



# Homecoming

Christmas Eve  
4:00 pm  
December 24, 2017



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LUTHERAN CHURCH





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**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear---we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

### about today's service

On a long winter evening we gather to proclaim the coming of the light. Isaiah announces that the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Paul reminds us that the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. In the familiar account of Christ's birth, the evening sky is bright with the heavenly host singing, "Glory to God in the highest." Amid our broken world we proclaim that the prince of peace is born among us. God comes to us in human flesh—in Christ's body and blood—so that we may be bearers of divine light to all the world.

P: Presiding Minister   A: Assisting Minister   L: Lector   C: Congregation

### ✝ Gathering ✝

Prelude: "Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella"  
Junior Bells

arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

Welcome and Prayer

[Stand]

Carol: O Come All Ye Faithful

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him, born the king of angels:**

**Refrain**

**O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:**

**Refrain**

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

[Sit]

## **The Story of Jesus' Birth as told by the Children of Trinity**

Scene One: Angels Visit Mary

Carol: The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

**The angel Gabriel from heaven came,  
With wings as drifted snow, with eyes as flame:  
"All hail to thee, O lowly maiden Mary,  
Most highly favored lady." Gloria!**

Scene Two: Angels Visit Joseph

Carol: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

Scene Three: The Travelers Make Their Journey for the Census

Carol: Away in a Manger

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

Scene Four: Angels Appear to the Shepherds

Carol: Angels We Have Heard on High

**Angles we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains.  
Gloria in excelsis deo.**

**Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heav'nly song?  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

Scene 5: Wise Men from Afar

Children's Message: "Homecoming"

Pastor Jack M. Horner

[Stand]

Carol: Joy to the World

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

Prayers

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

[Sit]

**✠ Meal ✠**

Offering

Worship Witness (Please sign booklet and return to center aisle)

Anthem: "Sing Allelu"

Ruth Elaine Schram

*Sing Alleluia, sing allelu.  
Jesus is born, our Savior is born,  
So sing Alleluia, sing allelu.*

*Long in darkness we have awaited the King.  
Now He is here so lift up your voices and sing!  
Cherub and Junior Choirs*

[Stand]

Offertory

**So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;  
come, peasant, king, to own him.  
The King of kings salvation brings;  
let loving hearts enthrone him.  
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby;  
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!**

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray. Good and loving God,

**C: we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have blessed us with your gifts, let them be blessing for others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts

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

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

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

P: Holy God, You made everything and we thank you. You filled the world with light and life and gave us a Savior, born of Mary, to shine in our darkness and to make us your children. He lived, died, and rose in glory to save us and bring us eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Oh, come let us adore him!

**C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**C: 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

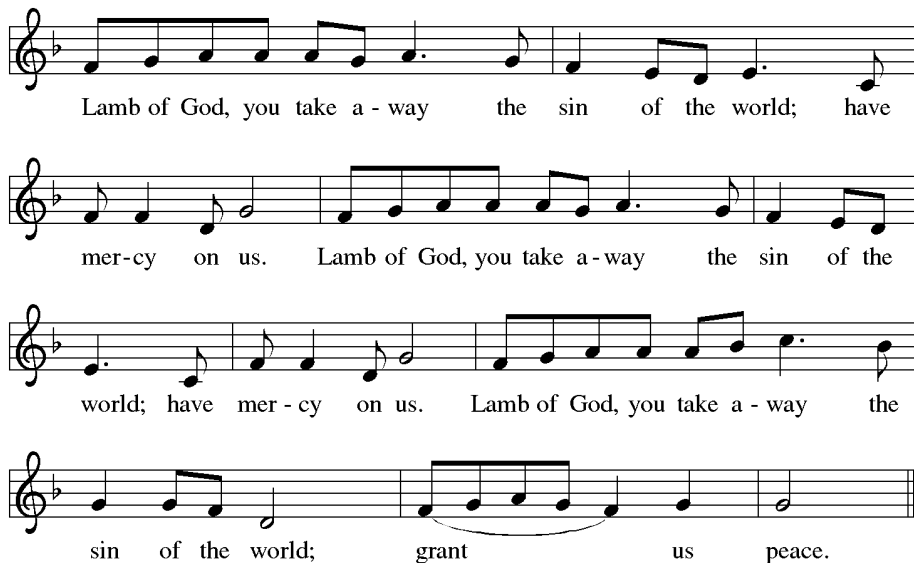
Invitation to Communion

P: Joy to the world! The Lord is come.

**C: Let every heart receive our Savior.**

[Sit]

## Agnus Dei [Lamb of God]



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution of Holy Communion

*We invite all baptized Christians to the Lord's Table to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. The pastors will offer communion at seven stations. You will be directed by the ushers. Communion is by intinction. You will receive a wafer. Dip it in the chalice of wine before consuming. You may then return to your seat. Children and adults who aren't communing may come forward to receive a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality, we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers, available upon request – please ask at the time of communion.*

Hymn No. 270: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hymn No. 279: O Little Town of Bethlehem

Hymn No. 300: The First Noel

**Remain seated for the prayers and "Silent Night"**

## Prayer after Communion

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C:** **Amen.**



A: On this day, O God, you gave us Christ the Son to bring us home and save us. As you sent the one foretold, send us now with good news for all people. Let the gladness of this feast have no end as we share with others the joy that fills us; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

***All adults remained seated; all children may stand.***

Carol: Silent Night

**Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright  
round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;  
glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!  
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.**

[Stand]

Blessing

P: May Christ, who by his incarnation has filled us with grace and truth, give you peace this Christmas and always. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Glory to God in the highest!

**C: Peace to God's people on earth!**

P: Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Toccata on "Hark! The Herald"

Diane Bish

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## The Characters

<b>Adult Narrator</b>	Kelly Falck	<b>THE Innkeeper</b>	Austin Chevarria
<b>Kid Narrator #1</b>	Emily Andrews	<b>Innkeeper's wife</b>	Avary Falck
<b>Kid Narrator #2</b>	Payton Beck	<b>Lead Shepherd #1</b>	Jordyn Beck
<b>Mary</b>	Molly Forbes	<b>Lead Shepherd #2</b>	Colton Lehmer
<b>Angel #1</b>	Charlie Verner-Waldner	<b>Wise Men</b>	Jackson Seivard
<b>Angel #2</b>	Virginia Huntzinger		Anderson Mitchell
<b>Joseph</b>	Joshua Albert		Brody Powers
<b>Donkeys</b>	Caroline Lyon & Crosby Lyon	<b>Camel Keeper</b>	Isaiah Clements
		<b>Camel</b>	Chase Bingaman & Julia Goss
<b>Census Taker</b>	Lauren Savidge		Molly Jensen
<b>Flavius</b>	Ella Gates	<b>STAR</b>	
<b>Innkeeper #1</b>	Piper Reibsane		
<b>Innkeeper #2</b>	Cassidy Anderson		
<b>Innkeeper #3</b>	Kylee Mack		

## Shepherds

Max Bustamante  
Acadia Catherman  
Tessa Comegna  
William Comegna

Lilly Costill  
Hanna Gurchik  
Michael Kelley  
Alex Kinch

Jacob Libby  
Mackenzie Patrick  
Eva Tauriello

## Angels

Jacob Albert  
Ryan Andrews  
Penelope Askey  
Parker Bingaman  
Ava Buhrman  
Nora Buhrman  
Braydon Caboot  
Matthew Clymans  
Katie Clymans  
Greta Comegna

Henry Comegna  
Luke Costill  
Addy Custer  
Jack Forbes  
Kiva Fox  
Annie Gates  
Isaac Gurchik  
Adilyn Hetrick  
Erin Kelley  
Jake Kerns

Charlie MacConnell  
Teaghan Northridge  
James Pae  
Peyton Patrick  
Katie Shivers  
Jack Trogner  
Sarah Trogner  
Clinton Turner  
Julia Wharton  
Grace Yoffee

## Sheep

Alex Bertsch  
Jonathan Bertsch  
Lilianna Caboot  
Jordan Catherman  
Elliot Clements  
Lyla Costill

Malory Fox  
Eleanor Henry  
Emma Hetrick  
Cameron Hettinger  
Caroline Jensen  
Kyle Kinch

Logan Mack  
Nathaniel Lorah  
Melanie Melear  
Hope Yoffee

## **Junior Bells**

Joshua Albert  
Cassidy Anderson  
Emily Andrews  
Payton Beck

Chase Bingaman  
Acadia Catherman  
Avary Falck  
Chase Funk

Julia Goss  
Piper Reibsane  
Jackson Seivard  
Danica Stewart

## **Junior Choir**

Cassidy Anderson  
Emily Andrews  
Payton Beck  
Avary Falck  
Molly Forbes

Chase Funk  
Hanna Gurchik  
Virginia Huntzinger  
Jacob Libby  
Kylee Mack

Piper Reibsane  
Lauren Savidge  
Jackson Seivard  
Eva Tauriello  
Charlie Verner-Waldner

## **Cherub Choir**

Jacob Albert  
Ryan Andrews  
Penelope Askey  
Jordyn Beck  
Parker Bingaman  
Braydon Caboot  
Isaiah Clements  
Katie Clymans  
Greta Comegna  
Henry Comegna

Addie Custer  
Jack Forbes  
Kiva Fox  
Annie Gates  
Addy Hetrick  
Emma Hetrick  
Molly Jensen  
Jake Kerns  
Erin Kelley  
Colton Lehmer

Caroline Lyon  
Crosby Lyon  
Brody Powers  
Sadie Ream  
Katie Shivers  
Jack Trogner  
Sarah Trogner  
Grace Yoffee

## Worship Leaders

**Children's Message:** The Rev. Jack M. Horner

**Presiding Pastor:** The Rev. Jennifer A. Crist

**Acolytes:** Alexa and Elana Kanelos

**Greeters:** Karen Seivard, Karen Chevarria, Evan Chevarria, Karen Molchanow, Debbie Savidge

**Communion Assistants:** Meredith Askey, Janelle and Matt Bingaman, Jennifer Albert, Jennifer Wharton, Larry Reigle, Joyce Libby, Chris and Karen Seivard, Keith and Melissa Huntzinger, Peter Fox, Lisa Trogner, Christine Ream

**Soundboard:** Jay Killian

*Children and Family Ministry would especially like to thank these wonderful people for making this a special night. Danelle Andrews, Sandy Gates, Valerie Kelley, Patty and Brian Comegna, Carolina Patrick, Amy Heinly, Lori Goss, Emilie Goss, Steven Goss, Ali Koch, Ella Falck, Brian Falck, Jon Andrews*



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## **Worship Notes**

**The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall**, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Lawrence K. Thompson, III, by Mrs. L. K. Thompson, III and family.

Poinsettia Pick-up. Any person who has ordered a poinsettia and has chosen to pick it up, please do so after the 10:00 am service on Christmas Day (the building will be closed at 11:30 am). Please do not take the plastic saucers as they are saved for future use. Many thanks to all of you who contributed to the beauty of Trinity at Christmas.

Your many greetings and gifts received by Trinity Church's Staff are most appreciated. We bless you with peace and hope.

**2017 contributions of offerings or special gifts** must be received in the office by Sunday, December 31, in order to be credited to 2017 giving statements.



## A message from the pastors and staff of Trinity Lutheran Church

We wish you a blessed Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. It's a wonderful time at Trinity, with hundreds and hundreds of people playing roles—large and small, seen or unseen. Thanks to each and every person who helped in any way. You are very much appreciated.

Something to think about: For some folks, this season of joy is tempered by hurt, loss, or sadness. Please reach out to those in need. Your greatest gift will be a visit, a listening ear, a prayer.

*Thank you for being here. Come back often. There's always something going on; see below.*

### REGULAR WORSHIP TIMES IN 2018

Sunday Traditional 8:30 and 11 am, Contemporary 9 and 10:45 am • Saturday 5:30 pm  
Thursday spoken service 6:30 pm • Friday prayer service 12 noon

- **Everyone is welcome** at Trinity. Wear what makes you comfortable—casual or dressy, it's your choice.
- **Kids can come** to any service. Or you can use our Sunday nursery for infants through age 5.
- Take advantage of our **learning opportunities** for children, nursery through high school.
- Teens and pre-teens love our **active Youth Group**.
- **Musically inclined?** Find opportunities for all ages: vocal and bell choirs, instrumentalists, praise band.
- Intellectual growth? **Connect** at Bible studies, discussion groups, classes, mission talks, more.
- **Serve our neighbors at home and abroad?** Prayer shawls, quilts, mission trips, prison ministry, much more.
- **Serve at Trinity?** Usher, greet, read, give communion, help in kitchen or office, visit homebound folks, more.
- **Connect with others?** Enjoy meals, concerts, plays, walk/run group, even motorcycling.



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# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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