The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20, 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 excellency, 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.

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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

*Ceremony of Carols*

I. Wolcum
VI. As Dew in Aprille
*Friday Afternoons, Op. 7*
A New Year Carol

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)
Lighting of the Advent Wreath

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 fourth candle, which represents love.

People God, give us love!

The fourth Advent candle is lighted.

Acclamation

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

Hymn 56, vv. 1, 5, 8

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940, alt.; Music: Veni, veni, Emmanuel, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)
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

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.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated.
The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

2 Samuel 7:1–11, 16
Read by Victoria Mbithi

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.”

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 89:1–4, 19–26
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Antiphon and chant sung by all.

ANTIPHON

Righ - teous - ness and jus - tice, O God, are the foun - da - tions
of your throne.

CHANT

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
All

For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

“I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

‘I will establish your line for ever,*
and preserve your throne for all generations.’”

You spoke once in a vision and said to your faithful people: *
“‘I have set the crown upon a warrior
and have exalted one chosen out of the people.

I have found David my servant; *
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

My hand will hold him fast *
and my arm will make him strong.

No enemy shall deceive him,*
nor any wicked man bring him down.

I will crush his foes before him *
and strike down those who hate him.

My faithfulness and love shall be with him,*
and he shall be victorious through my Name.

I shall make his dominion extend *
from the Great Sea to the River.

He will say to me, ‘You are my Father,*
my God, and the rock of my salvation!’”

RIGH-TEOUSNESS and jus- tile, O God, are the foun-da-tions
of your throne.

Antiphon: from The Plainsong Psalter
Chant: Tone V.1
Reader

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

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

People

Thanks be to God.
Sequence Hymn

Please stand as you are able.

Words: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)
Music: Gabriel's Message, Basque carol; harm. Edgar Pettman (1865-1943)
Deacon  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon  In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon  The Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones

Silence follows the sermon.
The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant We believe in one God,
All 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.

Welcome

Please be seated.
The Offertory

There is No Rose from Ceremony of Carols

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

There is no rose of such vertu
As is the rose that bare Jesu.
Alleluia.

For in this rose conteine'd was
Heaven and earth in litel space,
Res miranda.

By that rose we may well see
There be one God in persons three,
Pares forma.

The aungels sungen the shepherds to:
Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gaudeamus.

Leave we all this werldly mirth,
And follow we this joyful birth.
Transeamus.

—14th-century text

At the Presentation

Hymnal 380, v. 3

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

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye

heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711); Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)
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

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts. 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 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.
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

Hymnal S 160

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

**I Sing of a Maiden**

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

I sing of a maiden that is makeless, *(Matchless without equal)*
King of all Kings to her son she ches. *(Chose)*

He came all so still where his Mother was,
As dew in April that falleth on the grass.

He came all so still to his Mother's bow'r,
As dew in April that falleth on the flow'r.

He came all so still where his Mother lay,
As dew in April that falleth on the spray.

Mother and maiden was never none but she,
Well may such a Lady, God's Mother be.

—Traditional 15th-century text
Concluding Rite

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

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

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.

Celebrant Amen.

All Amen.
Hymn in Procession

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on The Song of Mary
Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!

Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Powers and dominions lay their glory by,
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.

tender to me the promise of his word;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.
his holy Name—the Lord, the Mighty One.
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
to children’s children and for ever more!

Dismissal

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

Postlude
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
Christmas Pageant
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.

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. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/gratitude.

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.

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

NOTE: No meeting December 27; resumes January 3.

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.

Your Well-Being and COVID-19
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.
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. NOTE: The Broad Way will be on hiatus December 28–January 25 and resume meeting on February 1.

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.

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. NOTE: No meeting December 23 or 30; resumes January 6.

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. NOTE: No call December 29; resumes January 5.

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. NOTE: No call December 30; resumes January 6.

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. NOTE: No meeting December 24 and 31; resumes January 7.

THIS WEEK

Monday, December 21
Trinity Youth Chorus Christmas Concert
1pm, Online
Enjoy a special virtual presentation by the Trinity Youth Chorus of Britten’s A Ceremony of Carols, as part of the Comfort at One series. Britten’s marvelous setting of ancient Christmas text sparkles with the wonder of the season. This annual tradition is a favorite of the Trinity audience. Watch at trinitywallstreet.org/comfortatone.

LGBTQ Holiday Gathering
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.

Wednesday, December 23
Breaking Bread: A Reflective Conversation
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. For more information, contact Melissa Mistry at MMistry@trinitywallstreet.org. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/breakingbread.

Thursday, December 24
“A Visit from St. Nicholas” Annual Reading
6pm and 10pm, PIX11
’Twas the night before Christmas... Feel the warmth and experience the magic of a century-old holiday tradition—in your own home. The 110th reading of “A Visit from St. Nicholas” at Church of the Intercession in Washington Heights will not be held in person this year, but you can hear the story during a special broadcast scheduled for Christmas Eve and 4:30am Christmas morning on PIX11. During the program, the poem will be read by Tony Award-winner James Monroe Iglehart, best known as Genie in Aladdin.
CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICES
trinitywallstreet.org/christmas

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

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

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

Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist
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
Friday, December 25, 11:15am, Online

Christmas Candlelight Compline
Friday, December 25, 8pm, Online

There will be a guest appearance by Young People’s Chorus, The Boys and Girls Choir of Harlem Alumni Ensemble, the singing of “Silent Night,” and a visit to Clement Clarke Moore’s grave in Trinity Cemetery. Moore, the son of Trinity Rector Benjamin Moore and a professor at General Seminary, wrote the poem in 1823 as a gift to his children.

Friday, December 25
The Sister Is In: Christmas Day Open House 4–5pm, Online
Trinity’s Sister Ann, SSM will be available to lend an ear to parishioners and neighbors who need to talk, pray, or just sit quietly. Register at trinitywallstreet.org/sister.

COMING SOON

COVID-19 Community Conversations
First and third Tuesdays starting January 5
Mental Health Equity and Resilience with DOHMH
The COVID-19 pandemic is a worldwide shared traumatic experience that disrupts and affects our families, friends, and communities. In NYC and nationally, people of color are disproportionately affected by COVID-19. To address the mental health challenges brought by the pandemic and structural racism in our city, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) is providing free virtual presentations to our Trinity community in self-care, coping skills, and ways to build individual and community resilience. Join us for this one-hour workshop at 11:30am on the first Tuesday or at 6:30pm on the third Tuesday of every month. RSVP for free at trinitywallstreet.org/commonsprograms.

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.

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.

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 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 Dob); 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 Tynishia); Richard Powell Billington.

DEPARTED
Sophie Bassal.

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 Scarbrow, USN (nephew of Amy Roy); Helen Guittard (Stephen Guittard’s wife).

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER
Pray for mission agencies and their ministry throughout the Anglican Communion, including the Mothers’ Union around the world.

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.
Congregational Voice
“Give thanks to the LORD for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story — those he redeemed from the hand of the foe” (Psalm 107:1–2 NIV). This is my favorite verse because it reminds me of how God has been good to me and my family throughout my life. —Ena M. Richards

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.
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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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