

*Nativity of
Our Lord*

Christmas Eve
6:00 pm
December 24, 2021



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

Thank you for choosing to worship here. Come back often.



Christmas Eve:
Glad you're here!
*Living a life
of hope*
Online: Watch anytime from 9 am
In-person: 2-4-6-8-10 pm



Sat | Christmas Day
9 am online | 10 am in-person
God Reigns



Sun | Dec. 26
9 am in-person & livestream
Joyful Praise!



Your contributions keep us going. Thank you. Christmas offerings and 2021 contributions must be received by Dec. 30. Your support funds all that we do, and it also makes a difference to others: Just ask our mission partners to whom you gave nearly 200 Giving Tree gift cards totaling \$4,700. **WOW!**

Remember that not everyone feels joy during this season

Maybe it's the person next to you, or maybe it's you. Some folks are grieving, sad, ill, hurt, or lost, and they may be hiding their suffering. Be thoughtful, sensitive, and kind. Listen. And pray for all.

So much to do in 2022, kiddos through adults, to feel Christ's love

Trinity can help you deepen your faith and feel Christ's love. You can worship (2022 theme: "Live like Jesus"), connect (e.g., Simply Together Valentine's Date Night Feb. 12 at 6 pm), and serve (give, serve, lead) in oh so many ways. Plus, new member meet-up is Sun., Jan. 9, at 10 am. Get info on all these things and more at www.trinitycamphill.org. Yes!



Merry Christmas to all!



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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

**those individuals leading worship, singing or speaking, unmasked are fully vaccinated*

We would like to know you were here worshiping 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



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 ✝

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

Prelude: "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"
"Joy to the World"

Martha Thompson
Dan Edwards

Youth Bells

Welcome

Proclamation of the Birth of Christ Video

[Please Stand]

Gathering Hymn No. 270: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

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Greeting

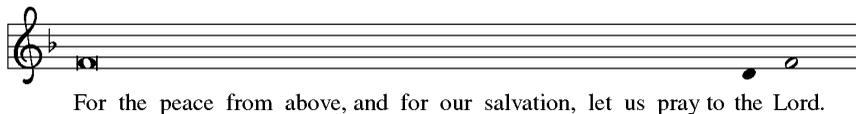
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

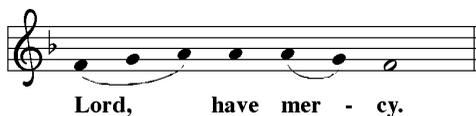
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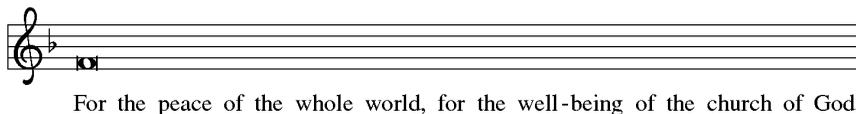
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



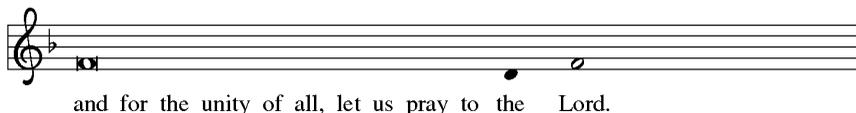
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



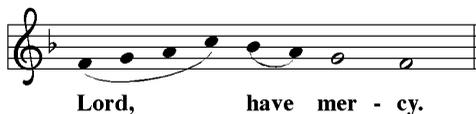
Lord, have mer - cy.



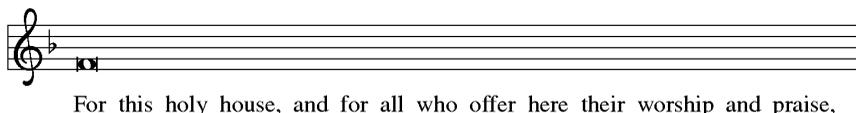
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



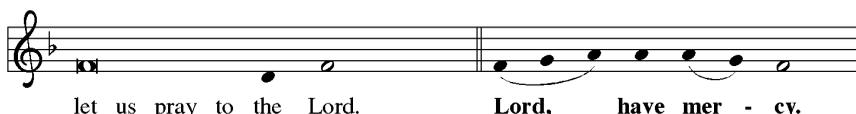
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



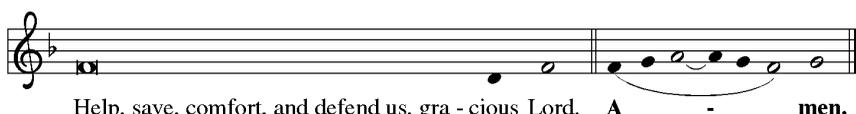
Lord, have mer - cy.



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.**

Hymn of Praise: Angels We Have Heard on High

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply, ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born king.

Refrain

Glo - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o; glo - - -

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Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

[Please Sit]

✝ Word ✝

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

"O Holy Night"

arr. Rob Perry

Four Hand Piano: McKenna Rahn and Tim Koch

Children's Message

Pastor Liz Frey

First Reading:

Isaiah 9:2-7

This poem promises deliverance from Assyrian oppression, a hope based on the birth of a royal child with a name full of promise. While Judah's king will practice justice and righteousness, the real basis for faith lies in God's passion for the people: The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this!

²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. ⁵For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. ⁶For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14

The appearance of God's grace in Jesus Christ brings salvation for all humanity. Consequently, in the present we live wisely and justly while also anticipating the hope of our Savior's final appearance.

¹¹The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, ¹² training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, ¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. ¹⁴ He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

[Stand]

Gospel Verse:

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come, and adore Him, born the King of angels,
O come, let us adore Him....Christ the Lord**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the 2nd chapter.

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

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:1-20

God's greatest gift comes as a baby in a manger. Angels announce the "good news of great joy" and proclaim God's blessing of peace

¹In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. ⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" ¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they

made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

Gospel Verse:

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God in the highest.
O come, let us adore Him....Christ the Lord**

[Sit]

Sermon: "Living A Life of Hope"

Pastor Jack M. Horner

[Stand]

Hymn of the Day No. 292: Love Has Come

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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 the Church

Each portion of the prayer ends:

A: Merciful God,

C: **receive our prayer.**

Prayer Response

**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, the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.**

† 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 drink the wine Christ is present with us.

Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

[Please Sit]

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 • Mail into the church office • Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the entrance to the worship space as you exit.

[Please Stand]

Offering Prayer

A: Let us Pray. Generous God,

C: you have given us life, this community, and these gifts of the earth that become the meal of your grace. Move in our hearts, that we might use your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we go, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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

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

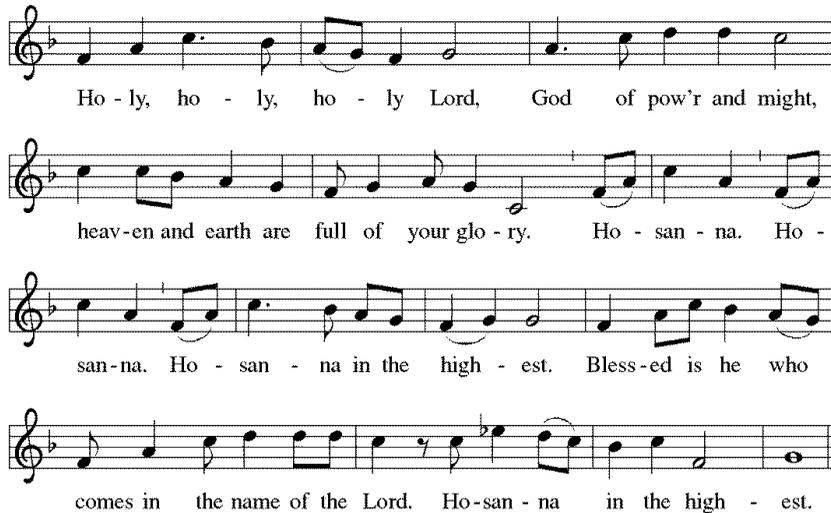
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus [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: We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.
- P: He is your Word, inseparable from you, through whom you created all things, and in whom you take delight. He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb. He there took on our nature and our lot and was shown forth as your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary. He, our Lord Jesus, fulfilled all your will and won for you a holy people; he stretched out his hands in suffering in order to free from suffering those who trust you.
- P: He is the one who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection,

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, then, his death and resurrection, we take this bread and cup, giving you thanks that you have made us worthy to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

P: Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ; through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

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.

[Please Sit]

Agnus Dei [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.

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.

The presiding minister will now invite you to commune at your seat.

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

[Please Stand]

Prayer after Communion

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

C: Amen.

A: Let us pray. We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus, God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine. As we have shared this feast of love, strengthen us to share your love with all the world. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen.

Lighting of the Candles

*The ushers will light the candles of worshipers on the aisles. Pass the light to the person next to you until every candle is lit. **TILT ONLY UNLIT CANDLES.** The candles will remain lit during "Silent Night." Please extinguish the candles following the Dismissal, and place them in the box by the door.*

Carol: Silent Night, Holy Night!

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**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.**

‡ 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

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.

Extinguish Candles *Please place your candle holder in the boxes at the doors.*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ our Savior.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Fantasia on *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*"

arr. Dan Miller

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Bulletin Cover: Trinity Staff

Worship Notes

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

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Lawrence K. Thompson III by Mrs. L. K. Thompson III & family; Virginia, Clyde, and son, Bill Apgar, by Gretchen Huntzinger; James Denison by wife; Mr. & Mrs. James Slane, parents, by Terri Denison; Judy Prowell by Harry Prowell.

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

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.

2021 contributions of offerings or special gifts must be received in the office by Thursday morning, December 30, in order to be credited to your 2021 giving statements. The church office will be closed on Friday, December for the New Year's Eve Holiday.



Join us on tomorrow!

+ + +
Christmas Day

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Sermon Series Theme:
"God Reigns"

Preaching: Pastor John Brock
9 am - Online only
10 am - In-person



Join us on Sunday!

+ + +
First Sunday
of Christmas

+ + +

Sermon Series Theme:
"Joyful Praise"

9 am one service only
In-person & Livestreamed



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 2022

Sunday In-person & Streaming 9:00 am • Sunday Traditional & Contemporary 11:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm • Friday prayer service 12 noon

10 am • Faith Connect hour
Classes for all ages

- **Everyone is welcome at Trinity.** Families, singles. All walks of life.
- **Children are welcome at any service.** Or you can use our family lounge/library. One parent must accompany the children as the space is not staffed at this time.
- **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.
- **Connect with others.** Enjoy meals, concerts, plays, walk/run group, all kinds of fellowship.

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United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.



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