

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YEAR END GIVING

Year-end gifts can be made online or by dropping a check off at the church office by December 31. If you are mailing a check, it must be postmarked by December 31 to be included in your 2023 giving. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the mission and ministry of Trinity Church.

KIDS & YOUTH CHRISTMAS BREAK

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

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 2 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.

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.**

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 24, 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.

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.

CONNECT

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Text: (712) 201-3090

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

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"
"Hark The Herald Angels Sing"
"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

Offering/Announcements

"Light Of The World"

Message | Pastor Ben Vos
"A Thrill of Hope: Resilient Hope"
Matthew 1:18-25

"Joy To The World"



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

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

We hope you will join us for one of our candlelight Christmas Eve services **tonight 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.)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER

Our Wednesday prayer group will not meet on December 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.

NEW YEARS EVE WORSHIP

On Sunday, **December 31** we will have one morning service at 10:30am. (No 8:30 or 9:00 services.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.**

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S STUDY

Men of Trinity, join us on Fridays from 6:00-7:00am (January 12 - March 8) at our Orange City campus as we study *The Deeply Formed Life* by Rich Villodas. A limited number of books are available for purchase in the church office for \$14. **Learn more + sign up online!**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women of Trinity, join us as we study the Bible together! We started studying *Story Thru the Bible (New Testament)* in the fall, and will continue our study January 17 - April 24. The invitation is open for new women to join anytime! We will meet at our Orange City campus on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. **Learn more + sign up online!**

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

We celebrate with the family of **Nate & Mary Beth Breen**, who this past week finalized the adoption of 6 year old **Derick** into their family. Congratulations, Breen family!

We express our sympathy to **Bob & Sam Winn and family** in the passing of Bob's dad, Bob Winn, on December 19.

We express our sympathy to **Susan & Patrick Giannantonio and family** in the passing of Susan's mom, Vi Block, on December 15.

Congratulations to **Corey & Tana Van Gorp** on the birth of their son, **Sawyer Allen**, who was born on December 15.

Lila Simmelink has completed all of her immunizations needed to begin the new infusions in January. Surgery for a port will be January 8, with the first infusion of Enjaymo on January 10. This drug should help me feel better, but suppresses the immune system. I will need the infusions every two weeks. Pray that I will stay healthy and get stronger through the treatments. Thanks for your prayers! Scott & Lila

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.