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MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

Sunday, December 26

The First Sunday after Christmas



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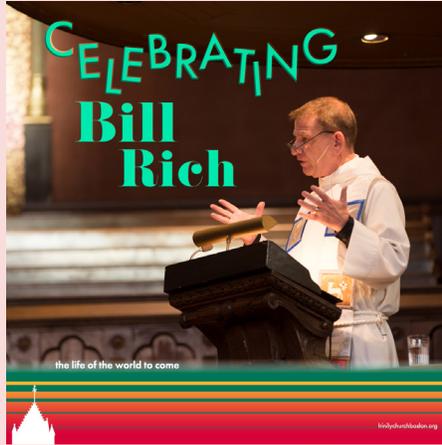
FYI: Visit trinitychurchboston.org/sermons to revisit a previous week's sermon. Dive in and find a new favorite!



LOOKING AHEAD

Submit Your Stories and Photos for The Rev. Bill Rich by 12/30

Our beloved Bill Rich is retiring from Trinity, and we want to make sure we send him off full of all the love we feel for him. Write Bill a note and upload any pictures you may have from time spent together. Feel free to submit more than one note or photo! We will present these treasured memories to Bill on his last day with us, January 9, 2022.



3 Ways to Contribute by 12/30:

Upload photos, stories to BoomBox via the QR Code.

Email those items to pfisher@trinitychurchboston.org.

Snail mail those items c/o Paige Fisher to our address
206 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116

MUSIC

Emancipation Proclamation Concert

Fri., 12/31, 1 pm, Church

Early on the afternoon of New Year's Eve, be with us as The Handel and Haydn Society and the Museum of African American History once again

present Boston's annual Emancipation Proclamation Concert, with Anthony Trecek-King conducting

members of the H+H Chorus. A signature event of the First Night Boston celebration, this celebratory hour of music and storytelling commemorates the anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863. While no tickets are required, seating will be limited to 60% of Trinity's capacity, seating will maximize social distancing, masks will be mandatory for all, and vaccination will be required for all those 12 and older. We hope you'll be with us as we resume a beloved annual tradition!



PARISH LIFE



Parish Leaders Sought

Deadline for submissions is Sun., 1/9/22

Do you, or someone you know, want to play more of a role in how Trinity is governed? Would you like to be Trinity's ambassador in the Diocese by participating in Convention, the regional Deanery, or with Episcopal City Mission?

Read more at trinitychurchboston.org/news, or scan the QR code. Candidate submissions are due Sun., Jan. 9, to nominations@trinitychurchboston.org.



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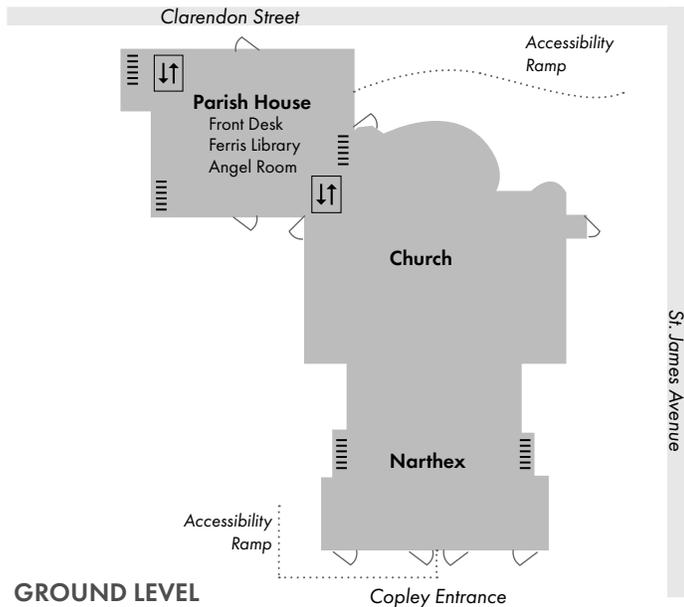


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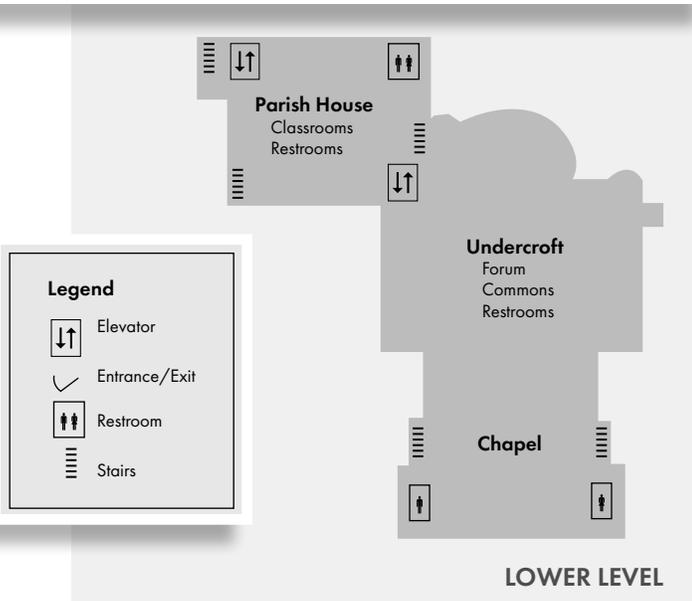
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OPENING RITE

Prelude 'Den die Hirten lobten sehr' (Shepherds came, their praises bringing)
Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)

Hymn 92 'On this day earth shall ring'

Worship at Trinity

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

Introduction



1 On this day earth shall ring
2 His the doom, ours the mirth;
3 God's bright star, o'er his head,
4 On this day an - gels sing;

with the song chil - dren sing to the Lord, Christ our King,
when he came down to earth Beth - le - hem saw his birth;
Wise Men three to him led; kneel they low by his bed,
with their song earth shall ring, prais - ing Christ, hea - ven's King,

born on earth to save us; him the Fa - ther gave us.
ox and ass be - side him from the cold would hide him.
lay their gifts be - fore him, praise him and a - dore him.
born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us.

Refrain

Id - e - o - o - o, Id - e - o - o - o,

Id - e - o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

"Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!" is Latin for "Therefore, glory to God in the highest!"

Words: *Piae Cantiones*, 1582; tr. Jane M. Joseph (1894-1929)
Music: *Personent hodie*, melody from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

666. 66 with Refrain

Sentences of Scripture

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

Invitatory

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Sung by all.

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;

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.

**Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!**

THE LESSONS

Reading Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

At the 10 am service, during this hymn, preschool and elementary aged children will meet members of our Children's Ministries staff beneath the pulpit to travel to homily in the Forum. Our Director of Children's Ministries, Cathy Portlock Pacitto, will then lead the children's return to the sanctuary during the Presentation Hymn.

Hymn 81 'Lo, how a rose e'er blooming'

1 Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing from ten - der stem hath sprung!
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the Rose I have in mind,
 * 3 O Flower, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness fills the air,

Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as seers of old have sung,
 with Ma - ry we be - hold it, the Vir - gin Mo - ther kind,
 dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor the dark - ness ev - ery - where;

It came, a blos - som bright, a - mid the
 To show God's love a - right, she bore to
 true man, yet ve - ry God, from sin and

cold of win - ter, when half spent was the night.
 us a Sa - vior, when half spent was the night.
 death now save us, and share our ev - ery load.

Words: St. 1-2, German, 15th cent.; tr. Theodore Baker (1851-1934). st. 3, Friedrich Layritz (1808-1859); tr. Harriet Reynolds Krauth Spaeth (1845-1925); ver. *Hymnal 1940* Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. All rights reserved. Used with permission. Music: *Es ist ein Ros*, melody from *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1599; harm. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

Reading John 1:1-18

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. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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.**

Suffrages B

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Day by day we bless you;
We praise your name for ever.
Lord, keep us from all sin today;
Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we put our trust in you.
In you, Lord, is our hope;
And we shall never hope in vain.

Prayers of the People

For peace, for courage, and for your presence, we pray to you, Lord God:
For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
For our local communities, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
For those who live in danger, sorrow, or fear;
For all who labor to end tyranny, bigotry, and violence.
For the just and proper use of your creation;
For those who suffer for the sake of our comfort.
For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
For the ministries of all the baptized;
For all who serve God in the Church.

Additional prayers are offered.

Collects & Intercessions

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word:
Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

*Collects are prayers that
"collect" our intentions for any
given occasion. In addition to
the "Collect of the Day," the
Officiant will pray additional
collects appropriate for this
Sunday.*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Hymn 99 'Go tell it on the mountain'

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and
ev - ery - where; go tell it on the moun - tain, that
Je - sus Christ is born! 1 While shep - herds kept their
2 The shep - herds feared and
3 Down in a low - ly
watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -
trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang
man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and
Repeat Refrain
hold, through - out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the soprano voice, with piano accompaniment in the bass and right hand. The lyrics are arranged in lines corresponding to the musical phrases. The score includes a 'Refrain' section at the beginning and a 'Repeat Refrain' section at the end. The lyrics are: 'Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and every - where; go tell it on the mountain, that Je - sus Christ is born! 1 While shep - herds kept their 2 The shep - herds feared and 3 Down in a low - ly watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be - trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and hold, through - out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light. out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth. God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.'

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Sermon The Rev. Kit Lonergan, *Priest for Welcome and Care*

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The Offertory Solo 'Sweet little Jesus boy' Robert MacGimsey (1898-1979)

Sweet little Jesus boy
They made you be born in a manger, my Lord
Sweet little holy child
We didn't know who you was.
We didn't know you come to save us Lord
To take our sins away
Our eyes were blind, we just could not see
We didn't know it was you.
Ohhh, you have told us how
How we are tryin', yes
Master, master, you have shown us how
Even when you were dyin'.
Well, just seems like we can't do right
Look how we treated you
But please oh please Sir, forgive us Lord
'Cause we didn't know it was you.
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SOLOIST: IFEANYI EPUM, COUNTERTENOR

Presentation Hymn

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shep-herd, 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.

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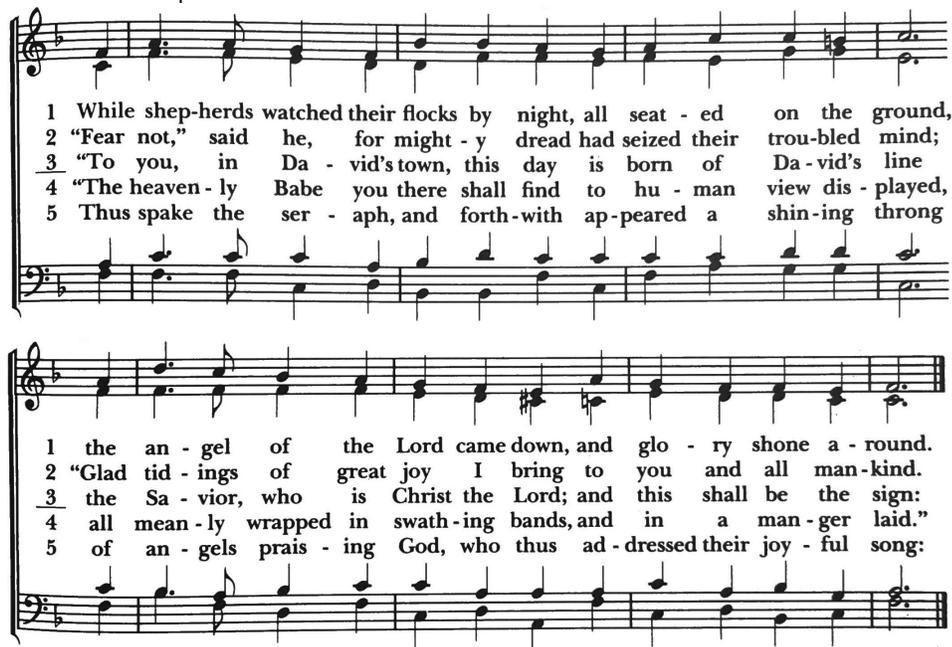
Words: Christina Rossetti (1830-1894) Music: Cranham, Gustav Theodore Holst (1874-1934)

General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages.
Amen.

Blessing

Hymn 94 'While shepherds watched their flocks'



1 While shep-herds watched their flocks by night, all seat - ed on the ground,
2 "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread had seized their trou-bled mind;
3 "To you, in Da - vid's town, this day is born of Da - vid's line
4 "The heaven - ly Babe you there shall find to hu - man view dis - played,
5 Thus spake the ser - aph, and forth-with ap-peared a shin-ing throng

1 the an - gel of the Lord came down, and glo - ry shone a - round.
2 "Glad tid - ings of great joy I bring to you and all man-kind.
3 the Sa - vior, who is Christ the Lord; and this shall be the sign:
4 all mean - ly wrapped in swath - ing bands, and in a man - ger laid."
5 of an - gels prais - ing God, who thus ad - dressed their joy - ful song:

6 "All glory be to God on high
and on the earth be peace;
good will henceforth from heaven to men
begin and never cease."

Words: Nahum Tate (1625-1715)

Music: *Winchester Old*, melody from *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, 1592; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1922; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

The Dismissal

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

Postlude 'Es is das Heil uns kommen Herr' (Salvation unto us has come)
Anonymous

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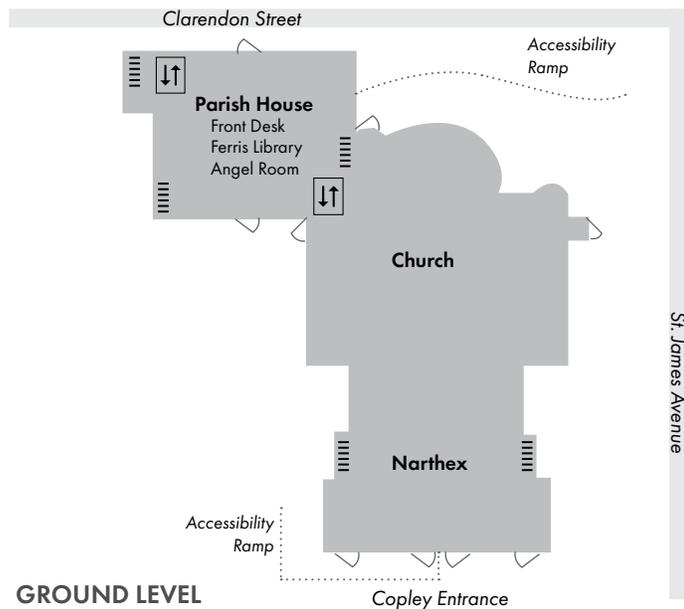


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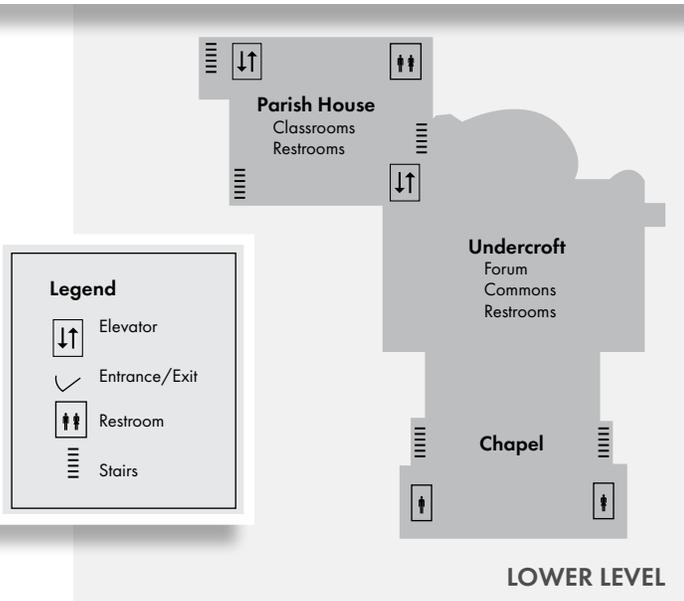
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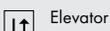


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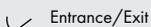


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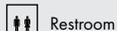
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