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

Wednesday, December 25
Office Closed
10:00 am Christmas Day Worship (S)

Thursday, December 26
Office Closed

Friday, December 27
5:00 pm Eggland/Christen Wedding Rehearsal and Dinner (S/FH)

Saturday, December 28
7:30 am Men's Bible Study (V)
4:00 pm Eggland/Christen Wedding (S)

Sunday, December 29
10:00 am Worship (S)
11:00 am Congregational Brunch (FH)

Monday, December 30
No events scheduled

Tuesday, December 31
9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise & Willing Workers (CK)
12:00-4:00 pm Food Pantry

Wednesday, January 1
Office Closed

Thursday, January 2
6:30 Son Seekers - Men's Ministries (CK)
1:30 pm Knitting Group (MPR)
6:30 pm Men's Group (MPR)
7:00 pm Esther Bible Study (CK)

Friday, January 3
No events scheduled

Saturday, January 4
7:30 am Men's Bible Study (V)

Sunday, January 5
8:30 am Church School (2)
8:30am Worship (S)
10:00 am Worship (S)

Monday, January 6
1:30 pm Pause Group (MPR)
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

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

Holy Trinity
Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs 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). We 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

ELCA

Christmas Eve • 3:00, 5:00 & 7:00 pm
Christmas Day • 10:00 am
Sunday, December 29 • 10:00 am

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 on the stand by the sanctuary doors. 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.

Announcements

Mission & Ministry Opportunities & Events

Wednesday Night Worship There will be no Wednesday evening worship on December 25 and January 1. Wednesday worship will resume January 8 at 6:00 pm.

Worship & Brunch on December 29 We will worship on Sunday, December 29, at 10:00 am and gather for brunch afterward. Please bring a side dish to share. There will be no worship at 8:30 am.

Church Office Closed The church office will be closed on December 25 & 26 and January 1.

Thank You! God's work. Our hands. Thanks be to God for gifts given to our various ministry partners during "God's work. Our hands." giving emphasis. The congregation was invited to shop for gifts, write out cards, donate funds and needed supplies, deliver joy, and serve with our hands so that the clients of our mission partners might know God's love this season.

Leaving A Legacy Have you made an estate plan? Does that plan include Holy Trinity? Did you know that Holy Trinity has an endowment fund to receive legacy gifts? Explore options for planning at https://foundation.elca.org/giving-docs.

Plan for Your Giving in 2025 The congregation is invited to prayerfully consider how we each support the mission to Share God's Love through our offering. When you make a pledge for giving to the General Fund, it helps us plan our congregation's budget. You may offer your pledges online via Realm at bit.ly/htlc-pledge2025, or you may pick up a paper copy of the pledge form at the Giving Station in the Narthex.

Help Needed: Funeral Luncheon Coordinator Do you have a passion for hospitality? Do you feel a call to comfort those who are facing grief and loss in their lives? If you said, "Yes," then God may be calling you to work as a volunteer Funeral Luncheon Coordinator for the congregation. Coordinating the luncheon served for a funeral is more than a simple provision of food. It is an essential part of how the community supports people as they grieve. Contact the pastors for more information.

Help Needed: Property Team Coordinator Are you interested in seeing that our building and grounds are well maintained and welcoming? Do you feel called to help the congregation be good stewards of what God has given? God may be calling you to serve as the volunteer Property Team Coordinator. This position works with staff, the Property Team, and the Paint, Pound, and Praise Service Group to make sure the building and grounds are well maintained and welcoming. Contact Pastor Tim for more information.

Sunday, December 29, 2024

10:00 am

✢ Gathering ✢

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Confession & Forgiveness

Carol • From Heaven Above • ELW 268 • *verses 1, 3, 8, 13, 14*

Prayer of the Day

✢ Word ✢

Readings

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Colossians 3:12-17

Gospel Acclamation • Christmastime Alleluia • *sing as directed:*

Gospel Reading • Luke 2:41-52

Sermon

Hymn of the Day • Once in Royal David's City • ELW 269

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Offering • *The offering is received*

Angie Miale, soloist

✢ Meal ✢

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer

Communion Carol • Love Has Come • ELW 292

✢ Sending ✢

Blessing

Carol • Good Christian Friends, Rejoice • ELW 288

Dismissal

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 those who helped with the God's work. Our hands. projects.
- For the birth of Anna Marie to Tyler & Cortney Delaney
- For the food pantry

Thanksgiving for the Saints:

- Bonnie Holm

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:

- The family and friends of Bonnie Holm

Remember in Prayer:

- Andy Adams, brother-in-law of Rick Winegardner
- Teresa Berry, friend of Nicole Hildenbrand-Elgin
- Beth Biedermann Barnett
- Stacy Brown, niece of Sandy & Glen Moretz and cousin of Kelly Heuton
- Annie Carlson, friend of the Egglands
- Dale DeBolt, brother-in-law of Larry & Grace Anderson
- David Dietz, cousin of Dennis Dietz
- Elaine Ehlers
- Linda Fevold, sister of John Bein
- Nancy Harmon, cousin of Sue Ondler
- Ken Hawcott, friend of Darrel & Patty Cox
- Kaley Hepp
- Marv Hitchings, stepfather of Nicole Gade
- Joe, son-in-law of Bruce and Kathy Friest
- Allen Johnson
- Bill Johnson, nephew of Annette Doman
- Susan Johnson, sister-in-law of Verdel Odgaard
- Jessica Keenan
- Charlotte Kemp
- Georgia Larson
- Jim & Sandy Little
- Laurel Mader, friend of Deanna Questad
- Meggan, friend for Dan & Kathy Ellett
- Corrine Mraz, friend of Pam Schroeder
- Priscilla McFarland
- Paul & Margaret Meyer
- Dave Olsen, brother of Linda Kayser
- Elliot Punch and family, nephew of Jan Meyer
- Tara Reinhart, friend of Lewis & Lynn Lowry
- Shirley Rod
- Samantha Ruhser, daughter of Debby Witten and granddaughter of Don & Arlene Smith
- Tracy Sabus & LeAnn Stubbs
- Marilyn Schafbuch, cousin of Wayne Shaw
- June Short, friend of Susan Miller
- Don Smith
- Ann Thye
- Ed Urbanek, cousin of Wayne Shaw
- Gwen Wiegrefe, mother of Karen Blackmer
- Linda & Paul Wold
- Barry Young, friend of Lewis & Lynn Lowry

Christmas Eve • Tuesday, December 24, 2024

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

☩ Gathering ☩

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting
Gift of Music • Once in Royal David's City • arr. J. Bert Carlson • *David Fandrich, piano*
Christmas Proclamation
Gathering Carol • Good Christian Friends, Rejoice • ELW 288
Prayer of the Day
Gift of Music

3:00 & 5:00 He is Born • arr. Dan Forrest • *Adult Choir*

7:00 Ding Dong Merrily on High • arr. Karen Roth • *Handbell Ensemble*

☩ Word ☩

Readings • Isaiah 9:2–7 • Titus 2:11-14
Gospel Carol • Christmastime Alleluia • *sing as directed:*

Gospel Reading • Luke 2:1–20
Sermon
Hymn of the Day • Silent Night, Holy Night • *words projected on screen*
Prayers of Intercession & Peace
Gift of Music

3:00 & 5:00 Spotless Rose • by Ola Gjeilo • *Adult Choir & Karlee Nelson, soloist*

7:00 Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella • arr. Linda Scholes • *Handbell Ensemble*

☩ Meal ☩

Thanksgiving at the Table
Lord's Prayer
Communion Music

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly • ELW 276

3:00 & 5:00 A Christmas Pastorale • by Charles Callahan • *Pat Zimmer, flute*

Angels We Have Heard on High • ELW 289

☩ Sending ☩

Blessing
Sending Song • Joy to the World • ELW 267
Dismissal

Christmas Day • Wednesday, December 25, 2024

10:00 am

☩ Gathering ☩

Welcome & Announcements
Gathering Carols

Once in Royal David's City • ELW 269 • *verses 1-3*

On Christmas Night • ELW 274 • *verses 1, 3 & 4*

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing • ELW 270

Greeting
Prayer of the Day

☩ Word ☩

Readings

Isaiah 52:7-10

Hebrews 1:1-4

Gospel Acclamation • Christmastime Alleluia • *sing as directed:*

Gospel Reading • John 1:1-14
Sermon
Hymn of the Day • Love Has Come • ELW 292
Prayers of Intercession
Peace
Offering • *The offering is received*

Jean Murphy & David Fandrich, piano duet

☩ Meal ☩

Thanksgiving at the Table
Lord's Prayer
Communion Carol • O Come, All Ye Faithful • ELW 283

☩ Sending ☩

Blessing
Carol • Go Tell It on the Mountain • ELW 290
Dismissal

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