

January 2025

Dear Friends,

I hope and pray that your celebrations of Christmas and the New Year were joyful. Christmas at the Hoag house was a wonderful and restful day, with gifts, food, football games, and laughter. We took a quick jaunt to Ft. Wayne to spend time with extended family and came back in time for the weekend.

The infant Jesus was born into our world to renew it by fulfilling the desire of the nations—to know the love of God and to be reconciled to Him and to one another. To have peace. Through Jesus we have peace with God and with others. The latter results from the former.

Don't get that backwards. It's very important to keep that order of things correct. Reversing it would imply that God saves us based on our actions and inactions. That would leave us with very little to hope for. God would not have it that way because His love for us is living and active, not lacking in anything. And though it doesn't look like it, the world is being remade and reborn. You included!

You are being remade in the image of Jesus Christ until he returns for the final time in glory. Then you will be fully like him, for you will see him as he is.

I pray that you have a joyous New Year!

Pastor Hoag

*PLEASE STAND BY FOR NOTES from The Re:Vitalize Workshop on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>*

## JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

### President's January Message:

This past year Kay and I, along with other members, participated in the "Bible Recap" with Tara-Leigh Cobble. We followed a schedule reading a few chapters a day. We then listened to a daily devotion and a short video interpretation by Host Tara Leigh. Very doable! It's amazing how fast the year went, and even more amazing, we will have concluded reading the entire Bible by the end of December. Like many of those participating, we did fall behind a couple times. However, we quickly caught up as we doubled up on our readings. Kay and I learned so much, and we now "Know God better" a program goal. Michelle and Tom Buell along with Pastor were at our finger tips if we had questions or problems with the readings. Michelle is planning on starting up another group on January 1, 2025. Now that Kay and I have a foundation, we may read it again for an even better understanding. Please feel free to talk to Michelle, Kay, or myself if you have questions. If you are interested in participating during 2025, let Michelle know. She can get you started.

Highlights discussed during the December Church Council meeting are as follows:

- General Fund Donations year to date through November 2024 are about 4% more than the same period in 2023.
- Pastor reported the Revitalize meeting went well and a followup will be scheduled. A lay delegate is needed for the English District Convention in July.
- Property reported drywall repairs in the Sacristy have been completed. The lift inspection and certification have been completed. Property is evaluating formal "Property Use Agreements."
- Outreach is sending out Christmas Cards to our shut-ins.
- Youth and Parish Education are planning the Sunday School Christmas Program on Sunday December 22nd. A one day VBS during Christmas is planned for January 2nd. Parish Education is inviting members to participate in "The Bible Recap" initiative.
- Youth is planning an event at "Urban Air" on January 3rd with pizza to follow.
- Council elections results were discussed. The positions of President and Financial Secretary remain open. Gary Purnell and Tammy Doerrer will fill in on a temporary basis until replacements can be found.
- The Annual meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2025. Social Ministry will coordinate the Potluck luncheon.
- Over \$1,600 was raised from the Cookie Walk. Use of the funds has yet to be determined. Suggestions to upgrade the Nativity Scene decoration and look for an Easter Scene decoration will be researched by Social Ministry.
- The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 12, 2025, at 7PM.

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Gary

The Chancel Guild would like to thank the following people for purchasing Poinsettias to help decorate the Chancel Area:  
Biff & Debbie Aiken; Allene Bachmann; The Scott Benedict Family; Denise Buchanan; Dominic & Glenda Cotrano; Janet DeForest; Lois Dobbs; Kathy Fandl; Tom & Wendy Kaun; Kevin, Christina & Gunnar Kipper; Dana Knodel; Les & Cheryl Koenig; Paul & Robin Krol; Jeff & Sharon Lorenz; Phil & Sharon MacFarlane; Jennifer Mudrock; Judy Niemann-VanderVeen;  
The Michael Perkins Family; Gary & Kay Purnell; Doug & Jan Schlak; Virgil & Nikki Switzer; The Steve Tinker Family;  
Rex & Jan Toepke; The Dan Wheeler Family; Daniel & Susan Willenborg

a Congregational Potluck will be held preceding the Congregational Meeting on: Sunday, January 26th  
Those planning to attend are asked for to bring either a main dish to serve at least 6 people, a side, or a dessert. Please sign up at the table outside the office indicating what you will bring and how many people will be attending.

**ADDITIONAL COFFEE HOUR HOSTS ARE NEEDED.** Hosts are responsible for setting up the table, preparing the coffee, and providing goodies. Coffee, juice, and all other supplies are provided. Assistance will be provided for first timers. If you can help on an occasional day as needed, please contact the church office [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com) or Jan Toepke.

**NOTE:** Would you like to sub for preschool? It would be an occasional position. Three hours a day, 9 to 12, often last-minute notice. If interested please email Jennifer at [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com) Thank You!!!

\*\*\*Pastor Hoag and members of the Church Council want to remind you that they will never use online methods to solicit money or gift cards out of the blue. If you ever receive a text, email, or social media message asking you to purchase gift cards or to send money, ignore and delete the message and contact Pastor Hoag\*\*\*



Bible Study: ...  
-Wednesday 8:30am  
-Thursday 7:00pm

**DATE CHOSEN FOR OUR THRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SPRING CLEANING 2025: Saturday, March 22nd, Beginning at 9:00am**



**tlcyg\_nl** TLC Youth Group, our next fun adventure will be Friday, January 3rd. We will meet at Urban Air in Mokena at 4:00pm, after we will go out for pizza. Please have your parents fill out the waiver on line prior. Can't wait to see you!

**TLC Youth Group is for grades 7th-12th and is a great opportunity to form new friendships and make plans for exciting things to do. We host monthly dinners on the second Sunday of each month at 5pm. I would love to see you there, and as always bring a friend!**

**TLC Youth Groups Next Activity Will Be:  
-Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00pm we will meet -  
Urban Air Adventure Park in Mokena at 4:00pm.  
Then, we will have dinner after. Can't wait to see you!**

#### **YOUTH GROUP NEWS**

**2025 LCMS Youth Gathering will take place in New Orleans July 19-23, 2025. All high school students are eligible to attend. Registration is taking place NOW and must be completed by October 20. For a registration form, see Michelle Hoag. The Youth Gathering takes place every 3 years and provides thousands of youths from all over the world the opportunity to serve, worship, study the Bible, and join in fun activities. Contact either Michelle Hoag or Christina Kipper with any questions.**

#### **TLC Youth Group:**

**An Instagram page has been created where you can find information and invites for fun activities.**

**Please follow: [tlcyg\\_nl](#)**



2025 we will be reading through the Bible again this year! If you haven't joined us yet, join us for the New Testament! Contact Michelle Buell for details or for help connected with us! (815) 909-6366



Contribution Statements for income tax purposes are available for members using the offering envelopes. If you have not received a statement in previous years and would like to request one, please contact the church secretary or Tammy Doerrer @ [tammydoerrer@gmail.com](mailto:tammydoerrer@gmail.com) . If you received a statement in the past, you are on the list to automatically receive one each year.



**EACH ONE REACH ONE:** We have several shut-ins, or members in need of support or encouragement, here at Trinity. If you are interested in doing your heart and their heart some good by reaching out to them just to say “Hello”, please talk with or email Jennifer (the Church Secretary [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com)) for a list of names.

**TWO Large Print Hymnals are available!** These can be found on the table in the Narthex near the bulletins and must always be returned after the service.

**Hearing Devices are available for anyone who is hearing impaired.**  
Please ask Pastor or an Usher for help.

Gentle Reminder for Everyone: donations to the church can be made to the church directly, or online at -

-Our Website: [www.trinitynewlenox.org](http://www.trinitynewlenox.org)

-Our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityNewLenox/>

**TRINITY FREE LIBRARY:** Need a Book. Take a Book. Bring One Here for Others to Share. We have several locations within the Church that have books that can be borrowed. We have the library box right outside our parking lot doors - these books are for children and adults. We also have a library in the corner downstairs for children. ENJOY!

**“MEALS FOR MEMBERS”:** What this is: from time to time, some of our members find themselves in the position of needing a little assistance with meals. Whether it be an illness, welcoming a child, an injury, or so on. What we would ask of our members is to help provide a meal and deliver it to the person in need. There is a sign-up sheet on the table for anyone willing to provide a meal when the time arises. You can also contact Suzy Kambic @ [kambicsuzy@gmail.com](mailto:kambicsuzy@gmail.com) or 815.735.8657 (or you can contact Jennifer at [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com) if needed.)



**BUY RAISERIGHT GIFT CARDS** – Do you go to Starbucks, shop at Target or Jewel, etc.? Then, why not purchase a gift card for yourself ahead of time or as a gift! A portion of the proceeds go to our high school youth. It costs you only the face value of the gift card. It’s a win, win! There are forms with the full list of participating stores outside of the Pastors office, or you can learn more at [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com). Any questions contact Angie at [minett411@yahoo.com](mailto:minett411@yahoo.com) or 815-228-4902. Thank you so much to all our current and newbie participants, we greatly appreciate your support!

**The Next Raiseright Order Deadline Dates:**

**-NO ORDERS IN JANUARY**

**-February 2nd**

**Payment due when you order. Cards will be ready for pick up the following week.**

*Thank you to everyone who has been supporting our efforts! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!*



**Did You Know Pastor Hoag is a Rock Star!!!**

**Come See the Band "Side Effects!" on the Following Dates and Locations:**

- Saturday, January 25, 7-11pm, VFW New Lenox**
- Saturday, February 15, 7-11pm, Croatian Club, Joliet**
- Saturday, March 1, 9pm-1am, Gustos, Crest Hill**
- Saturday, March 22, 7-11pm, VFW New Lenox**

**OUTREACH FLYERS: Lutheran Hour Ministries PROJECT CONNECT can be found on the shelves outside of the Narthex –**

**-Some of the following Project Connect booklets are available as audio files, in addition to their standard PDF readable formats. <https://www.lhm.org/projectconnect/booklets.asp>**

- A MATTER OF TIME (taking control of your life)**
- COMEBACKS (how to get back up after life knocks you down)**
- CONTENTMENT (five practices for a more content life – no matter who you are)**
- EVERYONE IS A GIFT (letting God transform how you see people)**
- FORGIVENESS IS A CHOICE**
- GRIEF (where sadness and hope meet)**
- HOW TO TALK ABOUT YOUR FAITH (an introduction to the spiritual conversation curve)**
- JOURNEY THROUGH ADDICTION**
- JOURNEY THROUGH ANXIETY**
- JOURNEY THROUGH THE RAT RACE**
- LOVE THY NEIGHBORHOOD (rediscovering the power of sharing the gospel with our deeds)**
- PRAYER (when you don't know what to say)**
- REGRETS, REALITY, RESTORATION**
- SETTING PRIORITIES (previously titled: "Too Much to Do – Too Little Time")**
- THE BIBLE (what? when? why?)**
- WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIE?**
- WHO IS JESUS?**
- WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN? (courage during difficult times)**
- WHY DID JESUS DIE?**
- YOUR PLACE IN GODS PLAN (previously titled: "And the Lord Appointed You")**

## Member News!!!



### 2023 Baptisms:

- Beckett Jeffrey White 05/18/23
- Mattie Nicole Casagrande 07/30/23
- Archie Michael Studer 10/08/23
- Ada Jane O'Sullivan 10/29/23
- Elize Marie Blecke 12/09/23
- Madison Alexandria Longmire 12/10/23

### 2024 Baptisms:

- Mason Wyatt Pezan (January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Benedict Wojnarowski Bendoraitis (March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Noah John Dobbs (March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024)
- Lars Oskar Johnson (March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024)
- Luca Anthony Siano (April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Brayden Robert Patrick Kessel (April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Zachary Wayne Dulny (April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Nicholas Steven Dulny (April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Hunter Joseph McKenzie (June 9<sup>th</sup> 2024)
- Harper Elise Larson (July 28<sup>th</sup> 2024)
- Erica Eve Goebig (July 28<sup>th</sup> 2024)
- Olivia Violet Marquez (August 11<sup>th</sup> 2024)
- Kit John Wojdyla (August 18<sup>th</sup> 2024)
- Hazel Jeannette Hayes (November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024)
- Jason Robert Wolter (December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024)**
- Jack Rhodes Dobrez (December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024)**



### 2023 Weddings:

- Sean David Russell and Paige Amber Batinich 11/03/23
- James De Young and Alena Batinich 12/21/23

### 2024 Weddings:

- Devin O'Neill and Nichols Bechtold 02/03/2024
- Amanda Colon-Nunez and Thomas Buell 08/24/2024



**Trinity Preschool News:**

**REGISTRATION FOR 2024-2025 IS OPEN**

**Please Tell Your Friends and Neighbors**

There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$70.00 per student. The school year begins September 2024. The tuition per month will be:

**-2 Day, Tuesday & Thursday: \$125.00**

**-3 Day, Monday, Wednesday & Friday: \$160.00**

**(3- and 4-year-olds can choose 2 days a week or 3 days a week)**

Children must be 3 or 4 by September 1, 2024.

For additional information, please call Trinity Lutheran Church at 815.485.6973.



**PRESCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS** will be the Second Mondays of the Month at 6:00pm:  
**Monday February 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 ...**

The preschool students enjoyed singing some Christmas songs they learned for their families in the church before they left for Christmas Break. They did an amazing job!

Trinity Lutheran Preschool will have a table at the preschool and daycare information fair along with other local daycare centers and preschools. If anyone is looking for preschool information they can come to the New Lenox Library on Saturday January 18th from 10:00-12:00.



### Sunday School News:

We have so many exciting things ahead, and we encourage you to join us!  
Bring a friend or family member, too!  
This year our focus will be: "TO BE GODS HANDS AND FEET"  
as we share the Truth of God to our family, friends, and community!"

The Sunday School is collecting **non-perishable food, and monies, to donate to our New Lenox Food Pantry indefinitely**. This is to help those around us during these challenging times. Please bring canned goods and dry boxed items. To see items most needed by New Lenox Township Food Pantry, please visit their website ([www.newlenox.org](http://www.newlenox.org)), or Facebook. A donation box is located downstairs by the Sunday School rooms, and upstairs by the library. They have also mentioned to us that they can do the most to help with financial donations – you can donate directly on their website or add an envelope with a note in our offering basket. Thank You!!!

- \*The New Year brings a great opportunity for us to "Be the Hands and Feet of Jesus" by reaching out to others who are hurting. Say "hello" to a friend you haven't seen in a while by sending a text, email, or letter. Invite a friend on a playdate. Find someone who looks lonely on the playground who you don't normally play with and invite them to join your game! Donate food or used toys to those in need. Call your grandparents and tell them about your adventures during Christmas break!
- \*Our Christmas VBS event will be on Thursday, January 2nd from 5-7 pm. We will learn, play, and enjoy snacks as we celebrate our Savior's birth! Pizza will also be served! Parents are welcome, but not required to stay!
- \*We will be making blankets in Sunday School on January 5th! Families will be invited to take kits home to make more to donate to those in need!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENT CALANDER

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### January

- January 2nd, 5-7pm Christmas VBS
- January 5th, Blanket Making Intro in Sunday School  
(Family Blanket Project sent home)
- January 19th-Opening in church

### February

- February 16th, 4-6 pm Valentine's Day Party
- February 16th - Opening in church

### March

- March 12th - Sunday School Serves Lenten Supper
- March 16th - Opening in church

### April

- April 13th, 9:00 am - Palm Sunday/Participate in Church  
11:30 am- Easter Egg Hunt & coffee hour
- April 20th-Easter No Sunday School

### May

- May 18th-Opening in church  
Last Day of Sunday School-Church Picnic



## **Chancel Guild News!**

**Attention Ladies of Trinity** - Our meetings are at 9 a.m. the first Saturday of January, March, April, May, September, October, November, and December. Ladies of TLC please consider joining our awesome Chancel Guild. For more information, please contact Jennifer Mudrock, Wendy Kaun, Denise Buchanan, or Kay Purnell.

### **Chancel Schedule for January:**

January 4-5: Denise Buchanan and Jennifer Mudrock

January 11-12: Jennifer Mudrock and Lois Dobbs

January 18-19: Lois Dobbs and Doris Bay

January 25-26: Doris Bay and Jan Schlak

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - Chancel Guild Members would like to thank those of you who sponsored a weekend this last year. We appreciate your support in helping us keep fresh flowers on the altar. A new 2025 Altar Flower Calendar has been posted. You will find it in the glass case hanging on the wall across the old general office. If you would like to reserve a Sunday in 2025 in memory of a loved one, to commemorate a birthday or wedding anniversary, in Thanksgiving of God's Blessings, or for any other special occasion, please fill out a sponsor order form and put it in the Chancel Guild Mailbox. The forms are located on a hook attached to the case housing the calendar. If you have any questions, please contact Kay Purnell at [purnellk51@hotmail.com](mailto:purnellk51@hotmail.com) or (815) 485-9017.

### **January Altar Flower Sponsors:**

Jan. 4-5            Judy Niemann-VanderVeen & Family  
                         For Don & Betty Dunn - A Celebration of Lives Well Lived

Jan. 11-12        Bruce Hasch  
                         In Loving Memory of His Wife, Joan Hasch

Jan. 18-19        Lois Dobbs & Family  
                         In Memory of Jack Dobbs

Jan. 25-26        Jan Falk  
                         In Memory of Jan's Husband, Ernie Falk Sr.

*\*\*\* Chancel Guild uses Bella Fiori Flower Shop for all its floral needs. Members have been particularly pleased with their work. If you are looking to buy someone special in your life some flowers for a special occasion, we do recommend them. They are located on Rt. 30, across from Lincoln-Way Central High School here in New Lenox \*\*\**



### **Social Ministry Announcements:**

**Coffee Hours:** Coffee Hours are hosted every Sunday after the 9:00 service. Additional Coffee Hour Hosts are always needed. If you would like to help, please contact Jennifer in the Office at [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com) or Jan Toepke at [toepkej@gmail.com](mailto:toepkej@gmail.com).

**Coffee Hour Schedule:** (coffee hours will continue during the summer following the 9:00 service)

January 5 -Liz Benedict and Christina Kipper

12 -

19 - Kay Purnell

26 - Sharon Lorenz

February 2 - Liz and Christina

9 - Sharon Lorenz

16 - Kay Purnell

23 -

March 2 - Liz and Christina

9 - Sharon Lorenz

16 - Kay Purnell

23 -

Thank you to all of our Coffee Hosts who have been doing a wonderful job of providing coffee and sweets for the fellowship following the 9:00 services.

We are looking for one or two additional people who can fill in when we have a vacant Sunday (usually when there are 5 Sundays in the month) or if someone who is scheduled needs to cancel. Please contact the church office if you are able to help out.

**Social Ministry Meeting:** will be **Monday, January 13th @ 7:00pm at Church**. We will be making plans for the upcoming year. If you have been looking for a way to become more involved with your church family, consider joining us!

**Food and Fellowship:** will be **Tuesday, January 14th @ 12:00pm**. Please join us for lunch and an afternoon activity. All adults are welcome! Bring a friend if you like! If you plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet by the office.

**IMPORTANT KITCHEN INFORMATION:** To alleviate the accumulation of food and drinks in the kitchen refrigerator/freezer, instructions will be posted. Following an event, if there is leftover food and there is not an event where it could be used in the immediate future, please take it with you. If you would like it used at a future event, please contact the people hosting so they are aware it is there. Labels will be available to date and identify who items belong to. Thank you for your help in this matter!

**per Social Ministry:** if anyone has pictures on our events they would like to share with us, please email them to Jennifer at [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com)

## Trinity Lutheran Church Usher Sunday Schedule 2024-25

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

9:AM	Virgil Seitzer	331 588 4264	virgilswitzer66@gmail.com
	Biff Aiken	815 954 0682	biffdebaiken@gmail.com
*10:30AM	Brett Carr	815 370 6651	brettdcarr@gmail.com
	Paul Krol	815 575 1315	p.krol@sbcglobal.net

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

*9:AM	Edward A. Tatro**	815 485 5760	etatro4@aol.com
	Tim King	815 463 0415	tim.king1@comcast.net
10:30AM	Tom Buell	815 485 3769	tombuell@sbcglobal.net
	Bob Blecke	815 353 7561	robert.blecke@yahoo.com

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

9:AM	Mike Gardner	815 485 9623	mgardner1453@gmail.com
	Gary Purnell	815 485 9017	gpurnell3@hotmail.com
*10:30AM	Cameron Hoag	779 279 4223	cam.hoag21@gmail.com
	Dana Knodel	708 822 2902	knodel.dana@yahoo.com

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

*9: AM	Steve Tomany	815 485 3163	sltomany@gmail.com
	Randy Varju	815 685 1363	randy.varju@aah.org
10:30AM	Phil McFarlane	815 258 0946	philmacp40@comcast.net
	John Buell	815 756 0194	jbuell7528@gmail.com

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

9:AM	Scott Benedict	815 953 8105	maxem02@yahoo.com
	Jeff Lorenz	815 463 0833	jlorenz2367@gmail.com
10:30AM	Paul Krol	815 575 1315	p.krol@sbcglobal.net
	Diane Sewing**	815 592 3911	dianesewing@hotmail.com

### Alternates:

Zack Horn 630 664 9224

Dan Wheeler 708 932 1054

Craig Black 815 278 0330 cbnb33@sbcglobal.net

### \*Communion.

Members who have an interest in serving the Lord and our congregation as an usher, helping to assist with the sanctity of our services, should contact Ed Tatro or Diane Sewing. {noted above\*\*}

8/24 ET

### **USHERS:**

Please check the usher schedule in the Attendance Notebook and make any corrections for an update if needed.

Also, this is a good time to review Usher Duties for services and special occasions. The duties are also in the front of the Attendance notebook in the Narthex."

**SUGGESTION BOX RESPONSE(S):**

**SUGGESTION:** “please make sure the heat is on early enough for the 9:00 service when the benches are cold and parishioners are wearing jackets it’s not warm enough”

**ANSWER:** *Property Was Made Aware*

**SUGGESTION:** “May I Suggest Doing Devine Service 2 or 3 In Place of Matins Occasionally”

**ANSWER:** *IMPLEMENTED IN 2023*

**SUGGESTION:** “Maybe Buy One or Two Large Print Hymnals for People with Bad Eyesite. The Large Printouts Are Only the Hymns”

**ANSWER:** *IMPLEMENTED IN 2024 – TWO Large Print Hymnals are Now Available! These can be found on the table in the Narthex near the bulletins and must always be returned after the service.*

*\*Thank You Jan Falk for Gifting the Church a Second Large Print Hymnal\**

**SUGGESTION:** “Next Year (2024) for Reformation Sunday Suggest We Wear RED to Church That Day” (Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024)

**ANSWER:** *IMPLEMENTED IN 2024*

**SUGGESTION:** “I think it would be good to title the sermons. It would be a refresher after we leave church.”

**ANSWER:** *IMPLEMENTED IN 2024*

**SUGGESTION:** “Next Advent (2024) Write in the Bulletin Something About Each Candle as “We Light It” (Sun, Dec 1, 2024 – Tue, Dec 24, 2024)

**ANSWER:** *IMPLEMENTED IN 2024*

**SUGGESTION:** “Turn Church Lights Up During the Service and Lower Them During the Sermon. It Is Hard to Read the Hymns with the Lights Low for Us with Bad Eyesight”

**ANSWER:** *NO, Unfortunately, we just have very poor lighting in the church. The lights are up as far as they can go throughout the service.”*

**SUGGESTION:** “Use Battery Candles for Candlelight Service Instead of Real Candles – the Candles Sunday School Uses for Their Program”

**ANSWER:** *NO, not feasible.*

**SUGGESTION:** “1 Outdoor Service a Month During the Summer”

**ANSWER:** *NO, not feasible currently.*

**SUGGESTION:** “...consider adding a time for two minutes of silent prayer into the church service...”

**ANSWER:** *NO, not feasible currently.*

**Church Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00am to 2:00pm**