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2017

Trinity Children of the City of Boston

Welcome to Trinity Church

Merry Christmas to you and welcome! We are delighted to have you with us as we celebrate our Savior's birth, and we hope you will experience the joy and hope of Christmastide in our service this morning.

If you are new to Trinity, we encourage you to return and join us in our year-round exploration of Christian faith and the difference it can make in our lives, as we seek to live out God's love in this community and the world. Nothing could delight us more than to have you become part of this community. To learn more about Trinity Church and the many ways to be part of this community, please fill out a welcome card in the pew in front of you or visit our website at trinitychurchboston.org. We look forward to getting to know you and sharing with you the joy and hope that come from journeying together along Christ's way of love.

May you know the blessings of Christmas this morning and through the coming year.



The Rev. William W. Rich
Interim Rector

Listening devices for the hearing impaired are available from an usher.

We look forward to greeting you after the service.

Stand, as you are able, and join in singing all hymns.

Hymn in Procession

O come, all ye faithful (*Adeste Fideles*)

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.

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

Opening Sentences *Remain standing.*

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. *For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.*
His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, *The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.*
The word became flesh and dwells among us. *Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth.*

Song of Praise *All sing, remaining standing.*

(In dulci jubilo)

Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave: Je-sus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev-er-last-ing hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Collect for Christmas Day *Remain standing.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Word of God

First Lesson *Be seated.*

Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 98 *The choir sings the psalm to an Anglican chant by Thomas Attwood (1765-1838).*

Sing to the LORD a new song,*
for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm*
has he won for himself the victory.

The LORD has made known his victory;*
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,*
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;*
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the LORD with the harp,*
with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn*
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,*
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands,*
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world*
and the peoples with equity.

Hymn 105 *All stand and sing.*

God rest you, merry gentlemen (*God Rest You Merry*)

Gospel *Remain standing.*

John 1:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

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 Gospel of Christ. *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

The Rev. Rainey G. Dankel

Nicene Creed *Please stand.*

*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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made 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 worshipped 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.

Litany for Christmas Day *Remain standing, or you may kneel.*

We bring before God our needs and the needs of the world.

For unto us a child is born:

Unto us a Son is given.

Christ, who was made flesh, give life to your Church.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, who had no place to lay his head, protect those who have no home.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, whose birth kindled Herod's rage, shield all people from violence.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, who fled into Egypt, give comfort to all refugees.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, who fasted in the desert, give relief to all who hunger.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, who died to save us, give us your forgiveness.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Christ, who shares the holy and the human, bless our homes and all whom we love.

O God who is with us:

Hear our prayer.

Holy God, angels and shepherds worshiped at the manger throne. Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph and the saints through him who is your Word made flesh, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Peace *All stand.*

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another with a sign of Christ's Peace.

Announcements *Be seated.*

Holy Communion

*All people, regardless of faith, tradition, or age,
are welcome to receive Communion at Trinity Church.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come to the altar rail
and cross your arms over your chest.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the priest at the altar rail.
A floor-level communion station is located in the Clarendon Street vestibule to the left of the pulpit.*

Please take any valuables with you when you leave your seat.

Offertory

*The offering received during the anthem is our opportunity to give of ourselves
to the glory of God. It supports our parish ministries and service to the community.*

Offertory Anthem *Sung by the choir.*

arr. David Willcocks (1919-2015)

Masters in this Hall,
Hear ye news to-day
Brought from over sea,
And ever I you pray:
Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!
Nowell, sing we clear!
Holpen are all folk on earth,
Born is God's son so dear:
Nowell! Nowell! Nowell!
Nowell, sing we loud!
God to-day hath poor folk raised
And cast a-down the proud.
Going o'er the hills,
Through the milk-white snow,
Heard I ewes bleat
While the wind did blow: *Nowell!*
Shepherds many an one
Sat among the sheep,
No man spake more word
Than they had been asleep: *Nowell!*

Quoth I, "Fellows mine,
Why this guise sit ye?
Making but dull cheer,
Shepherds though ye be? *Nowell!*
"Shepherds should of right
Leap and dance and sing,
Thus to see ye sit,
Is a right strange thing": *Nowell!*
Quoth these fellows then,
"To Bethlem town we go,
To see a mighty lord
Lie in manger low": *Nowell!*
"How name ye this lord,
Shepherds?' then said I,
"Very God," they said,
"Come from Heaven high": *Nowell!*
This is Christ the Lord,
Masters be ye glad!
Christmas is come in,
And no folk should be sad: *Nowell!*

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
 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.
 What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
 come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
 Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

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The Great Thanksgiving *Remain standing.*

The Lord be with you. ***And also 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 God thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth....Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

S-130 (*front section of The Hymnal 1982*)

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Remain standing, or you may kneel.

... Therefore, according to his command, O God,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

... By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

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

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 Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

Agnus Dei



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

*Please follow the direction of the ushers.
You may stand or kneel to receive Communion.*

Music During Communion *Communion begins in silence.*

Anthem *Sung by the choir.*

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty winds made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron
Water like a stone:
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
Long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him
Nor earth sustain:
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty
Jesus Christ.

Hymn 79 *Sung by all.*

Hymn 82 *Sung by all.*

Postcommunion Prayer *All stand.*

Let us pray.

Loving God,

*we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament
of Christ's Body and Blood.*

*Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.*

Blessing *Remain standing.*

May the joy of the angels,
the eagerness of the shepherds,
the perseverance of the wise men,
the wonder of Joseph and Mary,
and the peace of the Christ child
be with you this Christmas;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Dismissal

Hymn in Procession 100 *All remain standing and sing.*

Postlude *In dulci jubilo*

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Harold Darke (1888-1976)

Enough for him, whom cherubim
Worship night and day,
A breast-ful of milk
And a manger full of hay:
Enough for him, whom angels
Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Which adore.

What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man
I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him
Give my heart.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

O Little town of Bethlehem (*St. Louis*)

Of the Father's love (*Divinum Mysterium*)

Joy to the world! (*Antioch*)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and ...

In loving memory of

Caroline and Rob Abernathy
Mackey Abernathy
Dorothy Bass Alexander
Dave Allen
Alden Atwood
Jane Marshall Baird
James Peter Baker
Mrs. Charlie Baker
Mr. & Mrs. Chester Baker
Andrew John Baker
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Cecilia Silvagni Caruso
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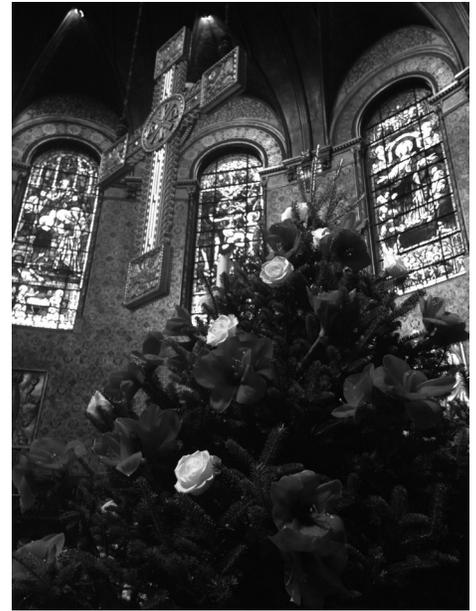


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W. Rich
The Clergy of Trinity Church





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Welcome to Trinity Church

Whether you have worshiped here for years or are visiting our Episcopal Church for the first time, we are glad you are with us. We invite all to enter fully into worship and to explore the variety of learning, small group, and service opportunities that are part of our life together. To learn more, visit trinitychurchboston.org and click on **New to Trinity**, or contact Mark Kharas, at mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org, 617-536-0944 x360.

NEW TO TRINITY?



Join Compass Sun., 1/21, 10:15 am, Angel Room

Join us for this introduction to Trinity. Compass is an opportunity to ask questions about the Parish, meet fellow parishioners, and learn how to get involved in our common life.

Contact Mark Kharas, mkharas@trinitychurchboston.org, 617-536-0944 x360

NEW YEAR'S EVE

December 31: One 10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Join us for Christmastide Holy Eucharist at 10 am on Sun., Dec. 31. This is the only worship service on this day.

Handel + Haydn Society Jubilee Day Concert

Sun., 12/31, 2 pm, Trinity Church

On Jan. 1, 1863, Bostonians celebrated the first Jubilee Day, the day on which the Emancipation Proclamation was signed by President Lincoln. As part of First Night activities, Handel + Haydn Society, in conjunction with the Museum of African American History, will present a concert inspired by that time. Scott Allen Jarrett leads members of the H+H Chorus in joyous music, woven together by National Poetry Slam Champion Regie Gibson, giving power to the Proclamations' words. Free and open to all.

WORSHIP

Sunday Services Schedule

Returns on 1/7/2018

- 7:45 am *Simple, quiet Holy Eucharist*
- 9 am *Community Holy Eucharist with youth Choristers & Choir*
- 11:15 am *Traditional Morning Prayer with Choir; Holy Eucharist first Sundays*
- 6 pm *Come as you are Holy Eucharist; with Choir*
- 7:15 pm *Sacred Silence: Contemplative Prayer*
- 8 pm *Compline: Choral music, candlelight, plainsong, silence, peace*

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

We invite you to share your God-given gifts with the parish, the city, and beyond, by participating in one of Trinity's many ministries. You may find that lives—including your own—will be changed for the better. For a full list and calendar of opportunities, please visit trinitychurchboston.org/serve

Rosie's Place Weds., 12/27, 4 pm, 889 Harrison Ave., Boston

Join our team to prepare and serve an evening meal at Rosie's Place, a shelter for women and their children. **RSVP** to Simone John, sjohn@trinitychurchboston.org

Send the Choir to England: Donate Items for Silent Auction

Send donations by Sun., 1/7/2018

The Trinity Choirs are still seeking items for the winter Silent Auction to defray the cost of our 2019 England tour. Do you have season tickets, or time in a vacation home you're willing to share? Can you bake a pie or teach a skill? Maybe your favorite restaurant would donate a gift certificate! To donate an item of at least \$50 in value, **contact** Ron Aldridge, aldridge30@gmail.com by Sun., Jan. 7.



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STEWARDSHIP

Pledge Now for 2018

More than 400 households have made their pledge commitments to support Trinity's ministries in 2018. If you have not yet pledged, Trinity needs you! Trinity's staff and vestry are shaping our 2018 budget, and our ministries depend on your support. Our 2018 annual pledging goal of 775 households committing \$3M will fund all the ways in which our church will show up, step up, and look up in 2018. To make your pledge today, **visit trinitychurchboston.org/2018-annual-pledge**, stop by the Stewardship Table, or fill out a pledge card in the pews or at the entrances to the church. **Contact** Director of Stewardship, Adam Dawkins, adawkins@trinitychurchboston.org, 617-536-0944.

PARISH LIFE

Epiphanytide Brunch with Children's Ministries

Sun., 1/7, 10 am, Commons

Come celebrate the feast! Join Children's Ministries for our annual potluck Epiphany Brunch, complete with royal visitors. Please bring your favorite side items (e.g., muffins, bagels, Munchkins, sausages), or contact us for an assignment. We need people to make egg stratas, baked cheese grits, and fruit salad; recipes available at trinitychurchboston.org/event/epiphanytide-brunch; Signups welcome at bit.ly/2018epiphanybrunch. Spiral-cut baked ham is also welcome! **Contact** Robin Babcock and Sarah Boehs, epiphanybrunch@gmail.com

12 Lives: Faith, Action, and Witness Guest Speaker Forums

Select Sundays, 10:15 am, Forum

Join us for our Forum guest speaker series to explore the lives of a diverse cast of ancient and modern people of faith whose life's work—in theology, art, contemplation, or social justice—can have a transformational impact on our own lives today.

On **1/29**, we will learn about **Teresa of Avila** from Professor Stephanie Paulsell. On **2/11**, we welcome Professor Peter Hawkins as he illuminates the life of **Dante**. And on **2/25** filmmaker Arleigh Prelow presents on **Howard Thurman**.

Book Club & Performance Event

Book Discussion: Sun., 1/28, 12:15pm-2pm, Ferris Library

This winter our Anti Racism Team is reading *Citizen: An American Lyric*, the *New York Times* bestseller by poet and MacArthur Genius Claudia Rankine. *Citizen*, called "a provocative meditation on race," recounts mounting racial aggressions in ongoing encounters in twenty-first-century daily life and in the media. The group will also have the opportunity to participate in **Citizen Read**, a dynamic project through ArtsEmerson that includes a public dialogue featuring Rankine and an opportunity to attend the world premiere of her new play, *The White Card*. For more information, **contact** Stephanie Bode Ward at bodeward@mac.com or 617-524-5515.

MUSIC



Join the Trinity Choristers

Do you know a child or youth who loves to sing? Trinity Choristers is open to all boys and girls, ages 8 to 18. In the context of superb musical training, this choir fosters personal growth, commitment, teamwork and development of leadership skills. Along with the Trinity Choirs, the Choristers regularly tour England, recently serving as choir-in-residence at Westminster Abbey and Winchester Cathedral. An age-appropriate stipend is offered to choristers. **Contact** Richard Webster, rwebster@trinitychurchboston.org, 617-536-0944 x240

St. Andrew's Singer Series

Sun., Jan. 7, 2 pm, 4th floor of Parish House

Join us for a recital of the new "St. Andrew's Singer Series" (SASS), featuring Trinity's fabulous staff singers in recital in the intimacy of St. Andrew's Hall, on the fourth floor of Trinity's Parish House. Each 45-minute program offers a range of repertoire in this "chamber music" setting, followed by a reception to meet and chat with the artists. The Jan. 7 recital features **Christopher Carbin** (bass-baritone) and **Alyssa Weathersby** (soprano) and highlights the many intricacies of love: burning passion, ecstasy, heartbreak, and everything in between. Tickets are \$20 at the door; those 18 and under are free!

Cabaret, Silent Auction & Parish Party

Fri., 1/26/18, 6-9 pm, Undercoft & Church

Join the Trinity family for an evening of fun and fellowship. The talented Trinity staff singers will lead us on an evening of Global Travels with music from Scotland, India, Iran, and many other countries. Downstairs enjoy a festive cocktail party and Silent Auction, which will benefit the choir's 2019 England tour where they will serve as choir-in-residence at Salisbury and Wells Cathedrals.

Tickets are available at three price points to make this event affordable to all while also covering costs. Get yours today at bit.ly/TrinityParishParty

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