

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

Sunday, December 18

8:30 am Worship (S)
 10:00 am Worship (S & Online)
 5:00 pm Church School Christmas Program (S)

Monday, December 19

No events scheduled

Tuesday, December 20

9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise (CK)
 10:15 am Staff Meeting (FH)
 12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
 1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (MPR)
 7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

Wednesday, December 21

6:00 pm Worship (S)
 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (B)

Thursday, December 22

6:30 a Son Seekers - Men's Ministries (CK)

Friday, December 23

No events scheduled

Saturday, December 24

7:30 am Men's Bible Study (Virtual)
 1:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship (S)
 3:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship (S)
 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship (S & online)

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship (S)

Sunday, December 25

10:00 am Worship (S & Online)

Monday, December 26

Office Closed

6:30 pm Women's Book Club (CK)

Tuesday, December 27

Office Closed

12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry

1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)

Wednesday, December 28

1:00 pm Care & Compassion Group (Virtual)

Thursday, December 29

6:30 am Son Seekers - Men's Ministries (CK)

Friday, December 30

No events scheduled

Saturday, December 31

7:30 am Men's Bible Study (Virtual)

Sunday, January 1, 2023

10:00 am Worship (S & Online)
 11:00 am Congregational Potluck Brunch (FH)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church



Sunday, December 18, 2022 • 8:30 & 10:00 am
 Wednesday, December 21, 2022 • 6:00 pm

Fourth Week of Advent



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.



Holy Trinity Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs canned soup! They also need canned meats, canned fruit, toilet paper, paper towels, saltine & oyster crackers, and peanut butter. We also need feminine hygiene products, diapers, and personal care items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, shaving products). We also need frozen meat in 1-pound packages. Place non-perishable donations in the grocery carts by the entrances.

Monetary donations can be made at the kiosk in the Narthex, online at <http://bit.ly/htlc-FoodPantry20>, or placed in the offering basket or mailbox by the north doors.

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HTLC Lutheran

Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Our Mission: Share God's Love



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

Face masks are optional during periods of low and moderate Covid transmission, per CDC guidance. Masks are available in trays in the Narthex if you wish to wear one.

Holy Communion is open to all who are baptized and trust that Christ is present in the meal, regardless of your tradition or affiliation. Pastors are available to talk about Holy Baptism if you desire to join in the Lord's Supper.

- To receive communion, proceed to one of the stations as the usher directs you. Take the bread and receive the cup of wine. Place your empty cup in the tray as you return to your seat via the side aisle.
- Gluten-free bread is available at the table in the front center aisle. Remove a wafer from the bowl, then step forward to hear the words "given for you" and receive the wine.
- 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.

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

Children are invited and encouraged to worship with you.

- A supervised nursery is available on Sunday and Wednesday 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 balcony steps.

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.

Staff Directory

Staff Member	Title	email @holytrinityankeny.org	Extension
Timothy V. Olson	Lead Pastor for Mission & Vision	tolson	206
Travis Segar	Pastor for Care & Community	tsegar	205
David Fandrich	Minister for Worship & Music	dfandrich	210
Ellen Rothweiler	Minister for Learning	erothweiler	207
Becky Dieleman	Hospitality Ministry Associate	bdieleman	215
Deb Hopkey	Children's Ministry Coordinator	dhopkey	222
Krista Gerth	Worship & Operations Administrator	kgerth	212
Kristi O'Connor	Communications Director	koconnor	202
Sue Ondler	Kitchen & Food Ministry Associate	sondler	219
Kelsey Sissel	Mission & Learning Ministry Administrator	ksissel	203
Lisa Strnad	Pastoral Ministry Administrator	lstrnad	201
Tammy Walls	Finance & Human Resources Director	twalls	204

Prayer Concerns

Prayer Matters! Please take your bulletin home and pray for those listed.

Thanksgiving to God:

- For the students and teachers involved in the Christmas program this weekend
- For those who ministered to others through the God's Work. Our Hands. Advent giving projects

Thanksgiving for the Saints:

- Caroline Godfrey
- Verna Brandt
- Shirley Muehlenthaler

Remember in Prayer:

- Beth Biedermann Barnett, daughter of Eric & Carolyn Biedermann
- Eric Biedermann
- Shirley Cowles, mother-in-law of Tina Cowles
- Harrell DeFries, brother-in-law of Walt & Annette Doman
- Joan Dietz
- Elaine Ehlers
- Mike Fenner, brother of Samantha Dietz
- Jim Frost, son-in-law of Larry & Grace Anderson
- Dorothy Gehrke, mother of Gloria Kappos
- Susan Gemmel, daughter of Nancy Pilcher
- Gary Grant, cousin of Jan Meyer

- Lawrence Handlos, friend of Larry & Fran Nielsen
- Doug Hemer, cousin of Arlen Twedt
- Marv Hitchings, stepfather of Nicole Gade
- Larry Kauzlarich, friend of Deb Hopkey
- Lois Kilgore, grandmother of Trishia Sinclair
- Herb Knudten
- Joan Lemire, sister of Pam Poppe
- Jim & Sandy Little
- David Lybarger, friend of Rose Hoffman
- Lynzee Makowski, friend of Deb Hopkey
- Nancy Mayhew, sister of Barb Dunlavy
- Dave Olsen, brother of Linda Kayser
- Kim Pfaltzgraff, friend of Kristi O'Connor
- Karen Richardson, friend of Ann Wicks
- Karen Ritterbush, mother-in-law of Trishia Sinclair
- Pam Schroeder
- Bruce Spurlock
- Dalton Stoffel
- Cindy VanderZyl, friend of Sue Ondler
- Ruth Wallig, mother of Sherry Rynearson
- Briella Welch, friend of Jen Topp-Segar
- Nick Wimmer, grandson of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Marie Zimmer, sister of Walt Doman

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

- Herb & Anne Knudten at the death of their daughter, Caroline Godfrey
- Roxanne & Marty Rathje at the death of Roxanne's mother, Verna Brandt
- Phyllis Muehlenthaler and family at the death of her sister-in-law, Shirley Muehlenthaler

✝ Gathering ✝

Prelude

Welcome

***Opening Dialog**

***Gathering Song** • Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah • ELW 240

***Prayer of the Day**

✝ Word ✝

Reading • Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day** • O Little Town of Bethlehem • *projected on screen*

***Prayers of Intercession**

***Peace**

✝ Meal ✝

***Thanksgiving at the Table**

***Lord's Prayer**

Communion Song • What Feast of Love • ELW 487

✝ Sending ✝

***Blessing**

***Sending Song** • Prepare the Way of the Lord • *sing as directed:*

Pre-prepare the way of the Lord. Pre-prepare the way of the Lord, and

all peo-ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God. —

***Dismissal**

Announcements

Mission & Ministry Opportunities & Events

Worship In-Person or Online! Worship in-person on Sundays at 8:30 & 10:00 am and on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. We live stream the 10:00 am service on YouTube and Facebook; the videos can be watched any time after that on our website, HTLC app, Facebook page, and YouTube Channel (search for HTLC Lutheran).

Interested in learning more about Holy Trinity? For information about the church, what we believe, and how to become a member, visit <https://bit.ly/htlc-join>.

Wednesday Night Advent Worship Services take place at 6:00 pm each Wednesday through December 21. Come and awaken the hope, peace, joy, and love of God in our lives.

Our next Family Promise host week will be January 8-15. Sign up today at the wall opposite the Red Wall or online at <https://bit.ly/htlc-FPJan23> if you are willing to set up, clean up, do laundry, drive, or serve as an evening or overnight host. Contact Scott Hamilton at uskedaddle@gmail.com with questions.

Christmas Eve worship will be held on December 24 at 1:00, 3:00, 5:00 & 7:00 pm. The 5:00 service will be live streamed. Sign up to volunteer at for these services at the white board in the Narthex or online at <http://bit.ly/htlc-WorshipHelp>

Christmas Day Worship (Sunday, December 25) will only be held at 10:00 am. The service will be live streamed.

New Year's Day Worship & Brunch: On Sunday, January 1, we will only have worship at 10:00 am. The service will be live streamed. Following worship, join us for a potluck brunch in the Fellowship Hall. We will provide pancakes & sausage - bring something to share!

Pop-Up Choir January 1: If you love to sing, join a pop-up choir to sing for worship on Sunday, January 1. We will rehearse at 9:15 am, then sing for worship at 10:00. All are welcome to join--bring a friend too!

Christ in Our Home daily devotion booklets for January-March are available at the wall in the Narthex. Contact Lisa in the office to have a copy mailed to you.

Subscribe to Love Notes Devotions: Keeping the Twelve Days. Starting December 25, you will receive a daily video via email to honor the Twelve Days of Christmas on the Christian calendar. These short videos will include scripture, a brief devotion, a Christmas carol, and a family activity. Subscribe to the emails online at <https://bit.ly/htlc-12Days22>.

Join an Usher Team! We are looking for individuals and families to serve on an usher team approximately one weekend per month. If you are interested in helping, contact Krista in the office.

✠ Gathering ✠

Welcome

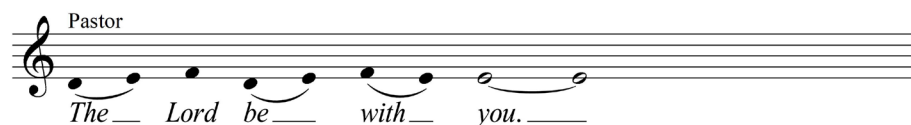
Prelude

*Confession and Forgiveness

*Procession

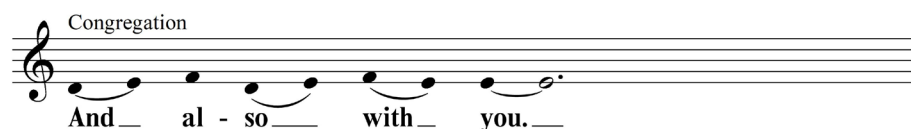
*Advent Wreath Lighting

Pastor



The Lord be with you.

Congregation



And also with you.

Pastor



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Gathering Song • sing as directed:



Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

*Prayer of the Day

✠ Word ✠

Readings

Isaiah 7:10-16

Romans 1:1-7

*Gospel Acclamation • O Come, O Come, Emmanuel • ELW 257 • verses 1 & 6

*Gospel Reading • Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day • People, Look East • ELW 248

*Prayers of Intercession

*Peace

*Offering • *The offering is received*

Wachet Auf • by J.S. Bach, arr. David Marlatt • Pat Zimmer, flute

✠ Meal ✠

*Thanksgiving at the Table

*Lord's Prayer

*Invitation to Communion

Communion Music

He Shall Feed His Flock • by G.F. Handel • Pat Zimmer, flute

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus • ELW 254

*Prayer After Communion

✠ Sending ✠

*Blessing

*Sending Song • Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn • ELW 242 • verse 1

*Dismissal