

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

JANUARY 2, 2022

8:00 AM AND 10:00 AM

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the divine life of him who humbled himself  
to share our humanity

A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING

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Good Morning!

Whether this is your first time at Trinity, your first time in a long time,  
or if you're here every Sunday, we are delighted that you are  
worshipping with us this morning.

**WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS** If you are new to Trinity, we hope that you will introduce yourself and sign one of the guest books at either entrance to the Church. Restrooms are located in two places. Exit through the rear doors of the Sanctuary and go to your right. The white doors on your left are the restrooms. Restrooms can also be found if you exit the door at the front right of the Sanctuary and go down the hall toward the exit to the parking lot. The restrooms are on your right once you pass the fireplace.

**SUNDAY MORNING  
MASK POLICY**

Masks at indoor Sunday services are now required for those who are vaccinated and non-vaccinated.

**NAMETAGS**

In order to make it easier for us to get to know each other, we ask everyone to wear a nametag. If you do not have a reusable nametag, there are stickers and markers at each entrance. If you would like to have a reusable nametag made for you, please print your name on the clipboard next to the trays of reusable nametags.

**KIDS IN CHURCH**

Copies of 'The Sunday Paper Junior' coloring sheets and crayons available at each Sanctuary entrance. Each week the coloring sheet will highlight some aspect of the Scripture for the day and includes notes to help parents talk to their kids about the theme. Please feel free to let your kids color and otherwise be themselves during the worship service. All are welcome as they are, including kids!

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

Private intercessory prayer is available with members of our Intercessory Prayer team in the side aisle while Communion is being distributed at the 10:00 AM service. Additionally, there are Prayer Jars at each entrance to the Sanctuary where you can share prayers requests that will be prayed over for the next month.

**ABOUT OUR WORSHIP**

Most of the worship service is printed in this leaflet. Music that is not printed in the leaflet can be found in *The Hymnal 1982* (the red book on the shelf under the chair in front of you) or in *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (the red, black, and green book found on a cart at each entrance). We stand, if able, for the hymns and stand or kneel, according to one's personal tradition, for prayer.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

JANUARY 2, 2022

8:00 AM AND 10:00 AM

*\*Please note: All music is for the 10:00 am Service only*

PRELUDE

Impression on We Three Kings

Alfred Fedak (b 1953)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

1982 Hymnal #89

1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that  
2 Still through the clov - en skies they come with  
3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife the  
4 For lo! the days are haste - ning on, by

glo - rious song of old, from an - gels bend - ing  
peace - ful wings un - furled, and still their heaven - ly  
world has suf - fered long; be - neath the heaven - ly  
pro - phets seen of old, when with the ev - er -

near the earth to touch their harps of gold:  
mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;  
hymn have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong;  
cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,

"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from  
a - bove its sad and low - ly plains they  
and war - ring hu - man - kind hears not the  
when peace shall o - ver all the earth its



heaven's all - gra - cious King." The world in sol - emn  
bend on hov - ering wing, and ev - er o'er its  
tid - ings which they bring; O hush the noise and  
an - cient splen - dors fling, and all the world give

still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.  
Ba - bel - sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.  
cease your strife and hear the an - gels sing!  
back the song which now the an - gels sing.

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
People *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

*All* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# SONG OF PRAISE

## Angels We Have Heard On High (verse 1 only)

1982 Hymnal #96



1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,  
and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.  
*Refrain*  
Glo - - - - - ri - a  
in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -  
- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider      The Lord be with you.

*People      And also with you.*

Presider      Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*People      Amen.*

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
"Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."  
See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and  
those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.  
With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.  
Hear the word of the Lord, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."  
For the Lord has ransomed Jacob,  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.  
They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.  
Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.  
I will give the priests their fill of fatness,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,

says the Lord.

Reader      Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People      Thanks be to God.*

- 1     How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \*  
        My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
        my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2     The sparrow has found her a house  
        and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; \*  
        by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3     Happy are they who dwell in your house! \*  
        they will always be praising you.
- 4     Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \*  
        whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5     Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, \*  
        for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6     They will climb from height to height, \*  
        and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7     Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; \*  
        hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8     Behold our defender, O God; \*  
        and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- 9     For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, \*  
        and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God  
        than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- 10    For the Lord God is both sun and shield; \*  
        he will give grace and glory;
- 11    No good thing will the Lord withhold \*  
        from those who walk with integrity.
- 12    O Lord of hosts, \*  
        happy are they who put their trust in you!

## THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Reader     Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
 People     *Thanks be to God.*



1 A - way in a man-ger, no crib for his bed,  
 2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,  
 \*3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask thee to stay

the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.  
 but lit - tle Lord Je - sus no cry - ing he makes.  
 close by me for ev - er, and love me I pray.

The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,  
 I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,  
 Bless all the dear chil - dren in thy ten - der care,

the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.  
 and stay by my side un - til morn - ing is nigh.  
 and fit us for hea - ven to live with thee there.

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:41-52

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
 People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.  
 People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## SERMON

The Rev. D. Littlepage

*Silence for reflection.*

*All* We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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\*This version of the Nicene Creed is from one of the sources that has been approved for use by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church. The most significant difference is that this version changes 'who proceeds from the Father and the Son' to 'who proceeds from the Father.' This change restores the Creed to the version that was originally accepted by both Western and Eastern Orthodox Churches. (The phrase 'of the Son' was added a few hundred years later by a regional synod and was never adopted by Eastern Orthodox Churches).



The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *(Silence)*

People Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*Silence. The people are invited to add their petitions silently or aloud.*

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

#### THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People *And also with you.*

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Traditional, arr. Chuck Marohnic

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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Presider The Lord be with you.  
*People And also with you.*

Presider Lift up your hearts.  
*People We lift them to the Lord.*

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

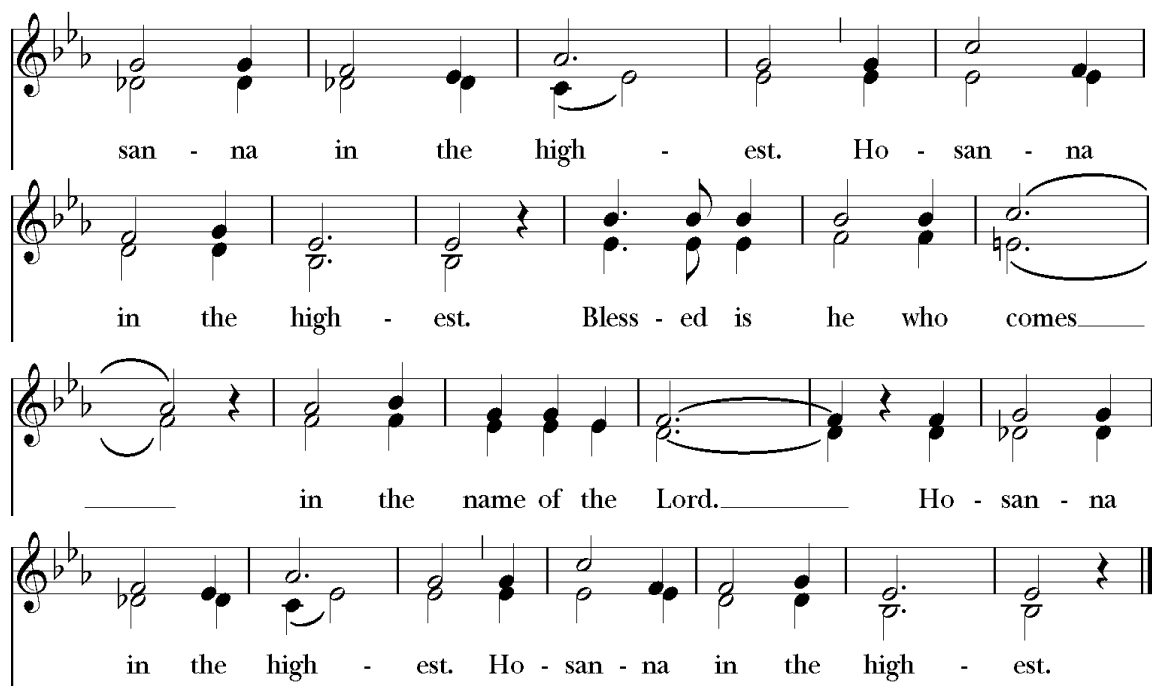
Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### SANCTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -



Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*All*

*We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;*

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy

Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People* AMEN.

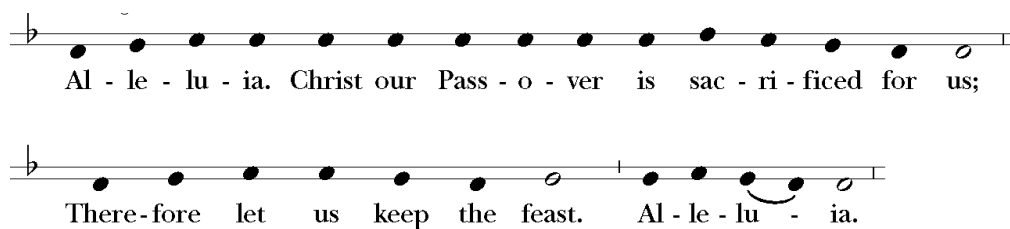
Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
*All* Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

1982 Hymnal #S152



*All are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail. If you would like to have a blessing instead of receiving Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available on request. Members of the Intercessory Prayer Team are available in the side aisle to pray with you.*

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.



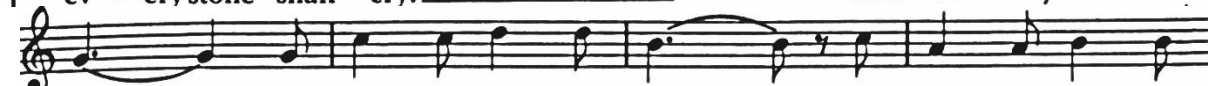
1 A sta - ble lamp is light - ed Whose  
 2 (This) child through Da-vid's ci - ty Shall  
 3 (Yet) he shall be for - sak - en, And  
 4 (But) now, as at the end - ing, The

glow shall wake the sky;  
 ride in tri - umph by;  
 yield - ed up to die;  
 low is lift - ed high;

The stars shall bend their voic - es, And  
 The palm shall strew its branch - es, And  
 The sky shall groan and dark - en, And  
 The stars shall bend their voic - es, And



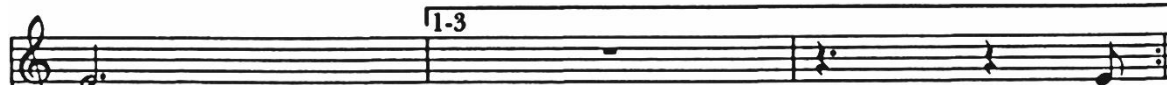
ev - ery stone shall cry. \_\_\_\_\_ And ev - ery stone shall  
 ev - ery stone shall cry. \_\_\_\_\_ And ev - ery stone shall  
 ev - ery stone shall cry. \_\_\_\_\_ And ev - ery stone shall  
 ev - ery stone shall cry. \_\_\_\_\_ And ev - ery stone shall



cry, And straw like gold shall shine; A barn shall har - bor  
 cry. Though hea - vy, dull, and dumb, And lie with - in the  
 cry, For ston - y hearts of men: God's blood up - on the  
 cry, In prais - es of the Child By whose de - scent a -



hea - ven, A stall be - come a shrine. \_\_\_\_\_  
 road - way To pave his king - dom come. \_\_\_\_\_  
 spear - head, God's love re - fused a - gain. \_\_\_\_\_  
 mong us The worlds are rec - on - ciled. \_\_\_\_\_



1-3

2 This  
 3 Yet  
 4 But



Final Ending



Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

Presider May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

*People* Amen.

Presider May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

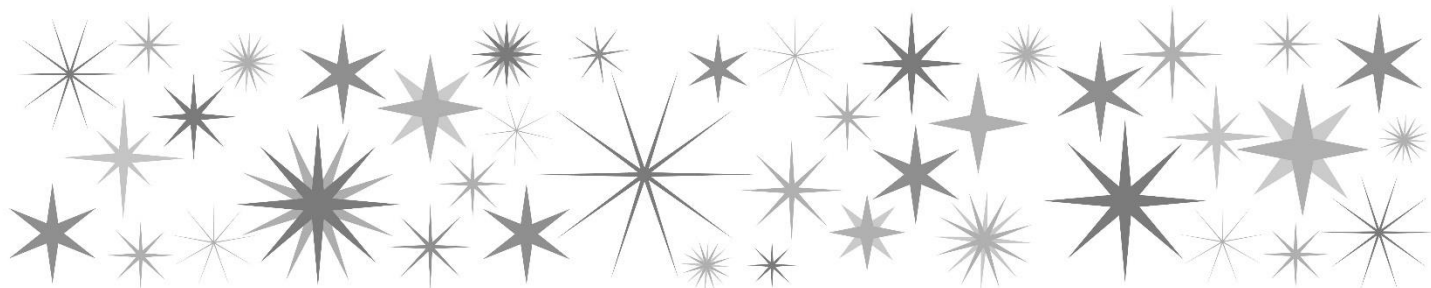
*People* Amen.

Presider May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor.

*People* Amen.

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty, the Eternal Majesty, the Incarnate Word, and the Ever Abiding Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.


*People* Amen.




*Unison or harmony*




1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!  
 2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,  
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!  
 \*4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,  
 5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



1 A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;  
 2 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.  
3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.  
 4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;  
 5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.



1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;  
 2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!  
3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
 4 where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,  
 5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.  
3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.  
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.  
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

## THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.  
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

POSTLUDE Angels We Have Heard on High (Op. 55, No .12) Gunther Martin Gottsche  
(b. 1953)



## LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Suzanne Blancaflor & Boo Morton; Dorcas & Julius Blanchard; Claire Blissett and the Hospitality Committee.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Peter's, Cheshire; Holy Advent, Clinton; Trinity Church, Collinsville; for all immigrants, refugees and the ministries that serve them.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

We pray for Al and Nora Baldwin, Stephanie Holland (niece of Kitty Peterson), Elizabeth Mackie, Sandy Cone Foley, Rosie Isabell, John Harris, J.B. Parke; Laurie Lavoie, Paulette McCurdy, Rhonda McKenzie, Carmen Belgrave, the Nielsen Family, Sarah Kieffer, Linda Cushner, David Klein and family, Ann Deely, Kate Smith, Sam Hines and Yoleanna Russo, Juli Porter, Juhudi Mgombo, Fred Margeson, Jennifer Stephens, Zechariah Stephens, Katie Reynolds, Mavis Bennett; Ginny Catanzaro; Tori and Trevor Henry; Louise Krippenstapel; Carlene Lewis; Judy Miller; Margaret Moore; Valentina Moore; Al Pereira; Jo-Ann Sadosky; Helen Strassner; Lindsey Tengtenga; Alice Turcotte, Richard Green (brother of Peter Green), Donald Bowens (son of Dianne Bowens-Waller), Bill McMunn and Richard Alan Garver, Diane Bowens-Waller, Bruce and Jane Tatge (parents of Anne Green), Polly Thomas, Rebecca Bourret, Peter Vreeland, Amy Williams, Raldah Stephens, Joan and Ean Walsh (family of Jennifer Stephens) and those affected by mental and physical ailments, violence, natural disasters, especially those who are in danger due to tornadoes, and immigration and refugee policies, especially the people of Afghanistan, and their families; and for those who mourn for loved ones.

We pray for all who have died; that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray for the repose of the souls of homicide victims in our city of Hartford, and beyond. We pray for those who will die this week, that they may meet their Lord in faith and hope. We pray for ourselves and for our departed loved ones, that rejoicing with them in God's kingdom where every tear is wiped away, we may as one family sing praise forever and ever.



## **+ LITURGICAL LEADERS +**

**The Rev. D. Littlepage – Preacher & Presider**

### **Readers**

Cecilia Timothy (8:00 am)  
Suzanne Blancaflor (10:00 am)  
Kate Smith (10:00 am)

### **Intercessor**

Cecilia Timothy (8:00 am)  
Drew Smith (10:00 am)

### **Music Director**

Michelle Horsley

### **Altar Flowers**

George Chien, Percy Williamson

### **Virtual Vergers**

Casey Rousseau, Jake Troiano

### **Intercessory Prayer Team**

Jon Reik, Anne Rapkin

### **Minsters of Communion**

Suzanne Blancaflor, Cathy Rowe

### **Verger**

Ray Wilson

### **Acolytes**

Tro Moo, Malik Allen-Thomas  
Juan Matos

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## **Announcements**

### **Easier ways to Pledge and Give**

Exciting news! You can now make a Pledge for 2022 as well as pay your pledge or make any other donation with just your smartphone. On the back of the bulletin you'll find a QR code for making a 2022 Pledge and a QR code to make a pledge payment or any other donation to Trinity. Simply open the camera on your smartphone, focus it on the desired QR code, follow the link, and fill out the information from there. If you have any questions please talk to Rev. D., Casey, or Jake.

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### **AFEDJ Thank You**

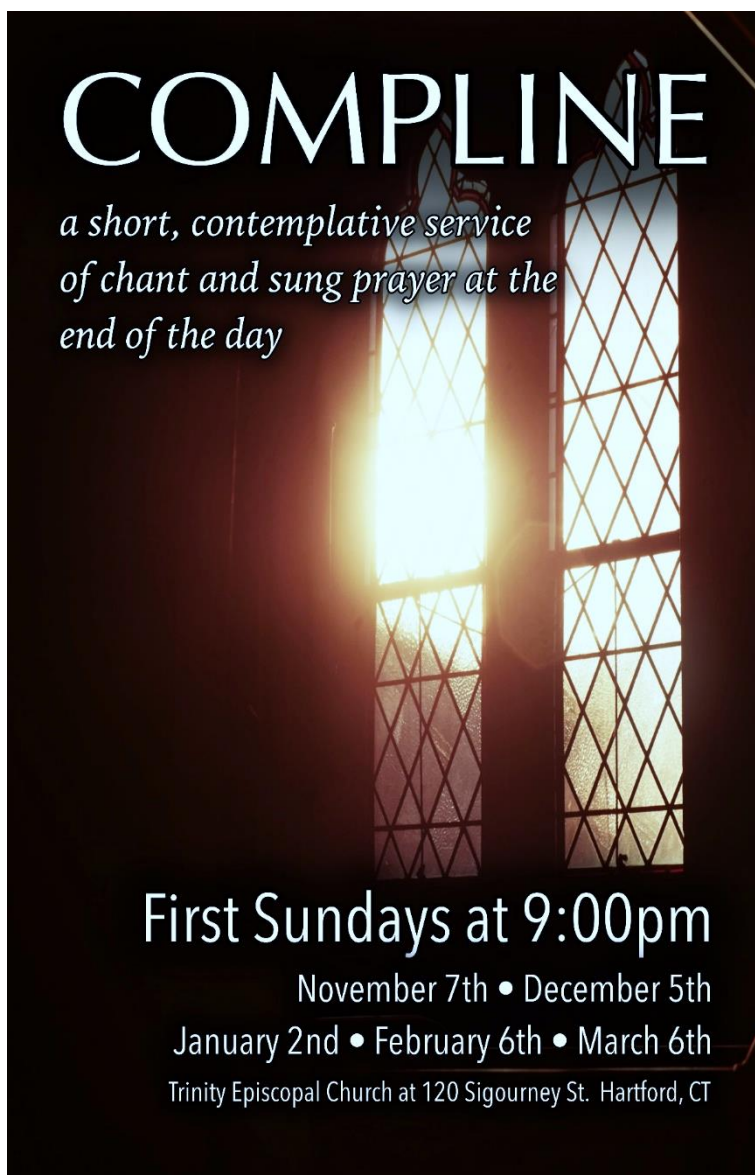
Thank you to all the parishioners who were able to support the Holy Land Giving tree this Advent. \$485 was raised through the selling of ornaments and these monies were sent directly to American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem for the Ahli Hospital in Gaza. The Outreach Team, now called Faith in Action, will be sending an additional \$515 to AFEDJ to make our contribution a total of \$1000. Supporting the Ahli Hospital has been a longstanding project of the parish and supporting this needy hospital is so vital to its ministry.

Thank you again.

Kate Smith for Faith in Action

## TONIGHT! 9:00 P.M. - Christmas Compline

Join us for our third monthly service of Compline. This late-night service of choral music is held in a darkened sanctuary and will feature Christmas choral works sung in an intimate atmosphere of candles and prayer.



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## Greening and "de-Greening" the Church

### Thanks from the Altar and Flower Guilds, and a Request

Many thanks to those who helped out on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> with our Greening of the Church. It looked lovely for Christmas Eve and the Sundays of Christmas. We are now asking your help for the "de-Greening."

Today, please pick up and take home a poinsettia after church. Percy Williamson will be there to hand you one after the 10 am service so that we can maintain social distance.

Next Sunday, 9 January, after worship there will be banners to be changed, wreathes and garlands to be stored away, and manger scenes to be packed up. Please consider spending a few minutes after the 10 am service to aide our transition from Christmas to Epiphany.

## **The Companions of the Holy Cross, Hartford Chapter** **An invitation to a virtual information meeting**

We are a Christ centered group of women who are “called by God to a life of prayer, transformation and reconciliation within ourselves, within our Companionship, within our faith communities and within the whole of creation.”



Join us to learn more about the group, what called us to join, and what being a member has meant to us. For many, this spiritual friendship has been life changing!

We have planned two meeting times:

Saturday, January 15, from 3:30-4:30 pm or Sunday, January 16th, from 7:00-8:00 pm

Contact Kate Smith at [Kate48smith@comcast.net](mailto:Kate48smith@comcast.net) for meeting information.

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### **Women Together**

In the new year, Women Together begins a new, 7-week series on the book *The Cloister Walk* by Kathleen Norris. All women are welcome to attend. Currently, women from Trinity, St. Monica's, St. John's, and friends attend this weekly discussion and fellowship group. The meetings take place on Tuesdays, beginning January 4th, from 2:00-3:15 in the Reception Room at St. John's, with all attendees wearing masks. At the meeting on Jan. 4th, we'll cover pages 1-52. For more information, please contact Cathy Rowe ([crowedy@yahoo.com](mailto:crowedy@yahoo.com)) or Linda MacGougan ([macgougans@gmail.com](mailto:macgougans@gmail.com)).

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### **Adult Christian Formation** **Confronting Social Injustice as a Christian**

We hear almost daily about injustice in our society and around the world. If you sometimes wonder how our Christian faith calls us to respond, you are not alone.

Join us on Sunday, January 9, when Rev. Dr. Frank Kirkpatrick presents a forum on Christian ethical principles for confronting social injustice. This forum will take place on Zoom after the worship service. Stay tuned for more details!

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### **Update On Our New Afghan Family**

Trinity's new Afghan family has now been here in town for almost two months. They arrived, tired and hungry but excited nonetheless, on the night of November 9: mom Saheba, dad Ferooz, 7-1/2 y/o Abna, her brothers 6-y/o brother Abdul, 4-y/o Mohammad, and 3-y/o Amjad, and new-born sister Zoya. After a harrowing escape from Kabul in late August and a stint at a military base in Virginia, they are settling into their new life. Mom and Dad are eagerly learning English and Abna and Abdul are thriving in first grade and kindergarten, respectively. They have made friends at their ESOL class at Htfd. Public Library and at a local mosque. All four kids and their parents have mastered the ABC song and are delighted to sing it for anyone who comes to their door!

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who has donated money, furnishings, and time to help settle this family. We'll keep you posted on their progress!

Anne Rapkin, for Trinity's Refugee Resettlement Committee

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

9:00 P.M.

### The Second Sunday after Christmas

Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

Compline (Church)

### Thursday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

12:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M.

### Feast of the Epiphany

Noonday Eucharist (Church)

Intercessory Prayer Partners Meeting (Zoom)

### Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>

7:00 P.M.

NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)

### Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

10:00 A.M.

Sanctuary Stitchers (Zoom)

### Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

11:30 A.M.

### The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

Adult Christian Formation presentation by

The Rev. Frank Kirkpatrick –

“Christian Ethical Principles for Confronting Social Injustice”  
(Zoom)



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