

TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) • MURFREESBORO



DECEMBER 24, 2017

Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 24, 2017
Fourth Sunday of Advent

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Rev. Brandon Eggar

PASTOR: Let us all who adore Christ Jesus say, "Rejoice in the Lord always!"

PEOPLE: Rejoice in the Lord always, for he, the Lord, is at hand!

PASTOR: The Lord is at hand; therefore, do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

PEOPLE: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

PASTOR: To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Adoration

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Confession of Sin

Mr. Monty Hershberger

LEADER: The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? I the LORD search the heart and test the mind. *Jeremiah 17:9*

ALL: O God, you have not called us into darkness, rather you have brought us into the light of your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. By your grace we are children of light, children of the day. You have called us to be awake and sober-minded, having put on the breastplate of faith and love as well as the helmet of the hope of our salvation. In light of this gracious reality, we ask that you would forgive us for living contrary to who we are in Christ and for denying him in our words and actions. Restore us, that we may seek to do good and honor you, our loving and merciful Father.

Adapted from 1 Thessalonians 5

Silent Confession

*Song of Confession

"Come, O Redeemer Come"

***Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

LEADER: What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? *Romans 8:31-32*

ALL: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is well-pleased.**

***Extending God's Welcome of Peace**

LEADER: The peace of Christ be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

***Song of Renewal**

“Go Tell It on the Mountain”

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Lighting of the Advent Wreath—The Angels' Candle

Charles & Jan McGaughy

2 Samuel 7:1-11; 16

Romans 16:25-27

READER: We light the fourth Advent candle to remind us that at the birth of our Lord, a multitude of heavenly angels announced his arrival by proclaiming, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is well-pleased.”

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Intercession *(followed by a season of silent prayer)*

Common Prayer

LEADER: Let us join our voices together saying:

ALL: **Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a home prepared for himself. Amen.**

Kingdom Giving and Song of Meditation “Thou Who Wast Rich Beyond All Splendour”

***Doxology**

At this time, children ages four to seven may dismiss through the center doors for Worship Training. After the sermon, children will return through the same doors so they can rejoin their families for the remainder of worship.

***The Congregation stands**

SERMON NOTES

“ZECHARIAH’S SONG”

LUKE 1:57-80

INTRODUCTION

THE NAMING OF JOHN (vv. 57-66)

THE SINGING OF ZECHARIAH (vv. 67-79)

-THE WHY OF SALVATION

-THE WHAT OF SALVATION

-THE RESULTS OF SALVATION

MEMBER/GUEST INFO

Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email* _____

I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.

*I want to receive the weekly E-news.

Sign me up for:

Children’s Fine Arts Session beginning Jan. 14, K-5th grades

Children’s Worship Training

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Celebration of Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PASTOR: It is indeed good, right and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, by whom you have sent a new Light to shine upon the world, that we who rejoice in that light may be found cleansed from our sins and without fear when he shall come again to judge the world in righteousness. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

ALL: **Holy, Holy, Holy...**

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

PASTOR: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

PEOPLE: **Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

ALL: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say:

ALL: **Our Father...**

PASTOR: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Prayer Request

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

"Zechariah's Song"

Luke 1:57-80

Advent Series: Stories and Songs of the Season

Rev. Brandon Eggar

(See insert for Sermon Notes)

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Holy Communion (see insert)

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Christ for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from receiving communion until they are received as communing members by the session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The **clear** cups contain wine and the **purple** cups contain grape juice. Gluten free communion bread is in the glass dish in the serving basket.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Song of Sending

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

*The Sending

PASTOR: Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

1 Peter 2:11-12

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

*Benediction

PASTOR: Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

ALL: Come quickly Lord Jesus! Come quickly! Amen.

*Postlude

Senior Pastor: Rev. Brandon Eggar

Director of Community and Youth: Monty Hershberger

Director of Music Ministries: Kimberly Robertson

Director of Children's Christian Formation: Neecia Eggar

Musicians: Jackie Pasarilla, Grant & Graham Widener, Anna Robertson, Meredith

Lee, Michael Cardel, Addi Eggar

Song Leaders: Kimberly Robertson, Kim & Steve Keck, Emily Cardel

This Week at TPC...December 24, 2017

Today Christmas Eve evening service "Lessons & Carols" - begins at 5:30 p.m.

Mon. Merry Christmas! The church office will be closed today.

Upcoming Events/Announcements

Hosanna Family Hymnals - If you ordered a Hosanna Hymnal they are located in the church office for you to pick up at your convenience.

Help Serve Children - As members of Trinity, we have all taken vows to assist parents in the Christian nurture of our children. One of the easiest ways you can do this is by serving in Worship Training on Sunday mornings. We will hold a training for those interested in serving on Sunday evening, January 14 at 5:30 p.m. Please sign up by emailing Neeceia at children@trinitymboro.com.

Christmas Decorations - We will reset the church for the new season on December 31 after worship for those who are able to stay after to help.

CE - CE will resume on January 14.

TPC 101 - This class will begin January 14 for those interested in becoming members and/or for those who want to learn more about our church.

2018 Mission Trip - Plans have begun for a trip to Peru July 14-21, 2018! We will be joining our missionaries, the Bonhams, to do an English class and possibly meet other needs.

2017 Stewardship Giving

General Fund Contributions	\$406,924	87.2% of Annual Budget
General Fund Expenses	\$437,053	97.8% of Annual Budget
YTD Budgeted Contributions	\$446,023	

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Lord's Day Worship

10:00 a.m.

Christian Education

No CE today

Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols

5:30 p.m.

Trinity Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of the Nashville Presbytery. For more information about Trinity Presbyterian, visit www.trinitymboro.com. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America, visit www.pcanet.org.

Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Please take time to fill out the Guest Info Slip on the insert and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer.

Welcome Table: Located in the front foyer, our Welcome Table is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Trinity. Please help yourself to our Welcome Brochures and other resources.

Sign Up Table: Located in the hallway, this is used for those upcoming events for which you need to sign up.

Community Groups are small fellowships of twelve to twenty people meeting in homes in Murfreesboro. They are the first places where we share life together in pursuit of Jesus and learn to apply the gospel to our lives. For more information, please contact Monty Hershberger at monty@trinitymboro.com.

Church Leadership

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Brandon Eggar, Moderator

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