected**

#### **New Contact Information?**

Please contact the church office with changes for yourself or your family members to update our records (especially if you've moved or no longer have a land-line phone). Please check your contact information in our Annual Reports & Directory so updates can be made before the upcoming edition is printed.



**Flocknote** keeps you in touch with us via text and email. Text TrinityAlgona to 84576 or visit us online at [Flocknote.com/TrinityAlgona](https://Flocknote.com/TrinityAlgona)

**Request Emailed News Bulletins & Calendars** by sending a message to [office@trinityalgona.org](mailto:office@trinityalgona.org)

**The Trinity App** can be downloaded in your device's app store or at <http://get.theapp.co/3tfq>

## Miscellaneous & Resources


**Annual Meeting Packets** are available in the narthex or from the church office.

**Walk in the Life Center** where it's warm & dry! A mile is about 22 laps!

**Find Adverse Weather** updates on Algona Radio or our Facebook page.

**For Urgent After-Hours Pastoral Care**, please call Pastor Cowell (319-464-5548). Also, if you or someone you know are no longer able to get to church and would like **home communion** or a **pastoral visit**, please contact Pastor Cowell.

**The Brochure Rack** by the elevator contains booklets on Christian faith and life. Feel free to take these for yourself or share them with friends.

**Building Healthy Families:** Someone *Bee happy*  somewhere counted, and now we know that on average, a child smiles about 400 times each day. Smiling - and a happy heart - are known to bring health benefits such as

decreased stress hormones in your bloodstream & lower blood pressure. Smile often and enjoy the many benefits! *"A glad heart makes a cheerful face, but by sorrow of heart the spirit is crushed."* Proverbs 15:13 [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

## Camp Okoboji News

**Join Us for Family Fun Fest** on January 27, 10 am - 2 pm. Get to know Camp Okoboji while enjoying family activities including inflatables, sledding, Ping Pong Tournament, cookie decorating, smores station, indoor yard games, and a meal. *(If you hear the call, Camp is still looking for Volunteers to assist with the Family Fun Fest activities!!)*

**Camp Okoboji Ice Fishing Retreat** on January 27-29 is for families or individuals of all sizes and ages who love to fish or want to learn!! Expect good food, good fellowship, and good fishing for this weekend retreat. Register online or call the office at (712) 337-3325.

**Personnel Recruitment:** Camp Okoboji is searching for a new Discipleship Director, 2 cooks, and is recruiting summer staff. If you or someone you know has an interest in serving at Camp Okoboji, please direct inquiries to Kirk Warnke at [kirk.campokoboji@gmail.com](mailto:kirk.campokoboji@gmail.com) or 515-408-5790.



## This Week at Trinity

<b>Sunday.....</b>	8:00 am Worship with Communion
(Jan 15)	8:00 am Live-Stream Worship ( <i>YouTube, Facebook, Trinity App</i> )
	9:30 am Sunday School ( <i>meet in Sanctuary</i> )
	9:30 am Adult Bible Study ( <i>Life Center</i> )
	10:45 am Worship
<b>Monday.....</b>	7:00 & 9:30 am Women's Bible Study ( <i>Conference Room</i> )
<b>Tuesday.....</b>	8:30 am & 1:00 pm Quilting ( <i>Basement</i> )
	9:00 am Sunday Worship Re-Broadcast ( <i>MC 3, AMU 20/ 918</i> )
	6:30 pm Board of Education Meeting
<b>Wednesday...</b>	8:30 am Staff Meeting
	9:30 am Adult Bible Study ( <i>Conference Room</i> )
	6:30 pm Midweek ( <i>Sanctuary</i> ) / LYF ( <i>Upper room</i> )
<b>Thursday.....</b>	8:30 am & 1:00 pm Quilting ( <i>Basement</i> )
	6:30 pm Boards / Committees
	7:30 pm Church Council
<b>Saturday.....</b>	5:00 pm Worship
<b>Sunday.....</b>	8:00 am Worship
	8:00 am Live-Stream Worship ( <i>YouTube, Facebook, Trinity App</i> )
	9:30 am Sunday School ( <i>meet in Sanctuary</i> )
	9:30 am Adult Bible Study ( <i>Life Center</i> )
	10:45 am Worship with Communion
	12:00 pm Soup Luncheon ( <i>Life Center</i> )
	1:00 pm <b>Annual Voter's Meeting</b> ( <i>Life Center</i> )

## In Our Prayers

**Those Battling Cancer:** Beverley Walker, Wayne Anderson, Kurt Williams, Carol Hagg, Dee Hoover, Pastor Gary Dehnke, Connie Moss, Julie Mack, Arla Gifford, Cherann Eden, Sherry Peter, Bradley Bjustrom, Ryan McGuire, Ethan Fairbanks, Duane Lieb, Carol Capesius, Jason Breig, Ken Wolf, Chris Rochleau, Amy Gerdts, Jane Nettleton

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** Roger Baas, Bettie Ditsworth, Gerri Weishaar, Bob Riedel, Etta Pergande, Cyndi Feist, Dave Nelson, Julie Pesicka, Mary Reddel, Lois Berhow, Payton Robertson, Mary Vaudt, Karen Serrar, Vicky Grewe, Delores Hackbarth, Terry Struecker, Hazel Bleich, Marty Sellers, Gary Mullen, Barb Wempen, Pat Weishaar, Susanna Bredehoeft, Delores Calhoun, Gary Reynolds, Jamie Totten, Delores Long, John Berninghaus, Don Lee, Stacy Metzen, Janine Kraft, Ruth Stumme, Larry Gade, Wes Brynsaas, Lori Boyken, Diane (Bahne) Struecker, Pastor Henry Friedrich, Megan (Huff) Immel, Pat Gronbach, Eulan Schuller, Steve Bouressa, Cecil Wattermann, Samantha Olson

**Recovering from Hospitalization:** Jack Munch

**Condolences:** Family of John Miller (brother of Bonnie Riggert)

**Trinity/St. John's Partnership**

**Trinity's Missionaries/Missions**