



Stir Up Our Hopes

**3rd Sunday of
Advent**

**Traditional Worship
8:30 and 11:00 am
December 16, 2018**



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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

The presence of the Lord "in your midst" in the wonder of the holy supper is cause for singing. The nearness of the Lord in prayer, in every circumstance, is cause for rejoicing. The coming of one "more powerful" than John, even with his winnowing fork in his hand, is good news—and cause for exultation—for us who are being saved. Great joy is the tone for the third Sunday of Advent.

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

✝ Gathering ✝

Prelude: "O How Shall I Receive Thee"

Joh. Seb. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

[Stand]

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: To you, O God,

C: we lift up our souls. You know us through and through; we confess our sins to you. Remember not our sins; remember us with your steadfast love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Children of God, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: your sin is washed away in the name of † Jesus; you belong to Christ; you are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.

C: Amen.

(11:00) Turn to face the cross as it enters our midst.

Gathering Hymn No. 244: Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

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Greeting

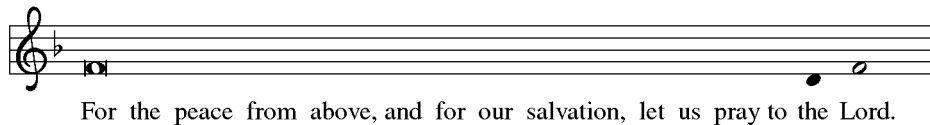
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

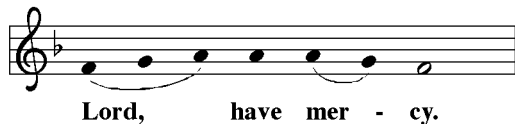
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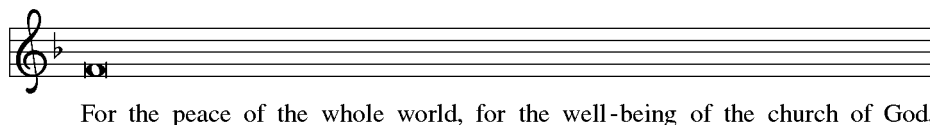
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



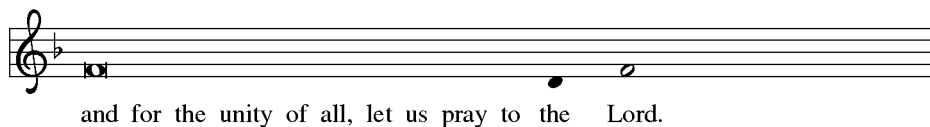
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



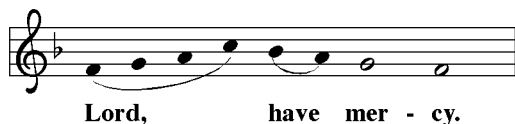
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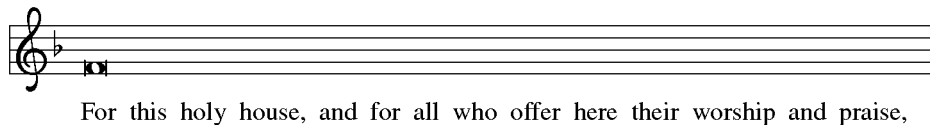
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



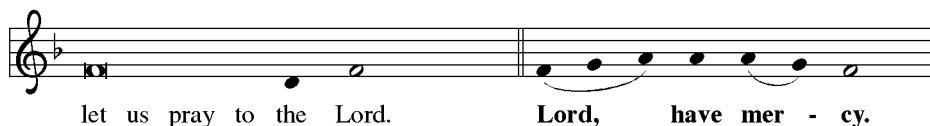
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the **Lord.**



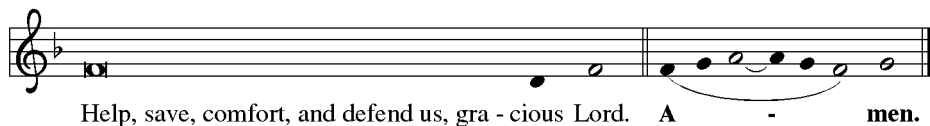
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

(8:30) Hancock Family (11:00) Yoffee Family

Prayer

P: Lord Jesus, you continue to do great things for us. Give us your gift of peace as we wait for you.

C: Amen.

Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

**O come, strong Branch of Jesse, free
your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save,
and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.**

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the preaching of John, that, rejoicing in your salvation, we may bring forth the fruits of repentance; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

[Sit]

† Word †

First Reading

Zephaniah 3:14-20

The prophet Zephaniah's message is mostly one of judgment for sin. This reading, however, which comes from the conclusion of the book, prophesies joy for Judah and Jerusalem. Judgment has led to repentance, and God's salvation is at hand.

¹⁴Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! ¹⁵The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. ¹⁶On that day it shall be said to

Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. ¹⁷The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing ¹⁸as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. ¹⁹I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. ²⁰At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

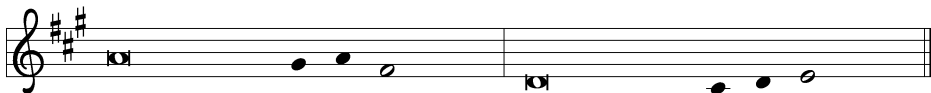
Psalm for the Day

Isaiah 12:2-6

The assisting minister will sing the refrain then the congregation will sing it.



In your midst is the Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.



A: ²Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not | be afraid,
for the Lord God is my strength and my might and has become | my
salvation.

**C: ³With joy you | will draw water
from the wells | of salvation. R**

A: ⁴And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the Lord, call | on God's name;
make known the deeds of the Lord among the nations; proclaim that this
name | is exalted.

**C: ⁵Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done | gloriously;
let this be known in | all the earth.**

A: ⁶Shout aloud and sing for joy, O | royal Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy | One of Israel. **R**

Second Reading

Philippians 4:4-7

Despite being in prison, Paul is remarkably upbeat as he writes this letter. Here, he urges his friends in Philippi to trust God with all their worries and concerns, with the hope they will experience God's joy and peace.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem:

(8:30) "Star of Bethlehem"

Bricusse/Williams/arr. Allen

*Star of Bethlehem, shining bright, bathing the world in heavenly light,
let the glow of your distant glory fill us with hope this Christmas night.
Star of innocence, star of goodness, gazing down since time began,
you who've lived through endless ages, view with love the age of man.
Star of beauty, hear our plea, whisper your wisdom tenderly.
Star of Bethlehem, set us free, make us a world we long to see!
Star of Bethlehem, star on high, miracle of the midnight sky,
let your luminous light from heaven enter our hearts and make us fly.
Star of happiness, star of wonder, you see everything from afar.
Cast your eye upon the future, make us wiser than we are.
Star of gentleness, hear our plea, whisper your wisdom tenderly.
Star of Bethlehem, set us free, make us a world we long to see.*

(from the movie *Home Alone*)

Olivia Shields, soloist; Sara Lobaugh, flute

(11:00) "A Tiny Child Will Come"

Besig/Price

Soon a tiny child will come, as prophets have foretold,
 a tiny babe whose humble birth will warm the winter cold.
 Soon a tiny child will come, God's promise to fulfill,
 to live among us here on earth and do His Father's will.
 But will we know Him when He comes, this tiny little King?
 Will our hearts and minds be open to the joy He brings?
 Soon a tiny child will come, prepare to let Him in,
 for He alone can make us whole, and free the world from sin;
 He will free the world from sin.
 And now the world awaits the news; we know the time is near.
 Soon a star will light the winter sky to show He is here!
 Soon a tiny child will come, a gift from God above,
 to teach us all to live in peace, and fill our lives with love.
 He will teach us how to love!
 Family Choir

Children's Message

Pastor Liz Frey

[Stand]

Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 1st chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John the Baptist heralds the mighty one "who is coming." John teaches that preparation for God's reign is not a matter of identity but of bearing fruits of merciful justice, radical generosity, and vocational integrity.

⁷John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

¹⁰And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" ¹¹In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." ¹²Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" ¹³He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

[Sit]

Sermon: "Stir Up Our Hopes"

Pastor Jack Horner

[Stand]

Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Each petition ends:

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

Prayer Response (sung by all)

**O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels their great glad tidings tell;
Oh, come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.**

✠ Meal ✠

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

[Sit]

Offering

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

[Stand]

Offertory



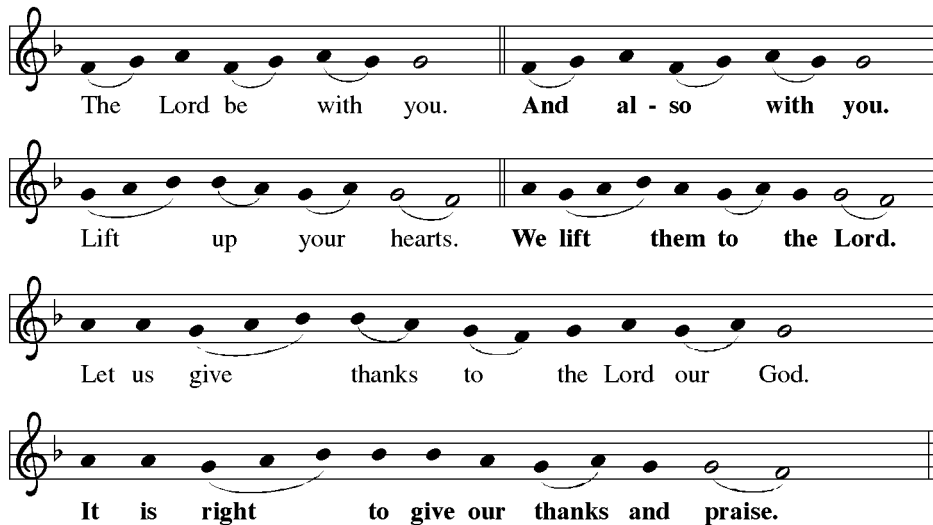
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

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

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, the Beginning and the End, our Salvation and our Hope, we praise you for creating a world of order and beauty. When we brought on chaos, cruelty and despair, you sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy. At this end of the ages your Son Jesus came to bring us your love and to heal all the suffering world.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await his coming again in righteousness and peace.

Send your Spirit on us and on this bread and wine we share: strengthen our faith, increase our hope, and bring to birth the justice and joy of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

The 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: God fills the hungry with good things. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

C: Thanks be to God.

[Sit]

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. 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 or come to the altar rail for prayer. Children and adults who are not 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.

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(11:00) Hymn No. 487: What Feast of Love

[Stand]

Post Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

P: Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament to those at home. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

Blessing

P: May God direct your ways in peace, make you abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen your hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn No. 239: Hark the Glad Sound

CHESTERFIELD

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Hark, the Glad Sound!"

Michael Burkhardt

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Preacher: Rev. Jack M. Horner

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Lector: (8:30) Bill Stotler; (11:00) Bernadine Armstrong

Communion Assistants: (8:30) Anne Shields, John Powell, Michele Addams;
(11:00) Anne Shields, Barbara Kriebel, Shirley Pierson, Amy Koch.

Acolyte: (8:30) Jackson Seivard

Book Bearer: (11:00) Nicole Purnell

Soundboard: (8:30) Jay Killian; (11:00) Jim Kincaid

Greeters: (8:30) Dave Maser (head greeter) Linda Penny, Terri Denison; (11:00)
Keith Huntzinger(head greeter), Bunny Gantt, Phyl Mowery

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Carillonneur: Bunny Armstrong

Bulletin Artwork: Trinity Staff

Flower Delivery: Doug and Joy Snyder

Garden of Eatin': (GOE1) Mary Ellen Hettinger, Margaret Parker; (GOE II) Mary
Ellen Harner, Jess Hetrick

Join us next week

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Pastor John Brock

“Stir Up Our World”

(8:30 & 11:00) Ron Livingston, soloist

(11:00) Chancel Choir



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worship notes

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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 Arnie Greenlund by his wife Anne.

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

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