

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 4, 2022

10:00 A.M.

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	<u>Masks at indoor services are strongly encouraged.</u>
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 are available at each Sanctuary entrance. Each week the coloring sheet will highlight an 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 <i>The Hymnal 1982</i> (the red book on the shelf under the chair in front of you) or in <i>Lift Every Voice and Sing II</i> (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.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

DECEMBER 4, 2022

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

O Oriens

Cecilia MacDowell (b. 1951)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Hymnal 1982 #67



1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er



saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry



ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



tell her that her sins I cov - er,
let the val - leys rise to meet him
and all flesh shall see the to - ken



and her war - fare now is o - ver.
and the hills bow down to greet him.
that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Psalm 42*, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. *Hymnal 1982*.

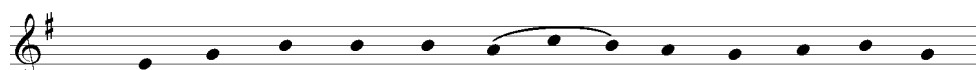
Presider Blessed be the one, holy and living God.
 People *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

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

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
 Verses 3 and 4


1982 Hymnal #56



(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 (Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 (Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 (Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the
ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him,
and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

People Thanks be to God.



- 1 Give the King your / justice, O / God, *
- and your / righteousness to the / King's / Son;
- 2 That he may rule your / people / righteously *
- / and the / poor with / justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring pros/perity to the / people, *
- and the / little / hills bring / righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy a/mong the / people; *
- he shall rescue the / poor and / crush the op/pressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and / moon en/dure, *
- from one gener/ation /to an/other.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the / mown / field, *
- like / showers that / water the / earth.

Verse 7 sung to second half of chant

- 7 In his time shall the / righteous / flourish; *
- there shall be abundance of peace till the / moon shall / be no / more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the / God of / Israel, *
- who a/lone does / wondrous / deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious / Name for / ever! *
- and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
- / Amen. / A/men.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name”;

and again he says,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples praise him”;
and again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse shall come,
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

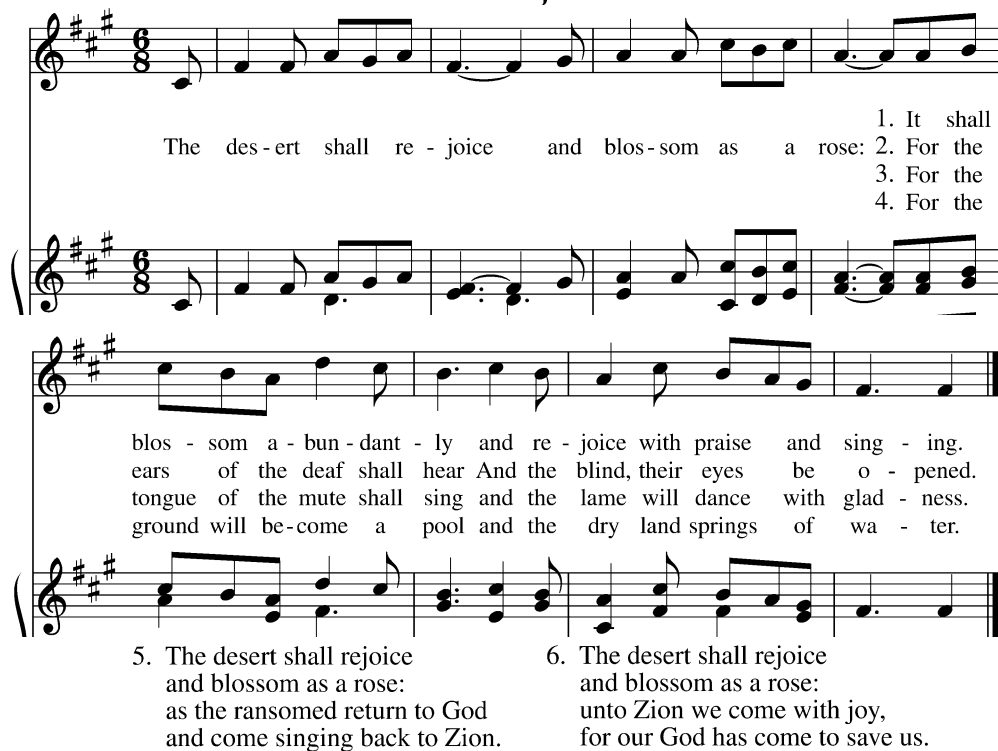
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

The Desert Shall Rejoice

WLP #722



The des - ert shall re - joice and blos - som as a rose: 1. It shall
2. For the
3. For the
4. For the
blos - som a - bun - dant - ly and re - joice with praise and sing - ing.
ears of the deaf shall hear And the blind, their eyes be o - pened.
tongue of the mute shall sing and the lame will dance with glad - ness.
ground will be - come a pool and the dry land springs of wa - ter.
5. The desert shall rejoice and blossom as a rose:
as the ransomed return to God and come singing back to Zion.
6. The desert shall rejoice and blossom as a rose:
unto Zion we come with joy,
for our God has come to save us.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

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

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the
kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he
said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Frank Kirkpatrick

Silence for reflection.

THE NICENE CREED

From Enriching Our Worship*

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;

*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).

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM II

BCP 385

In the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed, especially David Scott, in whose memory the Aumbry candle is lit this week, Cesar Deaza-Escobar and Jonas Deaza-Escobar killed in Hartford, and all killed by gun violence in the past week. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Intercessor Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People *Amen.*

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

Thou Wintry Earth

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*Awake, thou wintry earth, fling off, fling off thy sadness;
ye vernal flowers laugh forth, laugh forth your ancient gladness.
A new and lovely tale through-out the land is spread;
it floats o'er hill and dale to tell that death is dead.
Descended to the grave, where our beloved lie sleeping,
has Christ returned to save our heart from woe and weeping.
O earth, break forth and sing, renew thy bright array,
with fairest blooms of spring bestrew the Saviour's way.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

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 him thanks and praise.*

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

1982 Hymnal #S130

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 -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

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,

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 children; 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

Presider

All

AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 #S164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

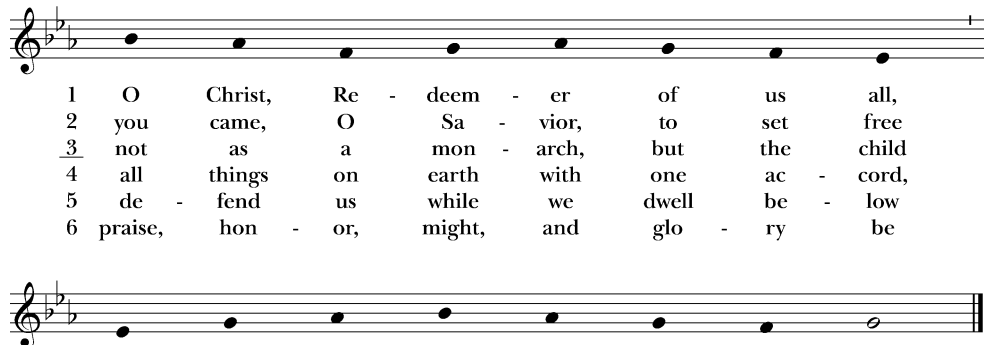
All are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail. If you would like to have a blessing instead of receiving Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available on request. We are offering wine and grape juice by intinction only. Please remember that if you do not wish to receive wine, receiving Bread only imparts the full benefit of the Sacrament.

COMMUNION HYMN

Creator of the Stars of Night

1982 Hymnal #60

1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse
3 When this old world drew on toward night,
4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
* 6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,
1 your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
2 should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
3 you came; but not in splen - dor bright,
4 all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
5 re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
6 and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
 2 you came, O Sa - vior, to set free
 3 not as a mon - arch, but the child
 4 all things on earth with one ac - cord,
 5 de - fend us while we dwell be - low
 6 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be

1 we pray you hear us when we call.
 2 your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.
 3 of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
 4 like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.
 5 from all as - saults of our dread foe.
 6 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Words: Latin, 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Conditor alme siderum*, plainsong, Mode 4; acc. Bruce Neswick (b. 1956).

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

Presider

Let us pray.

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us
in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin.
People *Amen.*

Presider May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in
faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.
People *Amen.*

Presider May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be
rewarded with unending life.
People *Amen.*

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty, Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word, and Ever-abiding
Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.
People *Amen.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Hymnal 1982 #66

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmody Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

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

Toccata on Conditor Alme Siderum

Pietro Yon (1886-1943)

*You may choose to stay for the postlude (and express a spoken "amen" afterward if you'd like),
but it is never expected! You may leave after the final hymn if you'd rather.
Please feel comfortable to make whatever choice is best for you.*

8:00 am Worship in Advent

During the season of Advent the 8:00 am service will be Morning Prayer with Lectio Divina instead of a sermon. Lectio Divina is a guided meditation in Holy Scripture that seeks to help us connect prayerfully to where we are in this moment.

LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Jennifer Stephens and Zechariah Stephens-Walker; Kate Steven, Helen Strassner and Trinity Academy's board, teachers, principal, and students.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Thomas', Bethel; Christ Church, Bethlehem; Old St. Andrew's, Bloomfield; ministries to the homeless, for parishes that offer a temporary or permanent shelter. For Chapel on the Green, New Haven, Church by the Pond, Hartford, and all Ecclesia ministries.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East.

We pray for
Cheryl Russo
Esther
Nancy Miller
Winifred Costa
Jacqui Lucier
John E. Robinson
Grace Crooks
Jay W
Philip Green (son of Peter &
Anne Green)
Nora Baldwin
Stephanie Holland (niece of
Kitty Peterson)
Elizabeth Mackie
Sandy Cone Foley
J.B. Parke
Laurie Lavoie
Paulette McCurdy

Rhonda McKenzie
Carmen Belgrave
The Nielsen Family
Linda Cushner
Ann Deely
Kate Smith
Sam Hines and Yoleanna Russo
Juli Porter
Juhudi Mgombo
Fred Margeson
Jennifer Stephens
Zechariah Stephens
Katie Reynolds
Tori and Trevor Henry
Louise Krippenstapel
Carlene Lewis
Judy Miller
Valentina Moore
Helen Strassner

Lindsey Tengtenga
Alice Turcotte
Richard Green (brother of
Peter Green)
Donald Bowens (son of
Dianne Bowens-Waller)
Bill McMunn
Richard Alan Garver
Diane Bowens-Waller
Peter Vreeland
Raldah Stephens
Joan and Ean Walsh (family of
Jennifer Stephens)



The Aumbry Candle is lit during the week of December 4th to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Scott by his family.

Special Prayer Request

A member of our parish, Jacqui Lucier has advanced kidney disease and is in need of a transplant.

As we pray for Jacqui, we also ask that you prayerfully consider being screened as a potential kidney donor. **For more information about living organ donation and to sign up to be screened, please visit <https://nkr.org/SBB483>**. Please encourage your friends and family to consider donor screening.

+ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP +

The Rev. D. Littlepage – Presider
The Rev. Dr. Frank Kirkpatrick – Preacher

Readers

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM)
(10:00 AM)
Kate Byroade (10:00 AM)

Intercessor

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM)
(10:00 AM)

Ministers of Communion

Kate Byroade, Marcus Clark

Verger

Cathy Rowe

Acolytes

Jon Garcia, Kenny Okeke

Intercessory Prayer Team

Janet Wilkinson, Bill Kofalk

Director of Music

Michelle Horsley

Welcome/Announcements

Jacqui Lucier

Virtual Verger

Casey Rousseau, Jake Troiano

Altar Flowers

George Chien

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TODAY! ACF Forum: Episcopal Polity and Why it Matters at Trinity

Do you know how decisions get made in The Episcopal Church?

What in the world is “polity”?

Why does any of this matter here at Trinity?

Join us TODAY after the 10am service for an opportunity to learn more about how The Episcopal Church is organized and to discuss why that matters to our life together at Trinity. If you already have questions in mind that you would like addressed, please email them to Barbara (office at trinityhartford dot org) or call her at the office to submit them.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82995188584?pwd=ZVZLNFc5YXVVMW9leEpaZURiaWZzQT09>

Meeting ID: 829 9518 8584

Passcode: 378565

Or call in using 929 436 2866

Same meeting ID and passcode as above.

Announcements

More News from GODLY PLAY

The king who was coming is still coming.

This is full of mystery.

You know a mystery is hard to enter sometimes.

That is why this time of ADVENT is so important.



Sometimes people can walk right through a mystery and not even know it is there.

This time of year you will see people hurrying in the malls buying things and doing this and that.

They don't know how to get ready or maybe they just forgot.

Beginning today we will be taking a journey with the prophets, the Holy Family, the shepherds, the angels, the Magi and all the rest to make the journey that was not just back then. *IT IS NOW.*

Children of all ages are welcome into our Godly Play classroom each Sunday at 9:45 am and join the congregation about 10:40 am.

Trinity's 2022 "Giving Tree" Has Arrived! Your Help is Needed!

This Advent, we are continuing Trinity's tradition of a "Giving Tree" - a tree set up in the Sanctuary, loaded with tags that list wishes from students at Trinity Academy and children from the Adopt-A-Social Worker program of Covenant to Care.

Our tree is up, with tags for each of the children. Parishioners who wish to participate may choose a tag on this or a subsequent Sunday, purchase the item and place the gift under the tree by **Sunday 12/11**. We are committed to these children, and it is important that gifts be returned by this date so that they may be distributed.



As of last Sunday, there were still 3 gift tags waiting to be chosen from the Giving Tree

We will be providing:

- \$25 gift cards to either Target or Walmart for 18 students of Trinity Academy (Asylum Hill Congregational Church is providing gift cards for the other 18 students) and:
- Actual gifts as requested for 18 children through Covenant to Care.

With only 2 weeks to shop for and return the gifts, our elves will be busy! Please mark your calendars and plan to join in this festive event. Questions? Please contact Ruth Rose or Penny Pearson.

Save the Date! Sunday, December 11th 5:00 – 5:45 PM – Advent Choral Evensong at Trinity Church

Join The Choir School of Hartford and the Trinity Adult Choir as we observe Evensong, a candle-lit service of music and scripture in the Anglican tradition.

The service will include selections by Christopher Jennings, Vaughn Williams, and Rosephanye Powell.

Advent Reflection Series

You are invited to journey through Advent with *The Womb of Advent* by The Rev. Mark Bozzuti-Jones. For each day of Advent, there is a mantra, Scripture reading, questions for reflection, and a spiritual exercise.

Beginning on Thursday December 1st and each Thursday in Advent, you are invited to join a 7 am zoom call to share what has touched you and what has challenged you in your prayer and reflection over the past week. Additionally, you can join in discussion anytime you would like by going to trinityhartford.wordpress.com and adding a comment on the relevant post. In order to allow for relatively private and open sharing, the reflection posts will be password protected. To receive the password, please call Barbara at 860-527-8133 Ext. 204 or email her at office at [trinityhartford dot org](mailto:trinityhartford.org).

Copies of the book will be available after Church or may be picked up from the office by arrangement with Barbara.

Thursday Morning Zoom Information: Meeting ID 880 7395 3968 Passcode 996527
Call in phone number 929-436-2866

Thank You For Sewing Supplies For Saheba!

Saheba wants to express her gratitude to the generous people in this parish who have donated supplies for her soon-to-open home dress-making business. All that we are still looking for are dress-maker's forms: one for an adult woman and one for a girl. If you have any connections you could use to obtain one or both dressmaker's forms, please let me know.

Anne Rapkin, 860-521-5992

Needed: Toddler-Sized Stroller For Zoya

After a year's heavy use by three Dadwall kids, their stroller is on the verge of collapsing. The little boys are now big enough to walk on their own but one-year-old Zoya is not. If you have access to a used stroller in good condition, please let me know as soon as you can.

Anne Rapkin, 860-521-5992

Manger Scenes for the Christmas Season at Trinity



A tradition at Trinity Church is decorating the windowsills in our nave with manger scenes (also called creches or nativities). Before and during the season of Advent, we invite people to bring in manger scenes. You are welcome to loan or to donate creches. These may be old family pieces; they may be newly acquired. We are especially interested in a variety of ethnic heritages and/or national traditions and in various styles of art and design. Please consider adding your touch of color to our display as we celebrate the Incarnation of the Word in human flesh and family.

The Trinity Flower Guild has responsibility for seasonal decorations in the church. We

are happy to receive gifts of nativity sets, which we will store and use again in following years. We also welcome the loan of manger scenes which you take back home after the Epiphany celebration. If you have questions please contact George Chien or Percy Williamson, Flower Guild Coordinators.

The Greening of the Church

*People look east, the time is near,
of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
trim the hearth and set the table.
People look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.
~~Eleanor Farjeon*

Each year on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, after the 10 AM service, the Nave of Trinity Church is transformed from Advent Blue to a festal display of red, white, gold, and green. There are banners to be changed, wreaths and garlands to be hung, and much more. Many volunteer hands and hearts help this joyful work to go forward quickly. Please plan on Sunday, the 18th of December, to get your after-church coffee and refreshments and then join us in the Nave to prepare the space for the celebrations that will follow on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.



Holy Land Giving Tree AFEDJ - Help for Ahli Hospital

The Holy Land Giving Tree will again be set up in Goodwin Hall (Coffee hour is back!). The Outreach team will offer pictures of the needy children of the Diocese of Jerusalem, and festive olive wood ornaments for your own tree or as a gift. Your donations support the Ahli Hospital in Gaza where all people are in great need of medicine, electricity and everyday items. This is our international outreach to a place where our own religion began. Covid 19, as well as the usual unrest, has made this a very bad time for all who live in Gaza. Donations are sent to the hospital through the Diocese of Jerusalem. If you can't make it to church, we ask that all checks be made out to AFEDJ (American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem) with Ahli Hospital in the memo and sent to the church office. All money is sent weekly, directly to the AFEDJ Center.

Our tree will be set up in Goodwin Hall for 3 Sundays: December 4, 11, and 18. Please stop by!

In addition there is an online Advent Calendar from AFEDJ with a dose of joy and hope in a daily email message available to anyone who signs up [HERE \(https://www.afedj.org/advent\)](https://www.afedj.org/advent). "Each day offers a window into lives and ministries of today's Holy Land Christians ... through brief videos, interviews, photos, and prayers." See what is happening in the Diocese of Jerusalem!

Christmas Flowers and Music



If you would like to contribute to the 2022 Christmas flowers and music in memory of a friend or family member, or as an offering of thanksgiving, **please fill out the form below and send it to the parish office, along with your check, by Monday, December 19.** Checks, which may be for any amount, should be made payable to Trinity Church and earmarked "Christmas Memorials." Names of those in whose memory contributions have been made will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletins.



TRINITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS 2022

I enclose a check for \$_____ for the Trinity Church Christmas flowers and music in memory of/thanksgiving for:

(Please print)

Contributed by: Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Designate my contribution for (check one): ☐ Flowers ☐ Music ☐ 50/50 Flowers & Music



Advent and Christmas at Trinity

December 8, 15, 22
Thursdays in Advent
7:00 *am*

Advent Reflection Series
(via Zoom)

December 11
5:00 *pm*

Advent Choral Evensong
(Church)

December 16
7:00 *pm*

Blue Christmas Service of Remembrance
(Church)

December 18
After the 10:00 am service

Greening of the Church
(Church)

December 24
5:00 *pm*
9:30 *pm*
10:00 *pm*

Christmas Eve Eucharist
Children and Family Service
Choral Prelude
Christmas Eucharist (with use of incense)

December 25
10:00 *am*

Christmas Day
Christmas Morning Eucharist

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 4th	The Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Rite II (Church)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
11:30 A.M.	ACF Forum – Episcopal Polity (Church and Zoom)
Tuesday, December 6th	
2:00 P.M.	Women Together (St. John's)
6:00 P.M.	Choir School Rehearsal (Church)
Thursday, December 8th	
7:00 A.M.	Advent Reflection (Zoom)
12:00 P.M.	Noonday Prayer (Chapel)
6:00 P.M.	Choir School Rehearsal (Church)
7:00 P.M.	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)
Friday, December 9th	
7:00 P.M.	NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)
Sunday, December 11th	The Third Sunday of Advent
8:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Rite II (Church)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
5:00 P.M.	Advent Choral Evensong (Church)

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