



CANDLELIGHT CAROLS

Saturday, December 17 | 4 & 7 pm
& Sunday, December 18, 2022 | 2 pm



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



TrinityEvents

New to Trinity? Whether you're new among us or you've been here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for faith at Trinity.



Complete the short Welcome Form at trinitychurchboston.org/welcome (or scan the QR code) so we can get to know you better.

MUSIC

Join the Trinity Choristers

Do you know a child, age 8 and up, who loves to sing?



The Chorister program at Trinity Church offers an extraordinary opportunity to learn music, singing, leadership, teamwork, responsibility, commitment, and have fun! Choristers learn about the faith and engage in the life of the church through their active leadership of worship. Parents often say that the Chorister program is a deeply transformative experience for their children.

Contact Colin Lynch, Interim Director of Music at clynch@trinitychurchboston.org.

LEARNING

Formation for All Ages Returns on Jan. 15

Sundays, 11:15 am

At Trinity Church Boston, all of us—committed Christians as well as those just beginning to explore—are pilgrims on the way. We offer formation opportunities for learners across the life spectrum. From our youngest in the Nursery to those who are more “experienced learners”—Trinity welcomes all to explore and grow in their faith journey.

To learn more about **Children's Ministries**, for infants through children in fifth grade, contact Cathy Portlock Pacitto, cpacitto@trinitychurchboston.org.

To learn more about **Youth Ministry**, for those in sixth grade through high school, contact Beth Folsom, bfolsom@trinitychurchboston.org.

To learn more about **Adult Formation**, contact the Rev. Abi Moon, amoon@trinitychurchboston.org.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve Worship: Sat., Dec. 24

2 pm:
Children's Pageant



Photo: Ralph Mazitschek

“The Children Will Show Us the Way” on Christmas Eve as we present our annual Christmas Eve Pageant. At given times throughout the service, all children attending will be invited to come forward, receive a headpiece or prop, and take their places in the tableau of angels and stars, wild beasts and the Holy Family. Come and join us at the manger!



4:30 pm: Festival Eucharist

With the Trinity Choristers & Organ.

This service will be livestreamed to our Facebook page and trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship.

8 pm: Festival Eucharist

With the Trinity Choirs and Brass Ensemble.

11 pm: Festival Eucharist

Choral mass with the Trinity Choirs and Brass Ensemble.

Christmas Day Worship: Sun., Dec. 25

10 am: Festival Eucharist

Celebrate the Christ child's birth on Christmas morning. Choral music, organ, sermon lift spirits at this celebration of Holy Eucharist.

Please note: While there will be no livestream of worship on this Sunday, audio of the sermon will be available later in the week at trinitychurchboston.org/sermons.



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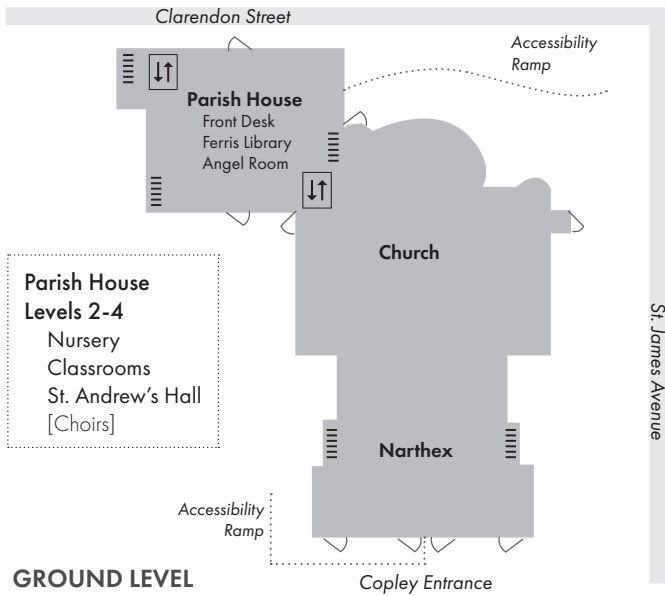
WELCOME



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FINDING YOUR WAY



GROUND LEVEL

Parish House Levels 2-4

- Nursery
- Classrooms
- St. Andrew's Hall [Choirs]

Accessibility Ramp

Copley Entrance

St. James Avenue

Clarendon Street

Accessibility Ramp

Parish House
Front Desk
Ferris Library
Angel Room

Church

Narthex

Legend

- Elevator
- Entrance/Exit
- Restroom
- Stairs

Parish House
Classrooms
Restrooms

Undercroft
Forum
Commons
Restrooms

Chapel

LOWER LEVEL

HOURS & INFORMATION

Sunday Schedule *indoor, masks welcomed and encouraged.*

- 8 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, *spoken*
- 9 am** Coffee & Community Hour, full "Community Breakfast" on the first Sunday of most months
- 10 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, *with organ, choristers, and choir. Includes Children's Homily & Nursery. Morning Prayer last Sunday of most months.* online at trinitychurchboston.org/live-worship and [facebook.com/trinitychurchboston](https://www.facebook.com/trinitychurchboston)
- 11:15 am** Formation for All Ages
- 5 pm** Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Weekday Worship at Trinity

Tues/Thurs.

- 8:30 pm** Online Compline
join us on Zoom at bit.ly/tcbTTCompline
☎ or dial in with **1-646-558-8656** and enter Meeting ID **206 654 379**

Weds.

- 5:45 pm** Choral Evensong
indoor, led by the Trinity Choristers

Vestry

Chris Allen ('23) • Christine Arcese ('26) • Christopher Atwood ('26) • Barbara Dortch-Okara ('25) • Richard Henderson ('26) • Vincent W. James ('24) • Sarah E. McGinty ('24) • Mark Morrow ('23) • Niven Narain ('26) • Chuku Chijioko Okoli ('25) • Christopher Parris ('23) • Constance Perry ('24) • Peter Renner ('25) • Olaf J. Thorp ('24) • Pam Waterman ('25) • Ania Wiekowski ('23)

Clergy

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector* • The Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, *Theologian-In-Community* • The Rev. Dr. Karen Coleman, *Assisting Priest* • The Rev. Paige Fisher, *Associate for Community Life* • The Rev. Kit Lonergan, *Priest for Welcome and Care* • The Rev. Abi Moon, *Senior Associate*

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Tours

First & Last

Sundays

11:30 am

- 3:30 pm

Tues- Sat

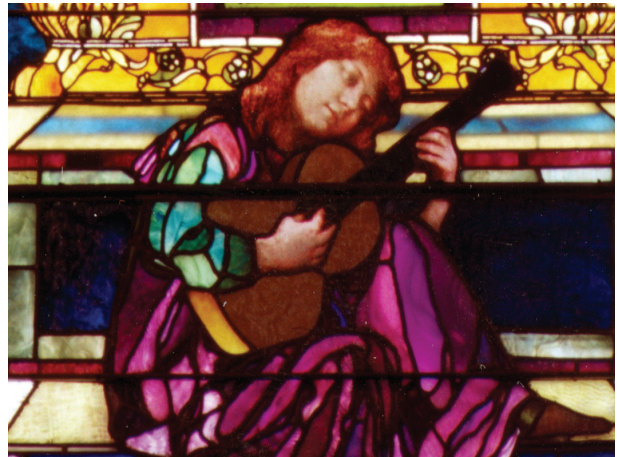
10 am - 4:30 pm

Trinity Church offers self-guided, docent-led, and audio tours. Considered one of ten buildings that changed America, Trinity Church is an architectural masterpiece including its unique collection of stained-glass windows by designers such as Edward Burne-Jones, William Morris, and John La Farge, its murals, wood carvings and more. The price is \$10. Children younger than 12 are free.

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.

Stained Glass Scavenger Hunt Can you find the details in the stained glass inside the church?



Learn more about Trinity's stained glass windows by taking a tour.

The Shop and Tours are open: Tues-Sat: 10 am - 4:30 pm
 First & Last Sundays: 11:30 am - 3:30 pm

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Answers, clockwise from top left: Detail from South Nave wall: The Presentation of the Virgin in Temple, 1888, by John La Farge • Detail from far left of the Chancel: The Nativity, 1877-1878, by Clayton & Bell • Detail from South Nave wall: The Presentation of the Virgin in Temple, 1888, by John La Farge • Detail from North Transept wall: The Wonder of the Shepherds, 1882, by Edward Burne-Jones & William Morris • Detail from far left of the Chancel: The Nativity, 1877-1888, by Clayton & Bell • Detail from North Transept wall: The Worship of the Magi, 1882, by Edward Burne-Jones & William Morris

Prelude

Sonata in D

Andante

Allegro

Callino Casturame

Canzonet

In dulci júbilo, BWV 729

S'al Discorprir

Motet & Royal Fanfare

Giuseppe Torelli (1658-1709)

William Byrd (1543-1623)

Giles Farnaby (c. 1560-1640)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Giovanni Gabrieli (1557-1612)

Josquin Des Prez (1455-1521)

Welcome to Trinity Church

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen, *Rector*

Worship at Trinity

When the text of this worship booklet is in **bold**, it is spoken or sung by all.

Though the Presider's posture (standing, sitting, or kneeling) will cue many in the pews, we invite you to participate as you are able and as your piety prefers.

About Candlelight Carols

A beloved Boston tradition since 1909, Candlelight Carols celebrates the birth of Christ through Scripture readings and carols and anthems offered by the Trinity choirs and instrumentalists.

Hymn 102 'Once in royal David's City'

Solo 1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a
Choir 2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
ALL Harmony *3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a
Harmony 4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,
Unison *5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
Unison 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
 3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -
 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
 3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this
 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.
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.
 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 vealed 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 to 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 *Read by a member of the Trinity choir.*

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.

Carol '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 Isaiah 27:2-6, 12-13 *Read by a member of the Trinity vestry.*

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.

Carol 'A tender shoot'

Kerensa Briggs (b. 1991)

A tender shoot has started up from a root of grace,
as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race:
It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter,
turning our darkness into light.

This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring;
The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing;
Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us,
Thus turning darkness into light.

TEXT: OTTO GOLDSCHMIDT (1829-1907), TRANS. WILLIAM BARTHOLOMEW (1793-1867)

Hymn 56 'O come, O come, Emmanuel'

All 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 All 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 High voices 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 Low voices 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 All 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. All
 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!

Lesson Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7 Read by a member of Trinity's Anti-Racism Team.

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.

Carol 'The holly and the ivy'
Stuart Thompson (b. 1970)

The holly and the ivy,
When they are both full grown
Of all the trees that are in the wood,
The holly bears the crown;

*O the rising of the sun
And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ,
Sweet singing in the choir.*

The holly bears a blossom,
As white as any flower
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,
To be our sweet Savior; *Refrain*

The holly bears a berry,
As red as any blood
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To do poor sinners good; *Refrain*

The holly bears a prickle,
As sharp as any thorn
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas Day in the morn; *Refrain*

The holly bears a bark,
As bitter as any gall
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all. *Refrain*

TEXT: 17TH -18TH CENTURY TRADITIONAL

Lesson Luke 1:26-38 *Read by a member of the Trinity youth community.*

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.

Motet *'Ave Maria'*


Robert Parsons (c.1530-70)

*Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
benedicta tu in mulieribus,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui. Amen.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. Amen.

TEXT: PRAYER AFTER LUKE 1:28, 42


Hymn 26 'The first Nowell'



All 1. The first No - well the an - gels did say was to
 High Voices 2. They look - ed up and saw a star shin - ing
 Low Voices 3. And by the light of that same star three_
 High Voices 4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, o'er_
 Low Voices 5. Then en - tered in those wise men three full_
 All 6. Then let us all with one ac - cord sing_



cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields where they lay; in fields as they lay,
 in the east be - yond them far, and to the earth it
 wise men came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was
 Beth - le - hem it took its rest, and there it did both
 rev - erent - ly u - pon their knee, and of - fered there in
 prais - ses to our heaven - ly Lord; that hath made heaven and



keep - ing their sheep on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
 gave great light, and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
 their in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
 stop and stay right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
 his pre - sence their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.
 earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.



All No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well, Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Lesson Luke 2:1-7 Read by a leader at Trinity Boston Connects.

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.

Carol 'The cherry tree carol'

trad. English Carol, arr. Sarah MacDonald (b.1968)

Joseph was an old man,
And an old man was he,
When he wedded Mary
in the land of Galilee.

Joseph and Mary walked
Through an orchard good,
Where was cherries and berries,
so red as any blood.

O then bespoke Mary,
With words so meek and mild,
"Pluck me one cherry, Joseph,
for I am with child.

O then bespoke the baby,
Within his mother's arms,
"Bow down, then, the tallest tree
for my mother to have some!"

Then bowed down the highest branch,
Unto his mother's hand.
"See," Mary cried, "see, Joseph,
I have cherries at command!"

Then Mary plucked a cherry,
as red as any blood,
Mary went she homeward,
All with her heavy load.

Then Mary took her baby,
And sat him on her knee,
Saying "My dear son, pray tell me,
What this world will be."

"O I shall be dead, mother,
as the stones are in the wall;
O the stones in the streets, dear mother,
shall mourn for me all.

Upon Easter Day, dear mother,
My uprising all shall see,
O the sun and the moon, dear mother,
Shall both rise up with me!"

TEXT: TRADITIONAL ENGLISH CAROL

Lesson Luke 2:8-14 *Read by a member of the Trinity parish.*

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!

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn 78 'O little town of Bethlehem'

Unison
Harmony
Harmony
Harmony
Unison

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!

Carol 'Have you seen the baby Jesus?'

Rosephanye Powell (b. 1962)

Morgan Beckford, soloist

Have you seen the baby Jesus,
the King of kings?
He was born of a virgin in Bethlehem.

Did you find him in a stable,
the King of kings?
Was he laid in a manger,
wrapped in swaddling clothing,
Born of a virgin in Bethlehem?

It was foretold by the prophets of old
that a virgin would conceive the Son of God!
And as the angels rejoiced that night,
the shepherds saw a holy light.

Have you seen the baby Jesus,
the King of kings?
They will call him "Emmanuel,"
Lo, God is with us,
"Jesus," "Messiah" the King of kings,
who was laid in a manger,
wrapped in swaddling clothing,
born of a virgin in Bethlehem.

Let us worship baby Jesus,
the King of kings.
Let us bow down before Him,
praise and adore him,
Worship the baby, the King of kings
We will call him "Emmanuel,"
Lo, God is with us,
"Jesus," "Messiah" the King of kings,
who was laid in a manger,
wrapped in swaddling clothing,
born of a virgin in Bethlehem.

He's the King, "Emmanuel!"
Let us bow down before Him,
praise and adore him,
Worship the baby, the King of kings
We will call him "Emmanuel,"
Lo, God is with us,
"Jesus," "Messiah" the King of kings,
who was laid in a manger,
wrapped in swaddling clothing,
born of a virgin in Bethlehem.

TEXT: ROSPEHANYE POWELL

Lesson Luke 2:14-20 *Read by a Trinity usher.*

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.

Offertory Carol 'So said the angel'

Peter Skellern (1947-2017)

He has come to save me, born, he said, to set me free.
He said he brought glad tidings of comfort and joy to all,
said he came to save us all from such sorrow,
save me from such sorrow; so said the angel.

He has come to raise me, born, he said, to make me strong.
He said he brought glad tidings of comfort and joy to all,
said he came to love us all as his children; so said the angel.

He has come to guide me, is born, he said, to lead the way.
He said he brought glad tidings of comfort and joy to all,
said he came to hold us all in his mercy; so said the angel.

TEXT: PETER SKELLERN

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Hymn 96 'Angels we have heard on high'

Unison
Harmony
Harmony
Unison

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;

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.

Carol 'The Magi's Dream'

James Whitbourn (b. 1963)

Night has come to Bethlehem,
The family is asleep,
Exhausted by the wonders seen,
The news outrageous, deep.

'That I may come and worship him.'
Ox and ass have closed their eyes,
Their ears now hear no sound.
Shepherds have gone back to their flocks,
The mouse still noses around.

'That I may come and worship him.'
Kings have left for their distant lands,
Fractious camels moan.
At a desert spring they make their farewells.
'It's a mighty way to home!'
'That I may come and worship him.'

Later that night their heads are filled
With a dream-drenched holy ray.
'Do not return to Herod the king,
Go back another way.'

'That I may come and worship him.'

And so our Christ is saved from death
His mission to complete
To change the world by selfless love
Satan's legions to beat.

TEXT: ROBERT TEAR (1939-2011)

Lesson John 1:1-14a *Read by a member of the Clergy.*

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.

Interlude 'The Holy Boy'
John Ireland (1879-1962)

Carol 'O Holy Night!'
Adolphe Charles Adam (1803-1856) arr. Mack Wilberg (b. 1955)

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 soul rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Fall on your knees, Oh hear the angel voices!
O night divine! O night when Christ was born.
O night, O holy night, O night divine.
Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love and His gospel is peace.

Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name,

Christ is the Lord, then ever! ever praise we!
His pow'r and glory, evermore proclaim!
His pow'r and glory, evermore proclaim!

TEXT: CAPPEAU DE ROQUEMAURE (1808-1877),
TRANS. JOHN SULLIVAN DWIGHT (1812-1893)

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.

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 that 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.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The 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' verses 1-3, 6

Unison
Harmony
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,

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;

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;

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.

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

Hymn 87 'Hark! the herald angels sing'

Unison
Harmony
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!

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude 'Toccata in D'

Marcel Lanquetuit (1894-1985)

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