

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Sunday Morning Worship and Fellowship

December 7, 2025

9:00 AM - Congregational Meeting

10:30 AM - Worship

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THE LORD'S DAY
The Second Sunday of Advent
Preparation
December 7, 2025

Welcome

Prelude

(time of silent preparation)

Advent Reading

Luke 2:26-38

Call to Worship*

A voice cries: "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. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

Isaiah 40:3-5

Invocation*

Carol of Preparation*

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(See hymn at the back of the bulletin)

God's Call to Holiness

Pastor: The Apostle Paul explained the holy standard to which God calls us when he said:

Congregation: You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

Galatians 5:13-15

Confession of Sin

Congregation: Father, I confess that every day I abuse the freedom that You have won for me through Your Son. Every day I do things which reveal that much of my heart and mind still believes that I am sovereign over You. Too often I view Your world and the people You have created merely as resources for my pleasure and convenience, rather than serving them as You have commanded. Too rarely do I meditate on what it means to live by Your Spirit and so I continue to gratify the cravings of my sinful nature. I am sorry for this, Father. Thank You for Your Son, Christ, and His willingness to die for my selfishness. Thank You for crediting His perfect

record of service to my destitute account. Help me to meditate on Your holy standards and Your gracious gospel so that I am conformed more and more to the image of Your Son.

Declaration of Forgiveness*

Pastor: "All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." **Acts 10:43**

Carols of Gratitude*

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

(See hymn at the back of the bulletin)

Joy Has Dawned

Joy has dawned upon the world
Promised from creation
God's salvation now unfurled
Hope for ev'ry nation
Not with fanfares from above
Not with scenes of glory
But a humble gift of love
Jesus born of Mary

Sounds of wonder fill the sky
With the songs of angels
As the mighty Prince of Life
Shelters in a stable
Hands that set each star in place
Shaped the earth in darkness
Cling now to a mother's breast
Vulnerable and helpless

Shepherds bow before the Lamb
Gazing at the glory
Gifts of men from distant lands
Prophecy the story
Gold a King is born today
Incense God is with us
Myrrh His death will make a way
By His blood He'll win us

Son of Adam Son of heaven
Given as a ransom
Reconciling God and man
Christ our mighty Champion

What a Savior what a Friend
What a glorious mystery (mi-stry)
Once a babe in Bethlehem
Now the Lord of history (hi-stry)
(Repeat last four lines)

CCU Song # 4408246 Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

Confession of Faith*

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Carol

O Little Town of Bethlehem

(See hymn at the back of the bulletin)

Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-8

Pastor Doug Stelzig

(Children are invited to the front for a brief lesson. After the lesson,
parents may escort children participating in YWIT to class B212)

Sermon

The Farewell Discourse: The True Vine

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Mercy Offering

Carol of Response

O Come All Ye Faithful!

(See hymn at the back of the bulletin)

Benediction*

The Steadfast Love

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
His mercies never come to an end.
They are new ev'ry morning, new ev'ry morning,
Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord!
Great is Thy faithfulness.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, Who to thy tribes, on
 3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free Thine own from Sa - tan's
 4. O come, thou Day - spring from on high And cheer us by thy
 5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come And o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here,
 Si - nai's height, In an - cient times didst give the law
 tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell thy peo - ple save,
 draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heav'n - ly home; Make safe the way that leads on high,

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Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
 And close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el. A - MEN.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

The LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him. Hab. 2:20

Unison

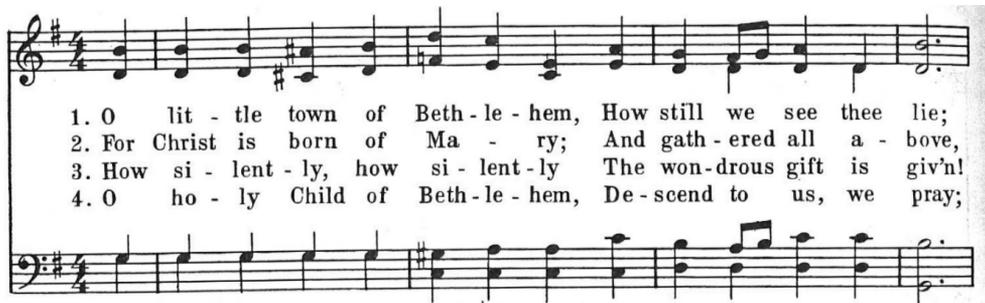
1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2. King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard
 4. At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim, with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way, as the Light of light de - scend - eth
 sleep - less eye, veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,

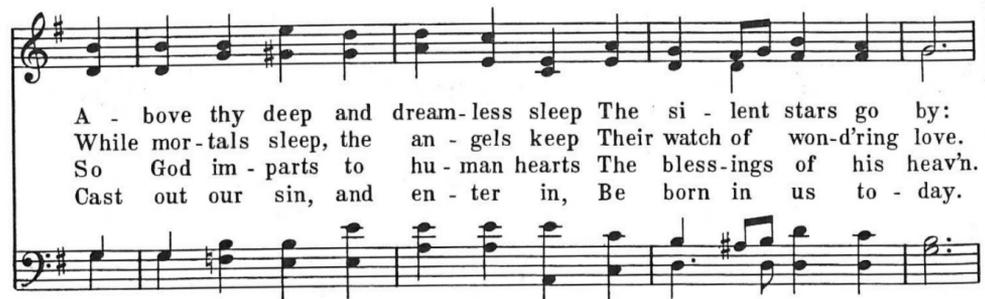
for with bless - ing in his hand, Christ our God to
 in the bod - y and the blood, he will give to
 from the realms of end - less day, that the pow'rs of
 as with cease - less voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia,

earth de - scend - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.
 all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.
 hell may van - ish as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

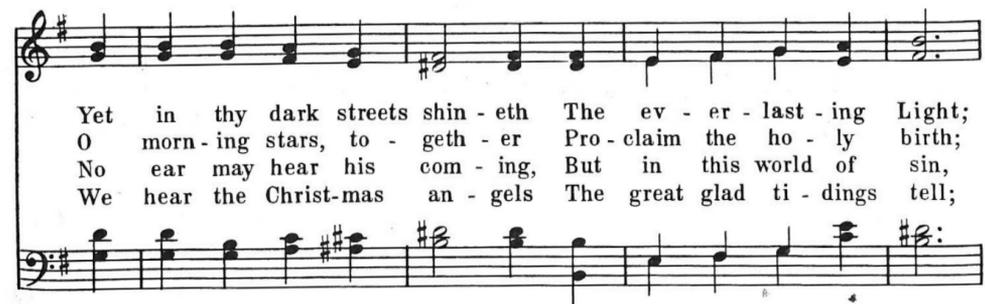
O Little Town of Bethlehem



1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie;
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; And gath - ered all a - bove,
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n!
4. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, De - scend to us, we pray;



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by:
While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - d'ring love.
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of his heav'n.
Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, Be born in us to - day.



Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;
O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth;
No ear may hear his com - ing, But in this world of sin,
We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad ti - dings tell;



The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.
Where meek souls will re - ceive him still, The dear Christ en - ters in.
O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Em - man - u - el. A - MEN.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. Luke 2:15

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
 2. God of God, Light of Light;
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:

O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him
 lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

REFRAIN

born the King of an - gels;
 got - ten, not cre - a - ted; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let
 in the high - est;
 late in flesh ap - pear - ing;

us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

Notes

What is this Scripture text about?

How did this text expose my sin?

How was I shown that Christ is the solution to my sin?

How was I encouraged to respond to this good news?

Community Group Information

For details on joining or starting a community group, please reach out to Ben Zintak (bczintak@gmail.com).

Missionary Information

Diaso family in San Diego-Tijuana border and Baha CA- diasolifeontheborder.org

Sarran family in Lyon, France- missiongo.org/Missionary%20tags/alex-and-suzan

Dwyer family in Asia

Trinity Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 7

9AM– Congregational Meeting
10:30AM– Worship
5:30PM– Evening Fellowship at Schwartzes’

Monday, December 8

6:45PM– Women’s Bible Study at Deborah Vroblesky’s

Tuesday, December 9

Wednesday, December 10

6AM– Men’s Breakfast at Waugh Chapel
Nico’s Bagels

Thursday, December 11

Friday, December 12

Saturday, December 13

Looking Ahead

December 17– Caroling at Waldo’s
December 23– Christmas Eve Eve Service at 7PM

Mercy Fund Available

Mercy Fund resources are available to members of Trinity in financial need. If you have a monetary need, please reach out to your deacon.

Counseling Services Available

Trinity has partnered with Heart Song Counseling Services to provide quality Christian counseling for our congregation. Needs based financial assistance is available through the Trinity counseling assistance fund. If you would like to utilize the Heart Song Counseling services talk with any of the Elders.

Nursery Information

Nursery for 0-2 is available during Sunday School and Worship Young Worshipper in Training (**YWIT**) is offered on the first and third Sundays each month. In YWIT, children at least 3yo but not yet 6 will learn our liturgical practices with age-appropriate material.

Nursery and YWIT during the worship service is optional. It is our goal that all the children of our church would worship in the main service as early and often as possible!

Sunday School Information

Sunday schools are available for 0-3 Year Olds, 4yr-1st Grade, 2nd-5th Grade, and Middle School.

Our High school students are with the Adult Class.

Keeping Connected

Please Place in the Offertory Plate

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Children: Name/Age _____ Phone: _____

- First time visitor
- Member
- Regular attender
- Please update my contact information
- I would like information about _____ ministry.
- I would like a call from the Pastor
- I am interested in volunteering in Children's Ministry
- I am interested volunteering in Youth Ministry

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