PRAYER

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

We express our sympathy to **Brice & Alesha Byker** in the loss of their infant son Sutton Lee, who passed away on Nov. 11.

Pray for **Erin De Boer**, daughter of Brent & Tricia, who was baptized today.

Pray for **Rory Kallemeyn**, daughter of Tyler & Tiffany, who was baptized today.

Congratulations to Preston & Samantha Hoebelheinrich on the birth of their daughter, Malia Kay, who was born on Nov. 16.

Pray for **Bev Grienke** as she recovers from surgery.

Pray for Dave Van Engelenhoven as he is at Mayo.

Please pray for the refugee situation and the chaos and unrest currently happening in Afghanistan and other middle eastern

Pray for those who are homebound: June Bouma. Prairie Ridge: Dorothy Weiss, Margarita Lopez, Jo Leslie, Helena Ludens, Randy Cleveringa, Marian Clark, Ardie Hegstad, Fran Koets, Bev Heemstra, Bev Grienke, Pat Muyskens, June Vanden Berge. Landsmeer: Ron and Ann Sanson, Phyllis Scorza. Pioneer Memorial Home: Joyce Van Gorp. Fieldcrest, Sheldon: Eunice Dagel.

Moms in Prayer: All women (moms, grandmas, aunts, mentors, etc.) are invited to join a "Moms in Prayer" group at Trinity on Thursday mornings from 8:15-9:30 in Adult Room 3 to pray for students and schools. Contact Kay Joiner (joinerkay@yahoo. com) or Sam Winn (samantha_winn@hotmail.com) with questions. No sign-up necessary.

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, Marilyn Feekes, 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.

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), rice, maseca, canned fruit (with pull tabs), 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/adults.

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 8:10, 9:00 and 10:30.

Kids Worship Sunday School is offered during the 9:00 and 10:30 services for kids ages 4 through 5th grade.

Wednesday night programming is offered from 6:30-7:30pm for kids ages 4 through 5th grade.

Hospers Campus

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

Sunday School is offered from 10:10-11:00 for kids K-5th grade.

Wednesday night programming is offered from 6:30-7:30pm for kids K-5th grade.





November 21, 2021

WELCOME!

How do we know God's will for our lives? We're faced with choices all the time. Some of these are ordinary decisions we make every day. Others greatly impact the future. And if it was just a matter of choosing between "good" and "bad," it would be much easier! But what about when the choices are between good things? How do you know which is the best path? Or what if the path is unclear?

"Discernment: Seeking God's Will Together"

Today we conclude our three-week sermon series on how we can discern God's will for our lives - personally and as a community. We've asked the question, "What kind of people do we need to become to discern wisely and well?" And also the question, "What are specific practices that help us discern God's will?" Today, for this final sermon, Pastor Brian Keepers will explore with us this key question: "And how do we discern God's will together, in community?" We'll look at Acts 15 and learn how the early church did the hard and messy work of discerning God will together in the face of a major dilemma that was threatening to split the church. In the end, God gave them the wisdom they needed to be faithful to God's mission in the world!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL SYNOD SHARING/PRAYER

Are you interested in learning more about what happened at General Synod and next steps for Trinity Church? Join members of Trinity's Leadership Team on **Sunday, November 21 at 5pm at the Orange City campus** to hear more information, have an opportunity to ask questions, and spend time praying for our churches and denomination.

DECORATE TRINITY FOR CHRISTMAS

Help us decorate the church for Christmas! We're decorating on **Monday, Nov 22** from 6:30-9pm and on **Saturday, Nov 27** from 10am-12. If you are available to help, please sign up online so we can assign tasks beforehand.

GIVING TUESDAY | NOVEMBER 30

This year, Giving Tuesday donations will be used to help us fulfill our financial commitment of over \$18,000 to help support Phil & Olivia lekel and Nicole Opgenorth, our mission partners in Nicaragua. We also have the opportunity to help replenish our Emergency Response fund that has been used to assist in the relief efforts of Afghan refugees. To give, visit **connectwithtrinity.com/missions** or send us a check with "Giving Tuesday" in the memo. Donations will be collected now through the end of the day on November 30.

THANKSGIVING DAY TURKEY TROT

Registration is open for the 2021 Orange City Turkey Trot 5k run/walk. The 2021 beneficiaries are Young Life and Trinity Youth Missions. To register, visit orangecityturkeytrot.com.

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

Our office will be closed on Thursday, Nov 25 and Friday, Nov 26 for Thanksgiving.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you Trinity for your continued faithfulness in supporting the work and ministry of Trinity Church. We would not be able to support our mission partners without your generosity. Every gift matters and makes a difference.

For our current Fiscal Year-to-date Budget (7/1/21-10/31/21):

Income: \$437,350 Target Budget: \$560,249 Expenses: \$484,662 Building Debt: \$1,868,700

ATLAS CHRISTMAS STORE

The Atlas Christmas Store is a way for community members to shop for their family at a very discounted rate to help ease the financial burden of the holiday season. Donations can be placed in the collection box in our front entryway **through Dec. 5**. Questions? Email office@atlasorangecityarea.com

CONNECTION GROUP 5 | TODAY

Connection group 5 is meeting in the fellowship hall today at 10:30am. The elder/deacon contacts for this group are John Dykstra and Sally Edman. If you forgot your connection group number, or you'd like more information about connection groups, stop by the Welcome Center to talk with Julie Andersen (juliekandersen87@gmail.com)

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Join us for a joint Thanksgiving Eve service with the Trinity Hospers campus on **Wednesday, November 24 at 6:30pm**. We will gather together at the Orange City campus. Please bring along canned and non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. During the service we will be highlighting Trinity's local ministries, especially our mobile food pantry.

KIDS & YOUTH | THANKSGIVING BREAK

There is no kids or youth programming on Wednesday, November 24 or Sunday, November 28 for Thanksgiving break. Programming will resume Wednesday, December 1.

DISCERNMENT SERIES RESOURCES

Find resources to further engage our current sermon series at **connectwithtrinity.com/discernment**. The landing page offers thoughtful questions and practices as you consider how the Lord might be calling you to a deeper transformation.

DOG SLED RACE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

It's back! Our men's ministry has the opportunity to assist one of our ministry partners, Coldwater Foundation, at the annual Gunflint Mail Run Dog Sled Race near Grand Marais, MN, January 7-9. Cost is \$75. 10 spots are available. Register at connectwithtrinity.com/signups by December 15.

TRINITY STAFF UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that **Tana Van Gorp** has been hired to serve as our new part-time **Administrative Assistant**. Tana and her husband Corey are members of Trinity with their two kids Jace (4) and Kinley (1). Tana will oversee our facility scheduling as well as provide additional administrative help to our staff and congregation.

BAPTISM AT TRINITY | NOVEMBER 28

If you would like to be baptized or are interested in baptizing your child at Trinity, join us on Sunday, November 28 at **10am in the youth room**. Please sign up ahead of time at connectwithtrinity.com/signups.

PRAYER ROOM

On Sundays after each service, we are creating space in the chapel (Adult Rooms 1/2) for anyone who would like a **quiet place to pray or receive prayer.** All are welcome.

9:00/10:30 WORSHIP

"House Of The Lord"

"King Of Kings"

Offering/Announcements

Baptism

"Speak O Lord"

Message

"Spirit Of The Living God"

NURSERY & KIDS WORSHIP

NURSERY

Nursery is available for kids **0-3 years old** during the 9:00 & 10:30 services.

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

KIDS WORSHIP (AGES 4-5th GRADE)

Join us in the Kids Area at 9:00 and 10:30 this morning! Parents, please droff-off and pick-up your children.

ONLINE GIVING

You can continue to give to God's work at Trinity with a one-time or ongoing gift at **connectwithtrinity.com/give**, 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 and 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

Discernment: Seeking God's Will Together Acts 15:1-35