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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, For he who promised is faithful. – Hebrews 10:23

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Frequent office hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30am to 1:30pm

Called by Christ to Gather, Group, Grow, Give & Go

- Thank you to all who helped with greening of the church! Your help was appreciated!
- Rehearsal and costume selection for Living Nativity volunteers will be on Monday, November 30th from 6:00 to 6:30pm. Please see Linda McCarthy for questions.
- Voters Assembly Meeting (VAM) will be held on December 13th following the Divine Service.
- Individual confession and absolution available every Sunday 8:30am to 9:00am or by appointment with Pastor Rako or Pastor Ben. Refer to the rite in the hymnal, page 292.
- Pastor Ben will lead Luther's Small Catechism study on Tuesdays at 10:00am. The Small Catechism contains a question and answer format which explains the chief teachings of the Bible. All are welcome!

- Pastor Rako leads Bible study at 10:00am on Mondays at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Lockport. Current study is "Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?"
- Choir practice is on Wednesdays from 5:45pm to 6:45pm. All are welcome!
- There will be a "new membership" brunch on December 12th. Details to follow.
- For all those who are using envelopes for offering, new envelopes will be available at the end of the month. If there is anyone that would like envelopes that had not previously used envelopes, please see Cindy Chamberland.
- The 70th Christmas Candlelight Vesper will be at First Trinity Lutheran Church on Sunday, December 13th at 5:00pm. Tanner Olson (who spoke at last year's youth gathering) will be presenting his poetry at this service! All are welcome to sing in the choir with rehearsals Mondays at 7:00 pm and Thursdays 1:00pm, Contact David Werth if interested at dwerth@FirstTrinity.com.

Special Advent, Christmas and Epiphany Services:

- December 2nd (Wednesday) at 7:00pm – Buffalo North Circuit Advent Midweek I at St. Luke L.C. in Cheektowaga.
- December 9th (Wednesday) at 7:00pm – Buffalo North Circuit Advent Midweek II at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Clarence.
- December 13th (Sunday) at 5:00pm – Candlelight Vesper at First Trinity Lutheran Church in Tonawanda.
- December 16th (Wednesday) at 7:00pm – Buffalo North Circuit Advent Midweek III at Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Kenmore.
- December 24th (Thursday) at 4:30pm **Christmas Eve Services at St. Paul Lutheran Church.**
- December 25th (Friday) at 10:00am Christmas Day Devine Service at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Clarence.