

PRAYER

As a staff, how can we be praying for you? Let us know at connectwithtrinity.com/prayer.

Monthly Mission Focus | Greece

Please pray for **Pavlos and Meggan (Pav and Meg) Vasileiadis** in Greece. Pray for their family as they live with, work beside and serve generational Greeks, multicultural refugees and NGO workers – may they encourage others and model Christ in all they do. Pray also that their work to translate biblical resources from English to Greek will be accurate, swift and effective; that Meg's music ministry, BearFruitMeg, will be cultivated and encourage listeners in their walk with God; and for safety, health, engagement and wisdom for their family during this time of COVID.

We express our sympathy to **Adriana (Tootie) Van Riesen and family** in the death of their husband, dad, and grandfather, Art Van Riesen, who passed away on November 21.

Pray for **Blake Hoisington**, daughter of Jade & Heidi, as she is in the Colorado Fetal Care Center. Blake was born early on November 10 at 26 weeks. You can send cards to the Hoisingtons at 932 N. Potomac Circle, Room 3g, Aurora, CO 80011.

Pray for **Gene Veltkamp** as he recovers from covid. He was recently moved from Sioux Falls to Sioux Center.

Fran Koets moved to Prairie Ridge Grandview #1.

Phyllis & Syl Scorza moved to Prairie Ridge Pheasant Run #6.

Pray for **Jeff Barker** as he recovers from knee replacement surgery.

Please pray for **Tommy Albers & Grant De Nooy** as they are deployed.

Pray for **Pam Heemstra**, Cal and Bev Heemstra's niece and Scott Heemstra's cousin, as she has been trying new treatments for lymphoma cancer.

Bulletin Prayer Request:

If you would like a prayer request printed in the bulletin, please contact the church office by Thursday at 9am or give permission to the Pastoral Care Team to share the request. **Email:** trinityoc@gmail.com **Call:** 712-737-4542 **Text:** 712-201-3090

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

The Pastoral Care Team provides care, support, and ministry to various needs and life situations. At present, the team exists to care for individuals who are in care facilities, homebound or hospitalized.

Orange City Campus Pastoral Care Team:

Sandi Carlson, Anita Cirulis, Karen Clark, Dave and Sandy Harmelink, and Dave and Lonna Kluis.

Team Coordinator: Julie Andersen (juliekandersen87@gmail.com)

LOCAL NEEDS TEAM

Trinity's Local Needs Team assists people at Trinity and in the community with immediate, emergency, and/or unexpected needs.

Part of what it means to be the body of Christ is that we recognize we all have needs. Admitting that you need help is not a sign of weakness. It points to our interdependence as brothers and sisters in Christ. Beyond impact of the coronavirus on physical, mental and emotional health, this crisis has had economic impact on our nation and community. So we want to "be inventive in helping each other out", as Paul puts it in Romans 12. This is an opportunity for us to both give help and receive help.

Financial Support

If you are facing financial challenges, please fill out a local needs request form at connectwithtrinity.com/needs so that our Local Needs Team can come alongside you.

Grocery Delivery

If you are in need of someone to pick up groceries for you, please contact Ashley Stanislav at ashley.stanislav@gmail.com or 712-395-8739.

Mobile Food Pantry

Trinity's mobile food pantry meets people where they're at to offer support on a monthly basis. We are looking for donations of black beans (1 lb. bag), pinto beans (1 lb. bag), potatoes, masa, canned fruit, sugar (small bag), peanut butter, jelly, cereal, pasta noodles, pasta sauce, and vegetable oil. Donations can be left on the table outside of the front office.

For more information about this ministry, reach out to Ashley Stanislav (ashley.stanislav@gmail.com) or Josh Van Es (jgvanes@yahoo.com).

CONNECT

Contact Us / Receive Updates:

Online: connectwithtrinity.com

Follow us on **Facebook** and **Instagram**

Call the church office: **712.737.4542**

Text us: **712.201.3090**

Email updates: connectwithtrinity.com/signup

First Time Guests/Visitors:

If you're here for the first time, we would love to connect with you! Please text 'Welcome' to 712-201-3090 and stop by the Welcome Center after the service. We'd love the opportunity to meet you, and we have a gift to say thanks for being our guest. We're grateful you chose to worship with us today and we hope you are blessed by our time together.

Life Groups:

Life Groups are becoming an increasingly important way to more fully live into your faith, particularly with the size of Trinity. Group sizes vary and mainly meet in members homes and have various meeting times. We want people to find a place to grow spiritually and connect with others. **Looking to step towards a deeper connection with Christ and others?** We have room for you! If you're hoping to get connected with a Life Group, sign up for more information at connectwithtrinity.com/sign-up.

ONE CHURCH, TWO LOCATIONS

The Church is not a building but a community of people. Whether online or in-person, the people of Trinity gather at multiple times and in different locations throughout the week. While there are some slight differences between our campuses, what unites us is our shared mission to connect people with God, others, and the world. We invite you to try whatever campus or worship service experience works best for you and your family.

Orange City Campus

Join us for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:00 & 10:30.

Hospers Campus

Join us for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:00.



November 29, 2020

WELCOME!

Welcome to Trinity Church! Whether you're joining us online or on-campus, we're grateful you chose to worship with us today. We pray that all who enter our doors would experience the life-changing, eternity-altering love of God through Jesus. If you're new to Trinity, stop by the Welcome Center! We'd love the opportunity to meet you. We're glad you're here!

The Christmas Gospel: The Kingdom of God is Near!

Today marks the beginning of the season of Advent, the four weeks leading up to Christmas. Advent is an important time of waiting and expectation as we get ready for the arrival of the Savior of the World. Our theme this year is "The Christmas Gospel." Every Sunday we're going to look at a different portrait of the "good news" of Christmas, as told by the four different gospel writers (Mark, Matthew, Luke and John). While each of these portraits is unique, all together they give us a fuller, more complete picture of the glory of Christmas.

Today **Pastor Brian Keepers** will explore with us Mark's version of the Christmas story, pointing us to the good news that, in Jesus, God's long-awaited kingdom is finally here!

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HAITI PIZZA FUNDRAISER

The NWC Volleyball team is selling **frozen pizzas for \$10 on December 12 & 13** to help feed kids in Haiti through United Christian International's school lunch program. (UCI is one of Trinity's mission partners.) For more info and to place orders, check out the sign-up at our Welcome Center or Northwestern College Volleyball's Facebook page. With questions, contact Jadeyn Schutt @ 712-395-2201. Thanks!

DECEMBER MISSION FOCUS

In the month of December, we ask you to pray with us for our mission partners in Greece and Romania: Pavlos & Meggan Vasileiadis, Felipe & Janelle Silva, and Dave & Jody Nonnemacher. Visit connectwithtrinity.com/missions to see specific prayer requests and learn more about their work.

JESSE TREE - ADVENT JOURNEY

You are invited to engage the season of Advent by tracing the lineage of Jesus through the Bible. This Advent journey includes a daily devotion (personal and family available), daily application step, downloadable ornaments, and coloring pages. Participate yourself and/or as a family. Grab a "tree" for your ornaments, read the daily devotions, hang your ornament, and engage the Advent season in a tangible way. **Visit connectwithtrinity.com/advent** to learn more and access the resources. This Advent journey begins Sunday, November 29. Let's turn our eyes toward Jesus this season.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT UPDATE

For the month of December, there will be **no in-person Wednesday night programming** for our K-12th grade students. Information about this decision was emailed out to parents this week. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kristin Brouwer (kristinbrouwer15@gmail.com) or Ben Vos (ben.d.vos@gmail.com).

GIVING TUESDAY | UGANDA

This year, Trinity is participating in Giving Tuesday, a global day of giving on **December 1**. All funds that we raise will go to benefit the ministry of **Titus & Mary Baraka** in Uganda. This money will be used to pay teachers who have been without an income due to covid, and to provide food for students living in food insecurity due to covid. To give, visit our online giving platform at connectwithtrinity.com and select "Giving Tuesday", send us a check with "Giving Tuesday" in the memo, or text "Tuesday" to 84321.

Someone from Trinity has offered to match Giving Tuesday donations up to \$5,000. If we raise at least \$5,000, they'll match that amount and give an additional \$5,000! Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for Uganda.

GENESIS HOUSE ANGEL TREE

Consider blessing one of the women and/or children who live at the Genesis House this holiday season by taking a tag off the Genesis House Angel Tree. The tree is in the fellowship hall. Take a tag, write your name and number on the gift registry list, purchase the gift on your tag, wrap the gift, and **return the gift to the tree** (with the tag securely attached to it) **by Dec. 23.**

SUNDAY MORNING KIDS WORSHIP

Starting December 6, Sunday morning Kids Worship will be offered during the **9:00 service only**. (There is no Kids Worship on November 29 because of Thanksgiving break.)

NURSERY UPDATE

Due to limited volunteer capacity, the nursery is currently available on a **self-serve basis only**. Parents are welcome to be in the nursery with their kids. (There is a livestream of the service in the mother's room.)

TODAY'S WORSHIP

"O Come O Come Emmanuel"

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

"Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery"

"O Come Let Us Adore Him"

Advent Reading: Mark

Offering/Announcements

Message

"Joy To The World"

NURSERY & KIDS WORSHIP

NURSERY

0-3 year olds - Available on a self-serve basis.

There is a Mother's Room located on the 0-2 side with a live broadcast of the service.

KIDS WORSHIP (AGES 4-2nd GRADE)

Children will be dismissed during the 9:00 service.

Please pick up your children after the service in the Kids Area.

ONLINE GIVING

You can continue to give to God's work at Trinity with a one-time or ongoing gift at **connectwithtrinity.com**, by texting an amount to **84321**, or through the **Church Center App**.

Please email **Laurie Kurtz** at kurtz.laurie@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like help with the online giving process.

SERVE

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Find a current list of available service opportunities online at **connectwithtrinity.com/signups**.

GIFTS/PASSIONS (FIND A PLACE TO SERVE)

Take 3 minutes to fill out a gifts & passions survey at connectwithtrinity.com/serve so we can help you get connected in a ministry area that you are passionate about. On this survey you will also have the opportunity to express interest in serving on specific ministry teams (ex: Nursery, Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Hospitality Team, Tech Team, Worship Team).

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Christmas Gospel: The Kingdom of God is Near!

Mark 1:1-20

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