The Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020, 11:15am
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 Trinity Church

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.

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 four-Sunday season originates from the Latin word adventus, meaning “to approach.” During Advent, Christians joyfully await the coming of Jesus, a celebration commemorated on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, also 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.

This December, our Advent music selections encompass traditional hymns, centuries-old chant, and contemporary sacred choral music. We will sing familiar carols with texts of expectation, but will also hear stylistically diverse anthems written by female composers, many of whom are leading international Anglican choral directors and organists. Our Sunday service music begins with plainsong chant settings of the Trisagion and Psalm, which recall the reflective nature of the season. The Advent Sanctus is taken from the Trinity Wall Street Service, composed for our parish by professional member of The Choir of Trinity Wall Street, Jonathan Woody.

Sources: Book of Common Prayer, An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, Revised Common Lectionary, Trinity Church Wall Street liturgical and music staff
The Entrance Rite

Prelude

Lighting of the Advent Wreath  
Led by Barbara and Jamal Inniss

Please stand as you are able for the responsory.

Reader  Advent is a season of expectation: a time when we prepare our hearts and spirits for the birth of Jesus. Each Sunday in Advent, we light another candle in our wreath. As it becomes brighter and brighter, it helps us remember that Jesus brings the light and love of God into the world.

Jesus is coming! We light the third candle, which represents joy.

People  God, give us joy!

The third Advent candle is lighted.

Acclamation  
BCP p. 355

At the sound of the bell, please continue standing as you are able.

Celebrant  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People  And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn in Procession  
Hymnal 56, vv. 1, 6-7

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile
by thy drawing nigh; disperse the gloomy clouds of heart of all mankind; bid thou our sad divisions cease, and be thyself our King of Peace.

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!
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.

Trisagion

_Hymnal S 99_

Music: Plainsong, Mode 1; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947)

The Collect of the Day

_Celebrant_ God 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.

_All_ Amen.

_Please be seated._
The First Reading

Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11

Read by Saundra L. Pinn

Reader

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

For I the Lord love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the Lord has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

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

People

Thanks be to God.
The Canticle

Canticle 15: The Song of Mary

Sung by all.

CHANT

All

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices / in God my Saviour; *
for he has looked with favor on / his lowly servant.
From this day all generations / will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
He has mercy / on those who fear him *
in every generation.
He has shown / the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud / in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of / his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he / made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Chant: Tonus Peregrinus

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16–24

Read by Catherine Stanke

Reader

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

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

People

Thanks be to God.
Sequence Hymn

Please stand as you are able.

Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999)
Music: Bereden väg för Herran, melody from Then Swenska Psalmboken, 1697

The Holy Gospel

John 1:6–8, 19–28

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

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.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, “I am not the Messiah.” And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the prophet?” He answered, “No.” Then they said to him, “Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?”

He said,

“I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness,
‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’”
as the prophet Isaiah said.

Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, “Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me;
I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.” This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

*Silence follows the sermon.*

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

Reader Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with confidence before our Maker and Redeemer.

Silence

That God may bring in the heavenly kingdom with justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader That God may establish among the nations the scepter of righteousness, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader That we may seek Christ in the Scriptures and recognize him in the breaking of the bread, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader That God may bind up the brokenhearted, restore the sick, and raise up all who have fallen, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader That God’s coming may dawn on all who live in deep gloom and the shadow of death, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader That, with all the saints, we may shine forth as lights for the world, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Reader We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of our heavenly Creator.

Silence

Celebrant Almighty God, as your blessed Son Jesus Christ first came to seek and to save the lost, so may he come again to find in us the completion of his redeeming work; for he is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

All Amen.
Confession and Absolution

Celebrant  Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

All  Almighty and most merciful God,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against your holy laws.
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
O God, have mercy upon us,
spare those who confess their faults,
restore those who are penitent,
according to your promises declared to us
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may ever after live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of your holy Name. 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; in this season, we suggest a bow, wave, or other appropriate gesture.

Welcome

Please be seated.
The Offertory

Lead Gently, Lord  
Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)

Lead gently, Lord, and slow,  
For oh, my steps are weak,  
And ever as I go,  
Some soothing sentence speak;

That I may turn my face  
Through doubt’s obscurity  
Toward thine abiding-place,  
E’en tho’ I cannot see.

For lo, the way is dark;  
Through mist and cloud I grope,  
Save for that fitful spark,  
The little flame of hope.

Lead gently, Lord, and slow,  
For fear that I may fall;  
I know not where to go  
Unless I hear thy call.

My fainting soul doth yearn  
For thy green hills afar;  
So let thy mercy burn—  
My greater, guiding star!

—Paul Laurence Dunbar (1872-1906)
At the Presentation

*Please stand as you are able as the offering is brought forward.*

**Censing of the Altar**

Dirigatur oratio mea sicut incensum in conspectu tuo.

*Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as incense.*

—Psalm 141:2

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711); Music: Old 100th, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)*
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

Music: from *Trinity Wall Street Service*, Jonathan Woody (b. 1983)

Please continue standing or kneel as you are able.

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 Virgin 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.

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 the Blessed Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and 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.

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

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

All 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 Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the

sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Music: Anaphora chant; Mass 18; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)

Invitation

Celebrant 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.
A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In the Episcopal tradition, we believe that when circumstances make it impossible to consume the Eucharistic elements, our desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion.

Leader
I invite all those who are unable to receive the consecrated bread and wine this day, but who long for the grace and blessing of God through our Savior Jesus Christ, to join me in this Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

People
In union, Blessed Jesus,
with your faithful people
at every altar of your Church
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,
I offer my praise and thanksgiving.
Since I cannot receive you today
in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus,
and let me never be separated from you.
May I live in you, and you in me,
in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

Communion Anthem

Ave Maria

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
benedicta tu in mulieribus,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae.
Amen.

—Marian Prayer
Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.
All Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the
knowledge and the love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of
God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you
always.
All Amen.
1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of promise are.
2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; higher yet that star ascends.
3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morning seems to dawn.

Watch-er, o'er yon mountain's height, see that glory's beamings star.
Watch-er, blessedness and light, peace and truth its course portends.
Watch-er, darkness takes its flight, doubt and terror are withdrawn.

Watch-man, does its beauteous ray course portends. Watch-man, will its beams alone are withdrawn. Watch-man, let thy wanderings cease; watch of joy or hope foretell? Trav-er, yes; it gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav-er, ages lie thee to thy quiet home. Trav-er, lo! the
Dismissal

Deacon         Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People        Thanks be to God.

Postlude
Transitions, Resilience, & Healing through the Holidays

MONDAYS ONLINE: 6-7:30pm
November 16, 23; December 7, 14; January 4, 11

As we approach the holidays and the new year we may need to re-imagine not only our celebrations, but also continue to re-create ourselves and our daily living in these challenging times.

Join Julia Kristeller of Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute (PSI) for these six interactive support sessions using the creative process to help heal body, mind, and spirit.

Free. Learn more and register at trinitywallstreet.org/re-create.

2020 Advent Series

Sundays, November 29-January 3*
1pm, Online

FOUNDATIONS is a series for those seeking Adult Baptism or Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation of Faith in the Episcopal Church. It is also a great opportunity to acquire a better understanding of what it means to be an Episcopalian and Anglican for those seeking formal membership at Trinity Church and St. Paul's Chapel. Together we will learn about scripture, theology, prayer, and much more.

Join the Rev. Matthew Welsch, and other clergy and staff for fun, fellowship, and interactive learning.

*There will be no class December 20 or December 27.

For more information or to RSVP, visit trinitywallstreet.org/foundations.
ADVENTLIGHT

Prayer Series

Wednesdays, 6:30–7:30pm
December 2–16, Online

Center yourself and connect with the holy in a three-week prayer practice series for these times. Seminarian Anahi Galante will facilitate.

RSVP at trinitywallstreet.org/adventlight

GIVING TREE

November 13–December 13, Online

In a holiday season like no other, make someone in our community feel special this Christmas.

Purchase a Christmas gift to support children, adults, and seniors served by several of Trinity’s partner organizations in New York City. Your gifts will go to fellow New Yorkers who, like all of us, have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, many of whom wouldn’t receive gifts this year without your help.

Visit trinitywallstreet.org/givingtree by December 13 to select a gift, which cost about $30 each.
Trinity Recovery Group
THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, 10AM

Travel together along the 12 Step spiritual journey. We meet each month to check in and discuss spiritual topics to integrate our faith lives with our recovery journeys.

Open to members of all 12 Step fellowships, including but not limited to AA, Al-Anon, ACA, CoDA, DA, NA, OA, and SLAA.

Register at trinitywallstreet.org/recovery

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Living with Loss

Support in Grief
Grief is a deeply personal process but does not have to be endured alone. This six-week series will facilitate reflection and expression to help us cope with loss.

Facilitated by Kim Schneiderman from the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute.

TUESDAYS, 6:30–7:45PM | FEBRUARY 16–MARCH 23
REGISTER AT TRINITYWALLSTREET.ORG/LOSS
FOR VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS
Welcome! We're glad you've joined us online. To learn more about membership, baptism, or confirmation, or to receive emails about upcoming Trinity events, visit trinitywallstreet.org/connect or text “TRINITY” to 28259.

TODAY
Children's Time
10am, Online
Children ages 4 through 5th grade and their families are invited to learn together. We'll begin with an opening assembly, including a prayer and a song, then break into small groups for a time of exploration and community. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/children.

Discovery: Living Our Thanks in Advent
10am, Online
Parishioners continue the discussion on gratitude and what it means to live a life of thanks in anticipation of our deepest hopes and longings. A recording of the December 6 gathering with Diana Butler Bass will be available for those who missed the session. Watch the recording and register at trinitywallstreet.org/gratitude.

The Gospel, Times, Journal, and You
10am, Online

ParentSpace
10am, Online
Parents are invited to gather online for a time of sharing and support facilitated by Julia Kristeller from Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute (PSI). Register at trinitywallstreet.org/parentspace.

Holy Eucharist Watch Party
10:30am–12:30pm, Online
Catch up with fellow parishioners and watch the 11:15am Holy Eucharist together. To join, email Dane Miller at DMiller@trinitywallstreet.org.

Young Adults Watch Party
11:15am, Online
Let's watch the 11:15am Holy Eucharist together. To join, email TrinityChurchYoungAdults@gmail.com.

Virtual Coffee Hour
After 11:15am service, Online
Brew a cup and gather with fellow parishioners. To join, email Kyle Folk-Freund at KFolk-Freund@trinitywallstreet.org by 11am on Sunday.

Foundations
1pm, Online
Foundations is a series for anyone seeking to know more about Christianity, the Episcopal tradition, or our parish—especially adults considering baptism, confirmation, reception into The Episcopal Church, or membership at Trinity. Together we will learn about scripture, theology, prayer, and much more. Join Trinity clergy and staff for fun, fellowship, and interactive learning. There will be no class December 20 or December 27. For more information or to RSVP, visit trinitywallstreet.org/foundations.

WORSHIP ONLINE
Join us at trinitywallstreet.org.

Sunday Holy Eucharist | 11:15am
Weekday Holy Eucharist | 12:05pm

We're gathering online for Morning and Evening Prayer weekdays at 8am and 5pm.
To join, email Scott Smith at SSmith@trinitywallstreet.org.
Handel’s Messiah
3pm, Online
This year, we continue one of Trinity’s most cherished holiday traditions—taking in, together, George Frideric Handel’s magnificent Messiah, performed by The Choir of Trinity Church Wall Street and Trinity Baroque Orchestra. Tune in to Trinity’s Facebook page on December 13 at 3pm EST to watch a 2019 performance filmed in HD, with a twist—the performance will be interspersed with personal video messages from Trinity artists. Through these clips, viewers will be given the rare opportunity to go into the artists’ homes, hear how they’ve continued to make music during the pandemic, and share in their messages of hope and connection for our global community. During the live event, viewers will be able to chat in the comments with Julian Wachner, the director; Trinity choir members and instrumentalists; and people watching from all over the world.

EVERY WEEK

Delve Deeper
The Broad Way Bible Study | Mondays, 1pm; Online
Grab your lunch and join Bob Scott for lively discussion and fellowship. To join, please email Bob Scott at BScott@trinitywallstreet.org.

Expand and Explore Your Spirituality
Scripture, Reflection, & Compline | Tuesdays, 6pm; Online
| Gather for spiritual nourishment and fellowship. To join, email Ellen Andrews at EAndrews@trinitywallstreet.org.

Catch Your Breath | Wednesdays, 1pm; Online
Visit trinitywallstreet.org for a time of stillness and centering with a brief recorded meditation. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/catchyourbreath.

Mindfulness for Teens | Wednesdays, 4–5pm; through December 15; Online
| Trinity is partnering with The Lineage Project to offer free classes for youth ages 13–19 that weave together movement, facilitated dialogue, and guided meditation. Each class is organized around a theme, such as “determination,” that threads the three parts together, draws out students’ inner wisdom, and fosters connection among participants. To register, visit trinitywallstreet.org/mindfulness.

Group Meditation & Poetry | Wednesdays, 6:30–7:30pm; Online
| Join our online meditation group. Practice consists of guided meditation and contemplative reflection with poets and artists, for mutual spiritual support and growth. Spiritual directors: John Deuel and Kathy Bozzuti-Jones. Register: ChristianFormation@trinitywallstreet.org.

Enjoy the Company of Others
Trinity Youth Advisory Call | Tuesdays, 7pm; Online
Join young people from across the city in a weekly Trinity Youth Advisory call to give direct advice and guidance on what resources are needed in your community. Your voice matters! To join the call, email Jennifer Chinn at JChinn@trinitywallstreet.org with your name, email, grade, and current school.

Trinity Youth Drop-in Call | Wednesdays, 7pm; Online
Even though we can’t meet in person, Trinity Youth are still showing up for one another! Each week, Fr. Matt Welsch is hosting a drop-in call and all Trinity Youth are invited to join—whether you can stay for the whole call or just hop on for a few minutes. Please text or email Matt at MWelsch@trinitywallstreet.org for more information or to get the link so you can join the next call.

New Beginnings | Thursdays, 11am; Online
| Trinity’s ministry of seniors meets for Bible study. Join early at 9:45am for chair yoga. To join, email Ellen Andrews at EAndrews@trinitywallstreet.org.

THIS WEEK

Monday, December 14
Re-Creating/Re-Imagining Ourselves
6:30–8pm, Online
Transitions, Resilience, and Healing through the Holidays
This has been a year of great change, loss, and transition in our work, family, and community life. As we approach the holidays and the new year we may need to re-imagine not only our celebrations, but also continue to re-create ourselves and our daily living in these challenging times. Join Julia Kristeller of Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute (PSI) for these interactive support sessions using the creative process to help heal body, mind, and spirit, as we explore together our sense of identity, presence, and resilience, and our vision for what’s next. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/recreate.

Tuesday, December 15
Resolutions: Getting Organized
10:30am–12pm, Online
This six-class series, facilitated by Follow Us to Success, will help adults set a strong foundation for
wellness in 2021 through visioning, goal setting, and skill-building in both their professional and personal lives. Classes are free; attend one, some, or all. This session: Getting Organized. Learn tips and strategies for organizing and how to overcome pitfalls in arranging your home, work life, or family affairs. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/commonsprograms.

**Wednesday, December 16**

**Advent Light Prayer Series**
**6:30pm, Online**
Center yourself and connect with the holy in a three-week prayer practice series for these times. Seminarian Anahi Galante facilitates. RSVP at trinitywallstreet.org/adventlight.

**Thursday, December 17**

**Comfort at Christmas Evensong**
**5:15pm, Online**
Many of us are approaching Christmas with a sense of grief and the experience of loss. Please join kindred company for prayer, music, and a quiet space for comfort and support. Information: PastoralCare@trinitywallstreet.org. To join, email Dane Miller at DMiller@trinitywallstreet.org.

**Trinity Men: Core Planning Meeting**
**6:30pm, Online**
Join men from Trinity as they plan ongoing and upcoming events for the men of the church. RSVP and information: TrinityChurchMen@gmail.com.

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**Advent and Christmas 2020**
trinitywallstreet.org/advent

**Advent Light Prayer Series**
*Wednesdays, December 2–16, 6:30pm, Online*
RSVP at trinitywallstreet.org/adventlight.

**Discovery: Anticipating Gratitude**
**Living Our Thanks in Advent**
*Sundays, December 13 and 20, 10am, Online*
Register at trinitywallstreet.org/gratitude.

**Handel’s Messiah**
*Sunday, December 13, 3pm, Facebook*

**Comfort at Christmas Evensong:**
**A Service for Those in Grief or Loss**
*Thursday, December 17, 5:15pm, Online*
RSVP: DMiller@trinitywallstreet.org.

**Christmas Pageant**
*Sunday, December 20, 9:15am, Online*
A joyous telling of the Christmas story starring the children, youth, and families of Trinity’s parish. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/pageant.

**LGBTQ Holiday Gathering**
*Monday, December 21, 6:30pm, Online*
RSVP: TMoody@trinitywallstreet.org.

**Christmas Worship Services**
*There will be Morning Prayer at 8:15am on Christmas Eve, but no 12:05pm service or Evening Prayer.*

**Christmas Eve Family Eucharist**
*WEBCAST*
*Thursday, December 24, 2pm, Online*

**Service of Lessons and Carols**
*WEBCAST*
*Thursday, December 24, 5:15pm, Online*

**Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist**
*WEBCAST*
*Thursday, December 24, 6pm, Online*

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Compline**
*Thursday, December 24, 8pm, Online*
*There will be no Morning Prayer, 12:05pm service, or Evening Prayer on Christmas Day.*

**Christmas Day Holy Eucharist:**
**The Nativity of Our Lord**
*WEBCAST*
*Friday, December 25, 11:15am, Online*

**Christmas Candlelight Compline**
*Friday, December 25, 8pm, Online*
Trinity Cares Reflection and Action
6:30pm, Online
A Time of Contemplative Care
It’s Advent. It has been a challenging year for racial justice. Join us as we as we quiet our minds, settle our bodies, and center our hearts. We will honor the ministry we have shared and be renewed for the time ahead. Learn more and register at trinitywallstreet.org/trinitycaresinaction.

Friday, December 18
Resolutions: Budgeting 101
10:30am–12pm, Online
Set a strong foundation for wellness in 2021 through visioning, goal setting, and skill-building in both your professional and personal lives. This session: Budgeting 101. This entry-level class will provide guidance and direction for establishing and sticking to a budget. Information: trinitywallstreet.org/commonsprograms.

Saturday, December 19
Trinity Recovery Group
10am, Online
Travel together along the 12 Step spiritual journey. Check in and discuss spiritual topics to integrate our faith lives with our recovery journeys. Open to members of all 12 Step fellowships. RSVP: trinitywallstreet.org/recovery.

NEXT SUNDAY
Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 20, 9:15am, Online
All ages are invited to tell the Christmas story together in this interactive online pageant. Bring a star—one you make or one you find—and come ready to participate as we share the good news of God-with-us. This pageant will be recorded; if you don’t want to be recorded, you’re welcome to join with your camera turned off. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/pageant.

Your Well-Being and COVID-19
Sunday, December 20, 4pm, Online
Just one short year ago, none of us could have foreseen the toll the COVID-19 pandemic would take on our physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual selves. Join Mary Ragan of Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute as she leads a discussion about the range of responses we may be experiencing, and how to recognize sources of resilience as we make our way through this time. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/covidresponse.

COMING SOON
LGBTQ Holiday Gathering
Monday, December 21, 6:30pm, Online
Join Trinity’s LGBT Integrity Group and Trinity Commons’ Well-Being in this festive and supportive virtual space for celebration and companionship among your LGBTQ family and friends during the 2020 holiday season. Wear your funniest holiday sweater and bring your favorite holiday songs. All are welcome. For information: Terrell L. Moody at TMoody@trinitywallstreet.org.

Breaking Bread: A Reflective Conversation
Wednesday, December 23, 6:15pm, Online
The Breaking Bread gatherings use the imagery of table fellowship to explore reflective conversations that nurture our growth in God. Join us for a virtual conversation as we celebrate Jesus’ birth and open up to what “God came to be with us” means, especially in these times. The first 30 registrants who register by December 16 will receive a courtesy gift ahead of our gathering. For more information, contact Melissa Mistry at MMistry@trinitywallstreet.org. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/breakingbread.

Living with Loss: Support in Grief
Tuesdays beginning Feb. 16, 6:30–7:45pm, Online
Grief is a deeply personal process but does not have to be endured alone. This six-week series will facilitate reflection and expression to help us cope with loss. Facilitated by Kim Schneiderman from the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/loss.

BULLETIN BOARD
Worship Reminders Available Via Text
Never miss another Sunday or weekday service—Trinity is offering simple text alerts to remind you of upcoming services. Simply text “11:15AM” to 28259 to receive a weekly reminder and link to Trinity’s 11:15am Holy Eucharist. Text “12:05PM” to 28259 to receive a reminder each weekday before the 12:05pm Holy Eucharist. Questions? Email Lynn Goswick at LGoswick@trinitywallstreet.org.

Compassion Market Now Open
Trinity’s new Compassion Market is now open at St. Paul’s Chapel on Wednesdays from 12–3pm. Guests can get 15 healthy, pre-packaged, and shelf-stable meals and personal hygiene kits by making
an appointment on the Plentiful app or by calling 917.594.6300. Learn more at trinitywallstreet.org/compassionmarket.

Let’s Stay in Touch: Parish Directory
Would you like to stay in touch with other parishioners during this unusual time but you don’t have your pew neighbor’s phone number or email address? Trinity’s membership department is compiling a directory to help us all stay connected until we can worship together again. To receive a digital copy of the directory, please contribute your contact information and a photo. Contact information may include any or all of the following: email address, mailing address, telephone number, and/or social media handle. To contribute or for more information, email Melissa Mistry at MMistry@trinitywallstreet.org.

Family Worship: Home Edition
Each week, we’re offering a simple service for families to follow at home. There are prayers, videos of scripture and stories being read by some familiar faces, brief 9:15-style video reflections offered by the clergy, and special music, along with coloring sheets and an activity to do together as a family. Visit trinitywallstreet.org/familyworship to see this week’s service.

Comfort at One—“Passing Through”
Mondays–Fridays, 1pm, Online
During trying times, music stills our souls and provides a healing grace. This fall, the series features performances on the theme of “Passing Through”—passing through musical styles from early music to world premieres while reflecting a message of hope that “this too shall pass.” Mondays–Fridays at 1pm, we’re sharing #ComfortatOne performances on Facebook, Twitter, and trinitywallstreet.org/comfortatone, where you can easily catch up on anything you may have missed, no matter what time it is. Follow us and tune in for encore performances of our favorite concerts professionally filmed in HD, along with current at-home performances from Trinity’s extended family of artists. We hope these concerts help you find a haven of peace and comfort.

IN OUR PRAYERS
To add names to the list, email WorshipBulletin@trinitywallstreet.org or call 212.602.0800. Names are kept on the list for a month but can be added again upon request.

WE PRAY FOR
Cynthia Cartwright; Norma Rogers; Cynthia Smith; Maria George; Pearl Grady; Drew Pardus; Evadné Hodge; Erin Kerr; Lorraine Westcarr; Goulbourne Browne; Susie Edwards; Valerie Thurab; David Henry; Darlene Colon (cousin of Lenore Rivera); Michelle Oosterwal (daughter of Melba Duncan); Candida Rodriguez (mother of Lillian Martir); Kris Seeram (father of Mintrani Seeram); Filomena Grijalvo (mother-in-law of Cora Grijalvo); Lisannia McIntyre; Grace Yang; Frederick Welsh (father of Robin Welsh); Luke Petrinovic; David Shahroudi (brother of Julie Shahroudi); Lorna Bruce; Myers/Parisi family; Karageorgiou Family; Joyce Elizabeth (Joy) Jauer and Jonah Michael Schrowang; Mercedes “Mercy” de Estrada (mother of

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS
To be eligible for Election: All persons who on the date of an annual election shall have attained the age of 18 years and who, for the period of one year preceding such annual election, shall have been duly enrolled on the Corporation’s records as members of the Congregation and shall have partaken of the Holy Communion within said year in the Parish and who shall have contributed to the support of the Parish by a recorded gift of any amount in the preceding year.

When considering a person for nomination please speak with the person to let them know you wish to submit their name for consideration.

All nominations should be in writing and directed to the Vicar’s Office for the attention of the Congregational Council Nominating & Leadership Development Committee. Nominations must be received by 12:00pm on Sunday, December 13, 2020. Please send submissions to Summerlee Staten, Executive Assistant to the Priest-in-charge and Vicar, at SSStaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

Congregational Council Nominating and Development Committee: The Rev. Phillip Jackson, Mr. Donato Mallano, Mr. Scott Evenbeck, Ms. Wendy Boyce, Ms. Sian Wetherill, Dr. Joyce Coppin Mondesire, Mr. Alistair Cree.
of Margarita Picone); Diamando Vartsakis; Eileen Hope; Melissa Stachow (niece of Judy Stachow); Susan Stachow (sister-in-law of Judy Stachow); Liam Cappello; Christian de Haes; Barbara Farrell; Barbara Stein (mother of Ken Stein); Angela Tilley; Anthony Miron; Elise Deagoue (mother of Prisca Doh); Ed Andrews (father of Ellen Andrews); Mark Anderson; Jane Anderson (mother of Mark Anderson); Robert McCue (brother of Bill McCue); Oscar Alvarez; Phillip, Crystal, and Henry Horner; Alpha Omega Nickelberry, Jr. (friend of Toni Foy); family of Horace Brown (wife, Audrey, and children James, Rodney, Nicole, Latashia, Belinda, and Tynishaia).

DEPARTED
Horace Brown

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); Helen Guittard (Stephen Guittard’s wife).

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER
Pray for the Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury) and the Rt. Rev. Timothy Thornton.

Congregational Voice
“For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in” (Matthew 25:35 NKJV). This is my favorite verse because it reminds me of the daily acts of life when I read it. —Yvonne Morancie

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 leave a detailed message. Someone will reach out as soon as possible.

CANDLELIGHT COMPLINE
from Trinity Retreat Center
Monday–Friday at 8pm

During this period of social distancing, we hope you’ll join us from home for live-streamed Candlelight Compline and online gatherings of contemplation on Trinity Retreat Center’s Facebook and Instagram.

Led by the Rev. Dr. Mark Bozzuti-Jones and the retreat center staff. This service to end the day will take place in our stone chapel and other sacred spaces. In the midst of our anxiety, fear, sickness, and turmoil, we invite you to enter the darkness of each night with hope, peace, solidarity, unity, and contemplation on God’s everlasting love. We will be using the Book of Common Prayer’s “An Order for Compline.”

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL COMMITEE MEETINGS

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL
CongregationalCouncil@trinitywallstreet.org.
Meets 6–8pm, the third Tuesday of the month.
The next meeting is December 15. 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 held in September 2021.
RSVP: Summerlee Staten at SStaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

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Education | Alistair Cree, Chair
Membership | Prisca Doh, Chair
Witness & Outreach | Cindy Jay, Chair

All are welcome to attend these meetings.

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Members of The Choir of Trinity Wall Street
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Janet Yieh, Associate Organist

FLOWERS
To donate flowers, email Flowers@trinitywallstreet.org.

This service conforms to Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, which begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Scripture readings are appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary (Episcopal) and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Psalm texts are taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Other liturgical elements may include materials compiled by Trinity Church staff from publications including Enriching Our Worship (EOW), Common Worship: Times and Seasons (CW:TS), St. Augustine's Prayer Book (SAPB), the prayer books of other member churches of the Anglican Communion, and other contemporary liturgical resources. Hymns come from The Hymnal 1982, Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS), and Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP).

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