



Tradewinds

The newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church

A community of joyful believers, worshipping and serving Christ!

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Worship Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 pm – Informal Service with Holy Communion

Sunday - 8:00 am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion

Sunday – 10:45 am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion

Children's Sermon & Nursery Provided

Sunday School for All ages 9:15 am

Contemporary Worship – Jan. 17th @ 7:00 pm

New Year's Eve Service at 7:30 pm

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We shared food and presents with over 200 families and individuals in the December distribution of the Conrad Weiser Food Pantry. That is truly incredible, but when I read this story it made me think, are we doing all that Christ commands?

Pastor Ann Spleth shares about meeting a woman on a children's playground. The woman, whom Pastor Spleth described as "understated and elegant," was with a batch of children who were wearing the kind of clothes that don't sell at the rummage sale and end up getting carted down to another church's clothes closet. "These are my Christmas family kids," the woman said. "Not this Christmas—about ten years ago, my church sent me out with a Thanksgiving basket. I couldn't just leave it and walk away."

The more she talked, the more amazing her story became. Sent to a home to deliver a Thanksgiving basket, she had developed a great affection for the family in that home, and ever since then has involved herself in a self-giving way in their lives. "I'm shameless when it comes to grades," she said. "I give five bucks for an A, three for a B, nothing for a C, and then they start to lose privileges if it gets any lower. Privileges like this Sunday outing. The teenage boys go down to my son's college to play basketball in the gym, so they'll know what they are working towards. The little ones come to some place like this with me."

Pastor Spleth reflected, "She could have easily let the screen door through which she handed the basket be a chasm, but she didn't. It was just a gate and it opened at the touch of her hand."

As we begin this New Year, are we willing to tear down the chasm's that separate us from the people God places in our pathway, and truly get involved in life. Let's "take it up a notch", and be the Body of Christ, touching lives in real and visible ways, and inviting others into our lives and Christ's life!

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bill