



First Sunday  
of Advent

Contemporary Worship  
11:00 am  
November 28, 2021



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## ==Weekly News & Announcements==

### **Are you living a life of gratitude and generosity?**

You should have received a letter and pledge/giving envelope in the mail. Return by Nov. 30 so we know how to plan for 2022! Extra letters and pledge envelopes are located on top of the giving kiosk in the Gathering Space.



### **Giving Tree: Return ornaments by Dec. 12**

In Gathering Space or go to [www.trinitycamphill.org/givingtree](http://www.trinitycamphill.org/givingtree).

### **Kids need new or gently used hats, gloves, scarves**

Place items in the box in the Gathering Space.

### **Give ELCA Good Gifts—no need to wrap**

Visit table in Gathering Space or [www.ELCA.org/goodgifts](http://www.ELCA.org/goodgifts)

### **Help Steve put up 7 Christmas trees: Sat., Dec. 4, 10 am to noon!**

C'mon, please call the office or email [steve.kauffman@trinitycamphill.org](mailto:steve.kauffman@trinitycamphill.org) to help put up trees, fluff branches (eye roll), and decorate them! Pizza afterward.

### **Men's Sat. Breakfast: Dec. 4 at 8 am**

Discuss "Are we up for the challenge?" All men invited to the Stens' home. RSVP and get address: [rsten58@verizon.net](mailto:rsten58@verizon.net).

### **Children needed: Christmas Eve**

A meaningful experience for your kiddos! Our popular pageant combines "acting" with recorded pieces. Go to [www.trinitycamphill.org/ChristmasEve](http://www.trinitycamphill.org/ChristmasEve).

### **Shop at Amazon so Trinity gets 0.5% donation**

Go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and choose Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church as your favorite charity. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to us. No fees, no extra costs! It's win-win.

### **Pizza and a movie: The Star, Fri., Dec. 10, at 6 pm**

FREE Trinity event: Sony Pictures Animation tells the Christmas Story through the eyes of unlikely heroes that include a brave donkey and his animal friends.

### **Take the SERVE Challenge—cards remain!**

SERVE cards are still on the wall in the Gathering Space. Take a card, complete the service, send a pic, and leave a challenge for someone else.



Sat., Dec. 4 7:30 pm

*Holiday*  
WITH  
THE Harrisburg Singers

**Holiday Concert at Trinity!**  
Concert Series Patrons get 4 free tickets from Trinity office. Others pay Hbg. Singers' prices.

**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** *We're so glad you're here.*

We would like to know you were here worshipping with us. Using a QR reader or camera on your mobile device, please scan this QR code to check you and your family into today's worship service. Or go to the following link:  
[trinitycamphill.org/checkin](http://trinitycamphill.org/checkin)



### **about today's service**

Advent is about the "coming days." God's people have always lived in great expectation, but that expectation finds specific, repeated enunciation in the texts appointed for these four weeks. The ancients anticipated a "righteous Branch to spring up for David." The Thessalonians awaited "the coming of our Lord Jesus with all the saints." Jesus' contemporaries hoped for the time "to stand before the Son of Man." With them we eagerly await the coming days: another Christmas celebration, a second coming, and the advent of Christ in word and supper.

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

### **✠ Gathering ✠**

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

#### **Song: "Sing to the King"**

##### **Verse 1 (2X)**

Sing to the King who, is coming to reign glory to Jesus  
The Lamb that was slain  
Life and salvation, His empire shall bring joy to the nations  
When Jesus is King

##### **Chorus**

Come, let us sing a song, a song declaring we belong to Jesus  
He is all we need  
Lift up a heart of praise  
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus Sing to the King

##### **Verse 2**

For his returning we watch and we pray we will be ready  
The dawn of that day  
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed  
Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

##### **Chorus**

##### **Verse 2**

##### **Chorus**

Billy Foote, Charles Horne

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Welcome

**Song: "Here I Am to Worship"**

**Verse 1 (2X)**

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with You.

**Chorus**

Here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely,  
Altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

**Verse 2**

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,  
Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

**Chorus**

**Bridge (2X)**

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross.

**Chorus (3X)**

**Tag:** Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.  
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(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

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

**C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Loving and forgiving God,

**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Adrienne Brady & Family

Prayer

L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe. You call all nations to walk in your light and to seek your ways of justice and peace, for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near. Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath. Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes and welcome him into our hearts and homes, for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Song: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"**

**Verse 1**

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.

Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father 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.*

Reading:

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

*Upon Timothy's report from the congregation at Thessalonica, Paul is exuberant with gratitude for them. In this passage from his letter, Paul voices overflowing thanks, joy, and blessings for the people of this growing church.*

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. <sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

(Stand)

Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

*God will fulfill God's purposes and, already, hidden signs of that fulfillment abound. On that great day there will be dismay, perplexity, confusion, and terror, but God's people shall be given strength to stand boldly and receive God's promised redemption.*

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” <sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you

may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

(Sit)

Sermon: "Making Sense Out of Chaos"

Pastor Jack Horner

Children's Message

Pastor Liz Frey

**Song: "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"**

**Intro:**

**Verse 1:**

Come Thou long expected Jesus,  
Born to set Thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in Thee.  
Israel's Strength and Consolation,  
Hope of all the earth Thou art;  
Dear Desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

**Verse 2:**

Born Thy people to deliver,  
Born a Child and yet a King.  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By Thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By Thine all sufficient merit  
Raise us to Thy glorious Throne.

**Tag:**

Thy Throne, Thy Throne.  
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(Stand)

## Nicene Creed

P: Let us profess our common faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: **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 the Church

*Following each petition are the words: "Hear us, O God."*

*Please respond with: "... Your mercy is great."*

## **+** 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.*

## Peace

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

C: **And also with you.**

## Announcements

## Offering

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

Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the back of the worship space as you exit.

## Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you,

C: **O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

**C: The Spirit is with us.**

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

**C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.**

## 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.*

P: 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.**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion

P: Come to Christ's banquet.

Feast on God's gift of Grace.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Sharing our Lord's Supper

*All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. You will remain at your seat and at the direction of the pastor, you will be invited to commune, at which time, you will open the individually wrapped, prepackaged communion elements you received when you arrived. The bread is in the bottom and wine in the top. If you did not receive communion elements when you arrived, please see an usher.*

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

[Please 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.**

P: Let us pray. Most High God, you have come among us at this table. By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your word, sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all, through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

**C: Amen.**

## ✠ Sending ✠

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

Blessing

P: The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit ✠ through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

**C: Amen.**

## Song "Bethlehem Highway"

### **Chorus (2X)**

There is hope on Bethlehem highway for the ones who will journey there.  
And the hope is the child in a manger bringing us love beyond compare.

### **Verse 1**

It's a lifeline for the needy. It's sight to those who can't see.

It's a freedom for the faithful in a child of prophecy.

### **Chorus**

### **Verse 2**

Let the angels go before us. Let the darkness become light.

Now the Savior lives among us. Now the truth has come to life.

### **Chorus (2X)**

Brown, David/Hersch, James-C. 1992 Dakota Road Music, CCLI #1283514

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Christ is near.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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**Join us next week!**

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**Second Sunday  
of Advent**

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**Sermon Series Theme:**

**"It's Beginning to Look a lot Like Christmas"**

**Preaching: Pastor Liz Frey**

**FaithX**



### **Worship notes**

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website ([www.trinitycamphill.org](http://www.trinitycamphill.org)). If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office and we can mail one to you.

We want to highlight our faith formation volunteer leaders so a different family from that team will be lighting our advent wreath each week. Let us thank them for sharing their gifts through our kids in leading our Faith formation classes.

**The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall** are presented to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Jess and Jackie Fosselman; Roger and Roberta Smith by the family; in honor of the birthdays of Carl and Barbara Winfield by their loving children; in loving memory of Bishop Howard J. McCarney by his family; In loving memory of her mother, Betty Smith, by Karen Purnell.

**The sanctuary lamp candle that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence** is presented to the glory of God.

**United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.**

### **Worship Leaders**

**Presiding Minister:** The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner / The Rev. Elizabeth E. Frey

**Preacher:** The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

**Lector:** Kim Hoover

**Greeters:** Fran Jacobs, Jane Killian

**Ushers:** Dan & Lyn Reed

**Altar Care:** Sandy Lunger

**Sound Technician:** Gary Rini

**Video Technician:** Dona Norris

**Slide Show Producer:** Barb Martin

**Count Down Video Producer:** Danelle Andrews

**FaithX Instrumentalists:** Pam Hess, Mike Schwalm, Debbie & Rick Wilson

**Bulletin Artwork:** Trinity Staff

# PIZZA AND A MOVIE

Fri., Dec. 10, at 6 pm



Sony Pictures Animation  
tells the Christmas Story with  
a heartwarming twist

Tyler Perry . Tracy Morgan . Kelly Clarkson  
Mariah Carey . Oprah Winfrey . More

Wear PJ's! Bring blanket/chair.  
Take pics with host St. Nick.



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