

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

December 24, 2020

The Nativity of Our Lord



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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, FreeStore, and other projects on Mondays from 9:00-11:00 am.

**Volunteers Needed for Family Promise** for our next host week, January 10-17. We need people to provide meals and serve as overnight hosts at Westminster Presbyterian in Des Moines. Sign up online by December 28 at [bit.ly/htlc-FPJan21](http://bit.ly/htlc-FPJan21). Contact Carlie Fitzgerald at [Carliefitzgerald@me.com](mailto:Carliefitzgerald@me.com) or Scott Hamilton at [uskedaddle@gmail.com](mailto:uskedaddle@gmail.com) with questions.

**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 on Mondays from 9:00-11:00 am; 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.

**The FreeStore needs** gently used blankets (any size except king) as well as 2- and 3-quart pots for cooking. If you have any you are able to donate, please bring them to the north entrance on Mondays from 9:00-11:00 am.

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month from January - March 2021. For information or to register, call (515) 240-7473 or email [Mallory.manning@unitypoint.org](mailto:Mallory.manning@unitypoint.org).

**2020 Contribution Statements** will be sent by email or mail by the IRS deadline of January 31, 2021. They will also be available in your Realm account; you will receive an email as soon as they are ready. If your mailing address or email address have changed this year, please notify Lisa Strnad in the office.

**Twelve Days of Christmas:** This year we invite you to celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas with Holy Trinity! Each day, starting December 26, we will post a new video on our YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/htlc-youtube> with a brief devotion, hymn, and activity. A link to each day's video will also be emailed to those on our email list. If you don't currently receive emails from the congregation, you can sign up online at <http://bit.ly/htlc-EmailList>

**Send us a Selfie!** The Advocacy Team wants selfies of you and your family wearing your masks as you live your daily life. We will use those photos in a video project to share on social media. Please email your photos to [info@holytrinityankeny.org](mailto:info@holytrinityankeny.org) by December 31.

**Are you interested** in exploring membership at Holy Trinity? Visit <http://bit.ly/htlc-Welcome21> to learn more about the HTLC faith community.

**Online Prayer Meetings** - Join the pastors and others for prayer meetings using Zoom at 6:30 pm on Wednesdays, January 6 & 20. Watch your email for the link to join the meeting.

**Christ in Our Home** devotion booklets for January-March have arrived! Pick up your copy in the north entrance on Monday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00 am. If you would like to have one mailed to you, contact Lisa Strnad in the office.

# Prayer Concerns

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

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## Thanksgiving to God:

- For health care workers and those providing essential services
- For the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior

## Thanksgiving for the Saints:

- Richard Bolton
- Dick Erickson

## Healing and Health Concerns:

- Ken & Linda Aeikens
- Anabel Berger, granddaughter of Arlen & Asta Twedt
- 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
- Paula Farrell
- Darlene Field, friend of Donna Cottingham
- Paul Fredericksen
- Jim Frost, son-in-law of Larry & Grace Anderson
- Caroline Godfrey, daughter of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Wendell Harms, friend of Kathryn Duffy
- Meagan Hillman & family, niece of Joan Dietz
- Mike Hinshaw, friend of, Ann Thye
- Ivy Hockinson
- Jerold Johnson, brother of Verdel Odgaard
- 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
- Marc Mandel, friend of Julie Nelson
- 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
- Alan Muehlenthaler, son of Shirley Muehlenthaler
- Shirley Muehlenthaler
- Marilyn Mueller
- Myrna Murphy
- Anna Nash
- Whitney Olthoff, friend of Cyndy & Steve Hockman
- Jennifer Pigg Osa, friend of Larry & Fran Nielsen
- Kim Pfaltzgraff, friend of Kristi O'Connor
- Residents of assisting living and nursing homes
- Sheila, sister of Jeff Wendel
- Sandy Taylor, friend of the Kayser families
- Marilyn Wendel, mother of Jeff Wendel
- Richard & Sarah Whitney, daughter of Dan & Kathy Ellett
- Matt Wicks, son of Ann Wicks
- Chuck Wilson
- Nick Wimmer, grandson of Herb & Anne Knudten
- Bob Zinn, father of Jeremy Zinn

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## Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

- Kevin Bolton and family at the death of his father, Richard Bolton
- Arlene Sampson at the death of her brother, Dick Erickson

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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.

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**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.

# Christmas Eve • December 24, 2020

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## ✠ Gathering ✠

**Prelude** • Carol of the Bells • arr. Robert D. Vandall • *Jean Murphy & David Fandrich, pianos*

**Greeting**

**Processional Carol** • Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful • ELW 283 • verses 1 & 3

**Dialog**

**Prayer of the Day**

## ✠ Word ✠

**Reading** • Isaiah 9:2-7

**Carol** • O Little Town of Bethlehem • ELW 279 • verse 1

**Reading** • Titus 2:11-14

**Carol** • Hark! The Herald Angels Sing • ELW 270 • verse 2

**The Gospel of the Incarnation** • Luke 2:1-7

**Carol** • Silent Night, Holy Night! • ELW 281 • verses 1 & 3

**The Gospel of the Incarnation** • Luke 2:8-20

**Gospel Carol** • Go Tell it on the Mountain • ELW 290 • verses 1 & 3

**Sermon** • Pastor Tim Olson

**Gift of Music** • In Dulci Jubilo • arr. Matthew Culloton • *HTLC Christmas Virtual Choir*

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Lord's Prayer**

## ✠ Sending ✠

**Blessing**

**Gift of Music** • Two French Carols • arr. Brant Adams • *Pat Zimmer, flute; Jean Murphy, piano; Natalie Williams, dancer*

**Dismissal**

**Postlude** • Go, Tell It on the Mountain • arr. Barrie Gott • *HTLC Brass Ensemble*