



Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday, November 30, 2024
First Week of Advent

*Indicates please stand as you are able

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: **Amen.**

KYRIE

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your
 Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.
 Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.
 mer - cy. A - men.

SONG OF PRAISE

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
 vs 1 & 2

ELW #257

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1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
 and ransom captive Israel,
 that mourns in lonely exile here
 until the Son of God appear.

Refrain
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to you, O Israel.

2. O come, O Wisdom from on high,
embracing all things far and nigh:
in strength and beauty come and stay;
teach us your will and guide our way. *Refrain*

KID'S SERMON & OFFERING

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CANDLE LIGHTING

L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe. You call all nations to walk in your light and to seek your ways of justice and peace, for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near. Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath. Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes and welcome him into our hearts and homes, for he is our light and our salvation.

C: **Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

READING

JEREMIAH 33:14-16

L: A reading from Jeremiah 33

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING

LUKE 21:25-36

L: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 21

²⁵There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." ²⁹Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SONG OF THE DAY

"Just As I Am"

Batchelder Bradbury, Travis Cottrell,
David Moffitt & Sue C Smith
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1. Just as I am without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee
O Lamb of God I come I come

2. Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot
O Lamb of God I come I come

Chorus

I come broken to be mended
I come wounded to be healed
I come desperate to be rescued
I come empty to be filled
I come guilty to be pardoned
By the blood of Christ the Lamb
And I'm welcomed with open arms praise God
Just as I am

3. Just as I am I would be lost
But mercy and grace my freedom bought
And now to glory in Your cross
O Lamb of God I come I come

Chorus

I come broken to be mended
I come wounded to be healed
I come desperate to be rescued
I come empty to be filled
I come guilty to be pardoned
By the blood of Christ the Lamb
And I'm welcomed with open arms praise God
Just as I am

Tag

Praise God, Just as I am

IMMIGRANT'S CREED

**I believe in Almighty God,
who guided the people in exile and in exodus,
the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon,
the God of foreigners and immigrants.**

I believe in Jesus Christ,
 a displaced Galilean,
 who was born away from his people and his home,
 who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger,
 and returning to his own country suffered the oppression
 of the tyrant Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power,
 who then was persecuted, beaten, and finally tortured,
 accused and condemned to death unjustly.
 But on the third day, this scorned Jesus rose from the dead,
 not as a foreigner but to offer us citizenship in heaven.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us,
 who speaks all languages, lives in all countries,
 and reunites all races.

I believe that the church is the secure home
 for the foreigner and for all believers who constitute it,
 who speak the same language and have the same purpose.
 I believe that the communion of the saints begins
 when we accept the diversity of the saints.

I believe in the forgiveness of sin, which makes us all equal,
 and in reconciliation, which identifies us more
 than does race, language, or nationality.

I believe that in the resurrection
 God will unite us as one people
 in which all are distinct
 and all are alike at the same time.

Beyond this world, I believe in life eternal
 in which no one will be an immigrant
 but all will be citizens of God's kingdom,
 which will never end. Amen.

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PRAYERS

REFRAIN:

For the heal-ing of the na-tions, we pray to you, O God.

heal - ing of the na - tions, we pray to you, O God.

VERSES 1 & 2

Leader

1 Ban-gla-desh and In-di-a, Tai-wan and
2 France and Spain, Swit-zer-land and

Assembly

Peace be yours.

Chi-na, Ja-pan and Hong Kong,
It-a-ly, Ro-ma-nia and Slo-ve-nia,

Peace be yours. Peace, be yours.

North and South Ko-re-a,
Czech and Slo-vak Re-pub-lics,

Peace be yours.

In-do-ne-sia, Vi-et Nam, Thai-land, Ma-
Rus-sia and Fin-land, Aus-tri-a and

Peace be yours.

lay-sia, Phil-ip-pines and Aus-tra-lia,
Hun-ga-ry; Cro-a-tia, Es-to-ni-a,

Peace be yours. Peace be yours.

Pap - u - a New Guin - ea, I - raq and I -
 Lat - vi - a and Po - land, Nor - way and

Peace be yours.

ran, Pal - es - tine and Is - ra - el,
 Swe - den, Ice - land and Den - mark,

Peace be yours. Peace be yours.

Af - ghan - i - stan, Jor - dan,
 Neth - er - lands and Ger - man - y,

Peace be yours.

Syr - i - a and Türkiye
 Ire - land and Eng - land.

Peace be yours.

GO TO REFRAIN, THEN VERSE 2
 GO BACK TO THE REFRAIN TO FINISH

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

MISSION MOMENT

*If you have a monetary offering, please place in the plate as you leave worship today,
or use this code to give electronically:*



OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night...

...gave it to the disciples, saying:

C: **Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.**

P: ...gave it for all to drink, saying:

C: **This cup is the new promise in my blood, shed for you and for all people, for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.**

LORD'S PRAYER

ELW pg. 112

Our Father in heaven, holy 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

"The Blessing"

Chris Brown, Cody Carnes,
Kari Jobe & Steven Furtick

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Verse

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus

Amen
Amen
Amen

Verse

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

Please depart in silence

Prayer List

Members

Patty Telleen
LouAnn DeLozier
Carol Arnold
Eileen Ackerson
Steve Cobb
Polly Sersen
Kent Garvin
Carol Hemken
Mary Alice Spelts
Shirley Garvin
Howard Smith
Cooper Hopkins
Mary Ann Armstrong
Madyson Hopkins

Friends & Family

Teresita Neilsen, family of Pat Wiedower
Tony & family of Martin, friends of Chris Mize
Eleanor & Ron Christopher & Callan, daughter of
Margaret & Jim Frye
Hattie Sears, friend of Dan Merz
Amy Goodhart, owner of Magpies Boutique & friend of
Ronda Simmons
Greta, sister of Ronda Simmons
Joe, cousin of Scott Simmons
Laura LePage, friend of Don & Jan Garman
Ami Watson, niece of Melanie Eber
Mort Larsen, uncle of Cheryl Dolan
Micah Goeglein, grandson of Howard & Lois Smith
Mother Rosean Amaral
Ailis McVearyy, grand-daughter of Carol Hemken
Beth Barnett, daughter of Carolyn & Eric Biedermann
Erin Slocum, daughter of Patty & Don Heyse

To watch a recorded service, go to <https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC>
Or visit our website and click on "To view recorded services click HERE!"

Guests and Visitors: A special welcome to you from Trinity's clergy and congregation members. We pray that this worship will bring you comfort, joy and renewal. All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion (gluten free wafers and juice are available). If you have any questions about the worship service or Trinity, our clergy or welcome table hosts are happy to help.

Your offering is your presence with us in community. We encourage you to fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate at the table as you enter or exit. Please pick up a 'Sweet Treat' welcome plate from the welcome desk as you leave, and join us again!

Parents and Caregivers: Please know that God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. Children are invited to bring one of our specially prepared "worship activity bags" into the worship service. They are available in the narthex as you enter the sanctuary. If you wish to step out with your child, the Family Break Room is just outside the worship space, where you can still view and hear the service. On Sunday, if you prefer, we also offer a fully trained Nursery staffed by Tiffany K. and Zoe K.

Special needs: Hearing-assistance devices are available during our services. Holy Communion can also be brought to the seats of those who are unable to come forward. Our Welcome Table Hosts can help with any of these special needs

In Ministry Today

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Rich Fennig
Worship Assistant: Vicki Volbrecht
Communion Prep:
Welcome Table Host:
Fellowship Host:
Bread Baker: Dan Merz
Flower Arrangement: Volunteers from
St Paul's Episcopal

Trinity's Clergy Leaders:

Pastor Rick Reiten & Deacon Katie Kline

Trinity's Staff:

Carrie Hansen	Music Coord. & Organist
Tessa Espinoza	Chancel Choir Director
Clinton Ellerbe	Saturday Worship Leader
Jill Hunt	Bells of Trinity Director
Brenda Harju	TLC Preschool Director
Brenda Moore	Financial Manager
Deana Andrist	Office Administrator
Amanda Backsen	Director of Communications & Volunteer Coord.
Claire Pickerel	AV Technician
Jennifer Reeve	Shared Children's Minister
Tiffany Klijewski	Nursery Coord.
Zoe Klaman	Nursery Attendant

Staff Emails are available on our website

Coming Up:

Wednesdays December 11 & 18
Holden Evening Prayer @ 6pm
Advent Soup Supper @ 6:30pm

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

Monday (Dec 2)

9:30 am Trinity Readers-Room 2/Zoom
12 pm Sermon Discussion-Fireside
6 pm Property-Fireside

Tuesday (Dec 3)

7:30 am Men's Breakfast @ The Breakfast Club
10 am Christmas Decorating
5:30 pm Social/Eco Justice
6:15 pm 301FP Social/Eco Justice

Wednesday (Dec 4)

Volunteer @ Irish Elementary
5:15 pm Bells of Trinity-Room 1
6 pm Holden Evening Prayer Service
6:30 pm Advent Soup Supper
7 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday (Dec 5)

8:30 am Interfaith Council-Fellowship Hall
9:30 am Bible Study-Room 2

Friday (Dec 6)

10 am Quilting Group-Room 2

Saturday (Dec 7)

5 pm Worship

Sunday (Dec 8) **Alternative Giving Fair!**

9 am Adult Forum-Room 2
9 am Confirmation-Fireside
9 am Sunday School-Room 3
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Fellowship

Trinity Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

Trinity Lutheran – ELCA is a welcoming and inclusive faith community.

We are Reconciling in Christ, which means we strive to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; and to work for racial equity and to commit to anti-racist work.

We welcome believers, seekers, and the curious, regardless of religious background. God makes no distinction based on race; ethnicity; immigration status; economic status; physical, mental, or developmental circumstances; or other life circumstances. God loves and welcomes all people.

Therefore, we welcome all people to the life of Christ at Trinity.

So, how can you learn more about Trinity?

Visit our website at www.trinitylutheranfc.org

Consider joining us for worship or one of our ministry events.

Contact one of our clergy for a chat.

We believe we are not a complete community, and that God is calling new people to join us and to find their place at Trinity.

We invite you join us on the journey of faith!

Saturdays at 5p.m. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

Sundays 10:30 a.m. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

Trinity is a welcoming faith community living together in God's love to share the joy of Jesus Christ.

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