THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 11, 2022, 11:15am





Welcome to Trinity Church

Welcome to Trinity Church Wall Street, a vibrant and growing Episcopal parish of more than 1,500 members. Over the past 325 years, the fabric of Trinity has been woven by the Spirit from the lives and gifts of diverse people; their desire to live their faith through worship, service, study, and stewardship; and the ever-evolving life of New York City itself.

Our parish is guided by its mission to share God's love for all people. Together, we seek to build relationships with one another and with our neighbors, to cultivate compassion, to deepen our knowledge and spiritual practices, to work for justice rooted in essential human dignity, and to live as conscientious contributors to the life of our city and the Anglican Communion worldwide. As we grow together in service and love, we know ourselves, first and foremost, as followers of Jesus.

We are delighted to welcome you today; thank you for the gift of your participation and prayers. If you are new to Trinity, please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy. All are warmly invited to join us for coffee hour at Parish Hall—behind the church and over the bridge.



About this Service

Advent

In the Episcopal Church, the season of Advent marks the beginning of the new liturgical year. The name of the four-Sunday season originates from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "to approach." During Advent, Christians joyfully await the coming of Jesus, a celebration commemorated on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, also known as Christmas Day. The season is full of expectation and preparation, not only for Christ's incarnation, but also for his promised "second coming" in majesty.

 $Sources: \textit{The Book of Common Prayer, An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, Revised Common Lectionary,} \ TCWS\ liturgical\ staff$

Preparation

Masks are welcome and encouraged but not required. We have masks available for those who wish to wear one.

Prelude

Carol of the Bells M. Leontovich (1877-1921), arr. Steve Kupferschmid

Hark! how the bells, sweet silver bells, all seem to say, "Throw cares away."

Christmas is here, bringing good cheer to young and old, meek and the bold.

Ding, dong, ding, dong, that is their song, with joyful ring, all caroling.

One seems to hear words of good cheer from everywhere, filling the air.

O, how they pound, raising the sound o'er hill and dale, telling their tale.

Gaily they ring while people sing songs of good cheer, Christmas is here!

Merry, Merry, Merry, Merry Christmas, Merry, Merry, Merry, Merry Christmas.

On, on they send, on without end, their joyful tone to every home.

Ding, dong, ding, dong!

-Peter J. Wilhousky (1902-1978)

Prepare Ye from Godspell

Stephen Schwartz (b. 1948)

Prepare ye the way of the Lord.

-Matthew 3:3 (Isaiah 40:3)

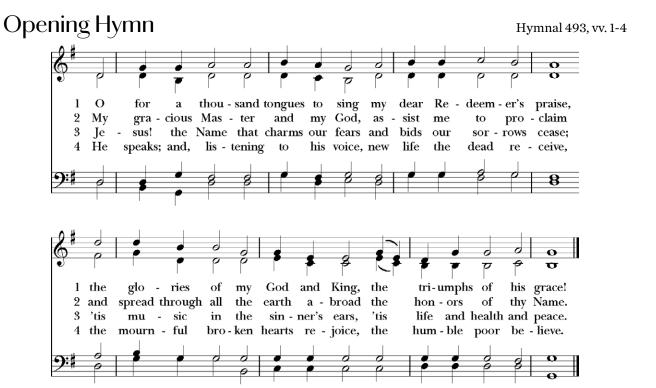
Spiritual, arr. Richard Walters

Mary Had a Baby

Mary had a Mary had a baby, my Lord. What did she call him, my Lord? He was called King Jesus, my Lord. Where was he born, my Lord? Laid him in a manger, my Lord. Mary had a baby, my Lord.

-Traditional

At the sound of the bell, please stand.



Station at the Advent Wreath

TCWS

A member of the parish lights the third candle on the Advent Wreath.

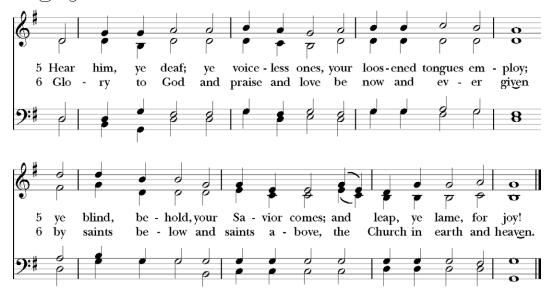
Celebrant Give light to our eyes, and peace to our hearts.

People May Christ find us watching and waiting in joy.

All
O God, as light comes from this candle,
may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us,
warming our hearts and brightening our way.
May Christ our Savior bring life and light
into the darkness of this world. Amen.

Opening Hymn (continued)

Hymnal 493, vv. 5-6



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Acclamation BCP p. 351

Celebrant

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

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Summary of the Law

Matthew 22:37-40

BCP p. 319*

Celebrant

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 352

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

Silence

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,

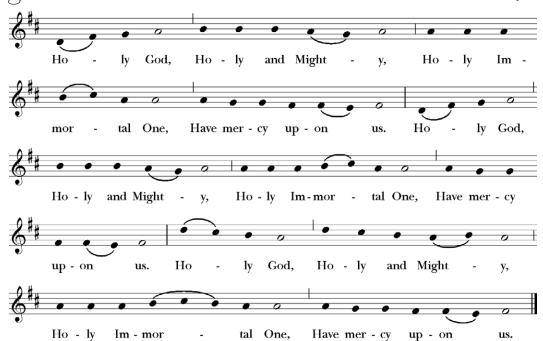
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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.

All Amen.

Trisagion Hymnal S 100



Music: from New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 212

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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.

All Amen.

Please be seated.

The Word of God

The First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-10

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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.

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

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 146:4-9 BCP p. 803

Said antiphonally, alternating between the Leader and People.

Leader Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

People Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *

who keeps his promise for ever;

Leader Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *

and food to those who hunger.

People The LORD sets the prisoners free;

the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *

the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

Leader The LORD loves the righteous;

the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The LORD shall reign for ever, *

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hallelujah!

The Second Reading

People

James 5:7-10

Reader A Reading from the Letter of James.

Be patient, 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.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Please stand.



Choir Prepare the way of the Lord.

All Prepare the way of the Lord.

Choir Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,

for there is no help in them.

All Prepare the way of the Lord.

Words: Psalm 146:2 Music: Plainsong, Tone 1

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

Please turn to face the Gospel as it passes.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Michael A. Bird

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358*

Please stand.

Celebrant Let us stand and profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

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:

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.

The Prayers of the People

ICP p. 3/BCP p. 395

Leader As the Church universal celebrates the beginning of its New Year, let us lift up our prayers to

God for the needs of all people everywhere.

Silence

We pray for the peace of the world, that our instruments of war may be transformed into

instruments of peace, and that nations shall cease to learn war anymore.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the Church, that we may become more and more a means of grace and peace

in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the strength to cast off the works of darkness, that we may be enlightened

through our service of others.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for all who are in need, that they may know the healing power of Christ's love.

We pray for all those who have been commended to our prayers, and especially those

we now name before you.

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for this congregation, that we may put on the armor of light and share Christ's love

in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the souls of all the departed, that they may rest in God's eternal peace.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with

you": Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and

for ever.

All Amen.

The Peace BCP p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord; in this season, we suggest a bow, wave, or other appropriate gesture.

Welcome

Please be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Please place your offering in the basket at the rear of the nave as you exit the service.

Visit trinitywallstreet.org/donate for additional ways to make an offering.

Offertory Anthem

Magnificat in G, Op. 81

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

-Luke 1:46-55

Censing of the Gifts

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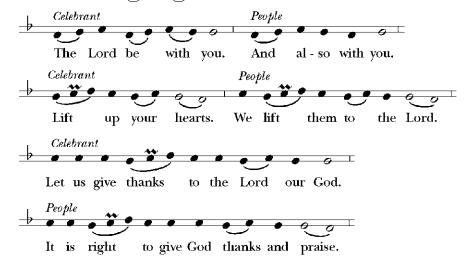
Dirigatur oratio mea sicut incensum in conspectu tuo.

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense.

-Psalm 141:2

The Great Thanksgiving

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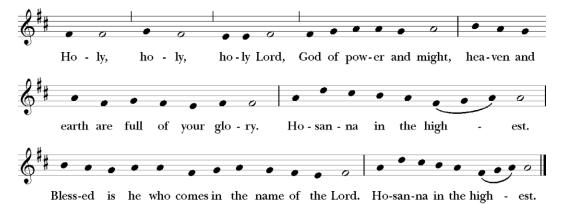
Celebrant

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S 124



Music: from New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

Please continue standing or kneel.

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,

All We remember his death,

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

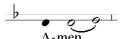
Celebrant

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.

All



The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

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

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

The Fraction and Invitation

BCP p. 364/St. Augustine (1 Corinthians)

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Behold what you are.

People May we become what we receive.

Please be seated.

Communion will be distributed at stations at the front of the aisles. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher or sacristan know.

It is our custom to receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, and eat it immediately. Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the minister know that you need one.

If you do not wish to receive communion you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating your desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

Meine Seele erhebt den Herrn

Heinrich von Herzogenberg (1843-1900)

Meine Seele erhebt den Herrn, und mein Geist freut sich Gottes, meines Heilands, denn er hat große Dinge an mir getan, der da mächtig ist, und des Name heilig ist.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

-Luke 1:46-47, 49

Communion Hymn

Please join in singing and stand at the last verse.



Words: Sts. 1-3, Vincent Stuckey Stratton Coles (1845-1929), alt.; st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), metrical *Magnificat* Music: *Julion*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

All 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 Bos p. 23

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

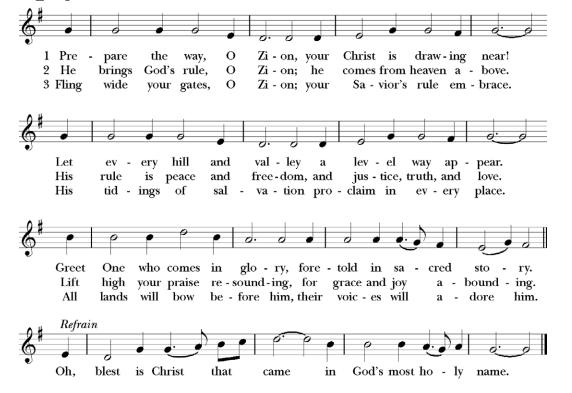
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and

remain with you always.

All Amen.

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 65



Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999) Music: *Bereden väg för Herran*, melody from *Then Swenska Psalmboken*, 1697

Dismissal BCP p. 366

After the Dismissal, please join Coffee Hour (exit through the nave and over the pedestrian bridge to the Parish Hall), or exit through the north vestibule (to your left as you depart facing Broadway).

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

There is no Postlude in Advent.

You are encouraged to take this bulletin with you.



Trinity's musical ensembles invite you and your family to join us for these special opportunities to celebrate the holiday season in our sacred places and online.

Holiday Favorites

Trinity Church and online Sunday, December 11, 3pm | Free

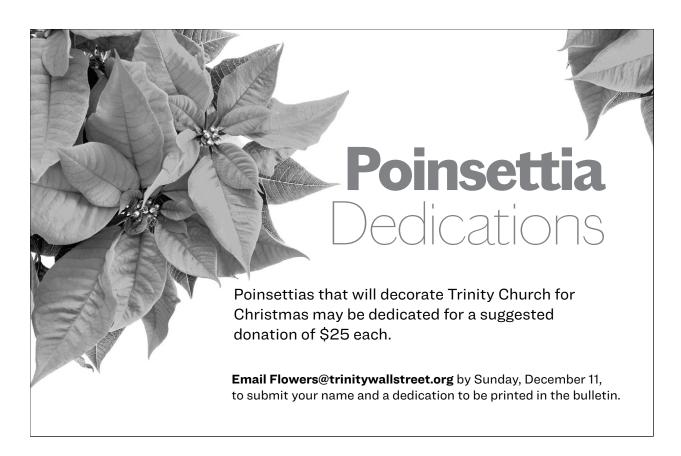
Enjoy popular choruses from Handel's *Messiah* alongside Christmas carols and other holiday favorites in a special concert featuring all of Trinity's ensembles and the BMCC choirs.

Special Compline by Candlelight: A Ceremony of Carols

St. Paul's Chapel Sunday, December 18, 8pm | Free

The Trinity Youth Chorus presents Britten's masterpiece, *A Ceremony of Carols*, which juxtaposes ancient and modern sounds in a stunning choral work.

Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/music





ComfortatChristmas Eucharist

Wednesday, December 14 * 5:30pm TRINITY CHURCH

A service for those in grief or loss. Not everyone experiences the holidays as a time of joy and cheer. Join us for meditative music, prayer, and a quiet space for comfort and support.

A light meal will be served.

For more information, contact:
PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.



Announcements

TRINITY CHURCH | BROADWAY AT WALL STREET ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL | BROADWAY AND FULTON STREET

FOR VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS



Welcome! We're glad you've joined us today. To learn more about membership, baptism, or confirmation, or to receive emails about upcoming Trinity events, visit trinitywallstreet.org/connect or text "TRINITY" to 28259.

Nursery Care | *Infants and Toddlers* | *11am-1pm* The nursery is located across the pedestrian bridge in Trinity Commons. Feel free to ask an usher to show the way. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/children.

TODAY

Discovery: Hospitality of the Table 10am, Trinity Commons and Online

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Conversations on Food Justice

How are we physically and spiritually fed? This week, Regina Jacobs, Chair of Trinity's Hospitality Committee, will speak about hospitality of the table. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/discovery.

Trinity Young Adults Sunday Brunch 12:30–3pm, Trinity Commons

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join the Trinity Young Adults group for brunch following the 11:15am service. If you'd like to join, meet in the back of the church following the service and we'll walk across the bridge to Trinity Commons. To learn about future events, email TrinityChurchYoungAdults@gmail.com.

Breaking Bread: A Reflective Conversation 1-3pm, Trinity Commons

The Breaking Bread gatherings use the imagery of table fellowship to explore reflective conversations that nurture our growth in God. Open to all.

Holiday Favorites Concert 3pm, Trinity Church and Online

Trinity presents Holiday Favorites with popular choruses from *Messiah* presented alongside Christmas carols and other festive songs in a special concert. The Borough of Manhattan Community College (BMCC) Choir joins this epic holiday performance that features all of Trinity's ensemble: the Trinity Youth Chorus, Downtown Voices, St. Paul's Chapel Choir, The Choir of Trinity Wall Street, Trinity Baroque Orchestra, and NOVUS NY. Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/music.

Poinsettia Dedications

Due Today

Poinsettias that will decorate Trinity Church for Christmas may be dedicated for a suggested donation of \$25 each. Email Flowers@trinitywallstreet.org to submit your name and a dedication to be printed in the bulletin.

EVERY SUNDAY

Children's Time | 10am; Trinity Commons | Children in Pre-K-5th grade are invited to learn and play together Sunday mornings. To register, visit trinitywallstreet.org/children.

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The Gospel, *Times, Journal*, and You | *10am; Online* A weekly discussion group that reads the editorial pages of *The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal*, and the appointed Gospel for the day. To join, email GospelTimesJournalAndYou@gmail.com.

Trinity Youth Coffee Hour | 10am; Trinity Commons All youth are invited to meet in the Parish Hall after the 9am service. We'll head to the Community Kitchen for coffee, tea, and snacks. This is a great way to catch up with each other at the start of a new week. Email Fr. Matt Welsch at MWelsch@trinitywallstreet.org for more information.

EVERY WEEK

Delve Deeper

The Broad Way Bible Study | Mondays, 1pm; Online Grab your lunch and join Bob Scott online for lively discussion and fellowship. To join, please email TheBroadWay@trinitywallstreet.org.

Congregational Council Nominations

To be eligible for Election: All persons who on the date of an annual election shall have attained the age of 18 years and who, for the period of one year preceding such annual election, shall have been duly enrolled on the Corporation's records as members of the Congregation and shall have partaken of the Holy Communion within said year in the Parish and who shall have contributed to the support of the Parish by a recorded gift of any amount in the preceding year.

When considering a person for nomination please speak with the person to let them know you wish to submit their name for consideration.

All nominations should be in writing and directed to the Vicar's Office for the attention of the Congregational Council Nominating & Leadership Development Committee.

Nominations must be received by 12:00pm on Sunday, December 11, 2022. Please send submissions to Keisha Joseph, Executive Assistant to the Vicar, at KJoseph@trinitywallstreet.org.

Congregational Council Nominating and Development Committee: The Rev. Michael Bird, Mr. Scott Evenbeck, Ms. Sian Wetherill, Dr. Joyce Coppin Mondesire, Mr. Jim Hopkins, Ms. Catharina Oerlemans, and Ms. Tina Moya.

Expand and Explore Your Spirituality

Scripture, Reflection, and Compline | *Tuesdays*, 6pm; Online | Gather online for midweek spiritual nourishment and fellowship in gentle community. We'll read the coming Sunday's scripture, reflect and share insights, and close in prayer. To join, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.

Contemplative Practice with Poetry | Wednesdays, 6:30pm; Online | Join for a practice of guided meditation and contemplative reflection with poets and artists for mutual spiritual support and growth, led by spiritual directors John Deuel and Dr. Kathy Bozzuti-Jones. To sign up, email ChristianFormation@trinitywallstreet.org.

Enjoy the Company of Others

The Sister Is In | Weekdays, 10:30–11:45am; Trinity Church | A Sister of St. Margaret is available for anyone who needs to talk, pray, or just sit quietly with someone.

New Beginnings | Thursdays, 9:30am-2:30pm; Trinity Commons and Online | Trinity's ministry of seniors meets weekly for chair yoga, Bible study, 12:05pm Holy Eucharist, and lunch. To join, in person or online, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.

Trinity Youth Afterschool | *Weekdays, 2:30–6pm; Trinity Commons* | From basketball and mindfulness to test prep and advocacy, Trinity Youth Afterschool offers sports, arts, academics, and other activities for youth. All activities are free and open to grades 6–12.

See the schedule and sign up at trinitywallstreet. org/youth. Questions? Contact SK Doyle at SDoyle@ trinitywallstreet.org. There will be no Trinity Youth Afterschool on December 15, and Afterschool will be on break December 20–January 6.

Trinity Youth Group | *Wednesdays, 6–8pm; Trinity Commons* | Trinity Youth Group meets each Wednesday to take time to eat dinner, play games, and talk about what's on our minds—supported by our beliefs and by one another. Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/youth. *After this week, Trinity Youth Group will be on break and will resume January 11.*

THIS WEEK

Monday, December 12

When a Loved One Struggles 6:30–7:45pm, Online

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Having a loved one who struggles with their mental and emotional health can be lonely and stressful. Caring for oneself is essential to support those you love. In this final session, come be in shared company to help dispel the isolation. Dr. Peggy Barnett, psychotherapist at the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute, will facilitate. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/struggles. For information, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.



Wednesday, December 14

Comfort at Christmas Eucharist

5:30pm, Trinity Church

A service for those in grief or loss. Not everyone experiences the holidays as a time of joy and cheer. Join us for meditative music, prayer, and a quiet space for comfort and support. A light meal will be served. For more information, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.

Friday, December 16 Trinity Book Club

6:30-7:30pm, Online

Trinity Book Club meets weekly to discuss the mysteries of the Christian faith through the medium of literature. On Fridays through December 16, we'll read *Art and Faith: A Theology of Making* by Makoto Fujimura. For information about this series, visit trinitywallstreet.org/bookclub.

NEXT SUNDAY

Gingerbread House Workshop

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Sunday, December 18, 11am–1pm, Trinity Commons
Join us for a festive workshop where we'll decorate
gingerbread houses. Children in kindergarten–5th
grade and their families are invited to fellowship
together in the spirit of the Christmas holidays and
meet friends new and old. Spots are limited and
attendees must be registered for Children & Families
programs in advance. Hosted by the Children and
Families Education Subcommittee. Register at
trinitywallstreet.org/children.

Sunday Suppers

Sunday, December 18, 3pm, St. Paul's Chapel

Members of the congregation of Trinity Church Wall Street and the neighboring community meet at St. Paul's Chapel for Sunday Suppers, an opportunity for parishioners and their downtown neighbors to share a family-style hot meal, conversation, fellowship, and fun. If you'd like to help, volunteers are needed to set up, greet, serve, lead tables, and clean up. For more information about volunteering or attending, please email Kyle Folk-Freund at KFolk-Freund@trinitywallstreet.org.



Christmas Worship

CHRISTMAS EVE

Family Holy Eucharist 4pm[†], Trinity Church

Children's Christmas pageant and first Eucharist of Christmas with favorite hymns sung by the Trinity Youth Chorus.

Holy Eucharist

7pm, Trinity Church

Festival Eucharist with favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street with the Trinity Youth Chorus, St. Paul's Chapel Choir, and NOVUS NY.

9pm[†], 11pm, Trinity Church

Festival Eucharist with favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street and NOVUS NY.

Candlelight Compline

8pm[†], Online

Join Trinity Retreat Center for live-streamed Candlelight Compline from the old stone chapel on Facebook Live and Instagram Live. Led by the Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones and staff, this brief service in the glow of candlelight will feature special prayers of hope, peace, solidarity, unity, and contemplation of God's everlasting love for the season.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Eucharist

11:15am†, Trinity Church

The Nativity of Our Lord

Festival Eucharist with favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street.

†*Livestreamed* trinitywallstreet.org/christmas

COMING SOON

Hide & Seek Retreat

January 6-8, Trinity Retreat Center

Reading the Song of Songs with Poets

No book of the Bible maps the landscape of love—human and divine—like the Song of Songs.

Unsurprisingly, some of the ancient poem's best interpreters have been poets. Venture into the Song of Songs at this winter retreat and explore the ups and downs of life with a God who comes and goes and comes again. Learn more at trinity retreatcenter.org.

Youth Songwriting Course

Mondays, Jan. 9–Mar. 13, 5–6pm, Trinity Commons Explore the craft of writing and producing your own music with Trinity's renowned teaching artists in a songwriting course. Open to enrolled Trinity Youth. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/youth.

Trinity Retreat Center

West Cornwall, Connecticut

2023 RETREATS

Head to West Cornwall, CT, for in-person retreats on spiritual themes and holidays. From the arts to creation and contemplation, from Celebrating Blackness to Thanksgiving feasts, explore our offerings and book early—or bring your group or plan a personal retreat to enjoy all the retreat center has to offer. Learn more and register at trinityreteatcenter.org.

SELECT IN-PERSON RETREATS

December 22–26 Christmas Retreat

March 3-5 Lenten Retreat

ONLINE OFFERINGS

Join online weekly services streamed live from the retreat center's Facebook page at facebook. com/trinityretreatcenter:

Weekdays, 8pm Candlelight Compline

Saturdays, 12pm Sacred Pause: Saturday Prayers

See the full schedule and register at trinityretreatcenter.org

Into the Word

Thursdays, January 19-April 13, Trinity Commons Do you have questions about the Bible? How can today's reader make sense of these ancient texts, and what does it take to interpret Scriptures responsibly? Join Trinity's Faith Formation & Education team for an evening discussion series that goes beyond ordinary Bible study. We'll explore your questions about the Bible and think together about what Scripture has to do with our beliefs, our traditions, and our personal lives. Over 11 sessions, we will be joined by leading clergy, teachers, and scholars representing different perspectives and backgrounds. All sessions will be held both online and in-person, with encouragement to join us at Trinity Commons for food and fellowship. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/word.

Sr. Ann Whittaker Anniversary Service Saturday, January 21, 11am, Trinity Church

Join us as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the profession of Sr. Ann Whittaker as a Sister of Saint Margaret. The Eucharist will be followed by a reception in Parish Hall. If you wish to attend the reception, please RSVP by January 9 at trinitywallstreet.org/sisterann.

BULLETIN BOARD

The Giving Tree

Through December 18, Parish Hall

Make a child's wish come true. Trinity Church Wall Street is collecting gifts to support children and families this Christmas season. Choose a gift tag by The Giving Tree in the Parish Hall starting December 4 and return your gift(s) to the lobby at Trinity Commons (76 Trinity Place) by December 18. All gifts should be unwrapped. For questions, contact Kyle Folk-Freund at KFolk-Freund@trinitywallstreet.org.

Lenten Meditations (Submissions Wanted)

Every spring, Trinity parishioners and staff write reflections or contribute art or a photo for each day in the season of Lent. These are gathered in a small booklet that is mailed to parishioners and made available to friends. If you'd like to contribute a meditation or artwork for 2023, please contact Luke Petrinovic at lukehpetrinovic@gmail.com and LentenMeditations@trinitywallstreet.org.

Be a Trinity Ambassador!

Share your gift of hospitality and love for Trinity with all who cross our threshold. Ambassadors are needed to welcome guests to Trinity Church, St. Paul's Chapel, and Trinity Commons in two-hour shifts from 10am–4pm on weekdays. Only two shifts every three months are required and training is provided. Learn more by contacting Maggy Laraque at TrinityAmbassadors@trinitywallstreet.org.

IN OUR PRAYERS

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To add names to the list, email WorshipBulletin@ trinitywallstreet.org or call 212.602.0800. Names are kept on the list for a month and can be added again upon request.

WE PRAY FOR

Cynthia Cartwright; Norma Rogers; Drew Pardus; Evadné Hodge; Erin Kerr; Goldbourne Browne; Susie Edwards; Ivy Gheler; Valerie Thurab; Eileen Hope; Jack Moody; Roland Stewart; Elizabeth Melillo; Roslyn Williams; Patti Bovers; Irene Horvath; Nola Mayers; Diana Foote; Candida Rodriguez (mother of Lillian Martir); Kris Seeram (father of Mintrani Seeram); Filomena Grijalvo (mother-in-law of Cora Grijalvo); Virginia "Ginny" Frey (mother of Ruth Frey); Melba Duncan: Michelle Oosterwal (daughter of Melba Duncan); Francesca Ciuffo and Angelica Ciuffo (granddaughters of Melba Duncan); Dale Baugh (brother of Gerald Baugh); Adrianna LaFia (grandniece of Al DiRaffaele); family of Joan Ffolkes; Melissa Attebury; Allison Cosentino, Andrew Sokolowski, and Robert Sokolowski (children of Ruth Cosentino); Claire; Scott Tallent (brother of Andrea Tallent); Mark Addison; Allison Smith and Alix Smith (stepsister of Mark Alvino and her daughter); Eduardo Richards (brother of Carla Richards); Sylvester Braithwaite (cousin of Carla Richards); Julia Gittens (friend of Carla Richards); Sue Groesbeck; Ezra Trombley (nephew of Julie Shahroudi); Julia Miller; Cynthia Layne and family (sister of Mildred Chandler); Philip; Sr. Ann Whittaker, SSM, and her family; Juan George and Joy George (brother and sister-inlaw of Oliva George); Francis O'Connor, Blanche Wade, Pongjuntara Boonma, and Peter Goldstein (friends of Bill McCue); Deanna Logan and Walter Logan (mother and brother of Elijah Logan); Tanya Cumberbatch; Toni Foy and Jonathan Foy; Emily Presley (friend of Julie Shahroudi); family of Tracey Edwards Turner (cousin of Emory

Edwards); Sammartano and Cipriano families (friends of Madeline Long); Polly Yee (friend of Sovannary Tan); the Rev. Mark Nestlehutt; Patty Trovato (mother of Adriana Ortiz); Brian Pottinger and Shirley Jackson (relatives of Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant).

IN THE MILITARY

Oliver Barnyak (Alex Burns' friend); Randall Middleton, Christine and Sean Reardon (Evadné Hodge's friends); Paul Watson; Peter Martinez (Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant's friend); Michael Dunn; Zane Kupper; Margo Protain (Anesia Protain's sister); Col. Stephen Ryan (friend of Bob Zito); Rob Jones (Megan Jones' brother); Graham Scarbro, USN (nephew of Amy Roy); Helen Guittard (Stephen Guittard's wife); Perry Brock.

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya.

Congregational Voice

"Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand" (*Isaiah 41:10* NLT). Pray and watch amazing miracles happen! —Judi Vaughan Harris

To submit a brief reflection to be featured in Congregational Voice, please email Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant at esmiechild@aol.com.

Pastoral Care

In case of illness, a death in the family, or other pastoral emergencies, call 917.488.0717 to reach a member of the Pastoral Care Team. For other pastoral needs, call 212.602.0800 and leave a detailed message. Someone will reach out as soon as possible.

WHEN A LOVED ONE STRUGGLES

Mondays, 6:30-7:45pm, November 7-December 12

Having a loved one who struggles with their mental and emotional health can be lonely and stressful. Caring for oneself is essential to support those you love. Come be in shared company for a six-week support group to help dispel the isolation. Dr. Peggy Barnett, psychotherapist at the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute, will facilitate. For information, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org.

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Join Us for Worship

SUNDAYS

8am, 9am[†], 11:15am[†] Holy Eucharist | *Trinity Church* 8pm | Compline by Candlelight St. Paul's Chapel

WEEKDAYS

9am | Morning Prayer 12:05pm† | Holy Eucharist

5:30pm Wednesdays Contemplative Eucharist

Trinity Church

WEEKDAYS ONLINE

8:15am | Morning Prayer **5:15pm** | Evening Prayer

†Livestreamed and available on-demand trinitywallstreet.org/worship

Congregational Council Committee Meetings

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

CongregationalCouncil@trinitywallstreet.org. The next meeting is **Tuesday**, **December 20**, **6–8pm.** RSVP to Keisha Joseph at KJoseph@trinitywallstreet.org.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Arts | Karla Chee-a-tow Community & Hospitality | Regina Jacobs Faith Formation | Beth Johanning Witness & Outreach | Cindy Jay Youth & Young Adults | Alan Yu

Congregational Neighborhood Partnership Program | Keith Klein

All are welcome to attend these meetings.

Sunday Staff

Listed by last name



Ellen Andrews Associate Director for Pastoral Care and



The Rev. Sr. Promise Atelon, SSM Priest Associate



Melissa Attebury Associate Director of Music



The Rev. Michael A. Bird *Vicar*



The Rev. Elizabeth E. Blunt Priest and Director for Congregational Life and Liturgy



Dr. Kathy Bozzuti-Jones Associate Director for Faith Formation and Education



The Rev. Dr. Mark Bozzuti-Jones Priest and Director of Spiritual Formation, Trinity Retreat Center



Kathryn Carroll Program Manager, Children and Family Formation



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The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson Rector



The Rev. Yein Kim Priest for Congregational Life



The Rev. C. Alfred Loua Priest for Pastoral Care and Community



Peyton Marion Trinity Youth Chorus Assistant Conductor



Thomas McCargar St. Paul's Chapel Choir Director



The Rev. Kristin Kaulbach Miles Priest and Director for Pastoral Care and Community



Dane Miller Assistant Head Sacristan



Jorge Ortiz



Sister Gloria Shirley Sisters of Saint Margaret



Scott Smith Head Sacristan



Summerlee Staten Executive Director for Faith Formation and Education



Avi Stein Associate Organist and Chorusmaster



The Rev. Matthew A. Welsch Priest and Director, Youth and Community Care



Sister Ann Whittaker Sisters of Saint Margaret

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

CELEBRANT: The Rev. Elizabeth E. Blunt

PREACHER: The Rev. Michael A. Bird

DEACON: The Rev. C. Alfred Loua

MUSICIANS:

The Choir of Trinity Wall Street
Juniors and Peppercorns of the Trinity Youth Chorus
Avi Stein, Associate Organist and Chorusmaster
Peyton Marion, Trinity Youth Chorus Assistant Conductor
Alcee Chriss, Assistant Organist

FLOWERS

Greenery will decorate the church during Advent.

To donate Christmas poinsettias, email Flowers@trinitywallstreet.org by today, Sunday, December 11.

This service conforms to A Penitential Order: Rite Two with Holy Eucharist, which begins on page 351 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Scripture readings are appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary, Episcopal (RCL) and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Psalm texts are taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Other liturgical elements may include materials compiled by Trinity Church staff (TCWS) from publications including Intercessions for the Christian People, edited by Gail Ramshaw (ICP); the Book of Occasional Services 2003 (BOS); and other contemporary liturgical resources. An asterisk (*) denotes that the text is adapted from the original source material. Hymns come from The Hymnal 1982, Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS), and Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP). Cover image: TCWS Creative Services staff.

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The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson, Rector

John G. Talty, Church Warden; Susan Hewitt, Church Warden

Sara Queen, Mary Katherine Wold, Christian B. Hylton, Gabrielle E. Sulzberger, Peter D. Barbey, Matthew Knisely, Christopher Mann, Lynne Jordal Martin, Martez Moore, Hilary Pennington, Gayle Robinson, Patricia Graue, Sharon Hardy, David Humphreville, Susan Ward, Scott E. Evenbeck, William H. Wright, Joel Motley, Susan Hinkson-Carling, Timothy F. Wray

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- P Sunday parking validation for Battery Parking Garage (Greenwich Street) is available for parishioners. Please see security staff at the Trinity Church gate entrance or the 76 Trinity Place lobby between 8:00am and 3:30 pm to receive a validation stamp.
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