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**Third Sunday of
Advent**

**Traditional Worship
8:30 and 11:00 am
December 15, 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. 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

A note of joyful expectation marks today's worship. Isaiah announces that the desert shall rejoice and blossom, and Jesus points to the unexpected and transforming signs of God's reign. We wait with patience for the coming of the Lord, even as we rejoice at his presence among us this day: in word and holy supper, in church and in our homes, in silent reflection and in works of justice and love. We pray that God would open our eyes and ears to the wonders of Christ's advent among us.

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

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive God's love.

Prelude: "An Advent Prelude"

Charles Callahan

(A medley of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* and *Creator of the Stars*)

Sara Lobaugh, flute

Welcome and Announcements

[Stand]

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us come before the living God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: As we wait and watch for the promised day of salvation,

C: we open our hearts to you, O God. Search us and know us. Reveal all that we keep inside. To you, O God, we confess our sins, known and unknown. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us in your ways of justice and peace. Make us reflections of the radiant love of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

Gathering Hymn No. 242: Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn

REJOICE, REJOICE

Greeting

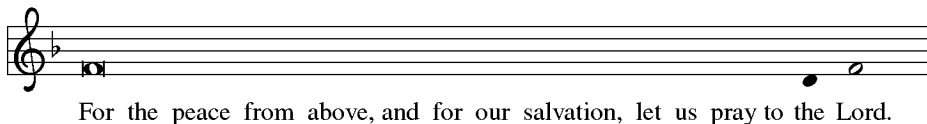
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

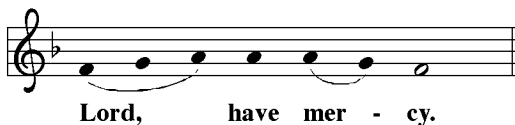
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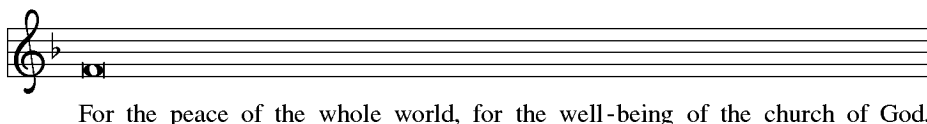
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



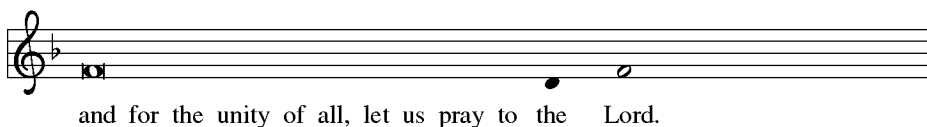
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



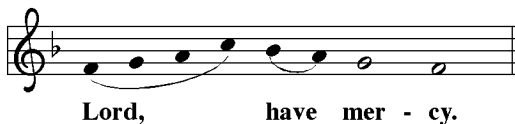
Lord, have mer - cy.



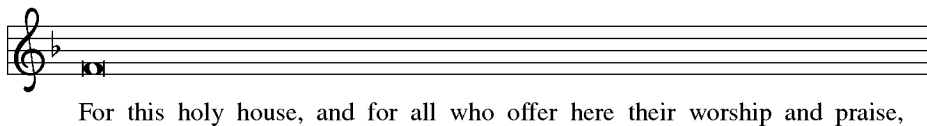
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



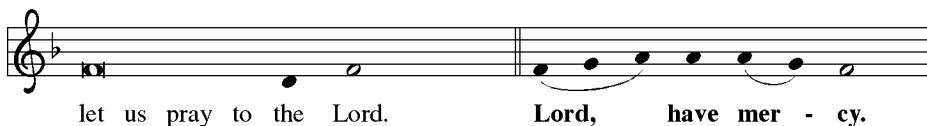
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



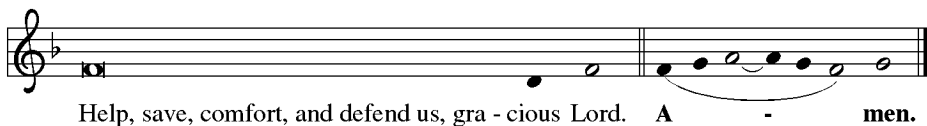
Lord, have mer - cy.



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

Prayer

P: Blessed are you, God of might and majesty, for you promise to make the desert rejoice and blossom, to watch over the strangers, and to set the prisoners free. As we light these candles, satisfy our hunger with your good gifts, open our eyes to the great things you have done for us, and fill us with patience until the coming of the Lord Jesus.

P: O ransomed people of the Lord, come,

C: let us travel on God's holy way and enter into Zion with singing. Amen.

Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

**O come, O come, O Lord of might,
as to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times you gave the law
in cloud, and majesty, and awe.
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 all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that, transformed by grace, we may walk in your way; 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 †

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of God's people.

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-10

The prophet describes the return from the Babylonian captivity as a joyous procession to Zion. God's coming reign will bring a renewal of creation in which health and wholeness will be restored. There is no need for fear, for God is coming to save.

¹The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus ²it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy

and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. ³Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. ⁸A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. ⁹No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. ¹⁰And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 146:5-10

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

Refrain:

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

who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promis- | es forever;

A: ⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,
whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

**C: ⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;
who keeps promis- | es forever;**

A: ⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger.

The LORD sets the | captive free.

C: ⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who | are bowed down;**
the LORD | loves the righteous.

Refrain:



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

A: ⁹The LORD cares | for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way | of the wicked.

C: ¹⁰**The LORD shall | reign forever,**
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

Refrain:

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

In anticipation of the Lord's coming, Christians are called upon to cultivate patience rather than discontent.

⁷Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: (8:30) "A Christmas Lullaby"

John Rutter

*Clear in the darkness a light shines in Bethlehem:
angels are singing, their sound fills the air.*

*Wise men have journeyed to greet their Messiah;
But only a mother and baby lie there.*

*'Ave Maria': Hear the soft lullaby the angel host sing.
Ave Maria, maiden and mother of Jesus our King.*

*Where are his courtiers, and who are his people?
Why does he bear neither scepter nor crown?
Shepherds his courtiers, the poor for his people,
With peace as his scepter and love for his crown...*
Amy Heinly, soloist

(11:00) "Sing For Joy, Ye People of Zion" Joseph Martin

Sing for joy, ye people of Zion! Sing for joy! I am coming to you.

Sing for joy, all ye people of Zion, I'm coming to you.

Sing hosanna! Sing for joy, hosanna to God and King.

And in that time the nations all shall come and kneel before the one true God.

And God shall come again unto His own and fill the earth with all his love and power.

Family Choir; Ryan Hannigan, piano

Children's Message

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 \pm resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Each petition ends:

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

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.

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. Matthew the 11th chapter.

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:2-11

John the Baptist expects the Messiah to bring God's judgment upon the earth (Matt. 3:11-12). From a prison cell, he wonders whether Jesus is the one who will do this. Jesus' response indicates that God's reign is indeed being fulfilled already through healing and restoration.

²When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" ⁴Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." ⁷As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹What then did you

go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' ¹¹Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon: "Wait In Wonder: No Fear"

Pastor Liz Frey

[Stand]

✝ Meal ✝

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

[Sit]

Communion Instructions

Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts

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

[Stand]

Offertory



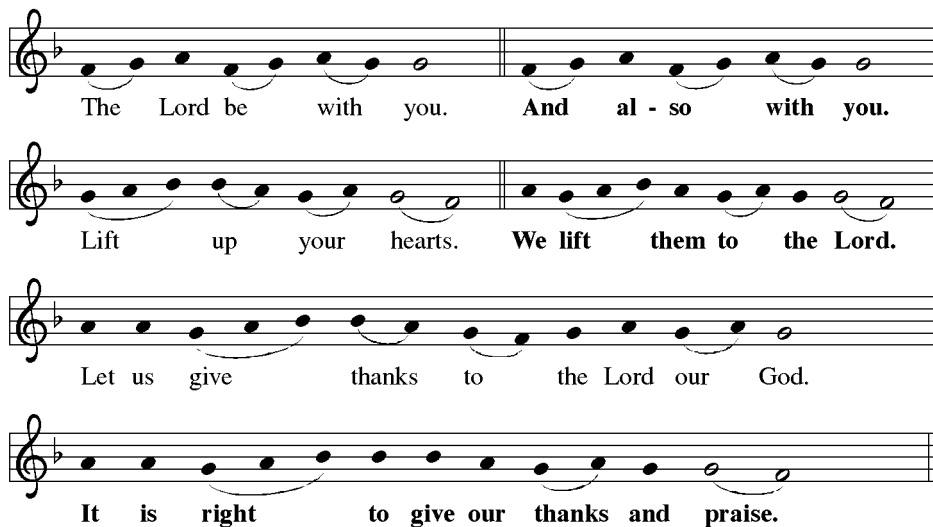
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your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

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

C: Giver of every good thing, we set before you the gifts that you have already given to sustain our lives and to share with others. Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it, and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast you prepare for all who hunger. 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.

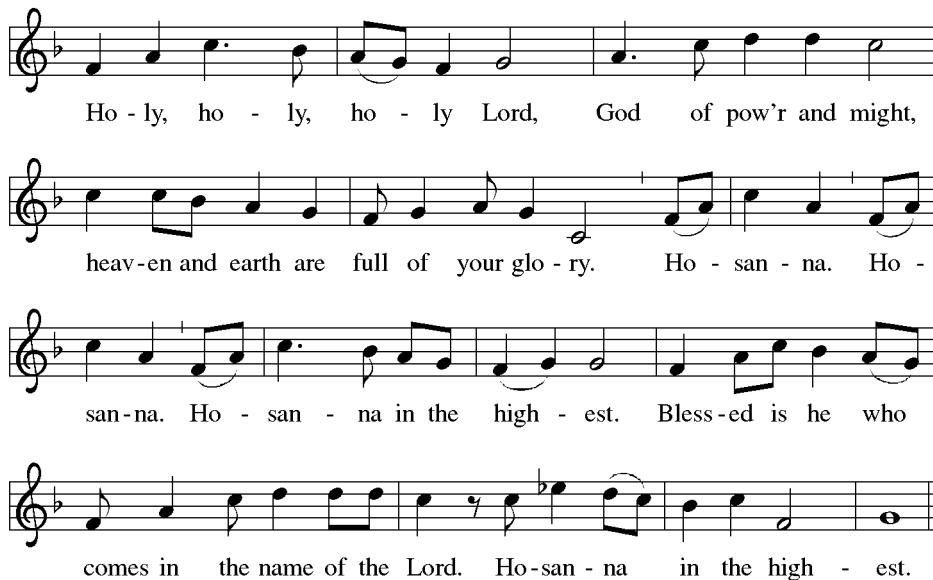
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P: Blessed are you, Lord God of time and eternity...

...and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

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: God of blessing, in Jesus you fill the hungry with good things...
... and these gifts of bread and wine 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.

P: Delivering God, we call on you to fulfill your Advent promise...
... until all bow before your throne and worship in your glory, ever one
God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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: Come now with joy to Emmanuel's table.
Feast at the banquet of hope and love.

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 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.

(11:00) "A Christmas Lullaby"

John Rutter

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angels are singing, their sound fills the air.
Wise men have journeyed to greet their Messiah;
But only a mother and baby lie there.*
'Ave Maria': *Hear the soft lullaby the angel host sing.
Ave Maria, maiden and mother of Jesus our King.
Where are his courtiers, and who are his people?
Why does he bear neither scepter nor crown?
Shepherds his courtiers, the poor for his people,
With peace as his scepter and love for his crown...*
Amy Heinly, soloist

[Stand]

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

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

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray. God of abundance, we give you thanks that in this holy meal you have invited us to feast with you and one another. May the taste of your love remain with us and may our words and our work in your name invite others into your bountiful grace. Send us from your table to proclaim your presence, even as we await the glorious coming of Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

✝ Sending ✝

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table.
Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.*

Blessing of Communion to the Sick and Homebound

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.

Blessing

P: The blessing of the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, be upon you and remain with you 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: "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

Wilbur Held

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Join us next week

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Pastor John Brock

"Wait in Wonder: Resolved!"

(8:30 and 11:00) Michael Clements, soloist;

(11:00) Chancel Choir, Matins Choir

worship notes

Attendance at our worship services last week 687. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, in the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website (www.trinitycamphill.org).

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.

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

worship leaders

Presiding Minister: The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth E. Frey

Assisting Minister: (8:30) Alex Knepper; (11:00) Meredith Askey

Lector: (8:30) Wendy Beckmann; (11:00) Jim Fox

Communion Assistants: (8:30) Kathy Smeal, Michele Addams, Nancy Martin; (11:00) Julie Stambaugh, Greg Woods, Barbara Kriebel, Holly Frymoyer

Acolyte: (8:30) McKenna Rahn, Ali Koch

Crucifer: (11:00) Xander Bishop

Book Bearer: (11:00) Ben Gates

Soundboard: (8:30) Colby Ritter; (11:00) Rick Sten

Greeters: (8:30) Anne Stafford (head greeter), Carol Reighter, John Reighter; (11:00) Keith Huntzinger (head greeter) Darby and Chris Burnell, Pat and Shaun Eisenhauer, Steph Morgan

Ushers: Tim Sheaffer (head usher), Rick and Ardelle Barry, Terri Denison, John Greenleaf, Grace Hoyt, Joe Hunter, Chris Jacobs, Richard Jacobs, H. Jay Killian, John Powell, Teresa Sheaffer, Scott and Karen Smith, Bruce Stauffer, Bill Tauriello, Don Lazarchik

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