The Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019, 8:00am
Mission
In the spirit of the Gospels, the mission of Trinity Church Wall Street is to build generations of faithful leadership, to build up neighborhoods, and to build financial capacity for holy service in New York City and around the world. Our mission is grounded in our core values.

Vision
We seek to serve and heal the world by building neighborhoods that live gospel truths, generations of faithful leaders, and sustainable communities.

Core Values

Faith
“For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.” —Matthew 17:20

Integrity
“Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.” —Philippians 4:8

Inclusiveness
“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” —Galatians 3:28

Compassion
“When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.”
—Matthew 14:14

Social Justice
“He has showed you what is good; and what the Lord requires of you: to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God.”
—Micah 6:8

Stewardship
“There will come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt. After them there will arise seven years of famine, and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt; the famine will consume the world.” —Genesis 41:29-30

Core Values guide us in carrying out our mission and realizing our vision.

By their nature, core values are touchstones for prayer, discernment, ongoing conversation, and action. We seek a deep understanding and ongoing engagement with Trinity’s Core Values. Over the years, we will continue reflecting on what our Core Values mean in their application; how they challenge and inform decisions and actions in Trinity’s ministries, and how they help our ministries be aligned with our mission and vision.
Welcome to St. Paul’s Chapel

Please add your voice and heart to the prayers. Everyone is welcome at Jesus’ Table, and everyone’s voice is needed to tell the Good News of God’s love in Christ. Please help others find a place near you, and greet the person next to you as we prepare to worship together.

If you would like to pray with someone confidentially, for yourself or others, please come forward to the altar rail at the end of the service.

If you would like to learn more about The Episcopal Church, or how you can become a member of Trinity Church, please visit www.trinitywallstreet.org/membership.

About this Service

Advent

In the Episcopal Church, the season of Advent marks the beginning of the new liturgical year. The name of the season originates from the Latin word adventus, meaning “coming.” During Advent, Christians joyfully await the coming of Jesus, a celebration commemorated on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord: an observation more commonly known as Christmas Day. The season is full of expectation and preparation, not only for Christ’s incarnation, but also for his promised “second coming” in majesty.

Unlike the Season after Pentecost, which comprises a variable number of weeks, Advent is always four Sundays in length. You will notice that many of the prayers used during the course of the service have changed; what you may not notice, unless you closely follow the Revised Common Lectionary, is that the appointed scripture readings are now selected according to Year A in the three-year cycle.

Sources: The Book of Common Prayer, An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, The Revised Common Lectionary

The Entrance Rite

Acclamation

The altar party is seated informally.
At the sound of the bell, please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God for ever and ever.
Collect for Purity

Celebrant
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.

All
Amen.

A Song of the Wilderness

All
The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, *
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
It shall blossom abundantly, *
and rejoice with joy and singing.
They shall see the glory of the Lord, *
the majesty of our God.
Strengthen the weary hands, *
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to the anxious, “Be strong, do not fear! *
Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you.”
Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, *
and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.
Then shall the lame leap like a deer, *
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness *
and streams in the desert;
The burning sand shall become a pool *
and the thirsty ground, springs of water.
The ransomed of God shall return with singing, *
with everlasting joy upon their heads.
Joy and gladness shall be theirs, *
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant
God be with you.

People
And also with you.

Celebrant
Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All
Amen.

Please be seated.
The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Reader

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.
The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder’s den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People

Thanks be to God.
The Psalm

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Reader

Let us read from Psalm 72 responsively by half-verse.

Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King’s Son,

That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.

He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,*
like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Blest are you, O God of Israel; *
you alone do wondrous deeds!

And blest is your glorious Name for ever! *
May all the earth be filled with your glory.


The Second Reading

Romans 15:4-13

Reader

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People

Thanks be to God.
The Holy Gospel

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Celebrant In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume 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.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Silence follows the sermon.

The Rev. Matthew A. Welsch
The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant  

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

Psalm 130/CW:TS p. 36, adapted

Reader Our souls watch for the morning. In joyful expectation, let us pray to Jesus.

Come to your Church as Guide and Guardian. We pray for all the people of God throughout the world: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, Allen, and Mary our diocesan bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers. Help us to live in the light of your coming, and give us a longing for your kingdom.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Reader Come to us as Advocate and Judge. We pray for the wisdom and discernment of those whose decisions affect the welfare of our nation and our world: especially for Donald our President, Andrew our Governor, and Bill our Mayor. Before you, O Lord, the powers of the earth will stand in silence.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Reader Come to the suffering as Savior and Comforter. We pray for all those in need of healing, liberation, encouragement, or accompaniment, and for all those who, in this season, remember and mourn.

Please add your own prayers of petition and intercession, either silently or aloud.

Break into our lives and set us free to serve you for ever.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Reader Come to this parish as Living Water and the Bread of Life; inspire us to live our core values of faith, integrity, inclusiveness, compassion, social justice, and stewardship. Nourish us to persevere.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Reader Come to us as Shepherd of our souls. Give us, with all the faithful departed, a share in your victory over evil and death.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Reader Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory. Lift us up to meet you, that with Blessed Mary and Paul and all your saints and angels we may delight in your new creation.

In God's word is our hope.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Celebrant Come, Lord Jesus; do not delay. Give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom—on earth as in heaven—where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All Amen.
Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

The Holy Eucharist

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome

Please be seated.

The Offertory

Please stand as you able and gather around the altar, bringing your bulletin with you.

An usher collects the offering.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.
Celebrant  It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

Holy, Holy, Holy

All  Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
    Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is [he/the one] who comes in the name of the Lord.
    Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant  We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the woman Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All  We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

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

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, with thanksgiving.

All who hunger for God are cordially invited to share the Gifts of God offered at this table, including children. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life’s journey, you are welcome here.

It is our custom to receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, eat the bread immediately, and then take a sip from the chalice. Please grasp the bottom of the chalice to guide it to your lips. You may choose to dip the bread in the wine and then eat it, or you may leave the bread in your palm for the chalice-bearer to dip it in the wine and place on your tongue. You may receive both the bread and the wine, or only the bread or only the wine, as you choose.
Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the minister know that you need one.

If you do not wish to receive communion you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating your desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Concluding Rite

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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

Celebrant: May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the shadows from before your path;
and the blessing of God Almighty—Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life—be among you, and
remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

If you would like to pray with someone confidentially, for yourself or others, please come forward to the altar rail.

This bulletin is yours to keep.
Comfort at Christmas

A SERVICE FOR THOSE IN GRIEF OR LOSS

Tuesday, December 17  6pm
ST. PAUL’S CHAPEL

Not everyone experiences the holidays as a time of joy and cheer.

Join us for meditative music, prayer, and a quiet space for comfort and support.


Refreshments will be served.

Information:
Amiriz at asanchez@trinitywallstreet.org

New Beginnings

Trinity’s Ministry of Seniors

10am, Thursdays*

Seniors ages 60 and over are invited to meet weekly for gentle yoga, Bible study, and worship services, as well as fellowship and fun excursions in the neighborhood and further afield.

Information:
Cynthia Moten at cmoten@nyc.rr.com.

*Location varies. Please check trinitywallstreet.org/events for this week’s location.
FOR VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS
Welcome to Trinity Church and St. Paul's Chapel. We're glad you're here. Come connect with us:

CONNECT Introduce yourself to our clergy, ushers, or greeters. To learn more about membership, baptism, or confirmation, or to receive emails about upcoming Trinity events, fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate. You can access the welcome card digitally by texting “TRINITY” to 28259.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR Visit with fellow worshippers over coffee and small bites after all Sunday services.

TAKE A TOUR Learn more about St. Paul's Chapel following the 11:15am service. Gather by the pulpit where a docent will guide you around our historic building.

NURSERY CARE (six months through age 5)
11am–1pm, St. Paul's Chapel
The nursery is found in the Chapel of Remembrance, the small room in the southwest corner of the Chapel.

TODAY
Council Forum
10am, St. Paul's Chapel
Come hear updates on current and upcoming projects—including the new stewardship initiative—in this open forum for parishioners to ask questions. Hosted by Trinity's Congregational Council. All are welcome. Refreshments will be available.

Young Adults Sunday Brunch
12:45pm, St. Paul's Chapel
Join Trinity's Young Adults group for social and spiritual fellowship with other community members in their 20s and 30s! We will meet for our monthly brunch after the 11:15am service at 12:45pm on the Broadway portico. We'll walk together to a neighborhood restaurant for brunch. RSVP to young_adults@trinitywallstreet.org.

EVERY SUNDAY
The Gospel, Times, Journal, and You
10am, 14 Vesey St., 4th Floor

ParentSpace
10am, 14 Vesey St., 4th Floor
Parents are invited to gather for a time of sharing and support facilitated by Julia Kristeller from the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute. Information: Ellen Andrews at eandrews@trinitywallstreet.org.

Whole Community Learning
10am, 14 Vesey St.
Journey with fellow parishioners of all ages in a pilgrimage through seasons of growth and change. Pre-K–1st grade in Godly Play, 4th floor at 14 Vesey St.; 2nd–5th grades on 2nd floor at 14 Vesey St.; toddlers–young threes in the St. Paul's Chapel Nursery. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/wholecommunity. TODAY: During Advent, we will take time to reflect on the ongoing work of God in our lives with spiritual autobiographies and poetry.

Trinity Youth Meet-Up
After the 9:15am service, St. Paul's Chapel
All 6th–12th graders are invited to meet at the back of St. Paul’s Chapel. At 10am, we’ll make our way to a local coffee shop to grab a cup of coffee (or tea, juice—whatever!) and talk about whatever is on our minds and hearts.

Compline by Candlelight
8pm, St. Paul's Chapel
Find peace and stillness as you end one week and begin the next. Come as you are, find a seat, and hold a candle. For thirty minutes, let mantra-like, chant-based improvised music by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street wash over you.
EVERY WEEK

Serve Others

Brown Bag Lunch Packing | Sundays, 12:30pm; Wednesdays, 11:15am; Fridays, 10am; St. Paul’s Chapel
To volunteer, visit trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

Reading Night at Family Shelter | Tuesdays, 6:15pm; Brooklyn | Read aloud to young children at a shelter for women and babies. Background check required. Information: trinity.kianga@gmail.com.

Delve Deeper

The Broad Way Bible Study | Mondays, 1pm, through Dec. 16; Trinity Church, Chapel of All Saints | Bring your lunch and join Bob Scott for lively discussion and fellowship. Information: bscott@trinitywallstreet.org.

Expand and Explore Your Spirituality

Catch Your Breath | Wednesdays, 1pm; Trinity Church, Chapel of All Saints | Stop by for a time of stillness and centering and a brief meditation. Information: Ellen Andrews at eandrews@trinitywallstreet.org.

Meditation and The Universal Christ | Wednesdays, 6:30pm, through Dec. 18; Online | Join our online meditation group. Practice consists of 30 minutes of guided meditation and 30 minutes of contemplative reflection exploring our common identity in a Christ-infused world. Register: ChristianFormation@trinitywallstreet.org.

Scripture, Reflection, & Compline | Tuesdays, 6pm; Trinity Church, Chapel of All Saints | Gather for spiritual nourishment and fellowship.

Trinity Book Club | Fridays, 6pm; Trinity Church, Chapel of All Saints | Discuss the mysteries of the Christian faith through the medium of literature. Information: Yunjeong Seol at yseol@trinitywallstreet.org. READING: 30-Day Journey with St. Hildegard of Bingen.

Enjoy the Company of Others

New Beginnings | Thursdays, 10am; New Location: 76 Trinity Place, 6th Floor | Trinity’s ministry of seniors meets for gentle yoga, Bible study, and participation in the noonday service. We also exchange news, sponsor programs and excursions of interest to those 60 and over and their friends of all ages and encourage participation in all phases of Trinity life. RSVP to Amiriz Sanchez at asanchez@trinitywallstreet.org.

BROWN BAG LUNCH MINISTRY
Available to All, Served Daily
Sundays, 2pm; Monday–Saturday, 12:45pm
BREAKFAST: Friday and Saturday, 8:30am
St. Paul’s Chapel
Volunteer at trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

THIS WEEK

Monday, December 9
Trinity Knitters
6pm, St. Paul’s Chapel, 9/11 Chapel of Remembrance
Are you an experienced knitter, new to the craft, or somewhere in between? Trinity Knitters welcomes you to come knit or crochet items for the housebound, children of incarcerated parents, returning veterans, and others in need. Yarn, needles, and patterns are available to all, and expert instruction is provided for first-timers. Join in the fun and fellowship! Information: Janet Yieh, organ, Trinity Church Wall Street.

Thursday, December 12
Pipes at One
1pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
This series showcases leading organists and rising stars from around the country and highlights the celebrated three-manual Noack organ at St. Paul’s Chapel. THIS WEEK: Janet Yieh, organ, Trinity Church Wall Street.

COMING SOON

Farewell to Daniel Simons
December 15, 10am, 14 Vesey St.
Come spend some time with Father Daniel Simons as he prepares to begin a new chapter as priest-in-charge of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Norwalk, Connecticut. There will be light food, coffee, and a special card-making station for writing notes of blessing and farewell as Father Daniel concludes his 11-year ministry with us.
Visit to the Museum of Jewish Heritage
December 15, 1pm, 36 Battery Place
Auschwitz: Not Long Ago, Not Far Away is the most comprehensive exhibition dedicated to the history of Auschwitz and its role in the Holocaust ever presented in North America, and an unparalleled opportunity to confront the singular face of human evil—one that arose not long ago and not far away. Sponsored by Trinity’s Visual Arts committee. A $5 donation for tickets is required. Details: Melissa Hayes at mhayes@trinitywallstreet.org.

Festival of Lessons and Carols for Advent
December 15, 3pm, St. Paul's Chapel
A cherished holiday tradition for congregations around the world, the service of Lessons and Carols for Advent tells the Christmas story through readings and musical illuminations, with Downtown Voices, St. Paul’s Chapel Choir, and the Trinity Youth Chorus; and Stephen Sands, Melissa Attebury, Janet Yieh, and Anne Damassa Graff, conductors. Prelude begins at 2:45pm.

’Twas the Night Before Christmas Reading
December 15, 3pm, Church of the Intercession
A holiday reading of the beloved Clement Clarke Moore poem A Visit from Saint Nicholas (better known as ’Twas the Night Before Christmas) with Kaity Tong, Emmy Award–winning weekend anchor of PIX11 News. After the reading, join St. Nicholas in a lantern procession and wreath-laying at Moore’s tomb at Trinity Church Cemetery and Mausoleum, followed by a festive reception. Information: 212.283.6200 or intercessionnyc.org.

Comfort at Christmas
December 17, 6pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
A service for those in grief or loss. Not everyone experiences the holidays as a time of joy and cheer. Join us for meditative music, prayer, and a quiet space for comfort and support. Led by the Rev. Alfred Loua and the Rev. Kristin Miles. Music by Anne Damassa Graff. Refreshments will be served. Information: Amiriz at asanchez@trinitywallstreet.org.

Handel's Messiah
December 20–22, St. Paul’s Chapel
Messiah and Trinity have a long history—Trinity presented one of the first performances in North America in 1770, and The Choir of Trinity Wall Street and Trinity Baroque Orchestra are still widely regarded as some of the greatest interpreters of the work. The New York Times described Trinity’s presentation as “perhaps the essential New York Messiah.” Tickets are going fast—get yours today at trinitywallstreet.org/messiah.

CORE VALUES
In December, we focus on the core value of Stewardship.

Living the Values Retreats
Take some time away from the daily busyness to contemplate Trinity’s core values—faith, integrity, inclusiveness, compassion, social justice, and stewardship—and how you express these values in your everyday living. We’ll begin with thought-provoking teaching, then spend time in prayerful introspection and quiet exercises with poetry and art, meditation, and natural woodland beauty, all fueled by delicious, wholesome farm-to-table meals. You’ll come away renewed and inspired, and ready to live your values more fully in the world.

January 10–12, 2020
FAITH with Joseph Rose and Heidi Rose

March 13–15, 2020
INTEGRITY with Diana Butler Bass and Kathy Bozzuti-Jones

July 17–19, 2020
INCLUSIVENESS with Janet Yieh

August 21–23, 2020
COMPASSION with Sr. Promise Atelon, SSM

October 30–November 1, 2020
SOCIAL JUSTICE with Pádraig Ó Tuama

November 13–15, 2020
STEWARDSHIP with Wendy Claire Barrie

Pricing
$50/night (double occupancy)
For a single-occupancy room, there is a $35 surcharge per person, per night, based on availability.

Transportation
The retreat center operates a shuttle bus to pick up and drop off guests who take Metro-North to Wassaic Station. Free parking is available for those who choose to drive.

Open to adult members of Trinity congregation, staff, friends, and partners of Trinity.

More information and registration at trinitywallstreet.org/valuesretreats.
Family Eucharist with Christmas Pageant  
December 22, 9:15am, St. Paul’s Chapel  
A 45-minute service for families and children of all ages, featuring a Christmas pageant, hymns, and the Trinity Youth Chorus. The Rev. Dr. William Lupfer, celebrant; the Rev. Winnie Varghese, preacher.

Compline: A Ceremony of Carols  
December 22, 8pm, St. Paul’s Chapel  
The Trinity Youth Chorus presents A Ceremony of Carols, Britten’s marvelous setting of ancient Christmas texts that sparkles with the wonder of the season.

REV. 23 at the Prototype Festival  
January 17 and 18, Gerald W. Lynch Theater  
Lauded as an “an endlessly unfolding chain of highly controlled polystylistm” (Boston Musical Intelligencer) Julian Wachner’s opera REV. 23 is an exploration of an “unpublished” new chapter of the Book of Revelation. With an audacious libretto by Cerise Lim Jacobs, this new striking production by director James Darrah takes us on a fantastical journey through the myths of our collective unconscious. Tickets at prototypefestival.org.

BOOK A RETREAT  
Trinity Retreat Center in West Cornwall, Connecticut, is a place of spiritual growth for all of God’s people, dedicated to forming community, fostering wellness, and celebrating Creation. As a mission of Trinity, we offer affordable rates.

Rest and Renewal  
February 14–17, April 9–12, July 3–6

Love is the Meaning  
Weekend Lenten Retreat  
March 15–17

Birds of the Air:  
A Spiritual Birdwatching Retreat  
May 8–10

Parish Group Retreat  
Pick your own 2021 dates

And many more!  
Book at trinityretreatcenter.org.
Celebrate Christmas and Epiphany at Trinity Church Wall Street

Christmas Eve

*There will be morning prayer at 8:15am and 9am at Trinity’s Chapel of All Saints on Christmas Eve, but no 12:05pm service. All Christmas Eve Eucharists will be held at St. Paul’s Chapel. Gates close at Trinity Church at 11am December 24.*

Christmas Eve Family Eucharist
3pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
A simple service with families in mind, featuring traditional Christmas carols, children’s sermon, giant puppets telling the story of the Nativity, and the Trinity Youth Chorus. There is no incense at this service. The Rev. Frank Hakoola, celebrant; the Rev. Kristin Kaulbach Miles, preacher.

Christmas Eve Choral Prelude and Festive Eucharist
6pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
This traditional celebration begins at 5:20pm with a 40-minute prelude of Bach’s Christmas Oratorio: Part 1, BWV 248 and congregational carols, followed by Festive Eucharist (beginning at 6pm). Music is provided by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street, the St. Paul’s Chapel Choir, the Trinity Youth Chorus, the Trinity Baroque Orchestra and organ with Christmas carols and hymns sung by the congregation. The Rev. Dr. William Lupfer, celebrant; the Rev. Winnie Varghese, preacher. Please note: There will be incense at this service. Nursery care and stroller parking will be provided.

Christmas Eve Choral Prelude and Festive Eucharist
9pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
This traditional celebration begins at 8:20pm with a 40-minute prelude of Bach’s Christmas Oratorio: Part 1, BWV 248 and congregational carols, followed by Festive Eucharist (beginning at 9pm). Music is provided by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street, the St. Paul’s Chapel Choir, the Trinity Youth Chorus, the Trinity Baroque Orchestra and organ with Christmas carols and hymns sung by the congregation. The Rev. Phillip A. Jackson, Vicar, celebrant; the Rev. Dr. William Lupfer, Rector, preacher. Please note: There will be incense at this service; a quiet room will be available.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Midnight Mass
12am, St. Paul’s Chapel
Trinity Wall Street’s annual candlelight Christmas Eve Eucharist, with congregational carol singing, and special music by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street. The Rev. Elizabeth Blunt, celebrant; the Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzi-Jones, preacher. Please note: There will be incense at this service.

Christmas Day

*There will be no 12:05pm service on Christmas Day. Churchyards will be open 8am–4pm.*

Christmas Day Festive Eucharist:
The Nativity of Our Lord
11:15am, St. Paul’s Chapel
A Eucharist in celebration of Christmas with music provided by The Choir of Trinity Wall Street and congregational hymns and carols.

Feast of the Epiphany

Epiphany Family Eucharist
January 6, 6pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
An intergenerational family-friendly Eucharist with music from The Choir of Trinity Wall Street and a procession of giant puppets to help tell the Epiphany story.

For more information, visit trinitywallstreet.org/christmas.
Parish Center Closing and Meeting Location Changes

In October, Trinity’s lease for the Parish Center expired and the Parish Center closed. Until Trinity Commons opens, regular congregation meetings will change locations, meet less frequently, or go on hiatus. Trinity clergy and staff have held in-depth planning meetings to determine the impact on each program previously hosted at the Parish Center and have determined the following schedules.

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SUNDAY GROUPS

- Whole Community Learning will be held at 14 Vesey St. through December 22.
- On hiatus: Breaking Bread

WEEKDAY GROUPS

- The Broad Way Bible Study will meet in the Chapel of All Saints through December 16.
- New Beginnings will meet at 76 Trinity Place, 6th Floor, beginning December 5.
- Scripture, Reflection, & Compline Bible Study will be held in Chapel of All Saints until December 31.
- Resource Open Hours (Wednesday afternoons) and SNAP sign-up (Friday afternoons) will be held at St. Paul’s Chapel in the 9/11 Chapel of Remembrance.
- Online: Meditation and *The Universal Christ*
- On hiatus: The Family Table; Married Life; Trinity Cares

OPTIONAL MEETING SPACES

To provide meeting times for various congregational groups and committees not listed above, St. Paul’s Chapel is being reserved for congregational use from 6–9 pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. The dates are as follows:

- December 9
- January 13
- January 27
- February 10
- February 24
- March 9
- March 23

Groups meeting on these dates include:

- Trinity Knitters; Achieving Racial Equity; Poets’ Corner; Task Force Against Racism/Prison Ministry; Kianga House Project; LGBT Concerns; Environmental Justice Group; Congregational Arts Leaders; Education Standing Committee and Subcommittees; Hospitality & Community Committee.

If you have questions about these arrangements, see your staff representative, your group leader, members of the Congregational Council, or contact Lynn in the communications office: lgoswick@trinitywallstreet.org.
Poinsettia Dedications
Christmas poinsettias for St. Paul’s Chapel and the Chapel of All Saints may be dedicated for a suggested donation of $25 each. Email flowers@trinitywallstreet.org by Tuesday, December 10, to submit your name.

Trinity’s Online Gift Shop
The online Trinity Gift Shop is a great place to purchase gifts, books, music by Trinity ensembles, jewelry, devotional items, and pieces pertaining to Trinity’s history and 9/11 ministry. Parishioners always receive 20% off at the Trinity gift shop with the code PARISH20. Free shipping is always included with your order. Visit trinitygiftshopnyc.com.

IN OUR PRAYERS
This prayer list is cleared at the end of each month. To add names to the list, email worshipbulletin@trinitywallstreet.org or call 212.602.0800.

WE PRAY FOR
Cynthia Cartwright; Norma Rogers; Cynthia Smith; Maria George; Pearl Grady; Drew Pardus; Evadné Hodge; Adrian Prisecaru (husband of Donna Prisecaru); David Henry; Darlene Colon (cousin of Lenore Rivera); Michelle Oosterwal (daughter of Melba Duncan); Candida Rodriguez (mother of Lillian Martir); Maisy Curry; Kris Seeram (father of Mintrani Seeram); Michael Greer (cousin of Summerlee Staten); Ann Ajana; Celine Azoulay; Monique Berdugo; Siobhan Camas (friend of Caterina Borzomi-Ray); Christie Jeffers; Filomena Grijalvo (mother-in-law of Cora Grijalvo); But Ko Lo (father of Cora Grijalvo); Janice Carrero-Mosley (cousin of Pamela Mosley); Timmy Shiota and family; Sean O’Brien (nephew of Luciana and Art Sikula); Erin Flynn Jay (daughter-in-law of Cindy Jay); Molly Quinn and family; Anna Bulgari (friend of Bill McCue); Matt O’Dell (friend of Bill McCue); Iya Antoinette M. Emers, Ayinde S. Emers-George, Michelle J. Hudson, Tiola Baker, and Stephanie Bernard; Karen Baumgartner; Janitz Valerio; Journalen, Lyndonna, and Vener Valerio (children of Janitz Valerio); Virginia and Alejandro Valerio (siblings of Janitz Valerio); Thomas Clark James and Barbara Jones (friends of Janitz Valerio).

IN THE MILITARY
Oliver Barnyak (Alex Burns’ friend); Randall Middleton, Christine, and Sean Reardon (Evadné Hodge’s friends); Paul Watson; Peter Martinez (Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant’s friend); Michael Dunn; Gen. Cameron Holt (Katie Basquin’s friend); Zane Kupper; Margo Protain (Anesia Protain’s sister); Col. Stephen Ryan (friend of Bob Zito); Rob Jones (Megan Jones’ brother); SOC Ajay James, USN (friend of Bill McCue); Graham Scarbro, USN (nephew of Amy Roy); Wonjun Seol (Yunjeong Seol’s brother); Helen Guittard (Stephen Guittard’s wife).

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER
Today we pray for Sheran Harper, Bev Jullien, and the work of the Mothers’ Union around the world.

Pastoral Care
In case of illness, a death in the family, or other pastoral emergencies, call 917.488.0717 to reach a member of the Pastoral Team. For other pastoral needs, call 212.602.0800 and ask for Pastoral Care.

Congregational Voice
“Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer” (Psalm 19:14). This psalm gets me through my days, especially the tough ones.
—Judith Vaughan Harris
To submit an item for publication, please email lgoswick@trinitywallstreet.org at least 10 days before you would like the announcement to appear.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAYS
Holy Eucharist
8am | St. Paul's Chapel
9am | Chapel of All Saints, Trinity Church
Family Eucharist
9:15am | St. Paul's Chapel
Holy Eucharist
11:15am | St. Paul's Chapel
Compline by Candlelight
8pm | St. Paul's Chapel

WEEKDAYS
8:15am, 9am Monday–Friday | Morning Prayer
Chapel of All Saints, Trinity Church
12:05pm Monday–Friday | Holy Eucharist followed by Healing Prayer
Chapel of All Saints, Trinity Church
5:15pm Monday–Friday (except Thursdays) | Evening Prayer
Chapel of All Saints, Trinity Church
5:15pm Thursdays | Evensong
Chapel of All Saints, Trinity Church

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL
congregationalcouncil@trinitywallstreet.org.
Meets 6–8pm, the third Tuesday of the month.
The next meeting is December 17 in the Chapel of All Saints.
RSVP: Summerlee Staten at sstaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

Ministry Night will be held at 6pm, the fourth Tuesdays in September and January.
The next ministry night will be January 28 at St. Paul's Chapel.
RSVP: Summerlee Staten at sstaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

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Hospitality | hospitality@trinitywallstreet.org
Membership | membership@trinitywallstreet.org
Witness & Outreach | witnessandoutreach@trinitywallstreet.org

All are welcome to attend these meetings.
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Listed by last name

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Sister Promise Atelon
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Metha Balasquides
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CELEBRANT AND PREACHER: The Rev. Matthew A. Welsch

FLOWERS

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