

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

November 29, 2020

First Weekend of Advent



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 Reconciling in Christ

Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Our Mission: Share God's Love



Worship with us Virtually! We post online worship videos for weekend worship on our website home page, HTLC app, and YouTube Channel (search for HTLC Lutheran) by 5:00 pm on Saturdays. Subscribe to our YouTube Channel to be notified when new videos are available.

The office is closed through January 30. If you need to meet with a staff member, please make an appointment. If you want to drop off an offering envelope, place it in the black mailbox on the exterior wall by the north doors. All staff members are available to communicate via email; see the staff directory in this bulletin for individual email addresses.

The north doors will be open to accept donations for the food pantry, Advent Giving Projects, Christmas Cards, FreeStore, and other projects on Mondays from 9:00-11:00 am and on Sundays (November 29, December 6 & 13) from 2:00-4:00 pm.

Online Advent Prayer Meetings - Join the pastors and others for Advent prayer meetings with the theme, "Watch, Wait, Wonder" using Zoom at 6:30 pm on Wednesdays, December 2, 9 & 16. Watch your email for the link to join each meeting.

Our food pantry needs canned chicken, canned fruit, canned beans, toilet paper, paper towels, peanut butter, and recently-purchased meat in one-pound packages. The north doors are open as listed above; meats should be taken directly to the Food Pantry and placed in the freezer. Monetary donations can be made online at <http://bit.ly/htlc-FoodPantry20> or placed in the mailbox on the exterior wall by the north doors. Due to space constraints, our food pantry does not offer clothing or other household items.

Wednesday Night Adult Learning meets by Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:15 pm. The current study is *God of Tempest, Whirlwind, and Pandemic: Finding God in 2020*. More information is available at <https://www.holytrinityankeny.org/adult-learning.html>

Join our Advent Book Study as we read and discuss *Turn My Mourning into Dancing: Finding Hope in the Hard Times* by Henri Nouwen. We will meet by Zoom on Tuesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, December 1, 8 & 15. Order your own book soon so it arrives on time. You will be given a reading assignment before the first meeting. Sign up by November 29 at <http://bit.ly/htlc-AdventBook20>. Contact Pastor Pam with questions.

Advent Giving Projects: HTLC is partnering with several local agencies to provide gifts for individuals who are in need this holiday season. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/htlc-Advent20> to see what is needed and indicate which items you will purchase. We are also requesting \$10 grocery store gift cards that will be distributed to our Food Pantry guests. Gifts can be delivered to church as listed above. Grocery store gift cards may be dropped in the mailbox outside the north door at any time.

Christmas Cards for the Homebound: As you address Christmas cards this year, make a few extra for our homebound members! The list is available inside the north entrance of the church for pick up on Monday mornings; it is also available in Realm and by emailing a request for the list to Lisa Strnad. Deliver cards to the giant mailbox in the north entrance as listed above. Return cards by December 14.

Deliver Christmas Cards to the Homebound on Monday, December 21. Pick up the cards in the north entrance from 9:00-11:00 am and deliver that day. Delivery will be contactless; some deliveries may need to be left at a facility front desk. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/htlc-Cards20>

Family Advent: As we prepare for the Christmas season, the Church School students will be making an ornament set to go along with the Advent week themes. The paper ornaments are simple to color and assemble. Each church school student will receive a supply packet in the mail; others in the congregation are invited to participate as well. If interested, please email Kelly Heuton to get on the mailing list.

The FreeStore needs gently used 2- and 3-quart pots for cooking. If you have any you are able to donate, please place them in the designated area inside the north entrance during the times listed above.

An Online Journey Through Grief group will begin in January. This six-week class is offered through UnityPoint Hospice. It will meet online from 1:00 - 2:30 pm on the 2nd & 4th Monday of the month from January - March 2021. For information or to register, call (515) 240-7473 or email Mallory.manning@unitypoint.org.

Prayer Concerns

Prayer Matters! Please pray for those listed. Email Lisa Strnad to add a request.

Thanksgiving to God:

- For the birth of Emmalynn Seraphim Soukup to Rich and Tiffany Soukup
- For those involved with the Fruit Baskets and Pies for Mosaic last week
- For those involved with our *God's Work. Our Hands*. Advent giving projects
- For health care workers and those providing essential services

Thanksgiving for the Saints:

- Rick Miller

Healing and Health Concerns:

- Ken & Linda Aeikens
- Renee Cavanaugh, sister of Cyndi Olson
- Bill Cox
- Jill Curry, niece of Larry & Fran Nielsen
- Lori Dahl
- Jan Deuhr, mother of LeAnn DeVries
- Chuck DeVries
- John Doeden, father of Tina Stanley
- Darlene Field, friend of Donna Cottingham
- Paul Fredericksen
- Jim Frost, son-in-law of Larry & Grace Anderson
- Caroline Godfrey, daughter of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Meagan Hillman & family, niece of Joan Dietz
- Ivy Hockinson
- Sue Johnston, sister-in-law of Lisa Tagye
- Marilyn Kasperbauer, aunt of Krista Gerth
- Pat Livingston, mother of Paula Farrell

- John & Laura Locher, brother of Anne Knudten
- Deb Markert, friend of Lisa Cole
- Fran McAtee, brother-in-law of Jenny Mahlow
- DuWayne McDaniel
- Steele McLaren
- Herminia Mendoza, friend of Dennis & Joan Dietz
- Jim Meyer, husband of Jan Meyer
- Marlene Miller
- Shirley Muehlenthaler
- Marilyn Mueller
- Myrna Murphy
- Sheri Neal, daughter of Jan Neal
- Whitney Olthoff, friend of Cyndy & Steve Hockman
- Jennifer Pigg Osa, friend of Larry & Fran Nielsen
- Kim Pfaltzgraff, friend of Kristi O'Connor
- Sheila, sister of Jeff Wendel
- The family of Fred Scherle, friend of Julie Nelson
- Casey Showalter, nephew of Joan & Dennis Dietz
- Eli Smuts, friend of Pastor Tim
- Sandy Taylor, friend of the Kayser families
- Marilyn Wendel, mother of Jeff Wendel
- Richard & Sarah Whitney, daughter of Dan & Kathy Ellett
- Chuck Wilson
- Nick Wimmer, grandson of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Bob Zinn, father of Jeremy Zinn

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

- Susan Miller and Amanda & Chris Mein and family at the death of their husband and father, Rick Miller
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If you are hospitalized or have an urgent need for pastoral care, contact the on-call pastor at 515-336-0811.

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.

Sunday, November 29, 2020

✠ Gathering ✠

Advent Wreath Lighting

Gathering Song • Come, Lord Jesus

The congregation sings the refrain:

Ma-ra-na - tha! Come, Lord Je - sus. Ma-ra-na - tha! God with us.

Ma-ra-na-tha! Come, Lord Je-sus. Come-Em-man-u - el, come, Em-man - u - el.

Prayer of the Day

✠ Word ✠

Readings

Isaiah 64:1-9

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel Song • O Come, O Come, Emmanuel • ELW 257 • verse 2

Mark 13:24-37

Sermon • Pastor Pam Schroeder

Hymn of the Day • Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers • ELW 244

Prayers of Intercession

Lord's Prayer

✠ Sending ✠

Blessing

Gift of Music • Soon and Very Soon • arr. Joel Raney • *Pat Zimmer, flute & Jean Murphy, piano*

Dismissal