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 19

8:30 am Sunday Church School, No Class: Families in Worship
8:30 am Worship (S)
10:00 am Worship (S & online)
5:00 pm Church School Christmas Program (S)

Monday, December 20

1:30 pm Pause Group (FH)

Tuesday, December 21

9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise (CK)
10:15 am Staff Meeting (201)
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)
1:30 pm Advent Book Study (MPR)
7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

Wednesday, December 22

1:00 pm Care & Compassion Group (Virtual)
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (200)

Thursday, December 23

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

Friday, December 24

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)
9:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship (S)

Saturday, December 25

No events scheduled

Sunday, December 26

9;15 am Pop-up Choir Rehearsal (S)
10:00 am Worship (S & Online)

Monday, December 27

Office Closed; No events scheduled

Tuesday, December 28

Office Closed
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)

Wednesday, December 29

No events scheduled

Thursday, December 30

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

Friday, December 31

No events scheduled

Saturday, January 1

No events scheduled

Holy Trinity Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs canned soup, mandarin oranges, canned meats, canned fruit, toilet paper, paper towels, 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.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday, December 19 • 8:30 & 10:00 am — 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.

Reconciling in Christ

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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.

Please wear a face mask while you are in the building, even if you are vaccinated. Masks are available in trays in the Narthex if you need one. Thank you for helping keep each other safe.

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. Remove your mask, 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
Pamela Schroeder	Pastor for Care & Community	pschroeder	205
David Fandrich	Minister for Worship & Music	dfandrich	210
Ellen Rothweiler	Minister for Learning	erothweiler	207
Whitney Ceretti	Children's Ministry Director	wceretti	222
Becky Dieleman	Hospitality Ministry Associate	bdieleman	215
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 children and teachers involved in the Christmas program this Sunday.
- For those ministering to others through the Advent Giving projects.

Thanksgiving for the Saints:

- Muriel Muessigmann

Healing and Health Concerns:

- Linda Aeikens
- Beth Biedermann Barnett, daughter of Eric & Carolyn Biedermann
- Sarah Boury
- Bob Comstock
- Lois Davis, friend of Robert Schmacker
- Galen Ellsberry, nephew of Joan Dietz
- Henry Ensign, nephew of Michael French
- Darlene Field, friend of Donna Cottingham
- Michael French's grandfather
- Caroline Godfrey, daughter of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Nico Greves, great-nephew of Robert Schmacker
- Meggan, friend of Dan & Kathy Ellett
- Jerry Hatch, father of Randy Hatch
- Annie Hillman, great-niece of Joan Dietz
- Jay, nephew of Michael French
- Michelle Johnson, cousin of Sharon Jones
- Baby Julia, friend of De Tapper
- Greg Kayser, brother of Bob Kayser
- Charlotte Kemp, mother of Karen Glock
- John & Laura Locher, brother of Anne Knudten
- Deb Markert, friend of Lisa Cole
- Lindsay Mattix & family, daughter of Sandy Little
- Derek Messenger, friend of Bryanne Lang
- Marlene Miller
- Shirley Muehlenthaler
- Lynn Nelson
- Catherine Orth, mother of Kristofer Orth
- Wayne Pederson, father of Kim Helmbrecht
- Kim Pfaltzgraff, friend of Kristi O'Connor
- Sharon, friend of Judy & Steve Van Der Kamp
- Pat Smith, sister-in-law of Don & Arlene Smith and Darwin & Cheryl Smith
- Staff & residents of care facilities
- Dick Webb, friend of Vic Anderson
- Nick Wimmer, grandson of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Gloria Worthington, friend of Dennis & Joan Dietz
- For the lonely and unloved
- For those traveling during the holidays

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

- Penney & Brent Wilson and family at the death of Penney's mother, Muriel Muessigmann

Christmas Eve Worship

Friday, December 24

1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00 & 9:00 pm

The 5:00 service will be live streamed.
Child care available at 1:00, 3:00, 5:00 & 7:00 pm.

Announcements

Mission & Ministry Opportunities & Events

Worship In-Person or Online! We live stream the 10:00 service on YouTube and Facebook; the video can be watched any time after that on our website, HTLC app, Facebook page, and YouTube Channel (search for HTLC Lutheran).

Christmas Eve Worship will be held this Friday, December 24, at 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, and 9:00 pm. We still need individuals to help usher and serve communion at all services. Sign up to volunteer online at *http://bit.ly/htlc-WorshipHelp* or in the Narthex.

Holiday Worship Schedule: We will not have Wednesday night worship on December 22 or 29. On Sunday, December 26, will have worship only at 10:00 am. Our regular Wednesday/Sunday schedule will resume January 2.

Register for Youth Choirs! Rehearsals for grades K-8 are scheduled for Wednesdays from 5:15-6:00 pm, starting January 12. Visit *https://bit.ly/htlc-music* for registration links, schedules, and additional information.

Subscribe to Love Notes Devotions: Keeping the Twelve Days. Starting December 26, 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. We look forward to sharing these uplifting videos with you! Subscribe online at *https://bit.ly/htlc-12days21*.

The Church School Christmas Program will be held December 19 at 5:00 pm. Due to Covid precautions, we are asking that only immediate family members of students attend.

Christ In Our Home devotion booklets for January-March are here! Standard and large print copies are available at the south wall in the Narthex.

Join a Pop-Up Choir to sing for worship on Sunday, December 26! Anyone who likes to sing is welcome to attend a rehearsal at 9:15 am and sing for worship at 10:00. This is a great opportunity for anyone who isn't able to regularly sing with the Adult Choir. No need to RSVP; just show up and sing. Contact David Fandrich with any questions.

The Widows Or Widowers (WOW) Group will meet at Perkins for a time of fellowship at 10:00 am on Tuesday, January 4. We have a meal (ordered from the menu) and share information about self, family or community. For more information, contact Katie Kendall or call the church office.

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*.

Sunday, December 19, 2021

8:30 am • 10:00 am

✢ Gathering ✢

Welcome

***Confession & Forgiveness**

***Advent Wreath Lighting**

***Gathering Song** • Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus • ELW 254

***Prayer of the Day**

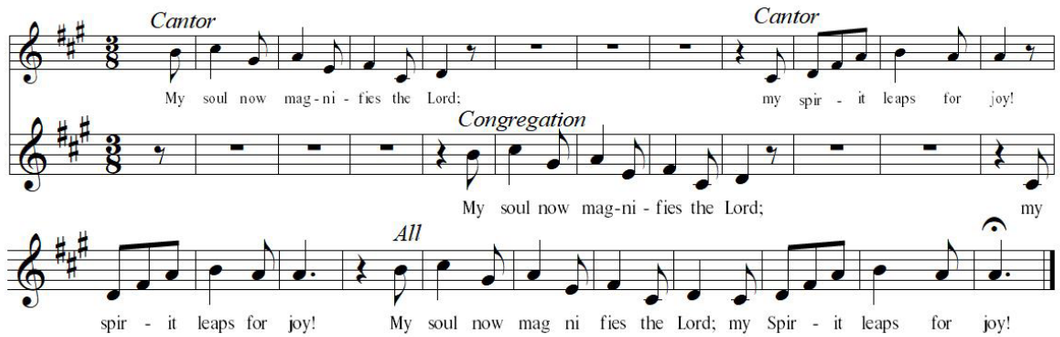
✢ Word ✢

Readings

Micah 5:2-5a

Hebrews 10:5-10

***Gospel Song** • My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord



***Luke 1:39-55**

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day** • Canticle of the Turning • ELW 723

***Prayers of Intercession**

***Peace**

Gift of Music

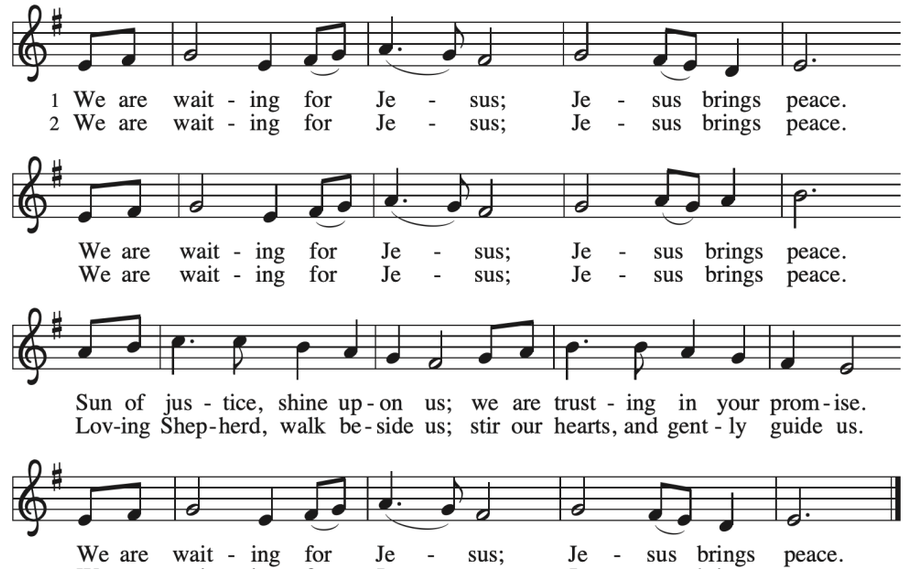
8:30 I Hear the Prophet Callin' • by Pepper Choplin • *Grades 9-12 Choir, Jill Bjorklund, director*

10:00 My Soul Proclaims with Wonder • by Michael Connolly • *Adult Choir*

***Thanksgiving at the Table**

***Lord's Prayer**

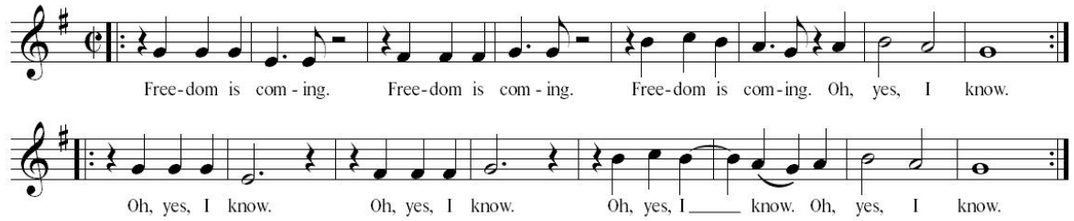
Communion Hymn • We Are Waiting for Jesus



***Prayer After Communion**

✢ Sending ✢

***Blessing**

***Sending Song** • Freedom is Coming • *sing as directed:*

***Dismissal**

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