Third Sunday of Advent



17 December 2023 10:00 am

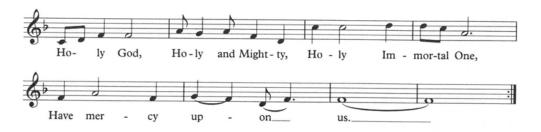
TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH WAUWATOSA, WISCONSIN

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Gary B. Manning Director of Music: Dr. Curt Sather

Prelude: Magnificat (My soul praises the Lord)......Ned Rorem (1923-2022)

THE WORD OF GOD



The Collect of The Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion- to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. For I the LORD love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Canticle Hymn 438....."Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord"

From Psalm 126 (read in unison)

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Gospel Hymn 265	."The angel Gabriel from heaven came"
The Gospel	John 1:6-8, 10-28

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord," as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, "Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal." This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Homily	The Rev. Gary B. Manning
The Nicene Creed	p. 358, BCP
Advent Prayers of the People	(See blue pew card)
The Confession and Absolution	p. 360, BCP
The Peace	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Currently Trinity Church does not "pass the plate," and continues to receive monetary offerings of checks and/or cash via an offering plate on the small table in the center aisle at the rear of this worship space. You are welcome to place your offering in the collection plate either prior to or following the liturgy. If you'd like to make a donation electronically, please see the QR code elsewhere in this bulletin. The Wardens and Vestry thank you for your continued generosity and support of Trinity Church.

Offertory Anthem (choir)........... Adam Lay Ybounden (1957) Boris Odd (1897-1961)

Adam lay ybounden, Bounden in a bond;

Four thousand winter Thoght he not too long;

And all was for an appil, An appil that he tok,

As clerkes finden Wreten in here book.

Ne hadde the appil take ben, The appil taken ben,

Ne hadde never our lady A ben hevene quene.

Blessed be the time That appil take was.

Therefore we moun singen "Deo gracias." (15th century Middle English text)

(Modern meaning) Adam lay bound for four thousand years, all because of an apple he took, as is written in scripture. Had Adam not eaten the apple, then Mary would not have become the mother of Jesus. Blessed be the moment Adam took the apple; for this we sing: Thanks Be to God!

Please see announcements section for the Communion procedures.

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All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.

If you desire to receive gluten-free bread, please ask the priest, and
a host will be provided. Those persons desiring special prayers for healing are
invited to go to the chapel after receiving communion. A lay prayer minister will be
there to pray with you.

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Communion Hymn WLP 724....."People, Look East"

(see bulletin insert)

Prayer after Communion & Blessing......p. 366, BCP

Recessional Hymn 66....."Come thou long-expected Jesus"

The Dismissal

Postlude: "Toccata on O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

All are always welcome to come to the balcony to watch the Postlude.

Welcome!

It is good to have you worship with us today. If you are visiting or are new to Trinity, please sign the guest book in the Narthex and/or fill out the pew pamphlet in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

We give thanks for the parishioners celebrating birthdays this week, especially:
Helen Curtis, Caitlyn Grimm, Belle Vining, Dawn Witte, Dan Gogin, Luke Schleif,
Jennifer Vettrus, David Vogel, Noah Washburn,
Milo Hermanson, and Larry Washburn

We also give thanks to those parishioners celebrating anniversaries this week.

We also pray for:

John, Sandi, Caleigh, Paul, Ian, Sandy, Julia, Ann, Patty, Lynn, Scott, Jym, Pat, Joann, Mike, Dan, Jennifer, Lynn, Peter, Leslie, Eric, Penny, Cecilia, Jean, April, Cheryle, Ray and Lori, Cris, Sebrina, Sonya and Jessie, Brian, Finnegan, Sarah, Judy, Lauri, Bob, Marlene, Tom, and Maureen.

Advent Greens

Advent greens and pink flowers on the altar are given by Bill and Martha Berger in thanksgiving for their families.

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Trinity Calendar

3 Advent, December 17

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 9:00 am Christian Formation and Adult Forum 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 11 Fellowship 4:00 pm Holiday Organ Program

> Thursday, December 21 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, December 23
10:00 am The Hanging of the Greens

4 Advent, December 24 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 No Christian Formation

Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Family-Friendly Holy Eucharist, Rite II 8:00 pm Festival Choral Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Nativity of Our Lord, Monday, December 25
10:00 am Liturgy of the Nativity

1 Christmas, Sunday December 31

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 No Christian Formation 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 11 Fellowship

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study, Genesis, chapters 29-32

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE
Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalm 96 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-14(15-20)

Updated Communion Procedures



There are now two Communion Stations at the 10:00 a.m. liturgy. The "standing station" is located on the left (pulpit) side of the center aisle. Once you have received the Bread, if you desire to receive wine, please pick up a small, compostable cup located on the nearby stand, and the cruet bearer will pour wine into the

cup. Once you've consumed the wine, please deposit the used cup in the receptacle at the end of the row as you return to your seat. If you wish to receive Communion at the Altar Rail, please line up on the right hand (lectern) side of the aisle. You may either stand or kneel to receive at the Rail. Once you've received the Bread, you can choose to either receive the wine by "intinction" (touching the Bread lightly to the wine) from the ceramic chalice, or by drinking from silver chalice. Once you and your family have received Communion, you may leave the Rail and return to your seat. If you require gluten free bread, please make your way to the Altar Rail, and notify the Celebrant if you've not already done so. You may need to cross the aisle to get to the Communion Station you prefer. This is perfectly acceptable!

Nursery and Service Viewing

Children are always welcome in church but if you would like to utilize our nursery, it is open and staffed during the 10 am service. We also have a room where the service can be heard adjacent to the nursery with a changing table and a rocking chair.



Additionally, the service can be heard in the library and the 10am service can be viewed outside of the downstairs classroom open area. Please see an usher if you need help finding any of these areas.



ADVENT IS HERE! The flower committee needs to know how many greens and flowers to purchase since this is not a budgeted item. You can help them by using the Advent/Flower envelope found in your pew or by using the form in the December issue of the Tidings. Advent greens and Christmas flowers can be given in memory of

a loved one or in thanksgiving for blessings. Thank you! The deadline is TO-MORROW, December 18.

Recital: TODAY! 4:00 pm Sunday, December 17

Curt Sather will perform a recital on the pipe organ at Trinity featuring music of Advent and Christmas. The audience will participate in singing the carols, and, in addition to sacred music of the season, there will be movements from the Nutcracker Suite.



A festive cookie reception to follow!



Outreach Committee

Meta House, a residential treatment center for women who are recovering from addiction is our Advent project this year. Items for the women and their children are posted on the library window and a list is in The Tidings. Items are due TODAY, Sunday, December 17 and must be new.

Hanging of the Greens

Please help decorate the outside of the church on Saturday, December 23 at 10:00 am. We will be hanging the greens outside in preparation for the celebration of the birth of the Christ Child. Please direct your questions to Barb Neils at bneils48@gmail.com or 715-250-4865.



Christmas Eve Day

Sunday, December 24, 2023

Advent 4 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Christmas Eve Liturgies

Sunday, December 24 4:00 pm Family Friendly Holy Eucharist, Rite II* 8:00 pm Festival Choral Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*The Family Friendly service (4:00 pm) will feature bulletin artwork from the Trinity Sunday School, a reading of the Christmas Story by Trinity young

> people, and congregational singing of favorite Christmas Carols.

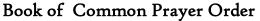


Monday, December 25, 2023 10:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Nativity, Rite II

7:00 pm Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Zoom Bible Study

We will continue our study of Genesis, chapters 29-32





We will place an order for 90 copies of the Book of Common Prayer in January to replace some of the well used books in the pews. Donations in the amount of \$25 per book are appreciated. A remembrance plate

with your name and the name of your loved one can be inserted into each book you donate. Please make your check out to Trinity Church with "Book of Common Prayer" on the memo line.



Mark Your Calendars! January 5, 2024 6:00 pm

"Twelfth Night Party"

Details to Follow!





Scan the QR code with your mobile device to use Vanco, Trinity Church's online giving platform. By using this web-based service you may set up automatic withdrawals from your checking account or make automatic payments on your credit card. <u>Vanco Payment Solutions</u> will process one-time contributions for gifts to

Trinity as well.



People, Look East



Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965

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French carol

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