

Wonder FULL

*Nativity of
Our Lord*

Christmas Eve
4:00 pm
December 24, 2019



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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

In winter's deepest night, we welcome the light of the Christ child. Isaiah declares that the light of the long-promised king will illumine the world and bring endless peace and justice. Paul reminds us that the grace of God through Jesus Christ brings salvation to all people. The angels declare that Jesus' birth is good and joyful news for everyone, including lowly shepherds. Filled with the light that shines in our lives, we go forth to share the light of Christ with the whole world.

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

✝ Gathering ✝

Prelude: "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" arr. Martha Lynn Thompson
"O Come, All Ye Faithful" arr. Susan Berry and Janet Van Valley
Junior Bells

Welcome and Prayer

P: In this time of worship, may we be open to your promises, your love, and your light. May we vision and dream. May we be surprised. May we receive the life you give us. May we encounter Emmanuel – God with us, and may we never be the same. Amen.

[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!**

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!**

Glory to God in the highest:

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 Jesus, the true Light. Let this Light shine on us tonight and every night; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

[Sit]

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

Join in singing these carols along with the children

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.**

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.

All children present are invited to come forward for the children's message during the singing of "Joy to the World"

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.**

Children's Message: "Wonder-FULL"

Pastor Jack M. Horner

[Stand]

Children return to their seats while we all sing "Go Tell it on the Mountain"

Carol: Go Tell it on the mountain

Refrain

**Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!**

**While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light.**

Refrain

Prayers of the Church

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

[Sit]

+ Meal +

Offering

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

Anthem: Ring the Bells

Mark Wilson

*Far upon the hillside near a stable bare,
gazed a shepherd calmly, knowing that Jesus was there.
Ring the bells on Christmas Day, let the whole world know,
Christ was born in Bethlehem, many years ago.
On that night so lonely, shone a star so fair,
to a manger lowly, hoping that someone would care.
Cherub and Junior Choirs; Georgia Clemments, piano*

Anthem: Fum, Fum, Fum

arr. John D. Miller

*On December five and twenty: Fum, fum, fum!
Oh, a babe for us to love came down this night, this blessed night.
Of a maiden pure and holy, in a stable, mean and lowly: Fum, fum, fum!
Little birds from out the wood fly to the child, the infant child.
Keep him warm in winter weather,
fill the manger with sweet feathers: Fum, fum, fum!
Tiny stars look down from heaven: Fum, fum, fum!
If you hear the baby sigh, don't let him cry, don't let him cry.
Now we sing the holy story, brighten all the sky with glory: Fum, fum, fum!
Cherub and Junior Choirs; Georgia Clemments, piano*

[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

A: Let us Pray. Generous God,

**C: all we have comes from your love. Fill up our hearts together in this place,
and help us share your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we go.
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: Almighty God, we gather here tonight to be surrounded by the Light of Jesus. You had too much love to keep it to yourself; so even though we lifted our voices and arms in anger, you chose to fill us with love and grace in the form of a baby. You give us such joy and peace in your company that our hearts want to sing with the Christmas angels:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: God of new birth, as you laid Jesus in Mary's arms, you place these gifts of bread and wine in our hands. Send your Holy Spirit, that this bread and this cup may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ...

P: Great is the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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: Love has come: God's love for all people.
Come and eat, for Christ invites you.

C: Thanks be to God.

[Sit]

Carol: O Come All Ye Faithful

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!**

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:

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

Distribution of Holy Communion

We invite all Christians to the Lord's Table to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. We will offer communion at eight 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.

P: Let us pray. Thank you for giving us the true reason for the season: Jesus, the greatest Christmas gift of all. Help us to remember why we celebrate, even as we eat Christmas cookies and open presents. We love You and thank You for giving us this day!

C: Amen.

All adults remain 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: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Christ is born! Go tell it on the mountain and everywhere!

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Toccata on "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Donald Hustad

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Soundboard: Jay Killian

Children and Family Ministry would especially like to thank our wonderful teachers, parents and volunteers.

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.

2019 contributions of offerings or special gifts must be received in the office by Monday morning, December 30, in order to be credited to your 2018 giving statements.

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who help to make the service possible this evening.

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Mary: Grace Yoffee

Joseph: Jack Forbes

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James Pae
Lauren Savidge
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Payton Beck
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Jonathan Bertsch
Izzy Bilous
Elliott Clements
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Addison England
Jack Forbes
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We wish you a blessed Christmas. It's a wonderful time at Trinity, with hundreds of people, seen and unseen, handling all details large and small. Thank you to every person who has played a role.

Something else: Not everyone feels joy during this season. Some folks are grieving, or ill, or hurt, or lost. Reach out to those in need: a visit, a listening ear. But remember too that some folks hide their suffering; maybe it's the person next to you, quiet but smiling. So be thoughtful, sensitive, and kind. And pray for all.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTORS AND STAFF

Regular Worship Times in 2020

Sunday Traditional 8:30 and 11:00 am • Sunday Contemporary 8:30 and 11:00 am
Saturday 5:30 pm • Thursday spoken service 6:30 pm • Friday prayer service 12 noon
Healing service monthly, third Sunday, 12:30 pm

- **Everyone is welcome at Trinity.** Families, singles. All walks of life.
- **Children are welcome at any service.** Or you can use our Sunday nursery for infants through age 5.
- **Take advantage of our Faith Connection opportunities** for infants through elders.
- Teens and pre-teens love our **active Youth Group.**
- **Musically inclined?** Find opportunities for everyone: vocal and bell choirs, instrumentalists, praise band.
- **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.
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