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# **Trinity Episcopal Cathedral**

Our Mission is to welcome all people to know and live as Christ in the world.

On behalf of all the people of Trinity we are glad that God has led you to worship here today. We look forward to getting to know you, especially if you are visiting for the first time. We hope you will come back soon!

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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# Service of the Word

Prelude: Veni, Veni Emmanuel arr. by Gerald Near

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

**Processional:** Comfort, Comfort Ye My People arr. Gordon

**Opening Acclamation** 

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People:* And Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Collect for Purity BCP, page 355

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

People: Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Hymn: One Candle is Lit, vs. 2 - Cantor: Brandon Bishop

:: Brandon Bishop Text: Mary Anne Parrott

 Come quickly, shalom, teach us how to prepare for a gift that compels us with justice to care.
 Our spirits are restless till sin and war cease.
 One candle is lit for the reign of God's peace.

Leader: Today is the second Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of Peace.

People: Our Peace is in God's son, Jesus Christ.

Leader: We light this candle today to remind us that Christ is our Prince of Peace and the peace of the

world

People: We thank you, God, for your promise made to us and for the light you have

brought into the world.

Collect of the Day BCP, page 211

Celebrant: The Lord be with you **People:** And also with you

Celebrant: 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 forever. Amen.

People: Amen.

# The First Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Malachi Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16 BCP, page 92

#### The Song of Zechariah Benedictus Dominus Deus

(Read responsively by half verse. Please respond with the Bold verses.)

Luke 1: 68-79

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*

he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*

born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,

that he would save us from our enemies, \*

from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, \*

holy and righteous in his sight

all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation \*

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God \*

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. The Second Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Philippians

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

The Sequence: There's A Voice in the Wilderness Crying Hymnal 75

The Holy Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest: In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis,

and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the

words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Ruth Hanusa

The Nicene Creed BCP, page 358

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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

and was made man.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

# **Prayers for Advent**

(following Form IV – BCP, Page 388)

Leader: 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)

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

Leader: Guide the people of this land, especially Joe, our President; Steve, our governor; and Hillary and Ed

our mayors, and leaders of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one

another and serve the common good.

(Silence)

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

Leader: 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)

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

Leader: 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)

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

Leader: 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. We pray for those on our parish "Prayer for

Healing" list: Michael, Joy, Nancy, Ruth, Vonnie, Gary, Janet, Donna Jean, and Whitney and Family.

(Silence)

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

Leader: 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. We pray for the Repose of the Souls

of: Elmer, and Mary, Sylvia, Donna, Jan, and Mark.

(Silence)

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

Celebrant: Gracious Lord, during this blessed season of Advent as we prepare our hearts, lives, and homes for

your coming, may we seek to be a presence of hope, peace, joy and love, especially in our community and among this broken and dissonant world where there is a cry for healing, restoration, and new life. Use our hearts, hands, feet and lives to serve wherever there is need, that in us the face of Christ may

be seen. In his Name we pray.

People: Amen.

#### The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Silence is kept, then all say together)

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

*People:* 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.

Celebrant: 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

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Sentence: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

The Offertory Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arr. by Gilbert Martin

# The Service of the Meal

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken) Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP, pages 367-369

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: Cantor Holy, Holy, Holy S-130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosana in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosana in the highest.

Celebrant:

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,

People: We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant:

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. **AMEN**.

# The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

BCP, page 364

People: Our Father ...

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ out Passover is sacrificed for us;

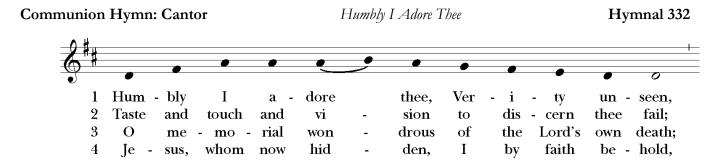
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

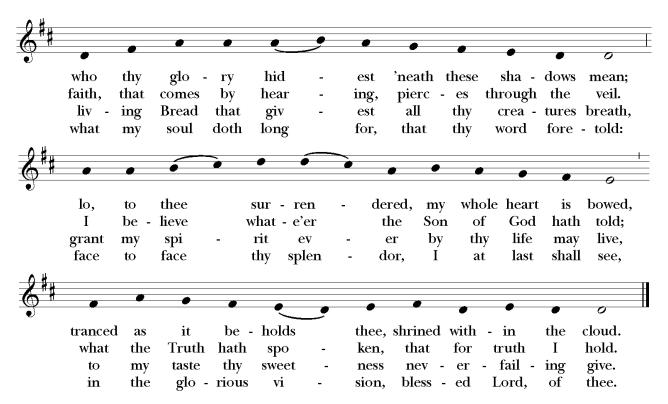


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# The Invitation

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.





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# The Prayer after Communion (Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: 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

Celebrant: May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and

the blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain

with you always.

People: Amen.

Recessional: On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry Hymnal 76

**Dismissal** 

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude:

# Participants in Today's Worship

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Ruth Hanusa, Canon for Parish Life

**Assisting:** Dave Bennum

Musicians: Dr. Gary Gordon, Director of Music & Organist, Brandon Bishop, Cantor

Prayer Minister: Nancy Richards

**Lectors:** Dave Bennum and Nancy Richards **Ushers:** Steve Peeck and Gene Nelson

Next Week's Scripture Readings: (Advent 2): Zephaniah 3:14-20; Canticle 9; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

# Weekly Calendar:

# Monday, December 6

- Morning Prayer with Juliette Leneaux via Zoom 7:30 AM
- Sack Lunch 9:30 AM
- Centering (silent) Prayer with Joan Peyser in person and via Zoom 12:00 PM

# Tuesday, December 7

- Sack Lunch 9:30 AM
- Trinity Staff Meeting 2:00 PM

### Wednesday, December 8

- Morning Prayer with Juliette Leneaux via Zoom 7:30 AM
- Sack Lunch at 9:30 AM

# Thursday, December 9

- Sack Lunch 9:30 AM
- Seeds of Hope Support Group with Judy Landis 6:00 PM
- AA Support Group, Parish Office, Conf A 7:00 PM

### Friday, December 10

- Morning Prayer with Juliette Leneaux via Zoom 7:30 AM
- Sack Lunch 9:30 AM

### Saturday, December 11

- ALOGM Breakfast 8:00 AM
- DFW Lunch 1:30 PM
- Eucharist 5:00 PM: Celebrant and Preacher Rev. Marla Asson

### Sunday, December 12 (Advent 3)

- Bible & Books 9:00 AM
- Eucharist at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM (Contemporary) and 11:00 AM (in-person and live-streamed): Celebrant and Preacher: Rev. Marla Asson; Prayer Minister Pat Gardner; Lectors: Mary Nelson and Pat Gardner
- Sunday School 9:55 AM
- Bella Voce Concert 4:00 PM

# CHRISTMAS Poinsettias and Greenery for our Decorating

Every year the Altar Guild does a wonderful job decorating the Church for Christmas. The beautiful Crèche, flowers, and candles are an important part of our worship during the Christmas Season. Your donations (in any amount) help fund the flowers and greenery for Advent, Christmas, and other times of the year. Please complete the form below with your donation, make your check payable to Trinity Cathedral with the memo notation: "Christmas Decorations", and



mail it to PO Box 2246, Reno NV 89505 or drop off at the office. All donations received by Wednesday; December 22<sup>nd</sup> will be noted in the Christmas bulletins.

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# Warm Hearts, Warm Feet:

Trinity Cathedral's Sack Lunch Program provides meals for the homeless and those suffering from food insecurity in our community. Last year, the program provided more than 8100 sack lunches to those in need and so far this year, we've provided over 5700 sack lunches. The gratitude expressed by those we serve warms the hearts of our dedicated team of volunteers. **How can I help? --** Volunteers assemble and hand out sack lunch meals once or twice a month, 9:30 am to 10:30 am, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Check your schedule and if you are interested, contact Nancy Richards at <a href="mailto:ornursen@aol.com">ornursen@aol.com</a>.

The biggest request we hear from those we serve is for extra socks, especially during the winter months. Once again, the Sack Lunch Program volunteers plan to purchase new socks and distribute them to those in need. Every person we serve during the week before and after Christmas this year will receive new socks to show they are not forgotten as we celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We also plan to provide socks throughout next year to new faces who need our help. **How can I help?** -- If you can, please donate new socks or money to help offset the cost for the purchase of socks. Make your check payable to Trinity Episcopal Cathedral and write "Socks" in the memo line on the check. Donations may be mailed or dropped off at the Cathedral office and are requested no later than December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Richards at <a href="mailto:ornursen@aol.com">ornursen@aol.com</a> or Ken Hines at kchwdc1@yahoo.com.

# Prayers for the Week of December 5:

Healings for the Trinity Parish Family: Michael Patterson, Joy Hamilton, Nancy Fitzgerald, Ruth Frazier, Vonnie Kirk, Dr. Gary Gordon, Janet Ross, Donna Jean Dunseath, and Whitney Brown and Family.

Healing for Family & Friends: Dave Bias (L. Campbell), Janet Rice (J. Carbon), Marsha Flowers (J. Carbon), Charles W. Kirk (V. &L. Kirk), and Abby Becker (P. Becker).

Additional prayers are made for friends and neighbors (not named here but submitted to the Prayer Chain for daily prayer).

Repose of the Soul: Elmer R. (J. Carbon), Mary J. Morgan, Sylvia Suen, Donna Davis, Jan Tremewan, and Mark Lardner.

(Please Note: names on "The Healing for Friends & Family" list rotate out monthly, except those for whom healing prayers are still requested. Please notify the office to submit, remove, or retain names.)

USA Military on Active Duty: Christian, David, Danny, Harry, Matthew, Joe, and Sally.

Other Prayer Concerns: For individuals and communities impacted by COVID-19; for all frontline workers; for hospitals and staff needing to make difficult decisions; for COVID-19 vaccination programs; for healing for this country from racial prejudice and injustice, gun violence, and natural disasters (fires and floods); and the people of Afghanistan, especially the women and children.

# Prayers for our Cathedral Vestry and Staff:

**Vestry:** Howard Bennett, Terry Cain (*Junior Warden*), Lindsay Campbell (*Assisting Tresurer*), Cleta Dillard (*Secretary*), Kait Flocchini (*Legal Counsel & Clerk*), Gary Fuller, Brandon Harjer, Carolyn Hoffmann, Eloy Ituarte, Jim Lamb (*Senior Warden*), John Lilley, David Morgan (*Treasurer*), and Margaret Zuccarini.

**Staff:** The Rev. Ruth Hanusa, Canon for Parish Life; The Rev. Dr. Julius Rogina, Associate Priest; Dr. Gary Gordon, Director of Music and Organist; Judy Landis, Christian Education Director and EYC Leader, Molly Hogan Vatinel, Cathedral Administrator.