



MESSENGER NEWSLETTER
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

"The small church with a BIG heart: Ordinary people
 With an extra ordinary message!"

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Schubert and Babbtown Newsletter
 Calendar for DECEMBER 2025

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

BABBTOWN

Sunday Worship

8:00 A.M. Worship with (Holy
 Communion)

Bible Study and Sunday School 9:10
 A.M.

SCHUBERT

Sunday Worship

Sunday school
 9:15 A.M.

Bible study 9:30 A.M.

10:00 A.M. Worship with
 (Holy Communion)

Also Streaming on Vimeo and Facebook

DECEMBER AT GLANCE

- Dec 1 Men's Bible Study 6 pm
- Dec 3 WkDay/Confirmation 6-7 pm
Advent Worship 7 pm
- Dec 8 Private Confession 5pm
Open Bible Study 6 pm
- Dec10 WkDay/Confirmation 6-7 pm
Advent Worship 7 pm
- Dec17 Schubert Christmas Eve
Practice 5-6:30 pm,
Advent Worship 7 pm
- Dec21 Schubert Christmas Eve
Practice 12 pm
- Dec24 Christmas Eve, Babbtown
Service 5 pm, Schubert
Service 6:30 pm
- Dec25 Christmas Day, Babbtown\
Worship 8 am, Schubert
Worship 10 am
- Dec28 Schubert Christmas Caroling
After Worship

**Savior of the nations, come,
 Virgin's Son, make here Thy home!
 Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
 That the Lord chose such a birth.
 TLH 95 "Savior of the Nations, Come"**

Dear Saints,

A blessed Advent to every one of you! As we begin a new church year, we do so by meditating on the profound love that God has for us—that the Savior has come and was born of the Virgin Mary. Our Savior is not a God who remains at a distance; He comes to us. He is truly Immanuel, "God with us," as the Scriptures testify. He has come and has redeemed us by His blood. He comes each and every week in His Word and in giving us His body and blood. And finally, He will come again on the Last Day in great glory.

In the midst of the busyness of December, take the opportunity to meditate on this great love that God has shown to us in Christ Jesus. The world around us turns this season into one that is noisy and hurried, but Advent invites us to slow down and marvel that the Lord has chosen such a birth and such a death for you.

In Christ,
 Pastor Groh



Schubert Midweek Advent Services:

December 3rd, 7:00pm

December 10th, 7:00pm

December 17th, 7:00pm

Prayer, Meditation, and Affliction:

The Life of the Christian

CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICES:

Schubert will practice for Christmas Eve on...

Wed 12/17, 5-6:30 p.m. before Advent worship

Sun 12/21, 12:00pm after our Sunday worship

For families who have yet to sign up - sheets are printed in the lobby! You can also email:

stjohnslutheranjcmo@gmail.com.



Join us for Christmas worship!



Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

Babbtown 5:00 p.m., Schubert 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Babbtown 8:00 a.m., Schubert 10:00 a.m.



CHRISTMAS CAROLING: Save the date - Schubert will go Christmas caroling on Sunday, December 28, after worship. A light meal will be served beforehand. For more details or to suggest caroling locations, contact Ginger Luetkemeyer.

SPEAKING FOR LIFE:

“As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, let us pray for all mothers who find themselves pregnant and afraid. Abortion is never the answer. We pray daily that the Lord will strengthen all expectant mothers who find themselves alone and seemingly without hope and that He will help them choose life. Every human being’s life is a precious and beautiful miracle.” Judie Brown, American Life League – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org •


Evangelism Report:

Friendship Sunday will be January 18th

Mission Sunday will be February 15th

Care kits are still available in the side entrance. In each kit are hygiene items, a Bible, and a \$10 fast food card. Please feel free to take one and hand it out to someone in need.

Prayer chain requests, please text Molly Boeckmann at 573-338-4309










PUZZLE








GOOD NEWS TO THE SHEPHERDS









What did the angel of the Lord say to the shepherds?







Directions: Write the first letter of each picture on the lines.








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Luke 2:11, NIV

Answer: “Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you.” Luke 2:11, NIV

Trinity Lutheran Church
PRESENTS
"The Tenth Day of Christmas"
Antique
Reed Organ Concert

FEATURING
A VARIETY OF
ANTIQUE REED ORGANS IN
VARIOUS STYLES

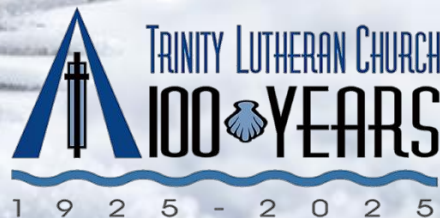


In gratitude to God for His blessings upon our congregation, and in reflection of our 100th Anniversary, we are pleased to present this special concert. It is our hope that through the music presented on these beautiful instruments that our hearts will be stirred in praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings that are ours in Christ.

JANUARY 4, 2026
3 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 2201 W. Rollins Street
Columbia

THE CONCERT IS
FREE TO ALL
A RECEPTION
WILL FOLLOW



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DECEMBER

Usher Schedule

Dec 7 Jim Forbis
Andy Beach
Dec14 Jim Forbis
John Hanes
Dec21 Jim Forbis
Skyler Haslag
Dec28 Jim Forbis
Matt Belcher

Communion Assistants

Dec 7 Allan Forbis
Gene Walkenhorst
Dec14 Mark Russell
Gary Stroup
Dec21 Allan Forbis
Gene Walkenhorst
Dec28 Mark Russell
Gary Stroup

Greeters

Dec 7 Mary Vida, front
Mary Kuhlmann, side

Dec14 Linda Brenner front
Donna Skelly, side

Dec21 Jennifer Hanes, front
Mary Vida, side

Dec28 Mary Kuhlmann, front
Linda Brenner, side

Sunday School Offering

Dec 7 Henry Householder

Dec14 Gabe Marble

Dec21 Isabelle Marble

Dec28 Ariana Skelly

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

(Schubert)

Dec 1 Collin Larkins
Amy Ripley
Dec 2 Meg Belcher
Dec11 Brantly Carver
Gary Lofton
Dec25 Kathy Bauer
Dec27 Henry Householder
Wesley Russell
Dec28 Kevin Green
Dec29 Cory Mueller
Emily Smasal

(Babbtown)

Dec 7 Sophia Jarvis
Gabriel Schubert
Dec17 Breay Bushjost
Dec21 Nancy Clark

JANUARY, 2026
NEWSLETTER Items
are due
DECEMBER 21, 2025
Newsletter items may be
placed in Jan's mailbox.

Or they may be e-mailed to
stjohnslutheranjcmo@gmail.com

Any announcement:
Weddings, birthdays,
anniversaries, personal notes,
pictures or church related
business are welcome.

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CHURCH CLEANING

Church Cleaning
Committee Volunteers

ALTAR GUILD

Linda Brenner
To Be Determined