ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGN UP TO BRING SWEETS

This **Wednesday**, December 18, the Orange City campus is **hosting a meal**, and we are looking for 8 more **dozen cinnamon rolls** for this meal! Please sign up online if you would like to help. If you're more of a cookie baker (or buyer), we're living out Radical Hospitality with cookies and hot cocoa for the **Christmas Eve services**. Please sign up online to bring **two dozen cookies** for December 24!

HOPE FOR KIDS MENTORS NEEDED

Studies highlight children having multiple adults intentionally connecting with them can provide a well-rounded support system for their development. There are **four students** waiting for someone to **become their mentor** through the Kids Hope USA program! Please **sign up online** or contact Melinda Netten (melnet@mail.com) to become a mentor.

CARDS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

Send a Christmas card to the homebound members of Trinity! You can find a list of those who are **homebound** under the **"Prayer" section** of this bulletin. Please **drop off your card(s)** to be delivered in the **basket** by the **Missions wall** by **December 20**.

ADVENT DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Along with our Advent sermon series, **there is a devotional of stories from the congregation** reflecting on the command to be not afraid. We encourage you to **sign up online** to have the devotional delivered to your inbox each day as we journey towards Christmas.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

Thank you for the 232 items donated on Thanksgiving Eve that are blessing Maria Magdalena Church and the food ministries in Hospers and Orange City!

GIFTS FOR THE GENESIS HOUSE

Please remember to return your gifts for the Genesis House women and children by **December 22**. Thank you!

NO KIDS MINISTRY - DECEMBER 22, 29 AND JANUARY 5

A reminder to all involved in Trinity Kids, **today is the last day** of Trinity Kids discipleship for 2024. There is no Kids discipleship programming on December 22, 29, and January 5. There will be nursery available on those Sunday dates! Trinity Kids will resume on Wednesday, January 8 and Sunday, January 12.

TRINITYCHURCH

Connecting with God, others, and the world

ORANGE CITY CAMPUS **DECEMBER 15, 2024**

WELCOME!

If you're here for the first time, please connect with us! You can text 'Welcome' to (712) 201-3090 or stop by the Welcome Center after the service. We'd love the opportunity to meet you, and we're grateful you chose to worship with us today. 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 Bible Study** meets at 10:30.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

"Hark The Herald Angels Sing"

"The First Noel"

Offering/Announcements

"Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Message | Pastor Brian Keepers
"Be Not Afraid...of the Powers of this World!"
Matthew 2:1-12

"Light of 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

CHRISTMAS SPELLING BEE | DECEMBER 15

The **Trinity Kids Christmas Program** for the Hospers campus is tonight, December 15 at **6 pm**. There will be treats afterwards, and all are welcome!

A BLUE CHRISTMAS | DECEMBER 15

The holidays are a time of joy and can also be a time of grief. Trinity is having a Blue Christmas event **today at 2 pm in the chapel** (Adult Room 1 & 2) on the **Orange City campus** for anyone to join.

ALL TOGETHER WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 18

Join us on the **Orange City campus** for a meal and Christmas story engagement opportunity for all ages! Happening on December 18, we will enjoy **chili, white chili, cinnamon rolls and root beer floats** starting at **5:30 pm** and served until 6:30 pm.

A CHRISTMAS JOURNEY | DECEMBER 18

Along with the All Together Wednesday meal on December 18, Trinity is presenting A Christmas Journey from **6 - 8 pm**. Similar to a traveling nativity, groups will **walk through, indoors, a re-creation of the moments** leading up to the birth of Christ. **Sign up online to volunteer** and be a part of this event!

THURSDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER

Join us at Trinity this **Thursday afternoon from 4:30-5:30 pm** in Adult Room 1 to pray for our church, community, and world.

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men of all ages: Join Pastor Brian and the Men's Ministry team on **Fridaymornings from 6-7 am** on the **Orange City campus** with coffee and donuts. For more details, visit the church website or contact Patrick Giannantonio (712-541-0668).

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES | DECEMBER 24

Our Christmas Eve services will be at **4 pm** at **5:30 pm** on the **Orange City campus** and **7 pm** on the **Hospers campus**. There will be cookies and hot cocoa served on the Orange City campus.

MENS MINISTRY TRIP | JANUARY 10-12

Shake off those winter blues with a trip **up north**! We have the opportunity to assist one of our ministry partners, **Coldwater Foundation**, at the annual **Gunflint Mail Run Dog Sled Race** on Poplar Lake near Grand Marais, MN. This race is an all-day event for dog sledders all over North America. The trip is January 10-12 with **ten spots available**, and the cost is $75. **Sign up online** by **December 30**, and contact Shay Davis (712-541-5279) with any questions!

PRAYER

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

Pray for **Laurie Ann Anderson** as her father, **Wendell**, passed away Monday, December 9. The visitation will be on December 17 from 5-7 pm, and the funeral will be December 18 at 11 am at 1st Christian Church in Spencer. Laurie Ann asks for prayers for family traveling from Africa for the funeral to travel safe and for Laurie Ann's mother, Vivian, going through this loss.

Pray for **Jake Nessa** as he has finished his chemo treatments. He continues to improve and will be monitored regularly moving forward. Thank you for the prayers and support!

Pray for **Tami Thompson**'s brother Joseph who is battling cancer and her brother Randy who is undergoing dialysis.

Pray for **Larry Leslie** who had a below the knee amputation on his left leg. Pray for healing, endurance, and hope for the rehab process.

Pray for **Gordon Brumels** as he has been placed on hospice care at Prairie Ridge.

Pray for **Dave & Lonna Kluis** as they navigate Dave's ongoing health concerns.

Pray for those who are homebound. Prairie Ridge: **Fran Koets, Bev Grienke, June Vanden Berge, Gordon Brumels, Al Dew, Jeanne Feekes, Joyce Van Gorp, Chuck & Arlene Lubbers.** Landsmeer: **Phyllis Scorza, Lorraine Krommendyk, Audrey Den Hartog.** Heartland Care Center: **June Bouma.** Crown Pointe: **Pete Van Peursem**.

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

Seeking to be the body of Christ, Trinity's Local Needs Team comes alongside people at Trinity and in the community who have immediate, emergency and/or unexpected needs. Questions? Reach out to Val Stokes (vstokes@nwciowa.edu), Candace Van Marel (candacevanmarel@gmail.com), or the church office.

Orange City Food Pantry: The Food Pantry will be open Saturday, December 28 from 9am-noon (at 407 Albany Ave SE, Orange City) for those needing food assistance. Thank you for your continued support through donations and volunteering. You can find a complete list of requested donations on the table outside the church office.