PRAYER

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

Monthly Mission Focus | Romania

Please pray for Dave & Jody Nonnemacher as they serve the people of Romania. Pray that Dave's efforts with New Horizons Foundation-USA will progress and achieve their goals of advancing life skills for Romanian youth and helping them come to know Jesus Christ. Pray also for patience, meaning, and joy in the day-to-day work Dave is limited to doing from Minnesota during the pandemic; for clarity on the next year of work as COVID challenges continue; for New Horizons Foundation-USA's staff/leadership/support partners; and for God's protection/care/guidance for Dave, Jody, and their family.

Pray for our new members: Jamie & Olivia Chapman, Macy Kuehler, Drew and Kelly Schmidt.

We express our sympathy to **Audrey Den Hartog, John & Ann Den Hartog, and family** in the death of Don Den Hartog, who passed away on December 16.

Pray for **Blake Hoisington**, daughter of Jade & Heidi, as she is in the Colorado Fetal Care Center. We give praise that Blake is growing and making improvements! Please pray for continued health and strength.

Pray for **Gene Veltkamp** as he recovers from covid.

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

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

Pray for those who are homebound: Prairie Ridge: Dorothy Weiss, Margarita Lopez, Jo Leslie, Helena Ludens, Randy Cleveringa, Marian Clark, Ardie Hegstad, Fran Koets, Syl & Phyllis Scorza. Landsmeer: Ann Den Hartog. Pioneer Memorial Home: Joyce Van Gorp. Good Samaritan Society, LeMars: Donna Koenig, Lois De Jong. Happy Siesta, Remsen: Bev Grienke. Lakeside Senior Care, Emmetsburg: Anna Beth Magee. Fieldcrest, Sheldon: Lucia Vander Ploeg, Eunice Dagel. Royale Meadows, Sioux Center: Hermina Diekevers. Pleasant Acres, Hull: Carol Bras.

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



Please recycle this bulletin. Thank you!

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, maseca, 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/signups

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.

TRINITYCHURCH



December 20, 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 Word Became Flesh

"The Word became flesh." This is the grand miracle of the Advent season; that the Triune God would come in the form of a human baby into our time and space to experience life the way that you and I experience life. Today, **Pastor Kurt Bush** will help us explore the Gospel of John, specifically John's prologue and the wonderful news that God is with us in the flesh. In this final week of Advent, as we continue to anticipate the coming of our King Jesus, we're reminded by John that as God takes on flesh, we need not wait to live into our new identities as Children of God.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE TIMES

We hope you will join us for one of our Christmas Eve services on Thursday, December 24 at 4:00 and 5:30pm.

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.

IESSE TREE - ADVENT IOURNEY

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.

SHARE YOUR IESSE TREE WITH US

Jesse Tree Advent-ers! You are invited to share your Jesse Tree journey with us. How are you engaging and experiencing the Jesse Tree journey this season? Send us your photos and stories at **trinityoc@gmail.com** or tag us in a post or story on Instagram **@cnnctwthtrinity.**

DOG SLED RACE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Trinity's Men's Ministry has another opportunity this year to partner with one of our ministry partners, Coldwater Foundation, at the Gunflint Mail Run Dog Sled Race in Grand Marais, MN January 8-10. Cost to attend is \$75. Please register at connectwithtrinity.com/signups by Dec. 28. Because of COVID-19 we are limited to 8 participants.

CHECK YOUR CHURCH MAILBOX

With the distribution of many holiday cards this time of year, we encourage you to check your church mailbox for anything that has been left for you.

CARDS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

There is a basket in the front office where you can drop off Christmas cards to be delivered to Trinity's homebound. You can find a list of those who are homebound under 'Prayer' in this bulletin. **Please drop off cards by Dec. 23.**

GENESIS HOUSE ANGEL TREE

If you took a tag off the Genesis House Angel Tree, please purchase/wrap the gift on your tag and **return the gift to the tree** (with the tag securely attached to it) **by Dec. 23.** The tree is next to the Welcome Center.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

"Here I Am To Worship"
"What A Beautiful Name"
"O Come Let Us Adore Him"

New Member Recognition

Offering/Announcements

"Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery"

Message

"What Child Is This"

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)

Kids Worship will resume on Sunday, January 10 after our Christmas break.

ONLINE GIVING

You can continue to give to God's work at Trinity with a onetime 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

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The Christmas Gospel: The Word Became Flesh John 1:1-18