

# THE TRINITY



By Andy Soto

Today January 7, 2024

**Adult and Children's Sunday School 9:00 a.m.**

**Growing God's Way Children's Ministry**

Lil Sprouts: Under 2

Sprouts: Years 2-5

Evergreens: Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**All children are dismissed for Children's Church before the Message**

**"Either we are living adrift in chaos, or we are individuals created, loved, upheld, and placed purposely, exactly where we are. That's it. It's either a meaningless universe, or God is sovereign. There's no halfway house." - Elizabeth Elliot**

## Order of Worship

Announcements/Opening Prayer

Songs of Praise & Worship

Pastoral Prayer

Message

Closing Song

**This Week** (unless noted, all events are held at church)

<b>Sunday</b>	Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Youth Group 6-8 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Discipleship Study 6:30 a.m. <b>The Nest 7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Men's Bible Study 6:30 a.m. AWANA 6:00 p.m.
<b>Friday-Sunday</b>	Youth Districts

### **Opportunities**

**New sanctuary chairs.** We received some gifts for the purchase of new chairs and have currently raised \$9,620.00 of the \$16,000 we need. A sample chair has been set in the back of the sanctuary. If you would be interested in helping with the replacement costs, please consider a gift above your regular giving towards the new chairs.

**The Nest:** Snacks, A Game, Connecting, and Mary Noggle will be speaking! Join us this **Tuesday, January 9 at 7:00 p.m.** for an hour of fun, treats and fellowship. All women are welcome. We can't wait to have you join us for the party!

**"Let's Do Lunch":** Come and join us today, right after church, for a time of food, fellowship, and fun at Pizza Ranch. Everyone is welcome!

**Guest Preacher:** Jon Payne, District Superintendent of the Forest Lakes District will be our guest preacher next **Sunday, January 14.** Please plan on staying after the service for a special time with Jon from 11:30-12:30.

**Annual Meeting:** Our Annual Church Business meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 21, following our worship service. One of the matters that will be considered is the approval of **Dean Pankow to be appointed to the Elder Board. He has been nominated to this position and his brief bio is included in this bulletin.**

**Men's Retreat:** Save the date for the Men's Retreat at Lake Lundgren Bible Camp **January 26-28.** Please see Chris Matula for more information.

## Prayer Requests / Comments

As a church we believe in the power of prayer and would love to pray for you. Please share your details with us using your phone.



Open your phone's camera and point it at the QR code. You will be prompted to open a link, which will take you to our online prayer requests form.

## Connect With Us

Welcome visitors! We are so glad you are here. We would love to connect with you. Please share your details with us using your phone.



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## RightNow Media Access

We invite you to free access to +20,000 Bible Study Videos for adults, youth, and kids! Open your phone's camera and point it at the QR code which will take you to the registration page for our church's account or click on <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/applefreechurch>.



## Weekly Giving

Budgeted \$383,772

Actual **\$304,835**

**Appleton Community EFC**  
**Growing together in Christ**



- **Biblical Truth**

We depend on the Bible as our source of authority in what we believe, what we teach, and how we live.

- **Worship**

We believe that we are created by God to worship Him. Therefore, we live in worshipful response to God's character and activity.

- **Prayer**

We believe that daily prayer is essential in the life of a believer and as such we pray with expectancy knowing that God is actively involved in our world.

- **Evangelism**

We believe in sharing the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ with honesty and humility.

- **Fellowship**

We believe that accountability, caring and a sense of belonging are essential for each believer to grow in their relationship with Christ.

- **Encouragement**

We believe we are responsible for caring for and encouraging one another.

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CARE Fund

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### **Church Office Hours**

CLOSED Mondays  
Open Tuesday-Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.