



Second Sunday
of Christmas

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am
January 2, 2022



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==Weekly News & Announcements==

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.



A new strategic plan: 2022-23

Trinity's Strategic Planning Committee and Congregation Council are developing a strategic plan for 2022-23 to provide for enhanced young adult ministries, closer coordination among all ministries, more outreach to neighbors, and budget development with goal setting. Look for opportunities to provide input through mid-January. The plan will be discussed at our annual meeting.

Pastors' Thursday Bible Study will explore Acts: Jan. 13-Feb. 17

Study the book of Acts in this six-week series Thursdays at 9:30 am starting January 13.

Thank you! Your Giving Tree gifts totalled \$4,700!

Your compassion and generosity have made a difference to these beneficiaries of your nearly 200 gift cards: Pink Hands of Hope, Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties, Rocky Boy Indian Reservation, Trinity's Parish Ministry, United Lutheran Seminary, Trinity's Sewing Ministry, Camp Curtin YMCA, Tree 4 Hope, Men's Shelter at Susquehanna Harbor Safe Haven.

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:
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about today's service

Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.

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

✠ Gathering ✠

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

Song: "Joy Has Dawned"

Verse 1

Joy has dawned upon the world,
Promised from creation:
God's salvation now unfurled,
Hope for every nation.
Not with fanfares from above,
Not with scenes of glory,
But a humble gift of love:
Jesus, born of Mary.

Verse 2

Sounds of wonder fill the sky
With the songs of angels,
As the mighty Prince of Life
Shelters in a stable.
Hands that set each star in place,
Shaped the earth in darkness,
Cling now to a mother's breast,
Vuln'erable and helpless.

Verse 3

Shepherds bow before the Lamb,
Gazing at the glory;
Gifts of men from distant lands
Prophesy a story.
Gold, a King is born today;

Incense, God is with us;
Myrrh, His death will make a way
And by His blood He'll win us.

Verse 4

Son of Adam, Son of Heav'n,
Given as a ransom;
Reconciling God and man –
Christ our mighty Champion!
`What a Saviour, what a Friend,
what a glorious myst'ry;
Once a babe in Bethlehem,
Now the Lord of hist'ry.

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Welcome

Song: O Come, All Ye Faithful

Verse 1

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;

Chorus

Come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Verse 2

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

Chorus

Verse 3

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

Chorus

Music by John F. Wade, arr. Don Chapman

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who sends the word with angels, who is made flesh among all peoples, and who breathes peace on all the earth.

C: Amen.

P: In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy 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: I bring you good news of great joy for all people: God has come among us in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord. † In Christ your sins are forgiven and you are clothed in peace.

C: Amen.

Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, 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.

Reading:

Jeremiah 31:7-14

God promises to bring Israel back to its land from the most remote parts of exile. In Zion Israel will rejoice over God's gift of food and livestock. Young women will express their joy in dancing; God will give gladness instead of sorrow.

⁷Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. ¹⁰Hear

the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." ¹¹For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. ¹²They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. ¹³Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. ¹⁴I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel

John 1: 1-18

John begins his gospel with this prologue: a hymn to the Word through whom all things were created. This Word became flesh and brought grace and truth to the world.

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. ⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") ¹⁶From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Sermon "Crossing Thresholds"

Pastor Liz Frey

Children's Story

Pastor John Brock

Song: "Christmas Offering"

Verse 1

Over the skies of Bethlehem appeared a star
while angels sang to lonely shepherds.
Three wise men seeking truth traveled from afar,
hoping to find the child from heaven.
And falling on their knees,
they bowed before the humble Prince of Peace.

Chorus

I bring an offering of worship to my King.
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus, may You receive the honor that You're due.
O Lord, I bring an offering to You.

Verse 2

The sun cannot compare to the glory of Your love.
There is no shadow in Your presence.
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne,
before the holy One of heaven.
It's only by Your blood
And it's only through Your mercy. Lord, I come.

Chorus (2X)

I bring an offering of worship to my King.
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus, may You receive the honor that You're due.
O Lord, I bring an offering to You.

Tag:

O Lord, I bring an offering to You.
O Lord I bring an offering to You.
I bring an offering to You.

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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: "Merciful God,"

*Please respond with: ". . . **receive our prayer.**"*

+ 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 Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Sit)

Announcements

[Please Stand]

Offering Prayer

P: Gracious God,

C: your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth. As we offer ourselves and these your gifts, prepare us to receive the grace and truth you offer at this table and renew in us the song of your salvation, in Jesus Christ our Savior. 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: 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

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: In Christ's manger, at Christ's table,
come, see what God makes known for you.

C: Thanks be to God

(Sit)

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]

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. 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.

✠ 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 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.

Song "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Chorus

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

Verse 1

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

Chorus

Verse 2

The Shepherds feared and trembled when lo above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our savior's birth.

Chorus

Verse 3

Down in a lonely manger the humble Christ was born;
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

Chorus 2X

Negro Spiritual

Dismissal

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

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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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 Tilman and Nadine Foust by their daughter, Barbara Kriebel; Ralph and Helen Bigelow by the family; Ann Wardlow, by her family; John J. Krafsgig, Jr. by his wife, Sandra; Rob Hoyt by his wife, Grace; In honor of Fay Pepperman by Grace Morgan.

The sanctuary lamp candle that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence is presented to the glory of God In honor of her grandchildren, by Anne Greenlund.

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