

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

December 7, 2025

9:30am

When we're running out of hope, God is at work

*If you have a prayer request today, please fill out the card in your
pew rack and hand it to an usher during the offering.*

Prelude	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"	Holy Trinity Ringers
Welcome/Call to Worship		
Advent Candlelighting		Hein Family
Sung Response	"It Came upon the Midnight Clear" (verse 3)	Hymnal 218
Prayer of Confession		
ALL: God of life, we have every reason to hold onto hope. We have every reason to believe that spring will come, that flowers will bloom, that the sun will rise. And yet, too often hope slips through our fingers. With anxious hearts we cry out to you, "Will change ever come? Will things ever get better? Will I ever make a difference?" Soothe our wandering hearts and show us the places where the sun is shining. Show us the places where you are on the move. With open hearts we pray. Amen.		
Words of Forgiveness		
Hymn	"Angels from the Realms of Glory" (verses 1, 2, 4)	Hymnal 220
Kids' Time		Pastor Leigh
Scriptures	Matthew 11:1-11 Isaiah 43:1-7	
Hymn	"In the Bleak Midwinter" (verses 1-3)	Hymnal 221
Message		Pastor Leigh
Offering		

Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" (To the tune of Hymnal 219 What Child Is This) <i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow</i> <i>Praise God all creatures here below</i> <i>Praise God all heavens and the earth</i> <i>Our hope for today and always</i>	Words on screen
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Joys & Concerns		
Prayer Song	"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (verse 4)	Hymnal 230
Prayer		
Passing the Peace	Pastor Leigh: May the peace of Christ be with you all. All: And also with you.	
Holy Communion—Introduction		
Anthem	"A Festive Peal"	Holy Trinity Ringers
Holy Communion—Continued/Lord's Prayer		
Announcements		
Hymn	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (verses 1-4)	Hymnal 211
Blessing		
Postlude		

Holy Trinity's Reconciling Statement

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church follows God's directive to love all and welcome all with open arms. We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed.

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Leigh Brown pastor@htumc.org (651) 245-4889	Church Admin: Tina Chant office@htumc.org (952) 447-2990
Choir Director: Randi Erlandson	Liturgist: Vic Noer
Bell Choir Director: Kay Petterson	Ushers: Vic and Maia Noer
Pianist/Vocalist: Randi Erlandson	Greeters: Rene Meyer and Carol Ottoson
AV Coordinator: Janean Mestnik	Fellowship Host: Larry Nace
Nursery: Maria German & Kathy Nelson	Kids' Church: Paula Green & Paisley King

This Week:

Monday, Dec. 8	2-6pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Hope Café & Pantry Core Team Meeting Al-Anon Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday, Dec. 9	11:30am 2-6pm 4-6pm 7:00pm	United Women in Faith Christmas Lunch Hope Café & Pantry Cookie Decorating (Fellowship Hall) Codependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Wednesday, Dec. 10	4:00pm 5:30pm 7:00pm	Bells Rehearsal Advent Study Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Dec. 11	6:00pm	Veterans AA (Parsonage)
Sunday, Dec. 14	9:30am 10:30am	Worship/Live-Stream One Table Event



Prayer Requests:

Joleen Van Wyngeeren—9-year old granddaughter Avery who is autistic has become violent to those around her and her surroundings

Sandy F. and Sharon D.—Becky Brown was hospitalized last week

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