

The Festival Service

of the

Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Eve

2020

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*Festival Music*  
*at 7:15 and 10:15 p.m.*

*Candlelight Service at 7:30 and 10:30 p.m.*

*Preservice Music*  
*7:15 and 10:15 p.m.*

*Canzona per sonare* No. 4

Giovanni Gabrieli

From *Canzoni per sonare con ogni sorte de stromenti*,  
Venice 1608

(1557 - 1612)

Holy Trinity Brass Ensemble

*Gesù Bambino*

Pietro A. Yon

Text: Tr. Frederick H. Martens (1874 - 1932)

(1886 - 1943)

Aurora Deeds, *soprano*

Rebecca Torres, *violin*

When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows upon a winter night  
Was born the Child the Christmas Rose, The King of Love and Light  
The angels sang, the shepherds sang, The grateful earth rejoiced  
And at His blessed birth the stars Their exultation voiced.

O Come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. (*Refrain*)

Again the heart with rapture glows to greet the holy night  
that gave the world its Christmas Rose, its king of Love and Light  
Let ev'ry voice acclaim His name, The grateful chorus swell  
From paradise to earth He came that we with Him might dwell. (*Refrain*)

Two Movements from *On the Road to Christmas* Jake Heggie  
(b. 1961)

*I Wonder as I Wander*, by John Jacob Niles

*The Road to Bethlehem*, text by Emily Dickinson

Maria Parker, *mezzo-soprano*

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die.  
For poor on'ry people like you and like I...  
I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall,  
With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all.  
But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall,  
And the promise of ages it then did recall.

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus the Savior was born for to die.  
Bye Lullay.  
~ John Jacob Niles (1892 - 1980)

The Savior must have been  
A docile Gentleman—  
To come so far so cold a Day  
For little Fellowmen—

The Road to Bethlehem  
Since He and I were Boys  
Was leveled, but for that 'twould be  
A rugged Billion Miles—  
~ Emily Dickinson (1830 - 1886)

*Grosser Herr und starker König*  
From *Weihnachts-Oratorium* BWV 248

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685 - 1750)

Timothy Flynn, *bass*  
Mark Filsinger, *trumpet*

Great Lord, o powerful King,  
dearest Savior, o how little  
you care about the glories of the earth!  
He who sustains the entire world,  
who created its magnificence and beauty,  
must sleep in a harsh manger.

*Contemplation*

Henriette Renié  
(1875 - 1956)

Hope Wilk, *harp*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;  
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute  
and harp, to the melody of the lyre.  
For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at  
the works of your hands I sing for joy. (*Psalm 92*)

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Our congregation has been blessed extraordinarily  
with members and friends whose love of music and  
exceptional generosity make possible the special  
presentation we offer each Christmas Eve.  
Holy Trinity Church wishes to acknowledge and give  
thanks for gifts given in loving memory of:

Elizabeth Lochhaas,  
Jack Grabenstatter  
Dr. & Mrs. Kenneth H. Eckhert, Sr.  
Mr. & Mrs. James Marion Geiger,  
Helen Geiger, and Ruth H. Geiger

***The Service***  
**7:30 and 10:30 p.m.**

***Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church!***

*Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.*

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## **INTRODUCTION**

*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.*

## **WELCOME**

## ANTIPHON

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)  
and Robert Shaw (1916 - 1999)

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Day-Spring come and cheer our spirits by Thine Advent here;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Key of David, come, and open wide our heav'nly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

## THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS CANDLE

### The Christmas Proclamation

Today, on the eve of the twenty-fifth day of December,  
unknown ages from the time when God created the heavens  
and the earth and created man and woman in God's own image.

Several thousand years after the flood, when God made the  
rainbow shine forth as a sign of the covenant.

Twenty-one centuries from the time of Abraham and Sarah;

Thirteen centuries after Moses led the people of Israel out of  
Egypt.

Eleven hundred years from the time of Ruth and the Judges;

One-thousand years from the anointing of David as king;

In the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel.

In the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad;

The seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the city of Rome.

The forty-second year of the reign of Emperor Octavian Augustus;

The whole world being at peace, Jesus Christ, the eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by the Holy Spirit, and nine months having passed since his conception, was born in Bethlehem of Judea of the Virgin Mary.

Today is the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together.

**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.**

**Amen.**

## THE HYMN

*O Come, All Ye Faithful* “Adeste Fidelis”

ELW 283

setting by James Biery (b. 1956)

### *Refrain*

O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord!

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:

3 Sing, choirs of angels,  
sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven  
above!  
Glory to God  
in the highest: *Refrain*

2 The highest, most holy,  
light of light eternal,  
born of a virgin, a mortal he  
comes;  
Son of the Father  
now in flesh appearing! *Refrain*

4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!  
Word of the Father,  
now in flesh appearing: *Refrain*

## THE READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire.



<sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Sweet Little Jesus Boy*

Robert MacGimsey  
(1898 – 1979)

Holly Holdaway, *mezzo- soprano*

Sweet little Jesus Boy they made you be born in a manger.  
Sweet little Holy Child didn't know who you were  
Didn't know you'd come to save us Lord; To take our sins away.  
Our eyes were blind we couldn't see, We didn't know who you were.  
Long time ago you were born, born in a manger low sweet little Jesus Boy.  
The world treats you mean Lord, treats me mean too,  
but that's how things are down here: we don't know who you are.  
You have told us how, we are trying.  
Master you have shown us how, even when you were dying.  
Just seems like we can't do right, Look how we treated you.  
But please sir forgive us Lord, we didn't know 'twas you.  
Sweet little Jesus Boy born long time ago,  
Sweet little Holy Child and we didn't know who you were.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 2:1-20**

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria.

<sup>3</sup>All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

<sup>8</sup>In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

<sup>9</sup>Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: <sup>11</sup>to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" <sup>15</sup>When 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."

<sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.

<sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of Our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

**The Rev. Brenda Maynor**

## **THE PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS**

### **THE HYMN**

***Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*** “Mendelssohn”

ELW 270

setting by James Biery

#### *Refrain*

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn king!"

1 Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn king;  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled."  
Joyful, all you nations, rise;  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with angelic hosts proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

2 Christ, by highest heav'n adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!

Hail, incarnate deity!  
Pleased as man with us to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Refrain*

3 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of  
peace!  
Hail the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
ris'n with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that we no more may die,  
born to raise each child of earth,  
born to give us second birth.  
*Refrain*

### **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.**

## **THE PEACE**

**The peace of Christ be with you always.      And also with you.**

*Share a sign of peace with someone in your home,  
or share a message of peace via text, tweet, or post  
(or call someone after worship.)*

## THE OFFERING

*Thank you for your gifts and offerings which make our ministry possible. You may share your offering by clicking the “Contribute Today” link below this Livestream and on our Homepage, or by mailing your gift to the church office. Thank you!*

As part of our outreach into our neighborhood, city and region, Holy Trinity has supported a variety of social ministry agencies throughout the years. This year, we have shared gifts with:

Caribbean Children’s Foundation, The Network of Religious Communities, School 17, Niagara Lutheran Health System, LuMin, Voice Buffalo, Reconciling Works, Resurrection Lutheran Church, Resurrection Village and VA Homeless Program.

Your generosity at Christmastime helps to support these valuable ministries. Thank you!

## THE SOLO

*Let the Bright Seraphim*

from *Samson* HWV 57

George Frideric Händel

(1685 - 1759)

Aurora Deeds, *soprano*  
Richard Riederer, *trumpet*

Let the bright seraphim  
in burning row,  
Their loud, uplifted angel trumpets blow.

Let the cherubic host,  
in tuneful choirs,  
Touch their immortal harps  
with golden wires.

## **THE PRAYER AT THE OFFERING**

Let us pray together.

**Gracious God, you came to us as one unknown, bringing joy and salvation to the earth. Nourish us at your banquet table, that with all who welcome your birth we may proclaim your peace, revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

## **THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS CANDLES**

*We invite you to light a candle in your home.*

## *O Holy Night*

Adolphe Adam

(1802 – 1856)

Arr. Dudley Buck

(1839 – 1909)

Holly Holdaway, *mezzo-soprano*

Hope Wilk, *harp*

O holy night! The stars are brightly shining; it is the night of the dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining, 'till He appear'd 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 divine; O night, O night divine.

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by his cradle we stand. So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, here came the wise men from the Orient land. The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger – in all our trials born to be our friend. He knows our need! He guardeth us from danger. Behold your King! Before the lowly bend! Behold your King; your King, before him bend!

## **THE RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

The people who walked in darkness  
**have seen a great light!**

God is with us!

**Emmanuel!**

May the light of Christ, rising in glory  
**dispel the shadows in our hearts and minds.**

The light of Christ.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Silent Night* “Stille nacht”

Franz Gruber (1787 - 1863)  
arr. Edwin Fissinger (1920 - 1990)

1. 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.
2. Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight;  
Glories stream from heaven afar;  
Heavenly hosts sing, “Alleluia.  
Christ, the Saviour, is born!”
3. Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht,  
Alles schläft; einsam wacht  
Nur das traute hoch heilige Paar.  
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,  
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!  
Schlaf in himmlischer Ruh!

**THE BENEDICTION**

Almighty God, who sent the Holy Spirit to Mary, proclaimed joy through the angels, sent the shepherds with good news, and led the magi by a star, bless you this day † through the Word made flesh.

**Amen.**



## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

*Joy to the World* “Antioch”

ELW 267

Setting by Robert A. Hobby

- 1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her king;  
let ev'ry heart prepare him room  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n and nature sing,  
and heav'n, and heav'n  
and nature sing.
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let all their songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks,  
hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3 No more let sin and sorrow grow  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings  
flow  
far as the curse is found,  
far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4 He rules the world with truth and  
grace  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE POSTLUDE

*Toccata on Antioch*

Craig Phillips  
(b. 1961)



*Worship Leaders*

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II – Presiding Minister  
The Rev. Brenda Maynor – Preacher



*Musicians and Guests*

Kristen Pomietlarz, *organ*  
Mark Filsinger and Richard Riederer, *trumpets*  
Gerald Bacon and Diana Bley, *trombones*  
Hope Wilk, *harp*  
Rebecca Torres, *violin*

Dr. Aurora Deeds, *soprano*  
Holly Holdaway, *mezzo-soprano*  
Maria Parker, *mezzo-soprano*  
Justin Pomietlarz, *tenor, piano*  
Timothy Flynn, *bass*

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Justin Pomietlarz, *video editor*



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## *A Few Announcements*

Our Christmas Day service will be held at 10:30 am via Livestream and on Facebook.

The Annual Congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2021. More details to follow.

**MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Each week via Zoom at 9:30 am at <https://zoom.us/j/427428740?pwd=Y1BZdUdLL3l4YU5QWnJUUTdkRlk4Zz09#success>. Join via Zoom ID 427 428 740. Password 849195.

**FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP Happy Hour** – Join us each Friday via Zoom at 5:00pm. We'll meet together through safe physical-distancing while being able to check in with each other and enjoy the company. Bring your favorite beverage to the computer. Zoom Meeting ID: 285 453 435. Password 299123.

**CRISIS SERVICES:** For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is working around the clock to respond to and combat the impact COVID-19 has on our community. Their hotline number is 834-3131 and are available 24-hours a day. If you are looking for counseling services, we share a partnership with Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.





Office Staff may be reached by phone daily Monday – Friday.

Please call the church office should you need anything.

As always, the Pastors are available by appointment.

We will continue to share information regarding life and worship at Holy Trinity. You can always check out the website for up-to-date information.

**The Staff wishes everyone a blessed Christmas!**

# **HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP**

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