



Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent
Celebrating our 144th Anniversary

Holy Communion - 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

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 creatures welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We commit ourselves to the work of anti-racism and creating an anti-racist space through the protection against oppression internally, in institutions, interpersonally and structurally.

We believe that through our openness we all grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

While masks are no longer required at Holy Trinity, for those individuals who choose to continue to wear a mask for safety or comfortability, please feel free to do so. We ask that our members and guests continue to fill out the blue sheet and leave at your seat in the pew.

We invite you to share your story and your worship experience! Check-in and share on any of our social media platforms using #poweroftrinity. You can find us on Facebook @holytrinitybuffalo, on Instagram @holytrinitybuffalo or on twitter @holytrinitybuff

Large print bulletins are available at the entrance ways

INTRODUCTION

The new church year begins with a wake-up call: Christ is coming soon! In today's readings both Paul and Jesus challenge us to wake from sleep, for we know neither the day nor hour of the Lord's coming. Isaiah proclaims the day when God will gather all people on the holy mountain and there will be no more war or suffering. Though we vigilantly watch for the promised day of salvation, we wait for what we already have: Christ comes among us this day as the word and meal that strengthens our faith in the promises of God.

PRELUDE

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying "Wachet Auf"

ELW 436

1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and

on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.
heart with joy is spring - ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym - bal's clear - est tone.

Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to

thrill-ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid-ens! Night is past.
 grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.
 bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.

The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"
 Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.
 No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun - d'ring might

Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;
 Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,
 of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!

go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.
 and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.
 There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608; tr. composite
 Music: WACHETAUF, Philipp Nicolai
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

Blessed be God's name forever.

Amen.

Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep.

Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

(10:30)

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able.

God of new beginnings,

we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign.

We have strayed from your paths.

We prepare for war instead of peace.

We dishonor one another and your creation.

Purify us with your refining fire

and set us again on your way of love,

that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance,

and welcome your coming among us.

Amen.

People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder.

You have put on † Christ, and your sins have been washed away.

Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

Amen.

(10:30)

Please stand as you are able.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

While we light the Advent Wreath, we sing together O Come, O Come, Emmanuel: ELW 257 vs. 1

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 you, O Israel.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

PRAYER AND SENDING OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL

*Jesus Loves the Little Children; All the Children of the World;
Native - Asian - Black or White; All are precious in God's Sight;
Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World.*

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The first reading for the First Sunday of Advent is recorded in Isaiah, the 2nd Chapter.

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SOLO

But Who May Abide from *Messiah* HWV 56

Georg Friederic Händel

Text: Malachi 3:2

(1685–1759)

Holly Holdaway, *soprano*

But who may abide the day of His coming, and who shall stand when He appeareth?
For He is like a refiner's fire.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

The second reading for today is recorded in Romans, the 13th Chapter.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near.

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

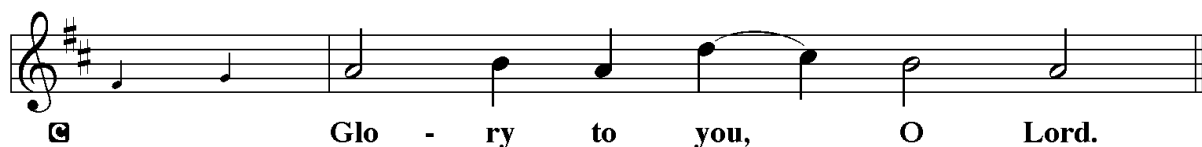
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

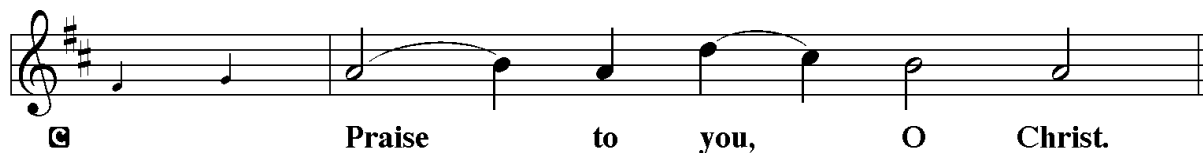


[Jesus said to the disciples,] ³⁶“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.

⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

THE SERMON

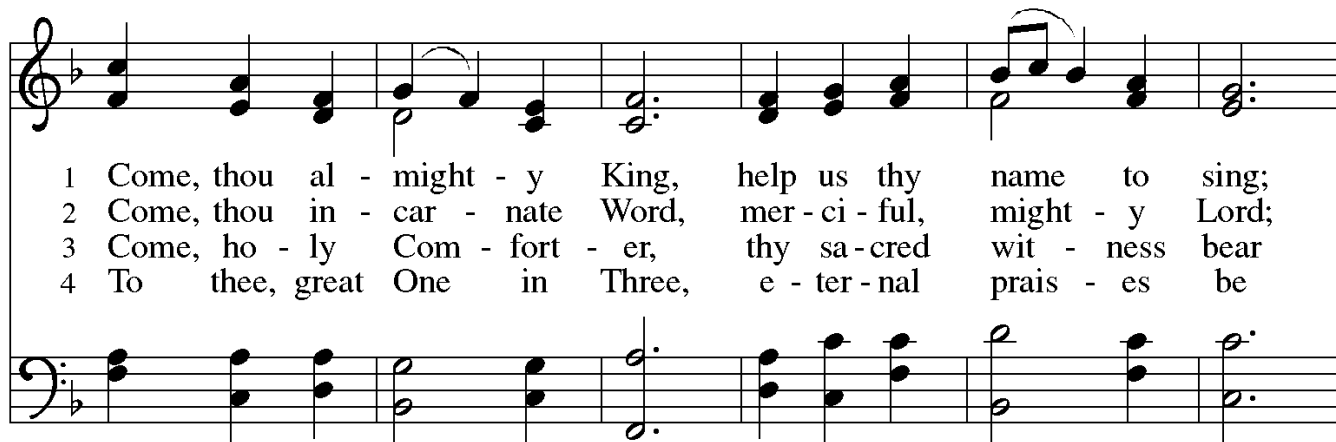
The Rev. Dr. Julius Carroll

Please stand as you are able.

SERMON HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King “Italian Hymn”

ELW 408



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Gardini, 1716–1796

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

A brief silence.

God of all, your children everywhere cry out for mercy. Awaken the global church to the urgent needs of our time. Break down barriers of culture and custom and unite people of all faiths in your redemptive and healing work. We pray for our ecumenical and inter-faith siblings at VOICE Buffalo, the Network of Religious Communities and the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, Parkside, Community of Good Neighbors, and Holy Trinity Lutheran Churches. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of wonder, the earth's beauty and abundance is your gift. Teach us your ways of sharing resources and caring for life. Guard fragile habitats, preserve the wild places, and protect endangered plants and animals. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of peace, you judge the nations. Beat our weapons into tools for serving the neighbor. Strengthen the resolve of all who work for an end to war. We pray for lasting peace in the land of Jesus' birth. We pray for the people of Ukraine, the East-Buffalo community, the women and their male supporters in Iran, all those affected by mass shootings and for all those serving in the armed forces and their families. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of lovingkindness, you desire fullness of life for everyone. Fill those who hunger. Comfort the grieving and attend to those near death. Bring help and hope to any who are sick or needing your care. We pray for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Jayceon and Bella, and all those we name out loud, or in the silence of our hearts and our minds... God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of love, we pray for our congregation. Keep us focused on your never-failing presence in our lives and within the life of this congregation. Encourage members of the Call Committee that their work will not be in vain. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of community, you are present when we gather in your name. Guide congregations in transition or conflict Give wisdom to congregational councils, call committees, and ministry leaders. Keep us alert to unexpected opportunities for mission. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of promise, your goodness is everlasting. We give thanks for the lives of the faithful who now rest in you, especially Dakota, Thomas, Anna and Abby. We trust that you will bring us into the company of all the saints with rejoicing. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of sacred institutions, we thank you for the gift of marriage; especially for Dave and Mary Linda's 25th. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another.

We ask that you remain at your seat.

*You may share the sign of peace
with a head nod or peace sign.*

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

*Offerings and tithes may be left in the offering plate
located at the exit.*

SOLO AT THE OFFERING

Bereite dich, Zion

Johann Sebastian Bach

BWV 248 I, No. 4 (Christmas Oratorio)

(1685-1750)

Holly Holdaway, *soprano*

Prepare yourself, Zion, with tender efforts,
to behold your lovely one, your beloved, near you soon!
Your cheeks must now glow much more radiantly,
hurry to love the Bridegroom with passion!

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Eternal God, you make the desert bloom and send springs of water to thirsty ground. Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money, and make us messengers of your mercy and love for all in need of your healing and justice. We ask this through Christ our Savior.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

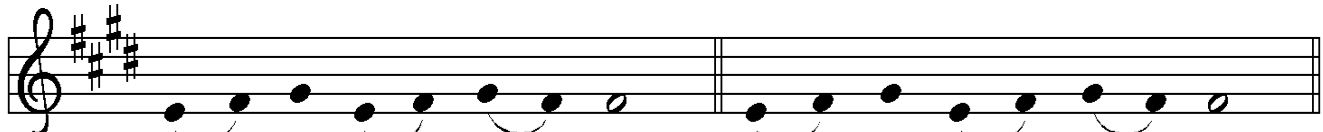
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

“Old Hundredth”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav’nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.


DIALOGUE



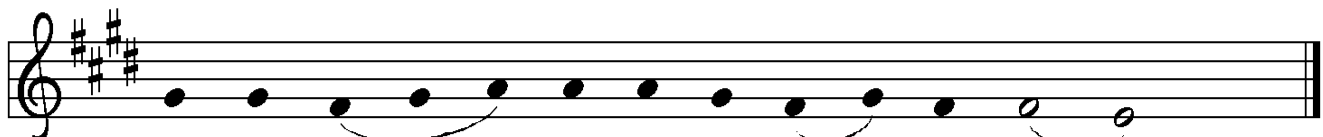
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

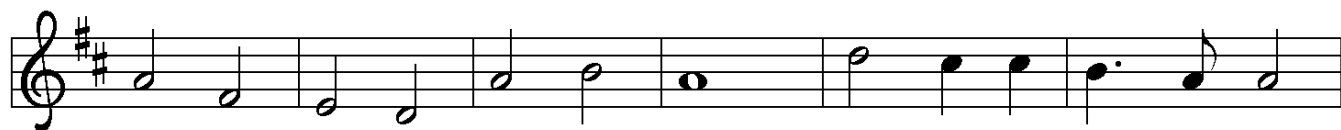


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

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.

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow Pastor's instructions on the distribution of communion

All are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. At this time we will be serving communion in a contact-less manner. Please take your pre-package communion cup that you received at the entrance (gluten free are available, please see an usher at the entrance). The wafer can be found at the top of the cup (lift up the top, clear layer) and you will be invited to eat the wafer at the word, "The body of Christ given to you." You may then open the grape juice and drink at the word, "The blood of Christ given to you." Please leave the used and unused communion cups in the pews.

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Sovereign and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Faithful God, in this meal you have remembered your mercy, bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ. As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled, sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your Word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus, and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit, ✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

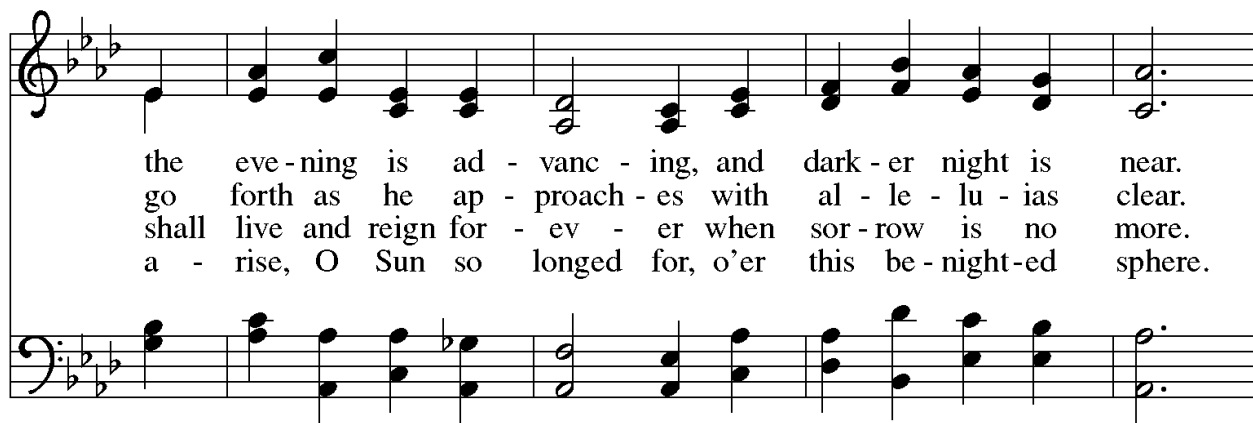
RECESSIONAL HYMN

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers “Haf Trones Lampa Fardig”

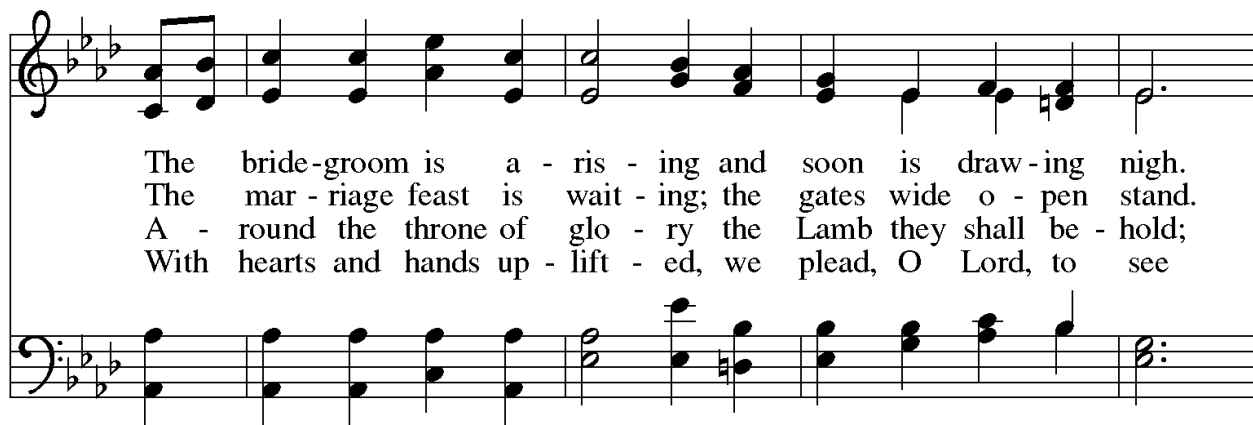
ELW 244



1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride - groom near;
3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'ring's bore,
4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw - ing nigh.
The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride - groom is at hand.
in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

Please feel free to be seated for the Postlude.

POSTLUDE

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

*Please remain at your seat until the conclusion of the postlude
and the cross has returned to the chancel.*

THE DISMISSAL

The worship has ended; the service begins.

Go in peace. Christ is near.

Thanks be to God.

*Please continue to leave your communion cup
and attendance sheet at your seat,
they will be collected following the service.*

***You are encouraged to take the bulletin
home with you for future reference.
Otherwise, please place them in the recycle bins
at the entrance ways.***

*We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall
for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.*

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, November 27, 2022 – First Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)
11:30 a.m. Greening of the Church

MONDAY, November 28, 2022

9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)
6:00 p.m. Gamblers' Anonymous (RH)
7:00 p.m. Bible Study (FR)

THURSDAY, December 1, 2022

10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH)
6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir (CH)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MC)
7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SUNDAY, December 4, 2022 – Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

CH = Mansperger Chapel
FR = Fellowship Room
MR = Music Room
SC = Sacristy

CI = Crib Room
FI = Fireside Room/Library
PS = Pastor's Study
SS = Sunday School

CR = Conference Room
MC = Main Church
RH = Redeemer Hall
YR = Youth Room



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer and reader is Paul Kroll. Usher and altar guild is Gail Camilleri. Acolyte is Rowan Leiser.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Guy Huber. Reader is Marty Bauer. Ushers are Paul Biesinger, Doug Alderdice, Paul and Karen Bauchle, Dan Griebel and Karen Kolb. Acolytes are Sofia Atlas, Madalyn Brown, Brandon Howard, Avery Best, Henry Peterson and Max Peterson.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Honor of the family of Dr. Richard J. Lee and to honor the memory of my grandson, Dakota Jacob Lee by Richard Lee; and

In Loving Memory of Thomas, Anna and Abby Lonergan from Pat Lonergan; and

In Celebration of our 25th Wedding Anniversary by Dave and Mary Linda Schmidt.

Council Treasurer Guy Huber will be at the Main Street entrance to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Jayceon and Bella Bradley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY BIBLE STUDIES:

November 28, The Coming of God - in the Flesh.

December 5 and 12 will be a special presentation by Pastor Kwame (mission developer to Easter Buffalo) **9:30 am session only.**

No class December 19 – January 2 for Christmas recess.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH will take place today following the 10:30 service. Lunch will be served for those who stay to help. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS TREES for the Church will be set up on Wednesday, December 7 at 4:30pm. A light supper will be provided. All are welcome.

BUDGET PRESENTATION will take place on Sunday, December 11 at 9:30am in Redeemer Hall.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EVENT: Join us on Tuesday, December 20 for *Nurturing Our Bodies, Feeding Our Souls*. Christmas carols and hymns whose texts are sung to different tunes in the United Kingdom (led by our own Doug Alderdice). Two sessions:

**9:30am for brunch and 10:30am for Carols or
6:00pm for a light supper and 7:00pm for Carols.**

Meals will be held in the Fellowship Room and carols and hymns in the Chapel. Reservations through the Church office are appreciated for the food planning.

HOLIDAY BASKETS: The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee will be collecting food and cash donations for our holiday baskets. All non-perishable food items will be used for the baskets. Cash donations to help provide gift certificates can be sent to the church office and designated “holiday baskets”. Thank you for your donations.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Once again the congregation is being asked to contribute toward the purchase of poinsettias which will be placed in the chancel for Christmas. **Flowers are \$12 each** and may be given in memory or honor of someone. Order forms can be found at the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in the weekly email.

CRISIS SERVICES: For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is available. 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 Mr. Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.



CONCERT! Friday December 16th, 7:00 pm.
The Camerata di Sant' Antonio Chamber Orchestra,
Christopher Weber, *Artistic Director* and the
Holy Trinity Chancel Choir, Justin Pomietlarz, *Music Director*

The Camerata di Sant' Antonio presents their Holiday Concert at Holy Trinity, featuring our very own Holy Trinity Chancel Choir performing Jake Runestad's cantata, *Into the Light*, which was heard here during the 10:30 am Reformation Sunday Service. The concert will also feature a number of other holiday selections with a number of guest soloists including Buffalo favorite, Colleen Marcello, *soprano*. Tickets are \$20, FREE for students 17 and under and will be available at the door!



Usher in the Christmas Season with Holy Trinity's
5th Annual Evening of Nine Lessons and Carols

featuring

The University at Buffalo Choir and Chamber Ensemble
Claudia Brown, *conductor*, Clinical Assistant Professor of Voice
and Choral Music

Kristen Pomietlarz, *organ*

Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Inspired by the renowned annual Service from King's College - Cambridge, England, Congregational members share lessons with musical responses and Hymns led by our friends from the University of Buffalo, Claudia Brown, *conductor*.

This is a unique, ongoing partnership between the University at Buffalo and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Following the singing of *Once in Royal David's City*, The UB Choir and Chamber Singers perform under the direction of Claudia Brown, presenting works from their semester program. Each musical offering is interspersed with congregational Christmas hymns and readings chronicling the birth of Jesus. Congregation Members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church read the Lessons.

2022 HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:30 a.m. Worship Service with Chapel Choir
10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Chancel Choir

CHRISTMAS EVE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

7:00 p.m. Candlelight/Communion/Children's Time
10:00 p.m. Preservice music
10:30 p.m. Festival candlelight service with Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS DAY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas service

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