



The Moment
WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

*Nativity of
Our Lord*

Christmas Eve
10:00 pm
December 24, 2022



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Weekly News and Announcements

Jump Start Your Faith in 2023!

- **Jan. 1.** *Live Your Faith*
- **Jan. 8.** *Remember to Listen*
- **Jan. 15.** *Find What You're Looking For*
- **Jan. 22.** *Follow Jesus*
- **Jan. 29.** *Be a Blessing*
- **Feb. 5.** *Be the Light*
- **Feb. 12.** *Choose to Live*
- **Feb. 19.** *Glory in the Lord*

Don't miss this meaningful sermon series through mid-February!



Stay connected in 2023: Lots going on in!

Our 2023 theme is "**Follow Jesus. Impact Lives.**" Let's work together to live that theme daily. Go to www.TrinityCampHill.org for info on the many ways to worship, connect, and serve.

Communion by intinction available starting Jan. 7-8.

At the Saturday 5 pm service and the Sunday 11 am services, you will come forward for Communion with the option to commune by intinction or by using the individually prepackaged cups. At the Sunday 9 am service, you will continue to remain in your pew and use the prepackaged cups.

Know someone starting the new year feeling down?

Maybe it's the person next to you. Maybe it's you. Some folks are grieving, sad, ill, hurt, or lost. They may hide their feelings behind a smile. Be thoughtful. Watch. Listen. Pray for all.

Grateful: That's what we are.

Your offerings support all that we do to impact lives.

There's still time to make a commitment to our 2023 Stewardship Appeal to help us Thrive, Explore, and Invest! Use the code at right or look for a commitment card in the Gathering Space.



Thinking about becoming a Trinity member?

- **Sun, Jan. 8, at 10 am.** Meet up with others to learn more about us.
- **Sun., Feb. 5, at noon.** Dig deeper at this class for potential new members.
- **Weekend of Feb. 18-19.** New members welcomed at service of their choice.
- **Questions?** Ask Pastor Liz Frey at elizabeth.frey@trinitycamphill.org.

Congregation Annual Meeting is Sunday, Jan. 22, after the 11 am services.

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

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.

Preludes: "Carol of the Bells" arr. Michael Tyree
"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child/God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen" arr. M. Tyree
"When Christmas Morn is Dawning" (German Folk hymn) arr. Raymond Haan
Strings: Paris Emerie, Abi Zimmerman, Alice Bish, Alison Koch

Welcome

Proclamation of the Birth of Christ

[Please Stand]

Dialogue

P: Jesus, the bright Morning Star, shines light in the world.

C: By day and night he shines for all to see.

P: Jesus was born in the midst of injustice and poverty

C: that the world may see the justice and richness of God.

P: God so loved the world that God sent Jesus,

C: so that all who believe in him may not perish but have eternal life.

P: Jesus is the light of the world.

C: Jesus is the light of our lives.

P: Sing to God a new song!

C: A song of hope, joy, and peace around the world.

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Canticle of Praise No. 270: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (1st and 3rd verses only)

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]

✝ Service of Lessons and Carols ✝

"For unto you is born a Savior, who is Christ, the Lord"

First Reading:

Genesis 1:1-5, 14-18

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Ding, Dong, Merrily on High" (16th cent. French Carol) arr. Charles Wood

Ding dong! Merrily on high in heaven the bells are ringing:

Ding dong! Verily the sky is riv'n with angel-singing.

Gloria! Hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below let steeple bells be swungen,

And i-o, i-o, i-o by priest and people sungen.

Gloria! Hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime your matin chime, ye ringers;

May you beautifully rhyme your evetime song, ye singers.

Gloria! Hosanna in excelsis!

Chancel Choir

Second Reading:

Micah 5:2-5a

² But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. ³Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. ⁴And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; ⁵and he shall be the one of peace.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Carol No. 274: On Christmas Night

SUSSEX CAROL

Third Reading:

Luke 1:26-35, 38

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." ²⁹But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁸Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Fourth Reading:

Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. ²⁰But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:²³"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." ²⁴When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, ²⁵but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.Carol No. 272: Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming (1st and 4th verses only)

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Fifth Reading:

Luke 2:8-20

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.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "In the Bleak Midwinter"

arr. Mark Hayes

*In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, Water like a stone;
snow had fallen, snow on snow, in the bleak midwinter, long ago.*

Our God, heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain.

Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign.

In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed, the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

Angels and Archangels may have gathered there, cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;

But his mother only in her maiden bliss, worshiped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

If I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give him; give my heart.

Chancel Choir; Marianne Moran, soloist

Sixth Reading:

Matthew 2:1-11

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" ⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Carol No. 300: The First Noel (1st and 5th verses only)

THE FIRST NOWELL

(Please Stand)

Seventh Reading:

John 1:1-14

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.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

[Please Sit]

Sermon: "The Moment We've Been Waiting For"

Pastor Jack M. Horner

Anthem: O Holy Night

Adolphe Adam/arr. Hopson

*O holy night! The stars are brightly shining, it is the night of our dear Savior's birth;
Long lay the world in sin and error pining, 'til He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn;*

*Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born.*

O night, O holy night, O night divine!

*Truly He taught us to love one another, His law is love and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother,
and in His name all oppression shall cease.*

*Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, let all within us praise His holy name;
Christ is the Lord! Oh, praise His name forever! His power and glory evermore proclaim!*

Chancel Choir and Instrumentalists

[Please Stand]

Nicene Creed

A: Let us profess our common faith in the words of the 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.

Responsive Prayer

P: It is you, loving God, who lights our path with truth.

C: Your Word, Jesus, is truth.

P: In his light, draw all to the manger

C: to gather in wonder with the shepherds.

P: In his light, draw all to the manger

C: to kneel in reverence with the wise ones.

P: In his light, draw all to the manger

C: to sing for joy with the angels.

P: In the brightness of his life

C: cast away the darkness of injustice, poverty, and hunger in the world.

P: It is you, loving God, who meets us on our way.

C: In the light of Jesus, show the world the way of life. 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.

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, their great glad tidings tell;

O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

[Please Sit]

Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the 'Vanco Mobile' app on your device • Text an amount to 717-963- 2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts or scan the QR to the right • 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

P: Let us Pray. God of abundance,

C: receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. 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: God bless you and keep you, ✠ Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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

Dismissal

P: Christ the Savior is born!
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Fantasia on 'Hark! The Herald Angels Sing'"

arr. Diane Bish

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Join us on tomorrow!

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Christmas Day

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Sermon Theme:

"It's A Boy"

Preacher: Pastor John Brock



Join us on next Sunday!

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Name of Jesus Sunday

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Sermon Series Theme:

New Year Resolutions

Sermon Theme:

"Live Your Faith"

Preacher: Pastor Liz Frey



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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.

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.

2022 contributions of offerings or special gifts must be received in the office by Thursday morning, December 29, in order to be credited to your 2022 giving statements. The church office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2 for Staff observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holidays. In the addition the office will have reduced holiday hours (9am till 2pm) Tuesday Dec. 27 through Friday, Dec 30.



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 2023

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. The lounge is not staffed, so a parent or adult caregiver must remain with the child/children
- **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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