

REPORT TO CONGREGATION COUNCIL MINISTRY DIRECTOR FOR MUSIC DECEMBER, 2017

November was also very busy for all involved in Trinity's music as we prepare music for Advent and the Dec. 10 Christmas at Trinity concert. Each week is filled with services and rehearsals. All of the choirs will participate in various Christmas Eve services. You can find the list of "who plays/rings/sings where" in the Christmas at Trinity program.

I was honored to have been guest organist in a "Bach in Baltimore" program on Nov 4th and 5th featuring a recently composed opera on the life of Luther and other music presented at St. Stephen's Cathedral in Harrisburg and Christ Lutheran, Inner Harbor.

Nearly 300 people attended the Seraph Brass concert on Nov. 12. They were outstanding.

I attended a Harrisburg Youth Symphony concert at the Forum involving two of our youth on Nov. 13.

The Chancel Choir sang for the Thanksgiving Eve service.

This Sunday's concert will be the 20th Christmas concert I've conducted here at Trinity. Much time has been spent sorting, marking and editing instrumental parts which were mailed to orchestra personnel; not to mention the many hours of personal study and analysis, rehearsals with the various choirs, soloists and ensembles, and publicity.

In the next week or so, scheduling and planning will begin for the winter/spring portion of the 2018 liturgical year, and the 2018/2019 Concert Series.

In addition to weekly staff meetings, I attended the Creative Worship meeting and the Worship Team meeting.

I also played for two funerals.

May you each have a blessed Advent and Christmas season.

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