TRINITY CHURCH

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD: CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2023, 7pm, 9pm, and 11pm



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.



About this Service

Christmas Eve

The celebration of Christ's coming among us at Christmas—the incarnation—is one of the two highest holy days of the Christian year, along with the celebration of his resurrection on Easter. In the Book of Common Prayer, Christmas Day is one of the seven principal feasts. The Christmas season lasts twelve days: from Christmas Day until January 5, the day before the Epiphany.

Christmas is much more than simply the celebration of Jesus' birth: it reminds us of the central truth that "the Word became flesh and lived among us" (*John 1:14*), fulfilling the prophecy that "the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel—God is with us" (*Isaiah 7:14*).

Sources: The Book of Common Prayer, TCWS liturgical staff

Preparation

Prelude

Mary Had a Baby

Spiritual, arr. William L. Dawson (1899–1990)

Mary had a Baby, My Lord!

Where was He born? Born in a manger, Oh, Mary had a Baby, born in a manger, Mary had a baby, My Lord!

What did they call Him? "King Jesus," Oh, Mary had a Baby, He was called "King Jesus." Mary had a Baby, oh, yes!

He is called "King Jesus," "Mighty Counsellor,"

"King Emmanuel," "Mighty God,"

"Everlasting Father," "Prince of Peace."

Mary had a Baby, My Lord!

—Traditional

How Far Is It to Bethlehem?

English melody, arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

How far is it to Bethlehem? Not very far. Shall we find the stable-room lit by a star? Can we see the little child, is he within? If we lift the wooden latch, may we go in?

May we stroke the creatures there, oxen or sheep? May we peep like them and see Jesus asleep? If we touch his tiny hand, will he awake? Will he know we've come so far just for his sake?

Great kings have precious gifts and we have naught, Little smiles and little tears are all we brought. For all weary children Mary must weep. Here on his bed of straw, sleep, children, sleep.

God in his mother's arms, babes in the byre, Sleep, as they sleep who find their heart's desire.

—Frances Chesterton (1869–1938)

Reena Esmail (b. 1983)

A Winter Breviary: I. We Look for You (Evensong—Raag Hamsadhwani)

Eventide, our single star, One looking star, this night. Next to me, the sparrow hen, Two pilgrims small and bold.

Dusking hour, that lonely hour
The sky dims blue to grey.
Our forest road will fade,
We look for You.
Pines glisten wet with sleet,
She looks with me,
We look for You.
Fog falls in
So close, my breath,
She looks with me,
We look for You:
Great Silent One Unseen,
We look for You.

Eventide, our single star, One looking star, this night. We look for You, Forgiving light, our guide.

Serenity (O Magnum Mysterium)

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, iacentem in praesepio. Beata virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Christum. Alleluia. —Rebecca Gayle Howell (b. 1975)

Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that animals should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger. Blessed virgin, whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

—Responsories at Matins, Christmas Day

At the sound of the bell, please stand and turn to face the procession.



Blessing of the Crèche

TCWS

At their entry into the church, the Celebrant and other ministers gather at the Crèche.

Celebrant The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us:

People And we beheld his glory.

Celebrant Let us pray.

God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you made manifest your love within our world: when our need for a savior was great, and the fullness of time had come, you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary, bringing to our lives joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love; bless now this crib, we pray you, by which we recall this most wondrous mystery, and grant that our thoughts may be raised to him who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All Amen.



Words: John Francis Wade (1711–1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802–1880) and others Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody attr. John Francis Wade; arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

Acclamation BCP p. 355

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

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



Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813–1882), alt. Music: *Gloria*, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887–1958)

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 212

Celebrant God be with you. **People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God,

in glory everlasting.

All Amen.

Please be seated.

The Word of God

The First Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

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

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 96:1-4, 11-12 BCP p. 725

Sung by the choir.

Choir Sing to the LORD a new song; *

sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *

proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations * and his wonders among all peoples.

For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; * he is more to be feared than all gods.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, * when he comes to judge the earth.

Music: Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

The Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14

Reader A Reading from the Letter to Titus.

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

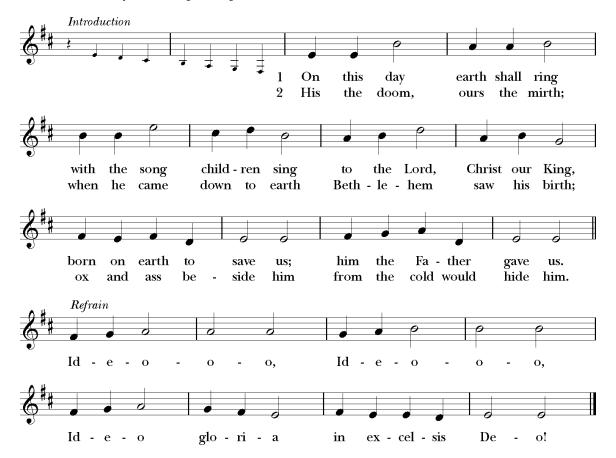
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People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 92, vv. 1–2

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel as it passes.



The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:1-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

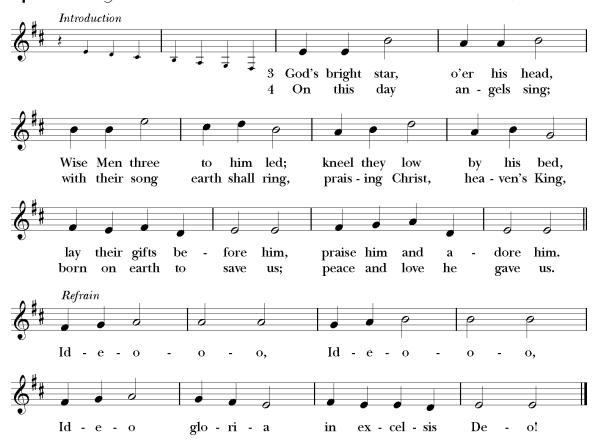
When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn (continued)

Hymnal 92, vv. 3-4



Words: Piae Cantiones, 1582; tr. Jane M. Joseph (1894–1929) Music: Personent hodie, melody from Piae Cantiones, 1582

The Sermon

7pm and 9pm: The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson, Rector

11pm: The Rev. Yein Kim, Priest for Congregational Life

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

CW:TS p. 81*

Leader Good and gracious God, in this holy night your Son our Savior was born in human form.

Renew your Church as the Body of Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In this holy night Christians the world over are celebrating his birth. Open our hearts

that he may be born in us today.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In this holy night there was no room for your Son in the inn. Protect with your love

those who have no home and all who live in poverty.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In this holy night your Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort

to all who suffer in the sadness of our world, and forgive us for the ways we have

contributed to it in thought, word, and deed.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In this holy night strangers found the Holy Family and saw the baby lying in the manger.

Bless our homes and all whom we love.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader In this holy night heaven is come down to earth and earth is raised to heaven. Keep in

safety all those who have died, and receive the worship we offer with Blessed Mary and

all the company of heaven.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant God of all hopefulness and joy, in this holy night angels and shepherds worshipped at the

manger throne. Receive the prayers and praise we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph,

and all the saints, through him who is your Word made flesh, our Savior Jesus Christ.

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.

Welcome

Please be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

"For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you." —1 Chronicles 29:14

Offerings at Trinity are applied to the care of our neighbors; particularly to our food assistance ministries Compassion Meals and Compassion Market, and in support of other food banks across lower Manhattan. Last year we were able to provide over one million meals for our food insecure neighbors. (trinitywallstreet.org/social-justice/food-assistance)

Please place your gift in the basket at the rear of the nave before or after the service, or visit trinitywallstreet.org/donate for additional ways to give. Gifts received are blessed immediately after the service with this prayer: Generous God, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen.

Offertory Anthem

In dulci jubilo

German carol (14th cent.), arr. Kevin M. Clarke

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today.
Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

—John Mason Neale (1818–1866), alt.

Censing of the Gifts

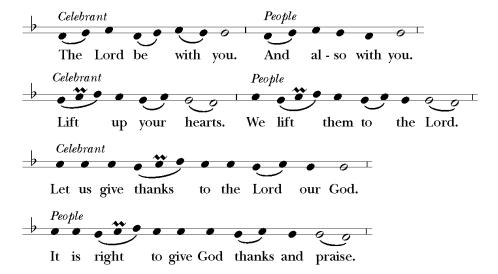
Please stand.

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

—Psalm 141:2

The Great Thanksgiving

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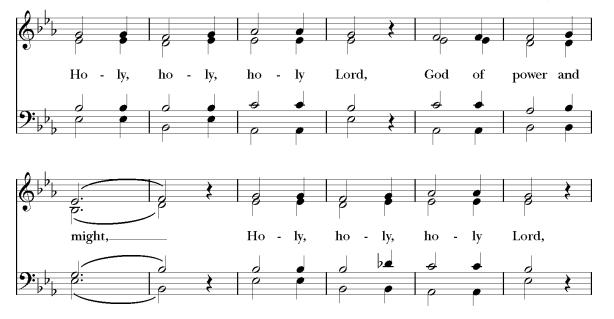
Celebrant

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 gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:



Hymnal S 130







Music: from Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

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 A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, for ever and 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.

Clergy will distribute communion from stations in front of the altar. 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.

Those who wish to receive wine should partake by sipping directly from the chalice (intincting, or dipping one's wafer into the wine, is no longer permitted). Please use your hands to gently assist the server in guiding the chalice to your lips.

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 Anthems

O magnum mysterium

Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, jacentem in praesepio! Beata virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Christum. Alleluia! O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that animals should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger! Blessed virgin, whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord. Alleluia!

—Responsories at Matins, Christmas Day

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Sing Lullaby

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby, While snow doth gently fall, Sing lullaby to Jesus Born in an oxen stall.

Sing lullaby to Jesus Born now in Bethlehem, The naked blackthorn's growing To weave his diadem.

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby, While thickly snow doth fall, Sing lullaby to Jesus The Saviour of all.

—F. W. Harvey (1888–1957)

Away in a Manger

Esther Bersweden (b. 1996)

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

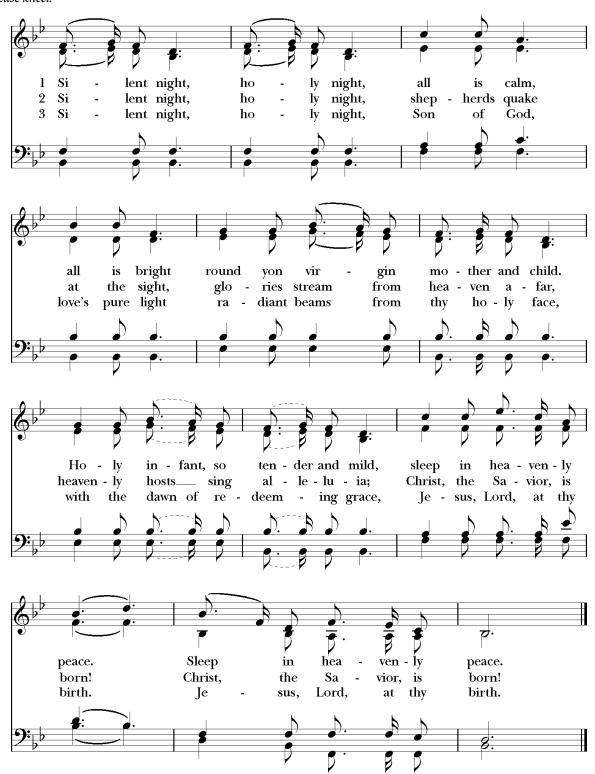
The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me for ever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

—Anonymous (19th-century American)

Hymnal 111

Please kneel.



Words: Joseph Mohr (1792–1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820–1885) Music: *Stille Nacht*, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787–1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824–1910)

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Please stand.

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. 11*

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill

you with joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the

Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Please turn to face the procession as it passes.





Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788), alt. Music: *Mendelssohn*, Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847); arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

Dismissal BCP p. 366*

After the Dismissal, you are welcome to leave quietly. Please exit to your left or right at the back of the church. If you would like to remain in your seat to listen to the Postlude, please do.

Deacon Inspired by the Word made flesh, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Joy to the World

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759), arr. Dan Marvin

POINSETTIAS

The Christmas poinsettias are given by the following donors:

Carmelita L. Blake

Dedicated to the memory of deceased loved ones of the Falconer-Blake families.

Alice Daly

In loving memory of Maisy Marie Curry. Given by Alice Daly, Stacie Daly, and Donald Swyt.

Heather Daly

In memory of Maisy Curry from Finn Curry.

In memory of Robert Daly, Michael Daly, and Arthur Sikula from the Daly and Curry families. In honor of Wayne Edwards, Alice Daly, and Stacie Daly from Heather Daly.

Alfred DiRafaelle

Dr. Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant

In memory of Cyril and Esmie Ffolkes and all late members of the Ffolkes and McDonald family.

In memory of family and friends departed this year: Brian Pottinger, Monica Pottinger, Suzanne Ffolkes-Goldson, and Kim Witherspoon McCarthy.

In thanksgiving on the marriage of Victoria Grier Bryant and Daniel John Foster and the tenth anniversary of Ayako Higuchi and David Gregory Bryant.

Oliva George

In memory of my beloved father, mother, and aunt: Jacinto Ismael George, Maria Elisa George, and Vivian George. I will forever hold them in my heart.

Rowena Irons

In memory of Michael Irons and Bernice Wynter.

Kenton Kilmer

Dedicated with love to Cate Halsey and George Olsen.

Gareth Leake

Dedicated to Bob Leake.

Gwendolyn Pointer

Dedicated to Mom...I miss you every day. Love never dies.

Dedicated to Dad...Every day, I am grateful to have you here and to call you my Dad.

Dedicated to Gerald...Thank you for always being sure. Happy holidays and on to a fantastic 2024!

Carla Richards

Agnieszka Roginska

Dedicated to the memory of Richard Newsome.

Catherine Skopic

Jacqueline Streets

With love and prayers for the world and for my family!

Jamie Sutterlin

In memory of my mother and father: Betty Sutterlin and James Sutterlin.

Farris M. Thomas, Jr.

In loving memory and in honor of Mrs. Doris Quintania Bradley Thomas. In loving memory and in honor of Mrs. Amanda Hayne Kirkwood. In loving memory and in honor of Sedgwick Byron, III. In loving memory and in honor of Thomas Doyle Holdorf. In loving memory and in honor of Farris Michael Thomas, Sr.

Shawei Wang

In memory of my mother, Shirley Wang.

If you have donated poinsettias, you may pick them up after the 11:15am service tomorrow.

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 and programs, visit trinitywallstreet.org/connect.

Nursery Care | Infants and Toddlers | Available during the 9am and 11:15am services, the nursery is located across the bridge in Trinity Commons. Feel free to ask an usher to show you the way. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/children.

NOTE: No Nursery Care on December 24 and 31.

Coffee Hour | Join us in Trinity Commons following the 9am and 11:15am worship services. **NOTE:** No Coffee Hour on December 24.

EVERY SUNDAY

Children's Time | 9:45am, Trinity Commons Children are invited to learn and play together Sunday mornings. Peer-grouped classes are available for two-year-olds through fifth graders. To register, visit trinitywallstreet.org/children. NOTE: No Children's Time on December 24 and 31.

Bible & Bagels | 10am, Trinity Commons
Trinity Youth are invited to ask questions and join discussion exploring the Bible, Christianity, and The Episcopal Church. For more information, email Fr. Matt at MWelsch@trinitywallstreet.org.
NOTE: On break until January 14.

Christmas Worship at Trinity Church

Christmas Eve

4pm | Family Eucharist†

Children's pageant and favorite hymns sung by the Trinity Youth Chorus and The Choir of Trinity Wall Street with NOVUS NY Brass

7pm | Festival Eucharist

Favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street with St. Paul's Chapel Choir and NOVUS NY Brass

9pm | Festival Eucharist[†]

Favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street, Trinity Youth Chorus, and NOVUS NY Brass

11pm | Solemn Midnight Eucharist
Favorite hymns and anthems offered by The
Choir of Trinity Wall Street, Trinity Youth
Chorus, and NOVUS NY Brass

Christmas Day

11:15am | Holy Eucharist: The Nativity of Our Lord

Favorite hymns and anthems offered by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street

[†] Streamed live and available on demand

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.

Compassion Meals | 12:45pm, Trinity Church
The Compassion Meals program is now offering
lunch on Sundays, and volunteers are needed
to support meal packing and distribution.
To learn more, email Rase De Los Santos at
RDeLosSantos@trinitywallstreet.org.

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Dig 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. **NOTE:** No meeting on December 25.

Expand Your Spirituality

Catch Your Breath | Wednesdays, 1pm, Trinity Church | A midweek community meditation practice in the Chapel of All Saints. Stop by for a time of stillness and centering. Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/catchyourbreath. NOTE: No meeting on December 27.

Contemplative Eucharist | *Wednesdays*, 5:30pm, *Trinity Church* | Come rest in the presence of God. This 30-minute service is followed by a light supper. **NOTE:** No service on December 27.

Contemplative Practice with Poetry

Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Online | Join a weekly practice of guided meditation and contemplative reflection on poetry, for mutual spiritual growth and support. Led by spiritual directors John Deuel and Dr. Kathy Bozzuti-Jones. To join, email ChristianFormation@trinitywallstreet.org.

NOTE: No meeting on December 27 and January 3.

Enjoy the Company of Others

New Beginnings | Thursdays, 9:45am-3pm, Trinity Commons | 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. NOTE: No meeting on December 28.

Trinity Youth Afterschool | Weekdays, 2:30–6pm, Trinity Commons | From basketball and mindfulness to test prep and advocacy, Trinity Youth Afterschool offers weekday 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. NOTE: On break until January 9.

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.
NOTE: On break until January 10.

COMING SOON

Next Session: Trinity Book Club Fridays, January 5–February 2, 2024 6:30–7:30pm, Online

Trinity Book Club meets weekly to explore the mysteries of the Christian faith through the medium of literature. Next session, we'll read Queer Virtue: What LGBTQ People Know About Life and Love and How It Can Revitalize Christianity by Liz Edman. For information about the next session, visit trinitywallstreet.org/bookclub.



Knit Together

Thursday, January 11, 2024, 3:30–4:30pm Trinity Commons

All are invited to join Trinity Youth for a community knitting session. We'll craft coldweather essentials—warm socks, gloves, scarves, and more—that will be distributed by Knit the Rainbow, an organization that supports unhoused LGBTQ+ youth. All skill levels welcome! To learn more and register, contact SK Doyle at SDoyle@trinitywallstreet.org.

When a Loved One Struggles Mondays, January 22–February 26, 2024 6:30–7:45pm, Online

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, led by a facilitator from the Psychotherapy and Spirituality Institute. For information, email PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/struggles.

BULLETIN BOARD

Need Help? Call the Resource Line! Monday-Friday, 2-5pm

If you or someone you know needs a helping hand, call 917.594.6300 for our Resource Connections program. Trinity's Outreach team helps guests access housing, legal aid, mental health services, immigration assistance, SNAP benefits, and other services. Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/resourceline.

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.

Join Trinity's Worship Leader Team

New volunteers are always welcome to support our worship during Sunday services. Roles include crucifers, greeters, lectors, subdeacons, thurifers, torchbearers, and ushers. We are currently recruiting volunteers ages 12 and up for the 8am and 11:15am services and all ages for the 9am service. Adult volunteers are required to complete a background screening and Ministry Safe training. For more information, contact Dane Miller at Sacristans@trinitywallstreet.org.

IN OUR PRAYERS

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; Eileen Hope; Jack Moody; Roland Stewart; Elizabeth Melillo; Roslyn Williams; Patti Bovers; Irene Horvath; Diana Foote; Kris Seeram (father of Mintrani Seeram); Virginia "Ginny" Frey (mother of Ruth Frey); Roz Hall; Myoung Lee (mother of Joanne Lee); Barbara (niece of Westina Matthews); Alexis Uriel Eldridge (sister of Robyn Eldridge); Eduardo Christie; Norma Vessell (stepmother of Sharon Vessell); Mark Josephson; Janine; Algernon John Baptiste (father of Indie John Baptiste); Winter; Kim Jackson; Scott Barna; Christopher Allen Brown; Tiani Jones; Hany Ghaly; Maria Smith; Ida Peterson Hardon; Tom Longmire; Alfues and Beverly Barnett; Tom Thomas; Ernesto Richards (brother of Carla Richards); Silvester

Brathwaite (cousin of Carla Richards); Julia Gittens (friend of Carla Richards); Stacy Herbert (friend of Carla Richards); the Rev. Eva Reque Steege; Frank Alvino; Marta Rodriguez; Barbara Davison; Karla Hanley; Rizal Kamli; Russ Smith (father-in-law of Jude Wetherell); Evan Garrett (friend of Jude Wetherell); Eline Goldstein; Joanne Robinson Hill; the Rev. Daniel Simons; Solana Drayton; Nicola Corl.

IN THE MILITARY

Oliver Barnyak (Alex Burns's 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's brother); Graham Scarbro, USN (nephew of Amy Roy); Helen Guittard (Stephen Guittard's wife); Perry Brock.

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

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.

Congregational Voice

"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost" (*Romans 14:17* KJV). While meditating before my morning prayer, I began thinking about what is actually important and what my priorities in life should be and actually are.

—Dr. Kenneth Dean Jr.

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

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 *Trinity Church*

Wednesdays

5:30pm | Contemplative Eucharist *Trinity Church*

NOTE: There will be no weekday services December 25–29. On Sunday, December 31, there will be one service at 11:15am.

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WEEKDAYS ONLINE

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

†Live streamed and available on demand trinitywallstreet.org/worship

Congregational Council Committee Meetings

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

CongregationalCouncil@trinitywallstreet.org. The next meeting is **Tuesday**, **January 16**, **2024**, **6–8pm**. RSVP to Keisha Joseph at KJoseph@trinitywallstreet.org.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Arts | Karla Chee-a-tow
Community & Hospitality | Regina Jacobs
Faith Formation | Raynelle Mensah
Witness & Outreach | Cindy Jay
Youth & Young Adults | Alan Yu
Congregational Neighborhood
Partnership Program | Keith Klein

All are welcome to attend these meetings.

To submit an item for publication, please email LGoswick@trinitywallstreet.org at least 10 days before you would like the announcement to appear.

Sunday Staff

Listed by last name



Ellen Andrews Associate Director for Pastoral Care and Community



The Rev. Sr. Promise Atelon, SSM Priest Associate



Melissa Attebury 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



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Jennifer Chinn Director for Youth and Community Partnerships



Dr. Alcee Chriss III Assistant Organist



Farrah Dupoux Music Production and Library Assistant



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The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson Rector



The Rev. Yein Kim Priest for Congregational Life



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



Becky Lui Program Assistant for Trinity Youth Chorus Faith Formation and Assistant Conductor



Peyton Marion



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



Dane Miller Assistant Head Sacristan



The Rev. Jorge Ortiz Emily Smith Priest for Outreach



Assistant Head Sacristan



Scott Smith Head Sacristan



Summerlee Staten Executive Director for Faith Formation and Education



Avi Stein Organist and Chorusmaster



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

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

7рм:

CELEBRANT: The Rev. Michael A. Bird PREACHER: The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson

DEACON: The Rev. Yein Kim

9рм:

CELEBRANT: The Rt. Rev. Allen K. Shin PREACHER: The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson DEACON: The Rev. Sr. Promise Atelon

11рм:

CELEBRANT: The Rev. Matthew A. Welsch

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MUSICIANS:

The Choir of Trinity Wall Street St. Paul's Chapel Choir (7рм)

Trinity Youth Chorus (9РМ and 11РМ)

Melissa Attebury, Director of Music Avi Stein, Organist and Chorusmaster

Thomas McCargar, Director, St. Paul's Chapel Choir

Dr. Alcee Chriss III, Assistant Organist

Coleman Itzkoff, cello

NOVUS NY Brass:

Micah Killion and ChangHyun Cha, trumpets

Nicolee Keuster, horn Julie Dombroski, trombone Andrew Baker, tuba

This service conforms to Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, which begins on page 355 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. Other liturgical elements may include materials compiled by Trinity Church staff (TCWS) from publications including Common Worship: Times and Seasons (CW:TS), The Book of Occasional Services 2022 (BOS), and contemporary liturgical resources. An asterisk (*) denotes that the text is adapted from the original source material. Hymns come from The Hymnal 1982. Cover image: TCWS Creative Services staff.

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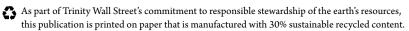
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Assistive Listening devices are available for this service and are located at the welcome table.



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