



**TRINITY**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
December 12, 2021 - 10:30am

**Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to  
love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God.**

Prelude, *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 660  
(Savior of the Nations, Come)

J. S. BACH

Opening Hymn, *Rejoice! rejoice, believers* (Llangloffan)

H 68



1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!

2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;

3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve-ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.  
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark-ened sphere!

The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;  
The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;  
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.  
rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride-groom is at hand!  
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

## ∞ The Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## ∞ Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## Trisagion

PAUL WEBER

*The triple acclamation is sung first by the Choir, then twice by All.*

The musical score for the Trisagion is presented in four systems, each consisting of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The first system contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly God, ho - ly and might - y,". The second system contains: "ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.". The third system contains: "Ho - ly God, ho - ly and might - y,". The fourth system contains: "ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.". The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C).

## ∞ The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *People* **Amen.**

## The Word of God

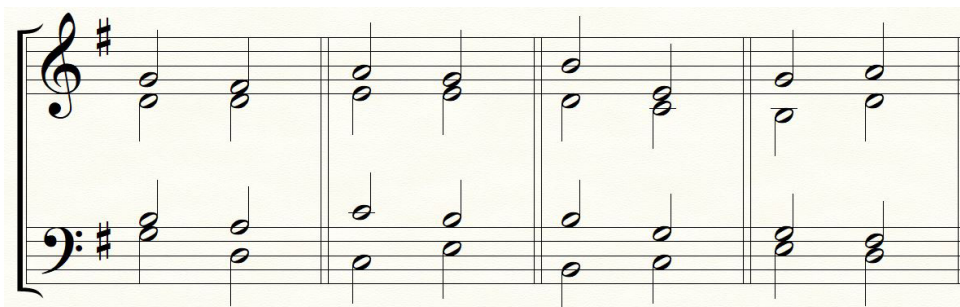
### ∞ The First Reading

ZEPHANIAH 3:14-20

*The People sit.*

**S**ing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

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



**All**                **Surely, it is God who saves me; \***  
**I will trust in him and not be afraid.**  
**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \***  
**and he will be my Savior.**

*Choir*            Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
 from the springs of salvation.  
 And on that day you shall say, \*  
 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

**All**                **Make his deeds known among the peoples; \***  
**see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**  
**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \***  
**and this is known in all the world.**  
**+Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \***  
**for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

*Choir*            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.

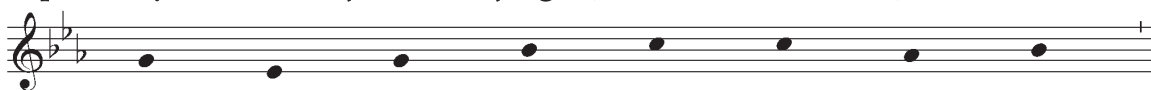
**R**ejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn, *Creator of the stars of night (Conditor alme siderum)***

H 60



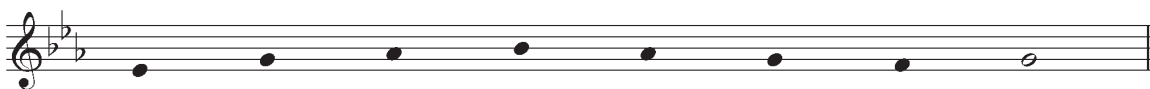
1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,  
 2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse  
 3 When this old world drew on toward night,  
 4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now  
 5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,  
 \* 6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,



1 your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,  
 2 should doom to death a u - ni - verse,  
 3 you came; but not in splen - dor bright,  
 4 all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:  
 5 re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;  
 6 and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,  
 2 you came, O Sa - vior, to set free  
 3 not as a mon - arch, but the child  
 4 all things on earth with one ac - cord,  
 5 de - fend us while we dwell be - low  
 6 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



1 we pray you hear us when we call.  
2 your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.  
3 of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.  
4 like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.  
5 from all as - saults of our dread foe.  
6 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel.*

## ∞ The Holy Gospel

LUKE 3:7-18

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.” So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

∞ The Sermon

THE REVEREND ANDREW R. THAYER

∞ The Nicene Creed

*All 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 man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## ∞ The Prayers of the People

*Leader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Leader* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God.

*All* **God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

∞ The Peace

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

*The People greet one another.*

∞ Announcements

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Anthem, *Rejoice in the Lord Always***

ANONYMOUS, 16TH CENTURY

Rejoice in the Lord always,  
and again I say, rejoice!  
Let your softness be known to all men:  
the Lord is even at hand.  
Be careful for nothing,  
but in all prayer and supplication  
let your petitions be manifest unto God  
with the giving of thanks.  
And the peace of God which passeth all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Amen.

- (Philippians 4:4-7)

∞ The Doxology

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

∞ The Great Thanksgiving (PRAYER A)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface.*

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:

**Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx)**

S 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, full of your glo-ry. Ho-

san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na

in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na



*The People stand or kneel.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The musical score is presented in three systems, each with a Choir part on the left and a Congregation part on the right. The music is written on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system is for 'Christ has died.', the second for 'Christ is risen.', and the third for 'Christ will come again.' The lyrics are written in a serif font, with some words in italics. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.

Choir                      Congregation

*f* Christ has died.      Christ has died.

Choir                      Congregation

*f* Christ is ris - en.      Christ is ris - en.

Choir                      Congregation

*f* Christ will come a - gain.      Christ will come a - gain.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

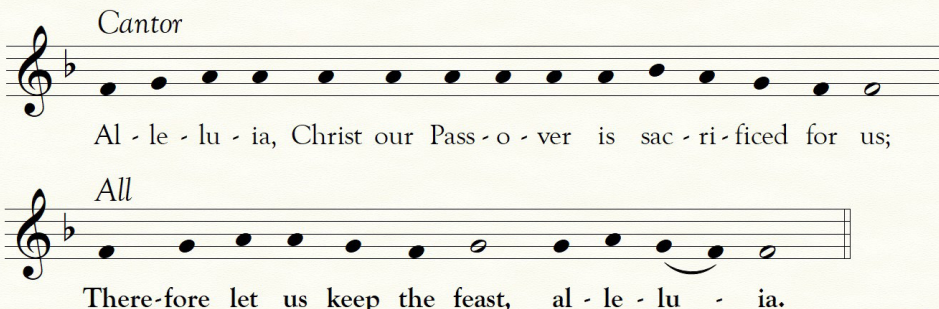
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

∞ 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.**

∞ The Breaking of the Bread  
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*



The musical notation is presented on two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains a single melodic line with the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;'. The second staff is labeled 'All' and contains a single melodic line with the lyrics 'There-fore let us keep the feast, al - le - lu - ia.'. Both staves are in a key with one flat (B-flat) and use a treble clef. The notes are simple, mostly quarter and half notes, with some rests.

∞ The Invitation

*Celebrant*      The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

∞ The Communion of the People

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As you approach the altar area, please use the hand sanitizer station before receiving the host.*

**Communion Anthem, *Gustate et videte***

GIOVANNI PAOLO CIMA

Taste and see how sweet the Lord is.  
Blessed are they who hope in him.  
Fear the Lord, all his saints,  
for there is no want for those who are in awe of him.

**Communion Hymn, *The Peace that Grows Within Me***

GREEN SONGBOOK #37

∞ Sending Out Lay Eucharistic Visitors

*Those who will visit the sick, home bound, and hospital bound are called forward.*

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

*People* **We who are many are one Body, for we all share one Bread, one Cup.**

∞ The Post Communion Prayer

*All stand.*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

∞ The Blessing

**Closing Hymn, *Come, thou long-expected Jesus (Stuttgart)***

H 66

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:  
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.  
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.  
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

∞ The Dismissal

*Deacon* Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

**Postlude, *Improvisation on Stuttgart***

LITURGY LEADERS

CELEBRANT: The Reverend John M. Pitzer  
PREACHER: The Reverend Andrew R. Thayer  
DEACON: The Reverend Benjamin J. Nobles  
VERGER: Mary Sutton  
ORGANIST: Dr. Paul Weber

**Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to  
love our neighbors, do justice, and walk humbly with God.**

**All are welcome.**

**If you are a guest today,** welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Please complete a visitor card found in the pew rack and drop it in the offertory plate, or hand it to an usher or member of the clergy. For more information, visit us online or call the church office at (504) 522-0276.

**Please join us for coffee hour** following the service, for snacks and conversation in Bishop Polk Hall. Exit via the stairs on the right side of the altar, and follow the hallway to the right, at the bottom of the stairs.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

### COVID Protocols

The State of Louisiana and the City of New Orleans have lifted the indoor mask mandate, and as such, masking is no longer required at Trinity Church. However, we maintain an environment of love and respect for our neighbors, and encourage all who prefer to mask in public settings continue to do so.

- Communion will continue to be given by hand by the priest. Use of the common cup is still restricted.
- Virtual worship and formation opportunities will continue. Trinity will continue to livestream worship and provide online formation opportunities for those who feel safer gathering virtually.

Thank you for your continued flexibility as our protocols remain open to change based on guidance from the state, city and diocese.

## **Sundays at Trinity**

**There is no 6:00pm worship service on Sunday, December 19 and Sunday, December 26.**

**Nursery Care** - Trinity's nursery is available from 8:30am - 12:00pm for children age 3 and under, including infants. The nursery is located in the undercroft across from Trinity Treasures Books and Gifts. **Register** at <https://trinitynola.com/godly-play-registration/>.

**Faith and Fiction** class meets at 9:00am in person and on Zoom, gathering in the classroom just off the Trinity School Library. New members and visitors are always welcome! If you would like to join the class and receive a syllabus and weekly emails, please contact Merry Touns at merryparis@yahoo.com. **Faith and Fiction will meet December 12 for the last time in 2021. Class will resume on January 9, 2022.**

**12 Steps Are for Everyone** meets 9:15am - 10:15am in Trinity's Board Room. All are welcome to come and learn more about the 12 steps. No prior knowledge necessary! For more information contact Karen Taylor at taylorks@aol.com or (203) 526-3590.

**Godly Play** classes, for ages PK3 - 5th grade, meet at 10:30am in grade-assigned classrooms. **Register** at <https://trinitynola.com/godly-play-registration/> or contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com for more information.

**EYC for youth in grades 6-12** meets 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Molly's House (2129 Coliseum).

## **Christmas at Trinity**

Visit [trinitynola.com/christmas](https://trinitynola.com/christmas) for details on Worship, Christmas Giving opportunities and more.

**A Light in the Darkness Healing Service** - While the holidays can be a time of joy, it can also be a season of darkness and longing for people experiencing a loss, illness of a loved one, or simply the burden of too much going on in our lives. Join us on Monday, December 13 at 6:00pm for a healing service of music and light followed by a guided conversation on the challenges we have all undergone mentally and physically this year. Led by Maria Elliott, Debby Poitevent MSW, and the Reverend John M. Pitzer.

**Children's Christmas Liturgy**, 5:00pm on Sunday, December 19

**Christmas Eve Worship**, 4:00pm and 9:30pm, with choir and string orchestra

**Christmas Day Worship**, 10:30am, with organ

**Christmas Essentials Envelopes** - Selected families from Kingsley House and Jesus Project Ministries will receive a Christmas Essentials Envelope (value of \$200) containing a \$100 gift card to WalMart and a \$100 gas card. To donate, contact jpitzer@trinitynola.com.

**Christmas Ministry Cards** - Need a thoughtful Christmas gift? Christmas Ministry cards are \$10 each and benefit a Trinity ministry of your choice. Visit the office of Tina Grant ([tgrant@trinitynola.com](mailto:tgrant@trinitynola.com) or 504-670-2526) in the Church Undercroft, Monday through Friday, 8:30am - 4:00pm to purchase. Choose from one of the following ministries:

- Trinity Loaves and Fishes
- Loaves and Fishes Africa
- Trinity Music Ministry
- Trinity Educational Enrichment Program (TEEP)
- Medical Mission

**Christmas Giving Tree for Anna's Place Youth** - Anna's Place youth programs offer a comprehensive arts-based curriculum in a safe and nurturing environment aimed at academic enhancement, arts enrichment, and life skills development to help alleviate the inequalities that disproportionately affect communities in poverty. Sponsor the Christmas wish list of one specific youth by selecting a name off of the Christmas Giving Tree in the church undercroft. Wrapped gifts are due back to Trinity by December 15.

**Christmas Gifts for Kingsley House Adult Day Care Participants** - This year we will continue the tradition of providing Christmas gifts for the Kingsley House Adult Day Care Program. Drop off wrapped gifts at Trinity. Additional details and gift ideas available by contacting Catherine Freeman at [catherine@p-freeman.com](mailto:catherine@p-freeman.com). Gifts are due December 20.

**Christmas Collection for Incarcerated Youth** - There will be two bins in the Undercroft for collecting the following items: Clothing - colored socks (calf-length), boxer shorts, and t-shirts (solid colors, size Medium, Large and X-Large. Food/Snacks - In original manufacturer's packaging only, candy and other treats are HIGHLY desired.

## **Formation for All**

### **Children, Youth and Families**

**Children's Christmas Liturgy (December 19)** - Our Children's Christmas Liturgy will take place in the evening at 5:00pm on Sunday, December 19, 2021. The children will show us the way to Bethlehem and then we will enjoy a little holiday cheer under a twinkling magnolia tree in the circle drive for hot cocoa and family photos with our beloved donkey, Gumdrops!

**Godly Play Sundays at 10:30am.** The result of a lifetime of research and practice by theologian, author and educator, Rev. Dr. Jerome Berryman, the Godly Play® method is a curriculum of spiritual practice exploring the mystery of God's presence in our lives. The Godly Play curriculum engages what is most exciting about religious education: God inviting us into—and pursuing us in the midst of—Scripture and spiritual experience. Godly Play® practice teaches us to listen for God and to make authentic and creative responses to God's call in our lives. Register at <https://trinitynola.com/godly-play-registration/>.

**Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) for youth in grades 6-12** meets every Sunday 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Molly's House (2129 Coliseum Street). Contact Phoebe Guinn, Youth Coordinator, at [pguinn@trinitynola.com](mailto:pguinn@trinitynola.com).

**Service Hours for EYC youth:** We are looking for "EYC Elves" to help at the Children's Christmas Liturgy on Sunday, December 19 from 4:30pm - 6:30pm. Email Phoebe Guinn at [pguinn@trinitynola.com](mailto:pguinn@trinitynola.com).

**Mom's Bible Study** - Join us **Thursdays from 12:30pm -1:30pm** in the Howcott Board Room for an intimate, life-giving bible study with a group of moms committed to growing spiritually and sharing their love of Christ with one and other. We do all sorts of different things to deepen our spiritual lives. Currently we are using the African Ubuntu Bible Study method to explore how Sunday's Gospel reading connects to our daily lives. It will be the best part of your week. Email Ashley Bond at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) or just show up!

### **Adults**

**Join us! The Young Adults and Professionals (December 15)** meet in the Parish House for a potluck meal and small group bible study on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. All are welcome! For information, contact YAP Small Group Leader, Becca Wallace at [Beccam.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:Beccam.wallace@gmail.com).

**Godly Play Training in Covington (January 28-30)** - Are you ready to deepen your spiritual life? Are you curious about children's spirituality and how we, as children of God, come to know God and embody religious language? Join us for a Godly Play Core Training weekend Jan 28 - 30. We will rent an Airbnb in Old Covington close to the beautiful Christ Church for those of us attending from Trinity. Anyone who works closely with children, including teachers, chaplains, clergy, youth ministers, lay leaders, formation leaders benefit from this workshop. Learn more about Godly Play at [godlyplayfoundation.org](http://godlyplayfoundation.org) and then email Ashley at [abond@trinitynola.com](mailto:abond@trinitynola.com) if you'd like to know more.

### **Stewardship at Trinity Church**

The year 2022 will mark a significant anniversary for Trinity Church - our 175th year. Trinity Church is at a crossroads. We have the opportunity to not only celebrate 175 years of ministry, but to set a course for the future.

We need every member to continue the tradition of generosity that has built and sustained our Church these 175 years. There is much important work to be done in 2022, and your support is essential.

As you consider how you will support Trinity Church in 2022, we pray that this season of stewardship will be filled with a spirit of generosity, celebration and joy as well as a renewed commitment to God's call to all of us as faithful followers of Christ.

Visit [trinitynola.com/2022pledge](http://trinitynola.com/2022pledge) to make a commitment today. Please contact Raina O'Neil in the Church Development Office with any questions at (504) 670-2537 or [roneil@trinitynola.com](mailto:roneil@trinitynola.com).



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## **Trinity Treasures**

We've got your entire family COVERED - in matching pjs that is! Hurry in to Trinity Treasures and choose from our selection of festive Christmas pajamas for the whole family.

Trinity Treasures is open 8:30am - 3:00pm, Monday - Friday, and Sundays, before and after the 10:30am service. Shop online at [trinitytreasuresnola.com](http://trinitytreasuresnola.com). Trinity Treasures' profits go to Trinity ministries and community projects through WOTC grants.

## **Called to Serve**

**Can you host coffee hour one Sunday this fall?** Sign up at [bit.ly/Trinity-CoffeeHost](http://bit.ly/Trinity-CoffeeHost).

Trinity asks hosts to provide a (1) sweet, (2) salty, and (3) healthy snack for 75 people, at the 10:30am coffee hour. Foods may be dropped off to the church on Friday for use Sunday, but hosts are encouraged to be present on Sunday to assist with setup and connect with parishioners and visitors during coffee hour. Thank you for your generous hospitality!

**Service Hours for Youth** (See Children, Youth and Families Formation)

**The Vestry Nominating Committee** invites our congregation to nominate future church leaders. A Vestry term is four years and begins on June 1st. Candidates must have been a member of the church for one year, be over age 21, and have been confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church by a bishop of the church. Nominees must also have provided financial support, as confirmed by the Church's stewardship records, within six months prior to the Annual Meeting to be held in the Spring. Among expectations and responsibilities of Vestry members, these include:

- Regular Sunday worship
- Attendance at forums, special events, and programs of the church
- Active involvement in committees and programs of the church
- Service on Vestry committees (such as finance\budget, stewardship, endowment, buildings and grounds, youth/adult education and community ministry)
- Providing leadership in stewardship activities, including an annual personal pledge
- Participation in annual budget development and review
- Support of the ministry of the Rector and staff in carrying out the mission of the church
- Attendance at monthly Vestry meetings and annual Vestry retreat
- Participate (or have participated in) anti-racism training
- Active involvement in hospitality and welcoming activities

The Vestry nominating committee includes Michelle Cox , Heather Lonian, Co Chairs, Cres Gardner, Barbara Waller, George Young, Beverly Lamb , Chris Puckett, King Logan, and Rachel Lombardo. The committee will review all nominations and recommend a slate of four candidates for a vote at the annual meeting in the Spring. Please share your nomination(s) with Michelle Cox at [michelle@chenault.net](mailto:michelle@chenault.net), Heather Lonian at [hlonian@stonepigman.com](mailto:hlonian@stonepigman.com), or any of our committee members. We welcome your input in identifying parishioners who are ready, willing, and able to serve and who are committed to advancing Trinity's mission: Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God. Thank you.



## **Clergy and Staff**

The Reverend Andrew R. Thayer  
The Reverend John M. Pitzer  
The Reverend E. Gary Taylor  
The Reverend Robert B. Hadzor  
The Reverend Benjamin J. Nobles  
The Reverend Carol Spencer  
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Rector  
Associate Rector for Administration and Outreach  
Head of School  
Trinity School Chaplain / Assisting Priest  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Vergar

Dr. Paul Weber  
Ashley Bond  
Maria Elliott  
Raina O'Neil  
Ashley Eastham  
Tina Grant

Organist and Choirmaster  
Director of Formation  
Director of Pastoral Care and Spiritual Formation  
Director of Stewardship and Development  
Communications Manager  
Rector and Parish Assistant

Aaron Taylor  
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Trinity Educational Enrichment Program  
Women of Trinity Church (WOTC) President

Corrinne Mestayer  
Gabriella Frank  
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Adrian Pogue

Chief Financial Officer / Chief Operations Officer  
Director of Human Resources  
Facilities Manager  
Church Sexton

## **Members of the Vestry, 2021-2022**

Michelle Cox  
Cres Gardener  
Barbara Waller  
George Young

Sweet Dupuy  
Melissa Fanning  
Will French  
Tim Trapolin

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