

# Second Sunday of Advent



10 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: *Savior of the Nations, Come*.....J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The German Lutheran hymn "Savior of the Nations, Come" was written by Martin Luther in 1524. Almost 200 years later J. S. Bach took the hymn melody and arranged it for the organ in many ways to reflect the text of the different verses. Our Prelude this morning is a slow meditation on the longing for salvation with the hymn tune elaborately ornamented in the right hand. This Postlude is a fast and virtuosic reflection of the power and glory of God with the hymn tune presented in the low notes of the pedals representing the foundation of faith. The hymn's melody and text can be found in The Hymnal 1982, #54.

## THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn 76 ..... "On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry"

Collect for Purity.....p. 355, BCP

Holy God /Trisagion (trice Holy)..... Wonder, Love and Praise 845

*Sung three times*

Ho- ly God, Ho-ly and Might- ty, Ho - ly Im - mor-tal One,  
Have mer - cy up - on us.

## The Collect of The Day

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson.....Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

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

From Psalm 85 (*read in unison*)

You have been gracious to your land, O LORD,  
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

You have forgiven the iniquity of your people  
and blotted out all their sins.

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying,  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him,  
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

**Gospel Hymn 67....."Comfort, comfort ye my people"**

The Gospel.....Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

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) "Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" ....Elizabeth Posten (1905-1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
Laden with fruit and always green;  
The trees of nature fruitless be,  
Compared with Christ the Appletree.

His beauty doth all things excel,  
By faith I know but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see,  
In Jesus Christ the Appletree.

For happiness I long have sought,  
And pleasure dearly I have bought;  
I missed of all but now I see  
'Tis found in Christ the Appletree.

I'm weary with my former toil -  
Here I will sit and rest awhile,  
Under the shadow I will be,  
Of Jesus Christ the Appletree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be  
With Jesus Christ the Appletree.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A.....p. 361, BCP  
**Sanctus, S-125**

The Lord's Prayer.....p. 364, BCP

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

**Fraction Anthem S-154**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Please see announcements section for the Communion procedures.



**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.**



**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: *"Savior of the Nations, Come"*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

See description of Postlude after the Prelude on page 2.

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:*

Adrian Roney, Carol DeLind, and Wes Zepecki-Davison

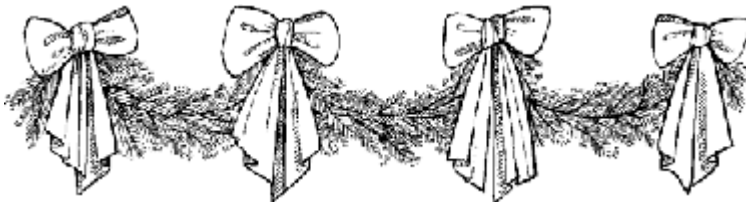
*We also give thanks to those parishioners celebrating anniversaries this week.*

*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, and Lauri.

## Advent Greens

Advent greens on the altar are given by Denise Curran in memory of  
Kyle Peterson and Grandpa Louis Frey.



## Trinity Calendar

### **2 Advent, December 10**

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 1  
9:00 am Christian Formation and Adult Forum  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite 11  
Fellowship  
5:00 -7:00 pm EYC Advent Party

### **Monday, December 11**

10:00 am—Noon Blanket-Tying Ministry  
6:30 pm Zoom Vestry Meeting

### **Wednesday, December 13**

7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Genesis, chapters 25-28

### **Thursday, December 14**

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### **Friday, December 15**

6:30 pm Dinners on the Go Ministry

### **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

### **NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11 Psalm 126 John 1:6-8, 19-28



## 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!

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## 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.

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**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 December 18.

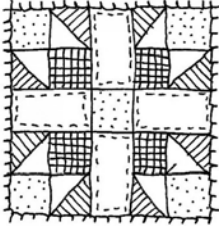
## EYC (Episcopal Youth Community)



EYC will meet from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm at Trinity TODAY  
**Sunday, December 10th.**  
Advent Party!

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### Blanket Tying Ministry



We will be coming together TOMORROW, **December 11** from 10:00 am until noon in the Parish Hall to make blankets. Come and join us if you can. We will also be serving supper at Kathy's House on January 18 from 5:00—7:00 pm if you want to join us in this new activity. Questions? Call Jill Paradowski at (414) 704-7840.

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### Dinners On The Go Ministry

We will assemble bag dinners for the Gathering at Trinity on Friday, **December 15** at 6:30 pm. Hope you will join us! Questions? Contact Jill at [jill.paradowski@gmail.com](mailto:jill.paradowski@gmail.com)



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**Recital: 4:00 pm Sunday, December 17**



*Sounds  
of the  
Season*

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 Sunday, December 17 and must be new.

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## 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](mailto: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.

## Christmas Day Liturgy

Monday, December 25, 2023

10:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Nativity, Rite II



## Book of Common Prayer Order

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.

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## Mark Your Calendars!

January 5, 2024

6:00 pm

“Twelfth Night Party”

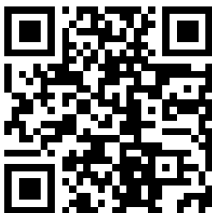
Details to Follow!



## Scrip

Thanks to all who ordered from Scrip in December. We raised nearly \$500 for Outreach with this order alone, and over \$2800 through the year. Such a blessing!

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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. [Vanco Payment Solutions](#) will one-time contributions for gifts to Trinity.

# People Look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare.
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth



1. of the crown - ing of the year.
2. One more seed is plant - ed there:
3. guard the nest that must be filled.
4. one more light the bowl shall brim,
5. Him who brings new life to earth.



1. Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
2. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
3. E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen
4. Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
5. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming



1. trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.
2. that in course the flow'r may flour - ish.
3. He for fledg - ing time has cho - sen.
4. bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.
5. with the word, the Lord is com - ing



Peo - ple look East and sing to - day:



1. Love the Guest is on the way.
2. Love the Rose is on the way.
3. Love the Bird is on the way.
4. Love the Star is on the way.
5. Love the Lord is on the way.