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## First Sunday of Advent

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two December 1, 2024—10:15 AM



## In-Person and Online Worship

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## WHOUNCEMENTS



We are delighted that you have joined us today. We are delighted to see you in person!

We are delighted to see you online!

We invite you to participate fully in worship today. If you are here in person, please know that you are invited to receive the Holy Communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, we invite you to do that, as well. If you have difficulty coming forward, we will take the bread, wine, and blessing to you. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest as you come forward. (The gluten-free wafers are individually packaged and stored in a separate container from the other blessed wafers.) If you are online, please stay in the "meeting" after worship so that we can chat with you further. Please come to coffee hour in the Reception Area after worship to share refreshments and conversation. We would love to be able to contact you further. We invite you to fill out an information sheet on the table at the entrance to the church or use the QR code above. To learn more about Trinity Church. or to make an appointment with the Rector, please call the Church Office at 636-949-0160 and leave a message. Thank you so much for being here today! We look forward to hearing your story and getting to know you better.

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# Advent Event TODAY!!!

Prepare for the Season of Preparation!
Advent Leads Us to Christmas

Crafts, Snacks, Advent Calendars
Materials & Help to Make
Advent Wreaths!

Altar Flowers Today are offered by Jim Gigliotti and Carolyn Hackman

Altar Flowers

In celebration of their 47th Anniversary

## Please Remember Our Red Wagon!

November/December FISH List

Can Pears
Can Pineapples
Applesauce
Boxed Pasta Sides
(i.e. pastaroni, pasta salad)
Rice
Tuna Helper
Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes



FISH has also requested small goodies or treats for children to add to necessities you give.

## **Advent Word Today: Humility**

Keep an eye on the Trinity Facebook page beginning today. We will be following the "prompt words" for Advent Word every day from now until Christmas.

AND

Cake Mix

If there is a word that is meaningful to you, please send an email to the church and let us know!

Your word poem, reflection, or photo can be featured that day. trinityepiscopal318@yahoo.com

#### **HUMILITY PROCLAIM** REDEMPTION REJOICE **GENTLENESS SPROUT** EARNESTLY TRUST **FAITHFULNESS GATHER** 19 HOME SAFETY **SPLENDOR** LOVE REFINE **MERCY**

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**PREPARE** 

**SALVATION** 

RIGHTEOUSNESS

#### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

10:15 AM

Readers

Mike Nichols, Avril Arthurton-Brudy, Phil Jeffery

Acolytes

Benisha Brudy, Alonzo Middleton, Richard Middleton

Ushers

JoAnne Harris

Musician

John Hawn

Preacher & Celebrant

The Rev. Tamsen E. Whistler

Live Stream Coordinator
Harlan Meyer

## The First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

10:15 A.M. The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

#### Voluntary

**Advent Week One** 

#### The Bidding and Lighting of the Advent Candle

Presider Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Savior.

People Thanks be to God.

Presider Dear friends in Christ, as we travel towards Bethlehem on our Advent journey, we come together in this busy seasons to take a breath, to slow down as we anticipate Jesus' coming once more into the world. We are invited for a time to breathe in the life that God gives us; to listen for the beating of God's heart and the blessings and lessons this season brings. As we gather in worshipful anticipation, let us rest in the silence of God's presence.

A prolonged silence is kept.

Presider The candle for the First Week of Advent is the candle of HOPE. Today, the flame of this candle reminds us of the hope that came into the world with the birth of Jesus Christ. We remember the words of Jesus in the Gospel of John: "I came that everyone might have life, life in all its fullness."

Presider Let us pray together.

All Holy God, when life gets messy, help us to remember that you are the God of Hope who keeps us from despair. May Advent remind us that Hope is looking forward from the circle of God's love as we trust that you will always be with us. We pray this in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Hope. Amen.

**HYMN 57**"Lo! He comes with clouds descending"

Helmsley

## Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

The Hymnal 1982, #57



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Helmsley, melody Thomas Augustine Ame (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

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#### The Penitential Order & The Word of God

## Opening Acclamation & Summary of the Law

BCP 351

The people standing, the service continues

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29-31

#### The Confession & Absolution

BCP 352

The Priest or Deacon says, Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

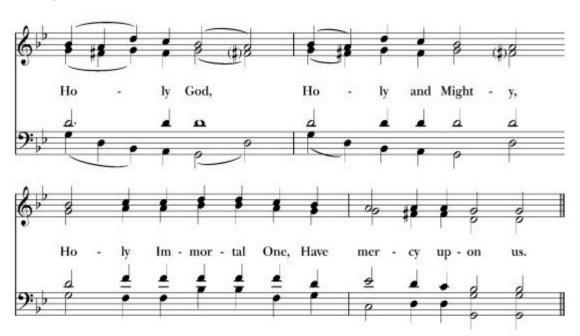
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 

#### Hymn S-102 "Trisagion"

Archangelski



## The Collect of the Day

BCP 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** '

#### The Lessons

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9 Ad te, Domine, levavi

BCP 614

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, \*

and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*

for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*

remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right \*

and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*

to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Reader A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God.** 

## Signs of endings all around us

Wonder Love and Praise, #721



Words: Dean W. Nelson (b. 1944). Music: Ton-y-Botel, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944).

### The Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

#### People Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, O Christ

**The Sermon**The Rev. Dr. Virginia Bennett

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 People for Advent

These prayers are to be used as the Prayers of the People on Advent 1, 3, and 4.

O God, we give you thanks for this season of hope and expectation. We know that the days are surely coming when you will bring your promised day.

We praise you and bless you, O Lord.

We give thanks for the armor of light and the robe of righteousness. We praise you for your messengers the prophets, and particularly for your prophet John, who called his people to a baptism of repentance and the forgiveness of sins. We thank you for your bountiful grace and mercy, for your daily visitation, and most of all, for the gift of the Savior, who became flesh and dwelt among us, and who was and is and is to come.

We praise you and bless you, O Lord.

## Prayers of the People for Advent, continued from previous page

We thank you for the ministries of Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Deon, our Bishop; for Tamsen, Ericka, and Elizabeth, our clergy; for John our Minister of Music; Michelle, our Parish Secretary and Ashley, our Nursery Attendant; for our Vestry, our parish leaders and teachers, all who serve you in this place.

We praise you and bless you, O Lord.

We thank you for the gift of this Advent season, for the promise of the Incarnation. For all these gifts of love and care, We praise you and bless you, O Lord.

Because of your goodness, O faithful God, we intercede for all who struggle, especially those for whom the joy of this season seems a mockery, or a dream unrealized. For all those in any need or sorrow,

We pray to you, O Lord.

By the power of your Holy Spirit, strengthen those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; and comfort those who endure the devastations of terrorism, war, injustice, disaster, addiction, grief, anger, or pain.

We pray to you, O Lord.

For those who have requested our prayers, and for those whose needs are known to you alone, **We pray to you, O Lord.** 

For those who cannot worship with us regularly, that they may know they are among us still, **We pray to you, O Lord.** 

For those in the Armed Services, and for all first responders,

We pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died, especially those who are victims of war, terror, or violent altercations;

We pray to you, O Lord.

In these increasingly frenetic and difficult days, give us a still place where we may wait to celebrate the coming of our Lord. Prepare us to plumb the shadowy depths of the mystery of incarnation, to ponder your final judgment and your reign. **We pray to you, O Lord.** 

Enable us to bear the fruits of repentance, not only in outward ways, but also to celebrate the Christmas joy to come with the inward reality of hope and faith shining through us day by day. As you filled Mary and Elizabeth with your grace, fill us with your transforming love.

We pray to you, O Lord.

To us and to your Church across the earth, to faithful Christians of every race and nation, to everyone in every place, bring the news of great joy, and satisfy the longings of the human heart; that we may glorify and praise you for all that we have seen and heard, in the Nativity of our Lord, and in our life in him. Let us hear the chorus of angelic voices; let us go and see; and send us out to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in every place we can.

We praise you; we bless you, we pray to you; and we give thanks to you, O Lord.

The priest then says this concluding collect:

Hasten, O Father, the coming of *your* kingdom; and grant that we *your* servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold *thy/your* Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.* 

The Peace BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People And also with you.

The ministers and people greet each other by smiling, waving, saying, "Peace," both in person and online.

#### Welcome, Announcements, and Blessings

## The Holy Communion

#### The Offertory

Offertory Sentence for Advent.

Offertory Anthem Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arr. Lani Smith Presentation Hymn 380, Stz. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" Old 100th

#### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### **HYMN S-120** "Holy, Holy" (See next page)

Schubert arr. Proulx

The people stand or kneel. Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant Continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.** 



The Lord's Prayer BCP 336

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

**BCP 337** 

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for thee,

and feed on him in thy hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## HYMN S-164 "Agnus Dei, Jesus, Lamb of God"

Schubert arr. Proulx



## Communion of the People

#### Instructions for Receiving the Holy Communion

Please come forward up the center aisle, forming a single line, blending from the rows on either side. Please put out your cupped palms to receive the host. If you wish to receive the wine from the communion cup, please go to the Eucharistic minister to the left of the priest. Put out your hand to guide base of the cup and sip. Then continue down a side aisle to your seat for prayer. If you prefer to instinct (dip) the host in the small cup, please go to the right and carefully dip the host in to the cup the Eucharistic Minister is holding. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the bread or the wine, please cross your arms over your chest as you approach the priest.

#### Communion Hymns 72 Hark the glad sound

Richmond





## Thanksgiving after Communion

After Communion, the Celebrant says, Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Thanksgiving for Receiving Spiritual Communion

The Celebrant, to those who are watching live-streaming at home, says, Let us pray.

In union, O Christ, with those who have received the Body and Blood of Christ, we offer you our praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the desire always to be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we thank you that you have come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

#### The Advent Blessing

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness before your path. May God the holy and undivided Trinity bless you with the gifts of hope, now and forever more. **Amen.** 

Hymn 616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Es flog ein kleins Waldvogelein



## The Sending Forth (Dismissal)

Deacon Go into the world. Be of Good Cheer. Hold fast that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Support the weak. Honor everyone. Respect the dignity of every human being. Go into the world that together we can be advocates of hope and agents of peace. Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love. Go.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Intercessions, Petitions, and Thanksgivings

We pray for or **Sean**, our Presiding Bishop; for **Deon**, our Bishop; For **Tamsen**, **Betty**, and **Erika**, our clergy; for **John**, **Michelle**, and **Ashley**, our staff; for **Phil**, **David**, **Karen**, **Jacob**, **Christy**, **Lori**, **Jennifer**, **Rebecca**, **Lucinda**, **John**, and **Erin**, our Vestry; for **Harlan**, **Rich**, **Avril**, **Benisha**, **Patrice**, **Lucinda**, **Shawn**, and **Melissa**, for technology on Sundays and weekdays; and for those who sing, read and pray, in person and from home. In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of Trinity Episcopal Church (1846) in Hannibal and their clergy. In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Parish of St. Hilda (Parroquia Santa Hilda) in Trujillo Alto. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

#### For those in particular need of prayer, especially

Bud Adkins; Jerry and the Aehle Family: Connie Akers; Deborah Alessi; Andy Allen; Jaimie Allen; Lori Allen; Alyssa; Anne; Becky, Jerry Barnard; Valerie Barr; Terry Bell; Jackie Berger; Rich Berger; Bob Blattman; Breana; Lani Briggs; Kent Brown; Ralph Bruns and Family; Jim Burke; Rita Burnde; Deanna Campbell; Anne Chau; Joe Connor; Jim Crawford; Bill Cramer; Cather; Marc Daigle; Nancy Dale; Noreen Davis; Jess Dixon; Josh; Emily Drury; Rhonda Edge; Patty Eggers; Emery; Fred Engbarth; Danny Evans; Bob Fagan; Alison Fambrough; Timothy Farrar; Vitale Fedchuk; Nancy Feeney; Bill Fields; Mandi Fisher; Kevin Fitzgerald; Trisha Fitzpatrick; Liz Flynn; John Foley; Julie Fuchs; Paige Fuchs; Don Funderburk and Family; Donna Furrer; Kelsey and Derek Funk; Susan Goddard; Sheila Goehl; Abigail Gogel; Suzy Gold; Jason Graff; Paul Graue; Carolyn Hackman; Connie Hall; Jackie Halter; Karen Hamby; Casey Hanson; Kate Hayes; Larry Hewitt; Sherri Hugunin; Micah Jackson; Ryan, Emily, and Carly James; Janis, Tyler Johnson; The Rev. Ruth Ann Jones; Cornelia & Jim Kriegh; Rick Kuhn; Karen Kupka; Del Kuzemchak; The Rev. Anne Meredith Kyle; Kalisa Krouper; the Leyden family; Sandy Lillard and the Lillard & Trenary Families; April Lindbergh; Tim Lindley; Rhonda Loughary; Mary Jo; Marissa; Lee Martin; Sally Martin; Brenna Mason; Barbara McKeel; Bob Miller; Sandra Miller; Tetiana Mozgova; Pat Neal and Lundin Family; Neil; Jake Neu; John Nichols; Leslie Niebreugge; Nancy Noel and Hana; Jane Overstreet; Dominic Paino; The Rev. Virginia Noel; Nancy Noel; Mary Parrella; Robin Perkins; Barbara Perkins; Rosemary and Hurley Perkins; Leslie Pribonic; Phyllis; Cindy Pricker; Yvonne Rankin's Family, Jenny & Bella Rausch; Ray & Adele; Warlene Reed; Chris Reynolds; Robert; Lisa Schildknecht; Louis Seiler; Mary Shive; Kathy Smith; Jim Spies; Carol Steinhauer; Carolyn Stuhlsatz; Ellen Sundermeyer and Family; Ann T; Tisha Thornton; Linda Tyranski; Liz Tudor and Family David Turk; Melinda Turner; Mark Vogel; Mary Vogel; Mary Walsh; Bill Warren; Joe Welton; J

#### For members of our congregation who cannot worship with us regularly, especially

Catherine Cummings; Karen Basanavicius, Pat Gutgesell, Pat Neal, Grace Nichols; Carol Nicholson, Barbara Ritter, Charlotte Williams

#### For those in the armed services, especially

Travis Allen, Brian Barnard, Zachary P. Behlmann, Richard Broseman, Corey Burleigh, Scott Burleigh, Skylar Freeman, Justin Killian, Joshua LeDuc, Julius Mensah, Corey Ring, Zachary Taylor, James Warren, Joseph Warren, Christopher Westfall, Dustin Wilhelm, Gary Woods

#### For all first responders, especially

*Emily* Briggs, *John* Briggs, *Jason* Graff, *David* Horning, *Aaron* Morgan

#### For all health care providers, especially

Deanna Bowen, RN; Jim Crawford, Hospice Chaplain; Megan Culligan, DNP; Mary Ann Curran, CRNA; Emily (Crain) Green, RN; Christy Henke Ratliff, Hospice Chaplain; Shahla Kuypers, RN; Becky (Lackey) Logel, RN; Julie (Smith) McKenney, RN; Clay McKiddy, DNP; Jessica Middleton, RN; Nancy Noel, MD; Elizabeth Stansbrough (Liz Meyer), DDS; Cindy (Lackey) Waaso, RN; Ekene Onoforo, RN, PhD; Christine Ogawa, RN

#### For anyone facing particular hardship, especially

For peace and hope in Palestine and Israel, Ukraine, Russia, Lebanon, and Sudan. For all the people and communities devastated by hurricanes, floods or other natural disasters. For all victims of war and terrorism; for victims of wildfires, floods, earthquakes, extreme heat, or extreme cold; for victims of civil unrest, for all who have no home. We pray for victims of gun violence, We pray for all victims of addiction, epidemic, injustice, pain, hunger, injury, or abuse here or anywhere; for all those who have contemplated, attempted, or died by suicide, and for all those who love and have loved them; for those who struggle with economic and political realities; and for all those whose needs are known to God alone.

#### For those who have died, especially

#### **Thanksgivings**

We give thanks for the season of Advent, and today's candle, the candle of HOPE, shining into our troubled world. We give thanks for the season of expectation and promise, the Advent of our Lord. We give thanks for the promise of the final days and the presence of Jesus as King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Majesty Eternal, renewing Creation and bringing peace. We give thanks for the gift of technology, providing ways to gather without being in the same physical space—to be together, *together*, and together apart. We give continual thanks for all those who have made a difference in our lives, both in the past and today. We give thanks for the people of Trinity Church; for the gifts they bring to the work God calls us to do in Faith, Compassion, and Community, wherever we are and wherever we go.

#### **NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

Note: Trinity Church Events in **Bold.** Sharing our building is both outreach and stewardship.

8 AM	TODAY	Dec 1	1st Sunday of Advent, HE Rite I
10:15 AM	TODAY	Dec 1	1st Sunday of Advent, HE Rite II, "Advent Event" after service
10 AM	Mon	Dec 2	AA Group #496 (St. Hilda Room)
7 PM	Mon	Dec 2	Boy Scout Troop #763 St. Hilda, Parish Hall, Reception Area
7 PM	Tue	Dec 3	NA (Narcotics Anonymous) (St. Hilda Room)
10 AM	Wed	Dec 4	Bible Study (St. Hilda Room)
10 AM	Wed	Dec 4	AA (This Is the Solution) (Parish Hall)
5:30 PM	Wed	Dec 4	CMA (Crystal Meth Anonymous) (St. Hilda Room)
6:30 PM	Wed	Dec 4	Choir Practice (Church)
7:30 PM	Wed	Dec 4	CODA (Co-Dependents Anonymous) (Library/Parish Hall)
7 PM	Thu	Dec 5	Al-Anon (St. Hilda Room/Parish Hall)
10:30AM	Fri	Dec 6	AA Group #228 (St. Hilda Room)
6 PM	Fri	Dec 6	AA Group #1118 (Parish Hall)
8 AM	Sun	Dec 8	2nd Sunday of Advent, HE Rite I
10:15 AM	Sun	Dec 8	2nd Sunday of Advent, HE Rite II