## **WELCOME**

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church! Interspersed with beautiful collections of musical offerings, today's worship service also recalls songs sung throughout Scripture anticipating Christ's birth, from the Old Testament prophets to the annunciation, from the Magnificat to the songs of Zechariah and Simeon. We too, join with the hosts of heaven praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" God's blessings to you and your loved ones today!

Pastors Alicia and Ben Hilding

## **PRAYERS**

Please keep in your prayers this week: Al G., Darbie B., Darrin P., Karen H., Laura C., Matt G., and Michelle N.

\*If you would like to be added to this public prayer list, please contact Pastor Alicia (alicia@holytrinityonline.org).

## **SPONSORS**

The Radio and Hospitality Ministries have openings for sponsors.

Sponsoring a week is a great way to support the church, honor a special event, or memorialize a loved one. The Radio Ministry is \$65, and the Hospitality Ministry (Wednesday evening meals) is \$300 (full week) or \$150 (half week). Please contact Jamie at office@holytrinityonline.org or call 952.758.3513 to support these important ministries. Thank you!



## WORSHIP

**WELCOME** 

**ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING** O Come, O Come Emmanuel, vs. 2

**OPENING HYMN** Joy to the World, ELW #267

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

MUSICAL OFFERING (SUNDAY) From Heaven on High

Randall Ferguson

MUSICAL OFFERING (WEDNESDAY) Celebration of Joy

Holy Trinity Bell Choir

**CREW TIME DISMISSAL** 

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-33

MUSICAL OFFERING Emmanuel, to Thee we Sing

Holy Trinity Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:46-55

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** My Soul Proclaims, ELW #251

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:67-79

MUSICAL OFFERING Oh, Holy Night (Sara Groves)

Christa Smith

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:10-14

MUSICAL OFFERING Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child

Holy Trinity Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:29-32

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** O Come Let Us Adore Him

MUSICAL OFFERING CREW TIME RETURNS

**BAPTISM (SUNDAY)** Regan Layne Oliver and Owen Michael Tuma

**OFFERING** 

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

**SENDING HYMN** Hallelujah Chorus

**DISMISSAL** 

### **NOTES**

**HEARING DEVICES:** If you require the service to be amplified, please visit the Soundbooth for assistive listening devices.

**NURSERY**: If you have someone who needs room to move, check out the new Nursery! Exit the Sanctuary and turn right. You'll find comfortable seating, toys for little ones, and a TV to view worship.

**ENDING THE YEAR WELL:** Please consider a special year-end gift to Holy Trinity. Your gifts impact the church's vitality and the ability to fulfill our calling to share God's love for all people from one generation to the next. Thank you for each of your gifts given to God's ministry!

OFFERING: Experience the joy of giving! Give via cash or check using the envelopes near your seat. Place it in the collection plate as the ushers pass your row. Give electronically by scanning the QR code (select "General Operating").

Lastly, all are welcome to make a joyful noise by placing your loose change in the metal milk can or giving your coins to a child to deliver your "noisy offering." 10% of the offering supports Holy Trinity's Mission Outreach projects. Thank you!

**RESTROOMS**: Located directly outside of the Sanctuary in the lobby. Additional restrooms are available next to the Fellowship Hall. Changing tables are located in all restrooms.

WIFI: Username: HTLC-Guest Password: Fellowship

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Holy Trinity is located on the original homelands of the Wahpekute (Dakota) people.

# **FINANCES**

Finances as of October 31, 2024	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
Revenue	\$545,697	\$502,353	\$690,442
Expenses	\$543,347	\$525,319	Gifts to receive
Revenue - Expenses	\$2,350	-\$12,966	\$561,957

#### **RESPOND**

WELCOME, CHILDREN OF GOD: Congratulations, Regan Layne, the child of Josiah & Amy Oliver! Her sponsors are Andy & Heather Nybo. Congratulations, Owen Michael, the child of Megan Kuznia and Eric Tuma! His sponsors are Chris & Heather Wiseness. Welcome to the body of Christ and the mission we share. God bless you on your baptism day!

**RIBBON CUTTING: Thursday, December 12, 4 pm**: Celebrate the *NEXT* Facility Project completion with a short program and tours.

MINISTRY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES: A little bit of your impact time can make a big difference during Advent and Christmas Eve services! Scan the QR code to sign up or contact Jamie at 952.758.3513. Thank you!

**SHARING TREE:** Thank you for supporting fifty LeSueur County children! Please return all unwrapped gifts by Dec. 11. Thank you!

FAMILY CHRISTMAS: Sunday, Dec. 15, 9 am / Wednesday, Dec. 18, 6 pm. Come to hear the Crew Time students tell the Christmas story! Invite extended family and bring your camera. Both worship services will be livestreamed on YouTube. Enjoy cookies and visit Santa after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS: Sunday, December 22, 6 pm.** A meaningful service for anyone experiencing grief, separation, or loneliness. Invite a friend who needs God's peace during a difficult time. Childcare provided.

**CHRISTMAS EVE:** All are welcome at 2 pm, 4 pm, or 10 pm. 4 pm service will be livestreamed on YouTube.

NEW MEMBER CLASS: Sunday, January 12, 10 am - Noon. Get to know other new members while learning about the Lutheran faith and Holy Trinity membership. Light refreshments served! Scan the QR code to register.

ANNUAL SUMMIT CELEBRATION: Sunday, January 26, 10 am. All are welcome to reflect on 2024 and voting members decide the 2025 budget and church leadership. Pre-meetings will be held on Sunday, Jan. 19, at 10 am, and Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 7 pm in the Large Classroom.

#### **SERMON NOTES**

Listen closely to the pastor's message, take notes, and discuss them with your Confirmation small group.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1) What's your favorite music group? Do you have a song that just makes you want to have it on repeat?

2) Today we heard songs in Scripture, anticipating Christ's birth. What's one "lyric" (Scripture verse) that stood out to you?

3) If you wrote a song about God, what would it be about?

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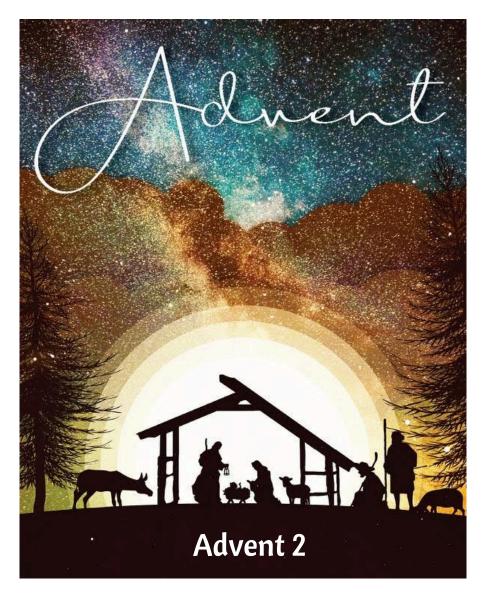
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**DECEMBER 8, 2024 DECEMBER 11, 2024** 

SUNDAY: 9 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6 PM

Share God's love for all people from one generation to the next

Welcome · Worship · Respond

