Welcome: We are so glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Advent-King, Jesus Christ. His perfect life, death and resurrection have won for us forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our worship service today, especially to you who are guests. Please sign the guest book at the entrance and join us again soon! If there is any way we can serve you, please speak to the Pastor.

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TODAY’S HYMNS ....8.....65.....38....12....

Organists: Trinity- David Bilitz; St. John's – LeAnn Marzinske

FIRST LESSON........................................Micah 5:2-5a

PSALM OF THE DAY..................................Psalm 85 (p. 97)

SECOND LESSON....................................Hebrews 10:5-10


SERMON...............................................Hebrews 10:5-10

**JESUS CAME TO DO HIS FATHER’S WILL**
1. As the fulfillment of prophecy
2. As the fulfillment of sacrifices
3. As the substitute for sinners

HEARING GOD’S WORD
Trinity: 52 St. John's: 57

OFFERINGS TO OUR LORD
Trinity: $1,114.00 St. John's: $871.00

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday:** 8:30 AM - Worship with Holy Communion – Trinity
9:00 AM – Sunday School Classes – St. John's
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10:00 AM - Worship with Holy Communion - St John’s

**Tuesday:** 7:00 PM – MVL Christmas Concert, New Ulm

**Thursday:** 9:00 AM – Christmas/Choir Practice – St. John's
5:30 PM – Christmas Eve Worship – Trinity
7:30 PM – Christmas Eve Worship – St. John's

**Friday:** 9:00 AM – Christmas Day Worship - Trinity

**Next Sunday:** 8:30 AM - Worship Service – Trinity
10:00 AM - Worship Service - St John’s

Announcements:
Holy Communion will be offered in our services today. We practice Close Communion. Visitors from our sister congregations in the WELS and ELS are welcome to commune with us. If you are a guest and wish to commune, please speak to the Pastor before the service.

It pleased our almighty Lord to call to Himself this past Monday, our sister, Donna Braun (88). She was given a Christian Funeral yesterday at Trinity. May those who mourn her death find comfort and hope in Jesus, whose birth we celebrate this week. We thank the family for the flowers.

Trinity's choir will practice right after our service today.

Our Sunday and Tuesday morning 19 Minute Bible Study of Grand Themes – *Key Words of the Bible* will resume in January.

The MVL Music Department will present its annual Christmas Concert this Tuesday at 7 pm. Pre-concert music provided by the band at 6:45. Groups participating will be the Freshmen and A Cappella Choirs, MVL Chargaliers, and the MVL Symphonic Band.

St. John's choir will **not** meet Wednesday night. We will practice Thursday morning at 9 am.

We hope you will join us as we celebrate our Savior's birth this week with special services:
Christmas Eve (Thursday)
5:30 pm – Trinity
7:30 pm – St. John's

Christmas Day (Friday) - 9:00 am – Trinity

New Year's Eve (Thursday) - 7:30 pm – St, John's
(no services on New Year's Day)
Trinity's 2016 offering envelopes are available in the entryway.
St. John's 2016 offering envelopes are available in the basement.

If you would like to donate for Christmas bags at Trinity, there is a basket in the entryway.

We welcome Martha Thompson to our church family at St. John's, by profession of faith.

We thank Kim Youngerberg, our Follow Me Preschool, and David Bilitz for our Christmas Sing-Along last Sunday. We also thank everyone who provided/served food. About 80 people enjoyed singing many favorite Christmas songs, good food, and fellowship.

Our Follow Me Preschool no longer needs an older college-size fridge. If you could use it, speak to Kim Youngerberg. A freewill offering would be accepted for it.

Prayer List: family of Donna Braun

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