## Report of the Lead Pastor for December 2022

Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner January 9, 2023

Baptisms: Dean Bourne 12/25 Funerals: Bob Bilous 12/10

Weddings: none

## A good year

December for me always brings with it a reflection of the "year gone bye." It was a good year for Trinity. We continued to move forward in our new, post-pandemic but not quite post-Covid life. Our congregation responded to our annual stewardship appeal better than we could have imagined (thanks go to Dave Butcher, staff and the Give, Serve, Lead team for an excellent campaign.) Our children and youth ministries are beginning the long road back from Covid disruption, though we fully recognize we have a long way to go. Worship attendance continues to grow each week it seems. (Yearly attendance stats below) Our streaming service continues to be strong and the pastors often receive notes from our congregation in appreciation for it. Christmas attendance in particular was stronger than the last few years. We have begun a safety review with a local security firm with lots of experience with churches and synagogues. Our roof and solar project is underway with lots of positivity among the congregation. And we have been blessed by faithful members of our congregation who died recently and left legacy gifts through their wills and estates that help us grow into the future. What a blessing this year has been and I look forward to 2023!

## **Open House**

Linda and I were so glad to open our home again for a Christmas gathering on the 18<sup>th</sup>. The fellowship was great as always.

Monthly Averages per service							
			Streaming In- person	Streaming On-line	TRAD	Cont	Total
Jan - Avg		23	52		104	108	
Feb - Avg		33	77	326	133	116	
Mar - Avg		43	74	275	133	119	
Apr - Avg		50	139	233	226	154	
May - Avg		32	90	270	133	116	
June - Avg		36	65	291	135	106	
July - Avg		31	68	264	113	104	
Aug - Avg		37	64	245	121	92	
Sept - Avg		37	71	275	117	110	
Oct - Avg		51	90	316	157	115	
Nov - Avg		26	87	248	152	153	
Dec - Avg		36	91	289	145	125	
YTD Avg		36	81	283	139	118	657
Special Services	Attendence		Total				
	online	in-person					
Ashes to Go		61	61				
Ash Wednesday	202	67	269				
Maundy Thursday	166	113	279				
Good Friday	184	99	283				
Easter Vigil	98	93	191				
Vespers Concert		207	207				
Thanksgiving Eve	134	48	182				
Blue Christmas		15	15				
Christmas at Trinity	326	492	818				
Christmas Eve	202	1381	1583				
Christmas Day	134	63	197				

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Jack Horner