Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

ELCA

Sunday, January 4 • 8:30 & 10:00 am
Wednesday, January 7 • 6:15 pm

Epiphany of Our Lord

Even though we don't know you yet, we already love you.

Your race, gender identity, mental or physical ability, sexual orientation, marital status, financial situation, social standing, education, cultural background, immigration status, or any other category or label cannot separate you from the love of God, nor keep you from being what God calls you to be.

Reconciling in Christ

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Our Mission: Share God's Love

Holy Communion

Communion is open to all who are baptized and trust that Christ is present in the meal, regardless of your tradition or affiliation.

- We share communion by intinction: a communion server will give you gluten-free bread to dip in the alcohol-free wine found in the chalice. Return to your seat via the side aisle.
- Children who do not yet receive communion or those who are not baptized are encouraged to come forward for a blessing. Cross your arms in front of you to signal your desire for a blessing.
- If you are not yet baptized, we welcome you to visit with one of the pastors or learn more at our website: bit.ly/htlc-baptisms so you may join in the Lord's Supper.

Welcome!

Names are important to us. Please let us know you're here by checking in at the kiosk in the Narthex or by filling out a paper Welcome Card located on the bulletin stand.

Children & Nursery

Children are invited and encouraged to worship with you.

- A supervised nursery is available for children 4 years and younger if you choose this option for all or part of the worship service.
- Busy Bags are hanging in the Narthex near the welcome desk.

Restrooms

Restrooms can be found on the north & south sides of the Narthex (lobby).

Newborn Ministry

If you have recently added a baby to your family, please let the church office know so we may welcome your little one.

Learn About Holy Trinity

For information about the church, what we believe, and how to become a member, visit https://bit.ly/htlc-join.

Prayer Requests

Please write your prayer requests on the back of a Welcome Card located in the pews. You may also submit your prayers at https://bit.ly/htlc-Prayer-Requests

Urgent Pastoral Care

If you are hospitalized or have an urgent need for pastoral care, call our main phone line (515-964-4348) and press 1 to be connected to the on-call pastor.

Office Hours

The office is open 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Monday-Thursday. Friday hours are by appointment.

Sunday, January 4, 2026

8:30 & 10:00 am

✢ Gathering ✢

Welcome & Announcements
Prelude
Greeting
Carol • Angels, From the Realms of Glory • ELW 275 • *verses 1-3*
Prayer of the Day

✢ Word ✢

Readings
Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:1-12
Gospel Acclamation • Christmastime Alleluia • *sing as directed:*

Gospel Reading • Matthew 2:1-12
Sermon
Hymn of the Day • The First Noel • ELW 300
Prayers of Intercession
Peace
Offering • *The offering is received*
Go, Tell It on the Mountain • arr. Barrie Gott • *Brass Ensemble*

✢ Meal ✢

Thanksgiving at the Table
Lord's Prayer
Communion Music • *Brass Ensemble*

✢ Sending ✢

Prayer after Communion
Blessing
Carol • 'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime • ELW 284
Dismissal

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Wednesday, January 7, 2026

6:15 pm

✝ Gathering ✝

Gathering Song • Christ Be Our Light • ELW 715 • *verses 1-3*

Dialog

Song of Praise • He Came Down • ELW 253

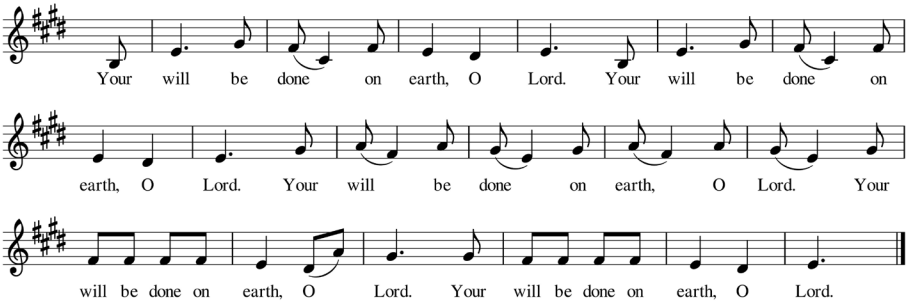
Prayer of the Day

✢ Word ✢

Reading • Matthew 6:9-15

Homily

Hymn of the Day • Your Will Be Done • ELW 741 • *sing as directed:*



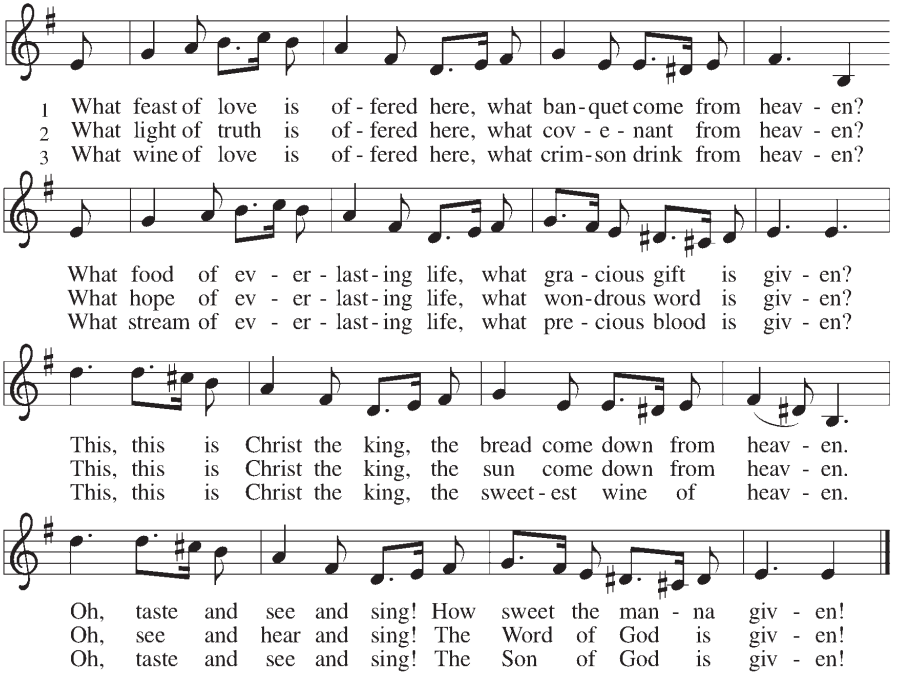
Prayers of Intercession & Peace

✢ Meal ✢

Thanksgiving at the Table

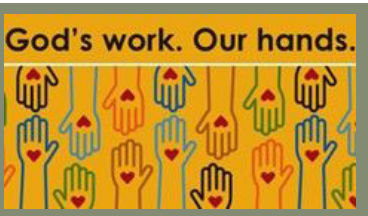
Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymn • What Feast of Love • ELW 487



✢ Sending ✢

Blessing & Dismissal



God's work. Our hands.

Thank you for your generosity! Through our Advent Giving Projects, Holy Trinity shared God's love with neighbors in need across Central Iowa and beyond. Because of you, lives were touched in meaningful and practical ways.

Christmas Cards
Hundreds of Christmas cards were written and delivered to our 22 homebound members, each card sharing a message of hope, care, and connection during the Christmas season.

LSI Refugee Support
Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) received quilts, toilet paper, and personal care items, helping support refugee families resettling in our community.

Hope Ministries
Practical personal care items such as hand lotion, underwear, deodorant, and shaving cream were donated to support men in need. In addition, our confirmation youth put together pod packets and individually picked out a variety of toys for the children at the center.

Mosaic Gifts: Adopt-An-Individual
Church members purchased and wrapped gifts for residents of Mosaic, ensuring meaningful Christmas gifts for individuals with intellectual disabilities who might not otherwise have received one.

Trinity Center Gifts
Bags filled with trinkets, personal items, and more were donated to Trinity Center at Luther Park to be used as Christmas, birthday, and BINGO gifts throughout the year. Trinity Center serves residents living with dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

Iowa Homeless Youth Center
Over 90 gifts were shared with single parents and their children served by the Iowa Homeless Youth Center, which works to eliminate homelessness among children, youth, and young families in Central Iowa.

Holy Trinity Food Pantry Gift Cards
Over 180 gift cards to HyVee and Fareway were shared with our food pantry guests prior to Christmas.

Prayer Concerns

We are a praying congregation. Please take your bulletin home and pray for those listed.

Thanksgiving to God:

- For the birth of Jesus
- For the Financial Review Committee

Thanksgiving for the Saints:

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

Remember in Prayer:

- Larry Anderson
- Ober Anderson, friend of Lee Crawford
- Beth Biedermann Barnett
- Eric Biedermann
- Diane & Ray Boll, sister of Annette Doman
- David Dietz, cousin of Dennis Dietz
- Steve Duffy
- Sheryl Hartman, aunt of Melanie Hartman
- Jan Herke
- David & Melinda Jackson
- Jeff & Roxanne Kerr
- Jim & Sandy Little
- Sharon Mathias, sister of Jan Fredericksen
- Diane McDermott, sister of John Bein
- Priscilla McFarland
- Jean Miller, friend of Lisa Strnad
- Carin Murphy, friend of Lynn Nelson
- Tim & Cyndi Olson
- Ardie Pearson
- Penelope, granddaughter of Vic Anderson
- Shirley Rod
- Jodi Rozendaal, friend of LeeAnn Montz
- Samantha & Benjamin Ruhser, daughter and grandson of Debby Witten and granddaughter of Arlene Smith
- Lois Slobe, friend of Jan Meyer
- Gordy Smith, brother-in-law of Kristi and Dick Spoth
- Chris Thill, nephew of Donna Cottingham
- Denny Wildeman, friend of Bruce & Kathy Friest
- Linda & Paul Wold

Calendar of HTLC Events

1 & 2 = Basement Rooms 1 & 2 • B = Balcony • CK = Café Koinonia • FH = Fellowship Hall
MPR = Multi-Purpose Room • N = Narthex • S = Sanctuary • V = Virtual

Sunday, January 4
8:30 am Worship (S)
8:30 am Church School Worship Week
10:00 am Worship (S)

Monday, January 5
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

Tuesday, January 6
9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise & Willing Workers (CK)
10:15 am Staff Meeting (MPR)
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)
7:00 pm Lydia Bible Study (CK)

Wednesday, January 7
5:15 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal (202 - Music Room)
6:00 pm Church School First Wednesday Worship Week
6:00 pm Confirmation (MPR)
6:15 pm First Wednesday Worship (S)
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (B)

Thursday, January 8
6:30 am Son Seekers /Men's Ministries (CK)

Friday, January 9
No events scheduled

Saturday, January 10
7:30 am Men's Bible Study (V)

Sunday, January 11
8:30 am Worship (S)
8:30 am Church School (2)
10:00 am Worship (S)

Monday, January 12
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

Tuesday, January 13
9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise & Willing Workers (CK)
10:15 am Staff Meeting (MPR)
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)

Holy Trinity
Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs cereal, canned fruit, applesauce, canned soup, and toilet paper. We need canned meats, paper towels, saltine & oyster crackers, and peanut butter, as well as feminine hygiene products, diapers, and personal care items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo). Place non-perishable donations in the grocery carts by the entrances.

Monetary donations can be made at the kiosk in the Narthex, online at *bit.ly/htlc-FoodPantry20,* or placed in the offering basket.