

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPONSOR A STUDENT IN UGANDA

In 2019 we launched the Hope Christian Sponsorship Program for students in Namusaala, Uganda. The \$30 monthly sponsorship covers a student's school uniform, registration fees, food, and educational material. **We have 3 students who still need a sponsor this year!** If you're interested in sponsoring a student, see Julie at the Welcome Center or email juliekandersen87@gmail.com.

CARDS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

There is a basket by our missions wall where you can drop off Christmas cards to be delivered to Trinity's homebound. You can find a list of those who are homebound in our digital bulletin. **Please drop off cards by the end of the day today!**

KIDS & YOUTH CHRISTMAS BREAK

There will be no kids or youth programming December 24 - January 7. Programming will resume on Wednesday, January 14.

SNOW REMOVAL THANK YOU

A very special thank you to Lyle and Riley Kleinhesselink, of Hawke & Company Ag Systems, for letting Trinity use one of their skid loaders for snow removal this winter! Thanks Kleinhesselinks!

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

Being the body of Christ involves lending a hand when needed to those around us. Sometimes assistance is needed with rides, moving/packing/cleaning, household projects or repair, a meal, etc. Sign up on our website to receive updates as needs arise, then **respond to requests that match your schedule and abilities.**

LOCAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Please remember to return your gifts for the Genesis House and Atlas by placing them under the Christmas tree in the lobby.

2024 UGANDA MISSION TRIP

Trinity is considering a trip to Uganda next summer with our mission partners Titus & Mary Baraka. **Visit our online sign up for more information and to indicate interest.**

TRINITYCHURCH

Connecting with God, others, and the world

ORANGE CITY CAMPUS

DECEMBER 17, 2023

WELCOME!

If you're here for the first time, we'd 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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"O Come All Ye Faithful"
"What Child Is This"

Baptism/New Members/Profession of Faith

Offering/Announcements

"Angels We Have Heard On High"

Message | Pastor Brian Keepers

"A Thrill of Hope: The God of Empty Places"
Ruth 1:1-22

"Light Of The World"

SERVICE TIMES

8:30 // 9:00 // 10:30 (The 8:30

Early Service is a quieter, more reflective and liturgical service with weekly communion.)

KIDS & YOUTH

Nursery (0-3 yrs old) and **Kids Worship** (ages 4 to 5th grade) are offered during the 9:00 & 10:30 services. **6-8th Sunday School** meets at 10:30.

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Sign up for **Email Updates** at connectwithtrinity.com/signups

FIND A PLACE TO SERVE

Visit connectwithtrinity.com/serve to fill out a gifts + passions survey and express interest in serving on specific ministry teams (ex: Nursery, Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Hospitality, Tech, Worship).



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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The holidays can feel especially lonely and hard for many of us who have suffered loss—the loss of a loved one, a job, health. Join us for a **shared prayer service at First Reformed Church** (Orange City) on Sunday, Dec 17 at 5:30pm.

SENIORS CHRISTMAS COFFEE

Calling all Trinity Senior Saints (Ages 65 and above)! You're invited to join us for a Christmas Coffee on **Wednesday, December 20 at 2:30pm** in the fellowship hall. We look forward to seeing you, and hope for a great turnout from both campuses!

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER

Our Wednesday prayer group will not meet on December 20 or 27. Resuming January 3, all are invited to join us on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30pm where we pray for our church, community, and world.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY MORNING HOLIDAY WORSHIP

On Sunday, **December 24** we will have one morning service at 9am. (On December 24 the nursery will not be staffed by volunteers, though kids 0-3 are welcome to be in the nursery if supervised by a parent.) On Sunday, **December 31** we will have one morning service at 10:30am.

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

We hope you will join us for one of our candlelight Christmas Eve services on **Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 & 5:30pm**. (The nursery will not be staffed by volunteers, though kids 0-3 are welcome to be in the nursery if supervised by a parent.)

DOG SLED RACE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | JANUARY 5-7

Every year, our men's ministry assists our ministry partner, Coldwater Foundation, at the annual Gunflint Mail Run Dog Sled Race near Grand Marais, MN. This race is an all-day event for dog sledders all over North America. Cost is \$75. January 5-7. Ten spots are available. **Learn more + register online by Dec 26.**

ONLINE GIVING

You can give to God's work at Trinity with a one-time or ongoing gift at **connectwithtrinity.com/give**, through the **Church Center App**, or through **Venmo @TrinityChurch201**. Email **kurtz.laurie@gmail.com** with questions or for help with the online giving process.

PRAYER

How can we be praying for you? Let us know at **connectwithtrinity.com/prayer**.

Pray for **Aubrey Dorhout**, daughter of Steven & Kelsey, who was baptized today.

Pray for those who professed their faith today: **Annalise Elliott, Aubrey Sloan**.

Pray for our new members: **Darienne Driesen, Devon & Chloe Myers, Tracy Phillips, Carol Van Wyk**.

Congratulations to **Taylor & Kelsey Deegan** on the birth of their son, **Ledger Jay**, who was born on December 12.

Congratulations to **Joe & Bekah Vander Stelt** on the birth of their daughter, **Madden Noel**, who was born on December 8.

Please keep **Lila Simmelink** in your prayers that she stays healthy, and that they will get insurance clearance to begin the every two week infusions for CAD in 2-3 weeks, after the vaccines she recently had take affect.

Pray for **Linda Feikema** as she recovers from a hip replacement.

Lorraine Krommendyk has moved to Landmseer #601.

Ron Katje has started treatment for non-Hodgkins lymphoma. He will have infusions for 6 months, and then will take medication for another year. Please join us in praying for Ron and Judy as they begin this journey.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

The Pastoral Care Team provides care and support to various needs and life situations. The team exists to care for individuals who are in care facilities, homebound or hospitalized: **Sandi Carlson, Anita Cirulis, Marilyn Feekes, Jake Moss, Julie Andersen** (Coordinator) - juliekandersen87@gmail.com

LOCAL NEEDS TEAM

Trinity's Local Needs Team comes alongside people at Trinity and in the community who have immediate, emergency and/or unexpected needs. Seeking to be the body of Christ, Trinity lends a helping hand through volunteers and through partnering with local ministries. Questions? Reach out to Logan Huisman (lhuisman@fcs.cc), Val Stokes (vstokes@nwciowa.edu), or the church office.

Financial & Practical Support: If you have an immediate, emergency, or unexpected need with finances, rides, moving/packing/cleaning, household projects or repair, food insecurity, etc., please fill out a request form at **connectwithtrinity.com/needs** so that our Local Needs Team can come alongside you.

Food Pantry Donations: Maseca (4 lb. bag), sugar (4 lb. bag), peanut butter, spaghetti noodles, or vegetable oil (32 oz) can be left outside of the front office.