

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 11, 2022

10:00 A.M.

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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.

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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

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10:00 A.M.

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PRELUDE

Noel Huron

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Hymnal 1982 #57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his  
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
crs; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.


Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Helmsey*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Presider  
People


Blessed be the one, holy and living God.  
*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.



(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.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People Amen.*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

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

## CANTICLE 15

BCP 91



(My soul) /proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
 my spirit rejoices in God my / Savior; \*  
 for he has looked with favor on his / lowly servant.  
 From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
 the Almighty has done great things / for me,  
 and holy / is his Name.  
 He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
 in every gene/ration.  
 He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
 he has scattered the proud in / their conceit.  
 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
 and has lifted up the / lowly.  
 He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
 and the rich he has sent a/way empty.  
 He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
 for he has remembered his promise of / mercy.  
 The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
 to Abraham and his children / for ever.  
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy / Spirit: \*  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. / Amen.

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

## SEQUENCE HYMN

## Hail to the Lord's Anointed

WLP #616



1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:  
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Gospeler      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People          Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Gospeler      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People          Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

SERMON

The Rev. D. Littlepage

*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.

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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).

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.

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, 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

BLESSING OF THE GIFTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Gustav Holst

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

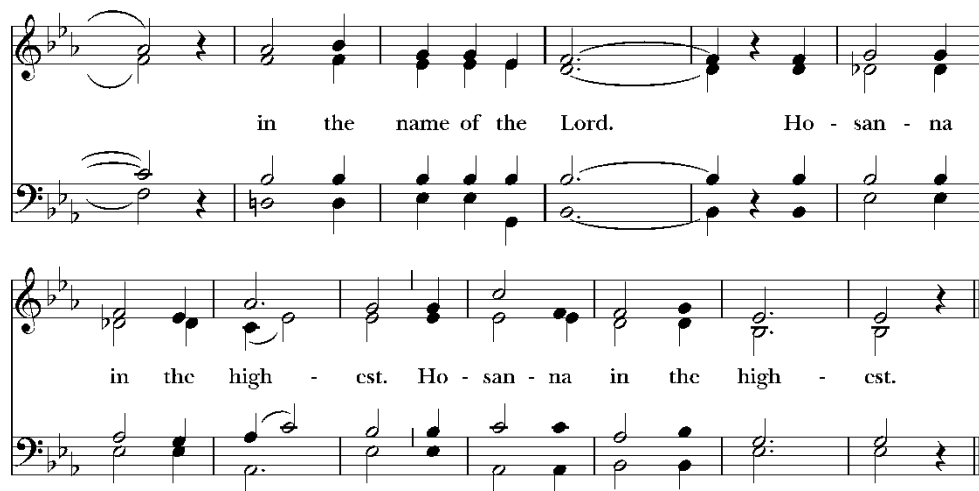
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

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



*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*        **AMEN.**

Presider  
All

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 MUSIC

Midwinter

Bob Chilcott

Olivia Mogor, Krista Mogor, and Julieta Bido-Jimenez

*In the bleak mid-winter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, in the bleak mid-winter long ago.*

*Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign:  
In the bleak mid-winter a stable-place sufficed the Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.*

*Enough for Him, whom cherubim worship night and day, a breastful of milk, and a mangerful of hay;  
Enough for Him, whom angels fall down before, the ox and ass and camel which adore.*

*Angels and archangels may have gathered there, cherubim and seraphim thronged the air -  
But only His mother in her maiden bliss worshiped the Beloved with a kiss.*

*What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man I would do my part; Yet what I can, I give Him - give my heart.*

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.*

1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom - ise  
 2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; high - er yet that star a -  
 3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morn - ing seems to

are. Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, see that glo - ry -  
 scends. Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its  
 dawn. Trav - eler, dark - ness takes its flight, doubt and ter - ror

beam - ing star. Watch-man, does its beau - teous ray  
 course por - tends. Watch-man, will its beams a - lone  
 are with - drawn. Watch-man, let thy wan - derings cease;

aught of joy or hope fore - tell? Trav-eler, yes; it  
 gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav-eler, a - ges  
 hie thee to thy qui - et home. Trav-eler, lo! the

brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.  
 are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.  
 Prince of Peace, lo! the Son of God is come!

*Two groups may sing antiphonally, alternating by sentences.*

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872). Music: *Aberystwyth*, Joseph Parry (1841-1903).

## 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 Fantasia on In Dulci Jubilo, BWV 729 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*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.

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## LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Sheldon & Riley Sutton and Shannon Lee; Lindsey, Ngoni and Sekai Tengtenga; Jannel, Shquia, Jordan, Malik, Aaliyanna and Matthew Thomas.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Stephen’s, Bloomfield; St. George’s, Bolton; Trinity, Branford; Calvary St. George’s, Bridgeport; those who advocate at the local, state, national, or global level for the poor, the lonely, and the oppressed.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya.

We pray for  
Tony Charron Vreeland  
(son of Peter Vreeland)  
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)

## 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. Horace Johnson – Presider**  
**The Rev. D. Littlepage– Preacher**

**Readers**

David Pontrelli (8:00 AM)  
Kate Smith (10:00 AM)  
Suzanne Blancaflor (10:00 AM)

**Intercessor**  
(10:00 AM)

**Ministers of Communion**  
Mark MacGougan, Marcus Clark

**Verger**  
Roy McAlpine

**Acolytes**

Jon Garcia

**Intercessory Prayer Team**  
Kitty Peterson, Anne Rapkin

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# Announcements

**Today! Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**

**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.

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## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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.

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

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## Church by the Pond on December 17

Trinity's holiday opportunity to participate in this ministry led by Christ Church Cathedral is **Saturday, December 17.**

- We'll meet in the Trinity kitchen at 12:30 to prepare bag lunches, entering though the outside door to the kitchen.
- At 1:45 we'll bring those lunches to Bushnell Park, where we'll participate in the worship service by the pond, led by Rev. D.
- We'll distribute our lunches and holiday personal care items following the service, and finish around 3:00.

All parishioners and families are welcome. Volunteers will observe mask and social distancing protocols in the kitchen, and Cathedral mask protocol in effect at the time for in-person worship at the park.

Please contact Penny Pearson if you have any questions, or to let her know you are planning to participate ([pennypearson@comcast.net](mailto:pennypearson@comcast.net), 860-243-0020).

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## Communion for the Sick or Homebound

If you or a parishioner you know would like to be added to the list for at-home communion, please call the office and speak with Barbara (860-527-8133 ext 204) or email office at [trinityhartford.org](http://trinityhartford.org).

## The Greening of the Church

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, wreathes 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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## 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. 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 2 Sundays: December 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!

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## Notes on Year End Giving

For your contributions of cash or checks to appear on your 2022 year-end statement, please note the following. If you are dropping off a check, it must be **received in the Trinity Church office by Thursday, December 29**. Anything mailed must be postmarked by 12/31/2022 and any on-line contributions must be in by 12/31/2022.

If you plan to donate by stock to Trinity Church, please contact Financial Manager, Fran Times-Mack at [ftimesmack@trinityhartford.org](mailto:ftimesmack@trinityhartford.org) or 860-527-8133 ext. 206 before you or your broker initiate the stock transfer. Stock transfers can take up to two weeks.

**REMINDER: Please make every attempt to turn in your 2023 Pledge Card before the year's end.**  
Please contact the office ([office at trinityhartford.org](http://trinityhartford.org)) if you need a pledge card.

**Thank you for your support of Trinity Church!**



## Christmas Pageant 2022

Trinity's Christmas Pageant will be held on Christmas Eve at the 5:00 pm service. If your child (or you) would like to participate, please contact Amity Gaike at [awgaige@gmail.com](mailto:awgaige@gmail.com).

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## THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT: The Trinity Church Cookbook

*A Taste of Trinity: Recipes from Around the World* is a special cookbook, representing recipes from the many countries and American regions represented by the Trinity parish--the Caribbean Islands, Denmark, Eastern Europe, Germany, Great Britain, Guyana, India, Italy, Nigeria, the Middle East, the American South and Southwest, and New England. *A Taste of Trinity* contains 140 recipes for breads, main dishes, vegetarian specialties, and desserts, many of them perfect for Christmas dinner.

If you would like to purchase a copy of *A Taste of Trinity*, please contact Barbara Roos in the Trinity Office or Anne Rapkin (860-521-5992, [anne.rapkin@gmail.com](mailto:anne.rapkin@gmail.com)).

Copies of the cookbook will be on sale after both the 8:00am and 10:00am services on December 11 and 18.

\$12 per copy or \$10 each for three or more copies. Please note that all sale proceeds are dedicated to Kateri Medical Mission, which provides basic medical and dental services to under-served people in towns and rural areas of Nigeria.

## Weekly Calendar

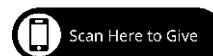
<b>Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Third Sunday of Advent</b>
8:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Rite II (Church)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
5:00 P.M.	Advent Choral Evensong (Church)
<b>Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup></b>	
5:00 P.M.	ACF Meeting (Zoom)
<b>Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup></b>	
2:00 P.M.	Women Together (St. John's)
6:00 P.M.	Choir School Rehearsal (Church)
<b>Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup></b>	
7:00 P.M.	Property Team Meeting (Zoom)
<b>Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	
7:00 A.M.	Advent Reflection (Zoom)
12:00 P.M.	Noonday Eucharist (Chapel)
6:00 P.M.	Choir School Rehearsal (Church)
7:00 P.M.	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)
<b>Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup></b>	
7:00 P.M.	Blue Christmas Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
7:00 P.M.	NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)
<b>Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>
8:00 A.M.	Morning Prayer Rite II (Church)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
11:30 A.M.	Greening of the Church (Church)

## Vestry of Trinity Church

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