



CANDLELIGHT CAROLS
Saturday, December 18 | 4 PM & 7 PM
& Sunday, December 19, 2021 | 2 PM



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WELCOME



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Keep a Pew Apart



Respect Other's Boundaries

STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION

Trinity Church in the City of Boston is a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts and welcomes and honors everyone. In accordance with our baptismal covenant, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We strive to include all persons without regard to sexual orientation, race, nationality, gender, family configuration, ethnic background, economic circumstances, difference in ability, culture, or age. Our love and acceptance of each other embody our commitment to unity with God and each other in Christ.

HOURS & INFORMATION

Sunday Worship (12/26/21 only)

10 am Morning Prayer
indoor, masked, socially-distanced,
pre-registration required; streaming at
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and [facebook.com/trinitychurchboston](https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)

Sunday Worship (12/19/21; returns 1/2/22)

9 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
(Morning Prayer last Sunday of the month)
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11 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
(Morning Prayer last Sunday of the month)
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5 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II
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Monday through Thursday

8:30 pm Online Advent Compline **through 12/23**
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Restrooms are located downstairs in the Undercroft on either side of the Chapel. Stairs are on the left and right sides of the Narthex (entryway). An elevator is located in the Clarendon Street Vestibule.

The cover image of Trinity's 'Wonder of the Shepherds' window was taken by parishioner Beverly Crawford. The window was designed by Edward Burne-Jones and executed by William Morris in 1882.

Prelude

Fanfare

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Suite from 'Heroic Music'

Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767), arr. Dana Russian

Majesty, Tranquility, Bravery

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Alleluia, Alleluia!

William Byrd (1543-1623)

Sacri Conventus XXI

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Welcome to Trinity Church

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector*

Stanza 1: Solo
 Stanza 2: Choir alone
 Stanza 4: All, Harmony
 Stanza 5: Unison
 Stanza 6: Unison

Hymn 102 'Once in royal David's City' v. 1-2, 4-6

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a
 2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
 4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,
 *5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
 6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her
 2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a
 4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -
 5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so
 6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry
 2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the
 4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he
 5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he
 6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone. —
 6 veiled to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

Bidding Prayer

Beloved in Christ,
today we gather in preparation
to hear again the message of the angels and,
in heart and mind, to go even unto Bethlehem
and greet this joy which shall come to pass,
the Babe lying in a manger.
Let us read in scripture and voice in song,
tales of our God's loving purposes,
from the first days
and unto the glorious Redemption brought us by the Holy Child.
And, in what we do this day,
may God, the Creator of all things,
bless us with abundant grace;
may Christ, the Word made flesh,
give us the joys of everlasting life;
and to the fellowship of the saints in light,
may the Holy Spirit guide us all.

Amen.

The Collect

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the
dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who
humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and
reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Lesson Genesis 2:15-17, 3:6-13, 17-19

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."

He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

And to the man he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem 'Adam lay ybounden'

Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond:
Four thousand winter thought he not too long.
And all was for an apple, an apple that he took.
As clerkes finden written in their book.
Ne had one apple taken been, the apple taken been,
Ne had never our lady abeen heavné queen.
Blessed be the time that apple taken was.
Therefore we moun singen: *Deo gracias!*

TEXT: ANONYMOUS (15TH CENT.)

Lesson Baruch 4:36-5:9

Look toward the east, O Jerusalem,
and see the joy that is coming to you from God.
Look, your children are coming, whom you sent away;
they are coming, gathered from east and west,
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing in the glory of God.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem,
and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.
Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God;
put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting;
for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.
For God will give you evermore the name,
“Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.”

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;
look toward the east,
and see your children gathered from west and east
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing that God has remembered them.
For they went out from you on foot,
led away by their enemies;
but God will bring them back to you,
carried in glory, as on a royal throne.
For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made
low
and the valleys filled up, to make level ground,
so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.
The woods and every fragrant tree
have shaded Israel at God’s command.
For God will lead Israel with joy,
in the light of his glory,
with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stanza 1: All
 Stanza 2: All
 Stanza 3: High voices
 Stanza 4: Low voices
 Stanza 5: All

Hymn 56 'O come, O come Emmanuel'

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen

1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on

1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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Lesson Isaiah 27:2-6, 12-13

On that day:
 A pleasant vineyard, sing about it!
 I, the Lord, am its keeper;
 every moment I water it.
 I guard it night and day
 so that no one can harm it;
 I have no wrath.
 If it gives me thorns and briers,
 I will march to battle against it.
 I will burn it up.
 Or else let it cling to me for protection,
 let it make peace with me,
 let it make peace with me.
 In days to come Jacob shall take root,
 Israel shall blossom and put forth shoots,
 and fill the whole world with fruit.

On that day the Lord will thresh from the channel of the Euphrates to the Wadi of Egypt, and you will be gathered one by one, O people of Israel. And on that day a great trumpet will be blown, and those who were lost in the land of Assyria and those who were driven out to the land of Egypt will come and worship the Lord on the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem 'Canite Tuba'

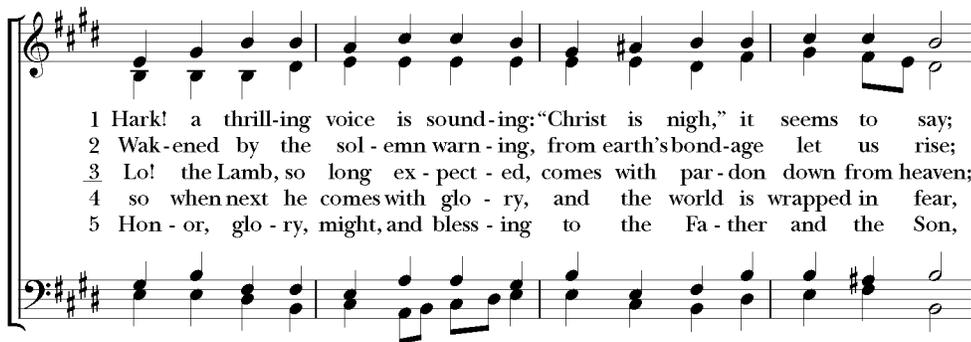
Richard Webster (b. 1952)

*Canite tuba in Sion, quia prope est dies Domini.
Ecce veniet ad salvandum nos.
Erunt prava in directa, et aspera in vias planas:
Veni, Domine, et noli tardare. Alleluia.*

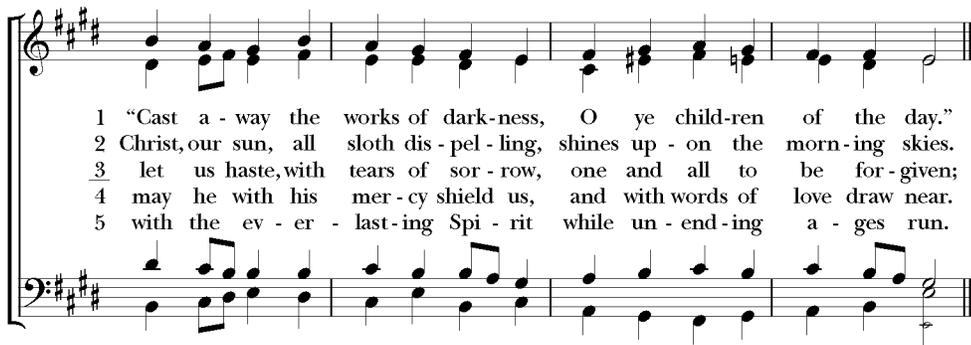
Blow the trumpet in Zion, for the day of the Lord is nigh.
Lo, He comes for our salvation.
The crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways plain.
Come, Lord, and do not delay. Alleluia.

TEXT: JOEL 2:1; ISAIAH 40:4

Hymn 59 'Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding'



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
2 Wak-ened by the sol- emn warn- ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, comes with par-don down from heaven;
4 so when next he comes with glo-ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon- or, glo-ry, might, and bless- ing to the Fa-ther and the Son,



1 "Cast a - way the works of dark-ness, O ye child-ren of the day."
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.
3 let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all to be for - given;
4 may he with his mer - cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.
5 with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.

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Stanza 1: Unison
Stanza 2: Harmony
Stanza 3: Harmony
Stanza 4: Harmony
Stanza 5: Unison

Lesson Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

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. 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. 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. 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. 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.

Anthem *'In dulci jubilo'*

Arr. Robert Lucas Pearsall (1795–1856)

<i>In dulci jubilo</i> [In sweet joy]	<i>O patris caritas</i> [O Father's caring]
Let us our homage show	<i>O nati lenitas</i> [O newborn's mildness]
Our heart's joy reclineth	Deeply were we stained
<i>In praesepio</i> [in a manger]	<i>Per nostra crimina</i> [by our crimes]
And like a bright star shineth	But thou hast for us gained
<i>Matris in gremio</i> [in the mother's lap]	<i>Coelorum gaudia</i> [heavenly joy]
<i>Alpha es et O.</i> [Thou art Alpha & Omega]	O that we were there.

<i>O Jesu parvule</i> [O tiny Jesus]	<i>Ubi sunt gaudia</i> [where be joys]
I yearn for thee alway	If that they be not there?
Listen to my ditty	There are angels singing
<i>O puer optima</i> [O best of boys]	<i>Nova cantica</i> [new songs]
Have pity on me, pity	There the bells are ringing
<i>O princeps gloriae</i> , [Prince of glory]	<i>In regis curia</i> [in the king's court]
<i>Trahe me post te.</i> [draw me unto thee]	O that we were there.

TEXT: HEINRICH SEUSE, 14TH CENTURY; TR. PEARSALL

Lesson Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem *'Magnificat'*

Sarah MacDonald (b.1968)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.	He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.	He hath filled the hungry with good things.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.	And the rich he hath sent empty away.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.	He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel as he promised to our forefathers Abraham, and his seed forever.
He hath shewed strength with his arm. He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

TEXT: LUKE 1:46–55

Lesson Luke 2:1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. 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. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 78 '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 given!
 *4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,
 5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
 2 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.
 3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
 4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
 5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
 2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
 3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
 4 where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,
 5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

Stanza 1: Unison
 Stanza 2: Harmony
 Stanza 3: Choir only, sung to
 'Forest Green'
 Stanza 4: Harmony
 Stanza 5: Unison

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Anthem 'Betelehemu'

Babatunde Olatunji (1927-2003) arr. Jonathan Crutchfield (b. 1959)

<i>Bethlehemu</i>	Bethlehem
<i>Awa yio ri Baba gbojule</i>	We shall see that we have a Father
<i>Awa yio ri Baba fehinti</i>	to trust
<i>Nibo labi Jesu</i>	We shall see that we have a Father
<i>Nibo labe bi i</i>	to rely on
<i>Betelehemu, ilu ayo</i>	Where was Jesus born?
<i>Nibo labe Baba o daju</i>	Where was he born?
<i>Seen, Seen, Baba lo</i>	Bethlehem, the city of wonder
<i>Adupe fuo, adupe fun o, adupe fuo lo jooni</i>	That is where the Father was born
<i>Baba o lo reo</i>	for sure
<i>Fiyeen fo luwa lo jooni,</i>	Praise, praise, praise be to Him
<i>Baba toda wasi.</i>	We thank You, we thank You, we
<i>Betelehemu</i>	thank You for this day
	Blessed Father
	Praise, praise, praise be to You,
	merciful Father
	Father who delivered us
	Bethlehem

TEXT: YORUBA FOLK TEXT

Lesson Luke 2:8-20

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 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: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" 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." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem 'Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King'

Spiritual arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

What will we call that pretty little baby?
Baby born in Bethlehem.
What will we call that pretty little baby?
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Where was He born, this pretty little baby?
Down in a lowly manger.
Where His birth was in a stable.
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Born this night, the Son of Mary.
Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace.

Glory to the newborn King.
 Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King.
 Go and tell it on the mountain,
 Lord, over the hills and ev'rywhere.
 Why don't you go tell it on the mountain,
 Lord, that Jesus Christ is born.
 We're singing, All praise to the newborn King,
 Hail, the newborn King.
 Glory, glory, glory to the newborn King.

TEXT: SPIRITUAL; MOSES HOGAN (1957-2003)

Hymn 96 'Angels we have heard on high'

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
 2 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
 3 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
 4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

Stanza 1: Unison
 Stanza 2: Harmony
 Stanza 3: Choir only
 Stanza 4: Unison

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
 What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
 Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

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The Prayers

With the Incarnation alighted on our lips and in our lives,
let us pray for the needs of God's whole world:

For peace and goodwill over all the earth;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For unity and peace within the Church Christ came to build;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor and the cold, the hungry and the oppressed;

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the suffering, the lonely and the mourning;

Lord, hear our prayer.

Finally, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us,
but upon another shore and in a greater light,

that multitude which no one can number,

whose hope was in the Word made flesh,

and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one;

Lord, hear our prayer.

Anthem "The Word Was God"

Rosephanye Powell (b.1962)

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made that have been made.

Nothing was made He has not made.

TEXT: JOHN 1:1-5

Lesson John 1:1-14a

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Anthem 'Sing lullaby'

Herbert Howells (1893-1982)

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby,
While snow doth softly gently fall,
Sing lullaby to Jesus
Born in an oxen-stall.

Sing lullaby to Jesus,
Born now in Bethlehem,
The naked blackthorn's growing
To weave His diadem.

Sing lullaby, sing lullaby
While thickly snow doth fall,
Sing lullaby to Jesus
The Savior of all.

TEXT: F.W. HARVEY (1888-1957)

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 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.**

Hymn 111 'Silent night'

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,
 all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
 at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,
 love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,
 Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
 heaven - ly hosts— sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
 with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy
 peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.
 born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!
 birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820-1885)
 Music: *Stille Nacht*, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824-1910)

The Candlelight Blessing

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, we may rise to the life immortal; and may the blessing of the holy and undivided Trinity, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be upon us and remain with us for ever.

Amen.

Hymn 83 'O come, all ye faithful'

Stanza 1: Unison
 Stanza 2: Harmony
 Stanza 3: Unison
 Stanza 4: Harmony
 Stanza 5: Harmony
 Stanza 6: Unison

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 *4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,
 *5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
 3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
 4 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
 5 we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
 3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
 4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
 5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

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

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father,
 now in flesh appearing;

Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others
 Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade (1711-1786); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Hymn 87 'Hark! the herald angels sing'

Stanza 1: Unison
 Stanza 2: Harmony
 Stanza 3: Unison

1 Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing glo-ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a-dored; Christ, the ev-er-last-ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo-ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer-cy mild, God and sin-ners rec-on-ciled!
 late in time be-hold him come, off-spring of the Vir-gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec-ond birth.

Joy-ful, all ye na-tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De-i-ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an-gel-ic host pro-claim Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je-sus, our Em-man-u-el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing glo-ry to the new-born King!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Mendelssohn, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831-1915)

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude 'Toccata-Gigue on the Sussex Carol'
 George Baker (b.1951)



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FORMATION



Incarnating Joy for the Life of the World to Come

Sun., 12/19, 7 pm, **on Zoom**

This Advent as a parish we are praying for and imagining “the life of the world to come.” This

Sunday evening we reflect on some specific ways we might, with God’s help, incarnate in our own lives the joy that the Holy One intends, through Scripture, poetry, music, and art. Join us as we journey towards Christmas!



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CHRISTMAS



RSVP Now for Christmas Services

Given attendance limits, we have added a fourth service to our Christmas Eve schedule. Pre-registration (at trinitychurchboston.org/news) will be required for all in-person worship. Mindful of the Omicron variant’s emergence, each service’s attendance will be capped at 450, and masking will be required at all times for all worshipers.

12/24: 2 pm
Children’s Pageant

12/24: 4:30 pm*, 8 pm, 11 pm
Holy Eucharist

12/25: 10 am Festival Eucharist

**livestreamed*



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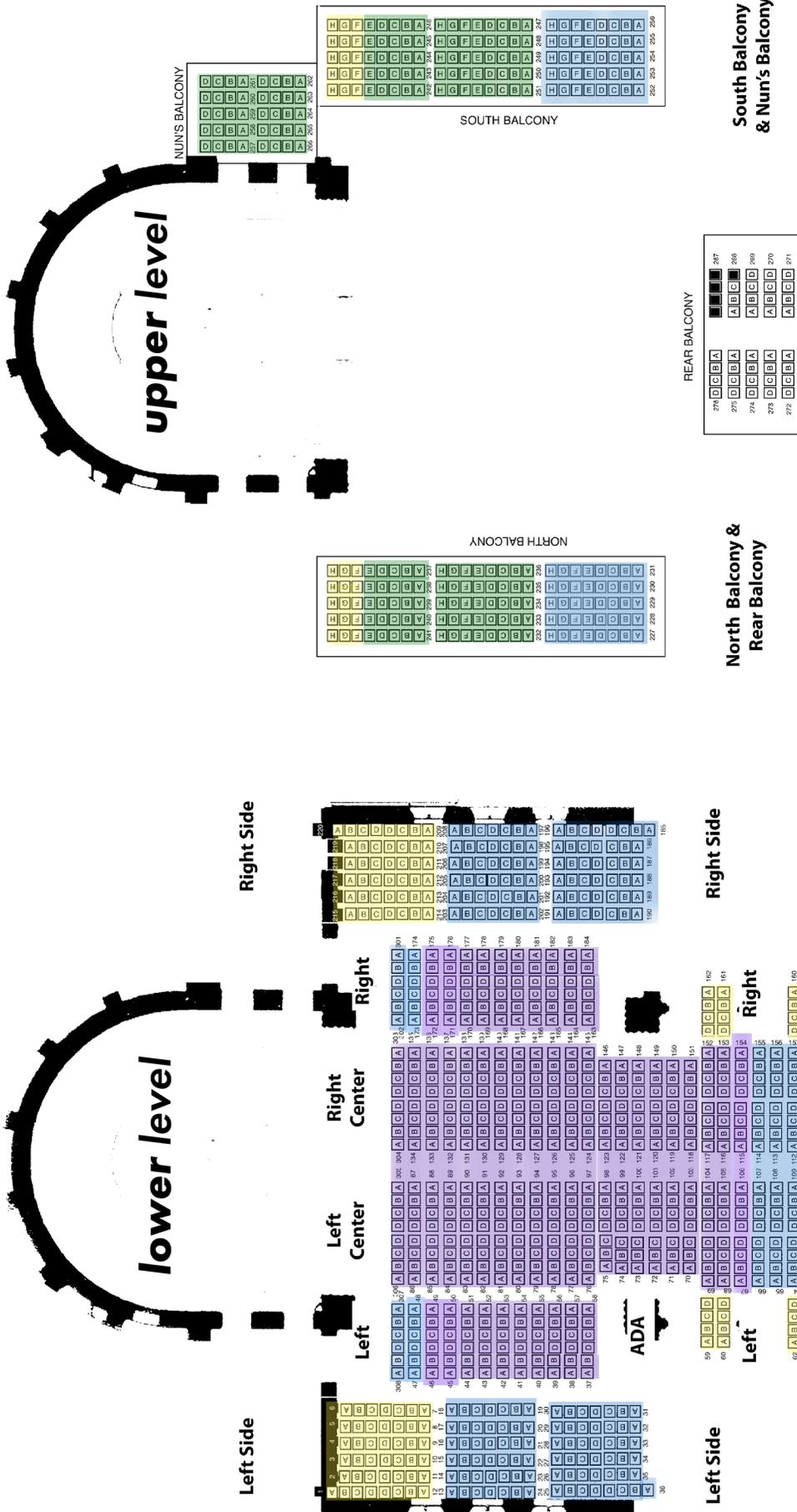


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