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. 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 area 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 marks the beginning of the church year, introducing the so-called “Year of Christ”—half the calendar year, twenty-seven Sundays—during which we walk with Jesus Christ from the expectation of his birth to his resurrection and the Day of Pentecost. Then follows the remaining twenty-five Sundays after Pentecost, the so-called “Year of the Church.”

In accordance with the Church’s understanding that Advent is not another Lent but a season of hopeful expectation and earnest preparation for the coming of Christ rather than a penitential one, the color of the season is blue and the candles on the Advent wreath are white and not purple. Advent invites us to share pregnant anticipation with Mary, as we in our turn wait to bear the Christ Child in our time as she did in hers.

The Advent wreath comes to us from the traditions of the furthermost northern parts of Europe. On December 13 they traditionally celebrated the Feast of Saint Lucia, a third-century martyr who brought food and aid to Christians hiding in the catacombs using a candlelit wreath to light her way, leaving her hands free to carry as much food as possible. Her feast once coincided with the winter solstice, the shortest day of the year, before calendar reforms of 1582, so her feast day became a Christian festival of light, Saint Lucia’s candlelit wreath pointing to the arrival of the Light of Christ on Christmas Day.

The evergreen wreath represents the life that remains in wood and leaf and survives in spite of the rigors of winter. The bright candlelight adorning the wreath evokes the bright starlight that, even in darkest winter, never leaves the night sky. The wreath and its lights remind us of God’s enduring and unconditional faithfulness—even in the coldest and darkest times.

The Eucharistic Prayer in Advent, from the Scottish Liturgy 1980, follows the traditional patterns of ancient Eucharistic Prayers and has a distinct seasonal focus, giving voice to the Advent hope and our yearning for the coming of the City of Peace in whose Light we are transformed.

We use this prayer in gratitude for the Scottish Church’s generous gift of ancient Eucharistic traditions and for the episcopal ordination in 1784 by which Samuel Seabury became the first bishop of the Episcopal Church.

Source: The Rev Bruce W.B. Jenneker
Clergy

Monday The Rev. Bruce W. B. Jenneker
Tuesday The Rev. Canon James G. Callaway
Wednesday The Rev. Elizabeth Blunt
Thursday The Rev. Robert Herrick
Friday The Rev. C. Alfred Loua

Observances

Francis Xavier
Missionary to the Far East, 1552

Monday, December 3

Francis Xavier was a Jesuit priest who left Europe in 1542 and brought the gospel of Christ to the outcasts of India, the cities of southeast Asia, and the warrior society of Japan. He was one of the first seven members of the Society of Jesus, which was founded to advance the Roman Catholic Counter-Reformation. But the Jesuits looked beyond Europe and hoped to win the whole world for the Church.

Francis Xavier was one of the most effective and devoted missionaries who ever lived. He converted many in the 11 years in which he was actively evangelizing in India, Ceylon, Malacca, Malaya, and especially Japan. His personal holiness made a great impression on the various peoples he encountered. Francis understood that the gospel is meant first of all for the poor of the earth. So, he chose to do most of his apostolic work among the outcasts and untouchables of every culture he visited. He died in December 1552, alone on an island off the coast of China, while trying to smuggle himself into the Chinese empire.


John of Damascus
Priest, Theologian, Philosopher, Hymn writer, 749

Tuesday, December 4

He was born John Monsur, into a wealthy Arab-Christian family of Damascus. Like his father, he held a position high in the court of the caliph. About 725 he resigned his office and became a monk at Mar Saba near Bethlehem, where he became a priest. In this secluded place, at the relatively advanced age of 51, John’s lasting legacy began to unfold. It began when Emperor Leo III, in 726, outlawed the veneration of icons, based on the second commandment which forbade the creation and worship of images.

From his distant post in the Holy Land, John challenged this policy in three works. He argued that icons should not be worshipped, but they could be venerated. The distinction is crucial: a Western parallel might be the way a favorite Bible is read, cherished, and treated with honor—but certainly not worshipped.

John also wrote a great synthesis of theology, The Fount of Knowledge, of which the last part, “On the Orthodox Faith,” is best known.

John authored several dozen hymns. To Anglicans, he is best known for the popular Easter hymns “Come, ye faithful, raise the strain” and “The day of resurrection.”

Readings: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; John 5:24-27
Clement of Alexandria

Priest, Teacher of the Faith, c. 210

Clement of Alexandria was a second-century theologian who taught that God’s Word was spoken not only in scripture but also in the heritage of pagan philosophy. By this teaching he enabled the Church to see its gospel as the revelation and fulfillment of the true desire for God which is hidden in all human cultures.

Clement spent his youth wandering from one eastern city to another in search of a satisfying philosophy until he came to Alexandria, where he found what he was looking for in the teachings of the Christian Church. After his baptism he became a presbyter and around the year 190 was appointed head of the Christian academy at Alexandria—a school which not only instructed new converts in the Christian faith and prepared them for baptism, but also provided Christian thinkers with an opportunity for advanced studies in theology. Clement worked in this school for over a decade, but then renewed persecution of the Church forced it to close its doors and its principal to flee Alexandria. He made his way to Asia Minor, where he died around the year 210.

In the context of the pluralism of our time and call to interfaith cooperation, Clement and his teaching provide an inspiring example. Clement wrote: “Philosophy was necessary to the Greeks for righteousness, until the coming of the Lord; and even now it is useful for the development of true religion, as a kind of preparatory discipline for those who arrive at faith by way of demonstration. For God is the source of all good, either directly as in the Old and New Testaments or indirectly as in the case of philosophy.”

Readings: Colossians 1:11-20; John 6:57-63

Nicholas

Bishop of Myra, c. 342

All we know for sure about Nicholas is that he was Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor sometime in the fourth century who has become one of the best known and most popular of the saints. There are many stories about his love and care for children, and his generosity. He is known the patron saint of children and the giver of Christmas presents as Santa Claus. He is also a patron saint of Russia, seafarers, and pawnbrokers.

The legends about Nicholas are many and delightful, but there is no historical evidence that they are factual. This does not mean that the legends have nothing to offer us later Christians. They contain valuable practical guidance to Christian life and witness. The most famous of these legends tells of his merciful generosity. Once there were three sisters whose parents were so poor that they thought of selling them. Bishop Nicholas heard of the sisters’ plight and tossed three bags of gold onto their doorstep—thus providing them with dowries for marriage and saving them from a life of prostitution. That is why he is considered the special protector of children. In memory of his deed of mercy to the three sisters, pawnbrokers adopted three gold balls as their emblem. The Dutch developed the custom of giving gifts to children on his feast day and brought this custom to America, where it became associated with Christmas rather than the feast of Saint Nicholas—and where “Sint Nikolaas” or “Sinterklaas” was changed into “Santa Claus.”

Readings: 1 John 4:7-14; Mark 10:13-16
Ambrose
Bishop of Milan, 397

Ambrose was born in 339. His election as bishop in the year 374 appeared to be a fluke of providence. At that time Ambrose was the imperial governor of northern Italy. When rival factions in the church of Milan resorted to violence over the election of a new bishop, he called the people together and mustered all his eloquence in urging them to keep the peace. Suddenly, from the very back of the crowd, a child’s voice was heard to cry: “Ambrose for bishop! Ambrose for bishop!” The whole crowd took up the cry—much to the horror and embarrassment of Ambrose himself, for he was not yet baptized. The crowd would not listen to his protests and a week later, after a hurried baptism, he was ordained bishop of Milan.

Ambrose did much to deepen the theology of the western church on the full divinity of Christ. In his defense of the church’s independence from the state, he did much to shape church-state relations in western Europe. His teaching brought him into conflict with the emperor, who sympathized with the opposing party. The emperor had his soldiers surround the basilica of Milan while Ambrose and his congregation were celebrating the liturgy. It looked as if they would all be massacred, but Ambrose kept up his people’s courage by preaching to them and leading them in the singing of psalms and hymns. At nightfall the emperor finally ordered his troops to withdraw. This event gave Ambrose enormous prestige, which continued into the reign of the next emperor. When the people of Thessalonika were massacred on imperial orders, Ambrose excommunicated the emperor himself and compelled him to do public penance for his atrocity.

Ambrose was a talented hymn writer and authored scores of hymns still sung today. Among the most well-known are “Now that the daylight fills the sky,” “Redeemer of the nations, come,” “The eternal gifts of Christ the King,” “O Trinity of blessed light,” “O God, creation’s secret force,” and “O strength and stay.”


Sources: Lesser Feasts and Fasts 2006; Holy Women, Holy Men; A Great Cloud of Witnesses; For All The Saints—Anglican Church of New Zealand, For All The Saints—Anglican Church of Canada, and others; adapt. by the Rev. Bruce W. B. Jenneker.

The Entrance Rite

PRELUDE
At the sound of the bell, please stand as you are able.

ACCLAMATION
from Canticle 16—The Song of Zechariah

Celebrant In the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness.

People And to guide our feet into the way of peace.
**Bidding**

*Celebrant* As we begin our Advent pilgrimage, looking forward to the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, let us in prayer and praise give voice to the hopes set forth in the Scriptures, that Christ's kingdom shall come.

**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.

**Canticle**

*All* Seek God while God wills to be found;  
call upon the Holy One while still near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Sovereign, who will have compassion,  
and to our God, who will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor your ways my ways, says the Creator of the Universe.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth,  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.
The Collect of the Day

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

The Celebrant prays the Collect, a prayer appointed for the day.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Please be seated.
The Reader reads the lesson appointed for the day.

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

Please stand as you are able.

O come, O come, Em-man-u-el, and ransom
O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who ordnest
O come, thou Branch of Jesse’s tree, free them from captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile
all things mightily: to us the path of knowledge Satan’s tyranny that trust thy mighty power to
here until the Son of God appear, show, and teach us in her ways to go. Rejoice! Rejoice!
save, and give them victory o’er the grave.

Em-man-u-el shall come to thee, O Israel!

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

The Holy Gospel

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

The Celebrant reads the Gospel appointed for the day.

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

The Homily

Silence follows the homily.
The Nicene Creed

On certain days, 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 composed by Bruce Jenneker, based on the “O Antiphons”

Please stand or continue standing as you are able.

Reader In joyful expectation of Christ’s coming to redeem and save us, we pray to the Lord, saying,
O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.

Reader Come to your Church as Lord and Judge. Teach us to worship you in spirit and in truth, and guide Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, Allen, and Mary, our Bishops; and all the Bishops, the clergy, and all the people of God.
O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.

Reader Come to your world as Sovereign of the Nations. Kindle in us a sense of wonder at the mystery of creation, and in our common life make us faithful stewards of your bounty. We pray for the leaders of all the nations, especially for Donald our President, Andrew our Governor, and Bill our Mayor.
O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.

Reader Come to us as the Wisdom from on High, gently ordering our lives in accordance with your purposes for us. Grant us the grace to live our Core Values of Faith, Integrity, Inclusiveness, Compassion, Social Justice, and Stewardship, and to discern where you are leading us in our commitment to Neighborhood, Leadership, and Capacity.
O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.
Reader  Come to those who suffer as Savior and Comforter. Be near to those who are without the resources for healthy and fulfilled lives. Break into our lives when we struggle with sickness and are weighed down by anxiety and stress. Empower us to work for justice, freedom, and peace.

O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People  Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.

Reader  Come to us as Shepherd and Guardian of our souls. Support us in this life that we may live now in the confidence of your everlasting love. Give us the grace to look forward to your coming again with power and glory.

We remember those who have died, especially those whom we still love but no longer see. Give us, with all the faithful departed, a share in your victory over evil and death.

O come, O come, Emmanuel:

People  Come and break upon us, O Dayspring from on high.

Celebrant  Come to us as the Key of David. You open, and none can shut: hear our confession and lead us out of the prison of our sins into the light of your forgiving love.

All  Amen.

Confession and Absolution  composed by Bruce Jenneker

Celebrant  You call us to repent and live in the nearness of your coming kingdom, but we have not opened our hearts to the glory of your coming.

People  We have sinned: forgive us and heal us.

Celebrant  Your servants prepare the way of the Lord, but we have turned away from the path you set before us.

People  We have sinned: forgive us and heal us.

Celebrant  You invite us to share with you the work of saving the world and making all things new, but we have rejected your vision for us.

People  We have sinned: forgive us and heal us.

Celebrant  May almighty God, who sent Jesus Christ, the Onlybegotten and Anointed One, into the world to save sinners, bring you pardon and peace, now and for ever.

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

The ushers collect the offering.
The organist plays an improvisation.

At the Presentation

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

The Great Thanksgiving

SL p. 21, adapted

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
Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker. Out of nothing, you called all worlds to be, and still you draw the universe to its fulfillment. Dawn and evening celebrate your glory till time shall be no more.

In Christ your Onlybegotten and Beloved One, the life of heaven and earth were joined, sealing the promise of a new creation, given, yet still to come. Taught by your Spirit, we who bear your threefold likeness yearn for the City of Peace, in whose light we are transfigured and the earth is transformed.

As children of your redeeming purpose who await the coming of your Christ, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus

Hymnal S 129, adapted

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)
Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving God. In Jesus you showed us yourself. Our hope is built on him, the first, the last, the living one. Obedient, even to accepting death, he opened the gates of glory and calls us now to share the life of heaven.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, filled with the vision of a feast that heralded a kingdom yet to come, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: “Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you. Do this to remember me.”

After supper, he took the cup, offered you thanks, and gave it to them, saying: “Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this to remember me.”

We now obey the command of your Christ. We recall Christ’s blessed passion and death, Christ’s glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of Christ’s Kingdom.

Made one with him,
we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most loving and gracious God, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom. Help us who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ’s Body to live and work to your praise and glory.

May we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage, with Blessed Mary, the mother of our Lord, with the apostles and prophets, and with all our brothers and sisters, living and departed.

Through Christ, and with Christ and in Christ, who was and is and is to come, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory to God, Ruler of time and eternity.

AMEN.

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.
Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

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

Please be seated.

The sacristans will bring you forward when it is time for you to receive. We receive communion at the front of the center aisle in a single line. If you need to receive communion at your seat, please notify a sacristan.

All are welcome to receive communion. Hold your hands in front of you to receive the bread, and help guide the chalice to your lips. If you wish only to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available.

The organist plays an improvisation while communion is received.

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

Celebrant May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of the One Holy and Undivided Trinity, Loving Creator, Living Word, and Life-giving Spirit, 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.
Postlude
If you would like to pray with someone confidentially, for yourself or others, please come forward to the altar area.

Flowers
Christmas poinsettias for St. Paul’s Chapel and the Chapel of All Saints may be dedicated for a suggested donation of $25 each. E-mail flowers@trinitywallstreet.org by Friday, December 14 to submit your name. After the conclusion of the service on Thursday, parishioners are invited to take home flowers from the chancel arrangement.
Thursday, December 6
5–7pm
St. Paul’s Chapel

Enjoy festive food, beverages, and live music while wrapping presents and making holiday cards for the recipients of The Giving Tree.

Participants are also invited to bring warm hats, scarves, and gloves for Brown Bag Lunch clients. All ages are welcome.

INFORMATION: MELISSA HAYES AT MHAYES@TRINITYWALLSTREET.ORG

Spa for the Soul:
ENGAGE HEART, IMAGINATION, AND BODY IN RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 8
10am-3pm | Parish Center

Join us as we explore how the social categories of race, ethnicity, gender, class, ability and other forms of differences inform your own faith walk and life in church. This contemplative retreat day will offer you support to create a sacred space in your life and provide prayer, journaling, creative exercises, periods of silence and reflection, and interactive sharing. Come away renewed, revitalized, and reaffirmed. Led by Westina Matthews, Ph.D.

$25 includes lunch
To RSVP or for more information, email christianformation@trinitywallstreet.org

The Intersectionality of All God’s Children: Who Do You Say I Am?
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.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3
Brown Bag Lunch
12:45pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

The Broad Way Bible Study
1pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Bring your lunch and join Bob Scott for lively discussion and fellowship. Information: bscott@trinitywallstreet.org.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
Brown Bag Lunch
12:45pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

Scripture, Reflection, & Compline
6pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Gather for spiritual nourishment and fellowship. Information: Ellen Andrews at eandrews@trinitywallstreet.org or 212.602.0753.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
Brown Bag Lunch
12:45pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

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

Achieving Racial Equity
6:30pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Join this discussion exploring the impact of race and racism, how it functions in our world and ways to work towards racial equity, guided by social worker, community organizer, and facilitator, David Peters. All are welcome. Co-sponsored by Trinity’s Task Force Against Racism. Information: Ruth Frey at rfrey@trinitywallstreet.org.

Five Reasons to Meditate
6:30-8pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Discover for yourself, through weekly community practice, the benefits of contemplation and sacred reading for mind, body, and spirit. Find your quiet center; prepare for the work of social justice. Please RSVP: Dr. Kathy Bozzuti-Jones at kbozzuti-jones@trinitywallstreet.org.

Environmental Justice Group
6:30pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
The mission of the Environmental Justice Group is to educate ourselves, our congregation and community about the realities and significance of man’s impact on the environment, and about ways in which we can become good stewards of the earth. Our work is to inspire cultural change so that sustainable practice will become an accepted and valued norm. We believe that Christianity teaches us that we have a moral and spiritual responsibility for our environment, and to use the resources of nature that no one may suffer from our abuse of them. Information: David Ward at djward71@yahoo.com.
Core Values

In December we focus on the Core Value of Stewardship

2019 Living the Values Quiet 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 11-13: FAITH, with Bob Scott and Toni Foy
March 22-24: INTEGRITY, with Kathy Bozzuti-Jones and John Deuel
May 3-5: COMPASSION, with Kristin Miles and Donna Riley
July 19-21: INCLUSIVENESS, with Daniel Simons, Keith Klein, and Felicia Eve
September 13-15: SOCIAL JUSTICE, with Joel Gibson and Roz Hall
November 15-17: STEWARDSHIP, with Joseph and Heidi Rose

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.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

Brown Bag Lunch
12:45pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

Holiday Warm-Up
5-7pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Enjoy festive food, beverages, and live music, while wrapping presents and making holiday cards for the recipients of The Giving Tree. Participants are also invited to bring warm hats, scarves, and gloves for Brown Bag Lunch guests. All ages are welcome.
Information: Melissa Hayes at mhayes@trinitywallstreet.org.

Writing God: Spiritual Journaling
6pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Journal writing is a healing process and a journey of discovery along one’s spiritual path. This group is a gathering of those willing, through writing, to dive deep into the “true self.” Information: spiritualjournaling@gmail.com or 646.556.5344.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

Brown Bag Lunch Ministry: Packing
10am-Noon, St. Paul’s Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

Brown Bag Lunch
12:45pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
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Pipes at One
1pm, St. Paul’s Chapel
Trinity offers Pipes at One concerts year-round in St. Paul’s Chapel, featuring the celebrated three-manual Noack organ that was inaugurated in the spring of 2018. These innovative programs showcase leading organists and rising stars from around the country. At this concert: David Enlow performs.
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/pipes.

The Art of Advent
6-8pm, December 7–January 4, Chapel of All Saints
Experience the holidays in a deeper way through the sharing of meals, scripture study, observing the Advent calendar, and exploring how art intersects with faith. Information: Yunjeong at yseol@trinitywallstreet.org.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

Spa for the Soul
10am-3pm, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place
Join Westina Matthews in a contemplative day
to explore The Intersectionality of all God's
Children—how the social categories of race,
etnicity, gender, class, ability, and other forms
doference inform your own faith walk and
life in church. $25 includes lunch. To register:
christianformation@trinitywallstreet.org.

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12:45pm, St. Paul's Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

NEXT SUNDAY

Whole Community Learning
10am, 14 Vesey St.
Children, youth, and adults will meet in peer
groups. Youth will continue work on creative
Advent projects and ponder what's holy and
"rebellious" about their families. Join the Adult Peer
Group for Rebel Jesus' tips for a peaceful Christmas
and conversation about Christian "hacks" for
thriving—not just surviving—this Christmas season.
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/JesusRebel.

Young Adults Sunday Brunch
12:45pm, Offsite
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.
Please RSVP to Alan Yu or Marie Heimann at
young_adults@trinitywallstreet.org.

Gifts of Light: An Advent Collaboration
3-5pm, St. Paul's Chapel
Gifts of Light is an interactive intergenerational
Advent event incorporating performances by the
Movement Choir and members of The Choir
of Trinity Wall Street, with opportunities for
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Chee-a-tow at karla@akashacompany.com or
Pamela Mosley at pmosley1@verizon.net.

COMING SOON

Handel's Messiah
7:30pm, December 13, 14, and 17, St. Paul's Chapel
3pm, December 16, St. Paul's Chapel
The Choir of Trinity Wall Street and Trinity
Baroque Orchestra present their acclaimed
performance of Handel's Messiah conducted
by Julian Wachner. Messiah and Trinity have a
long history—Trinity presented one of the first
performances of the work in North America
in 1770, and Trinity's ensembles are still widely
regarded as some of the greatest interpreters of
the work. Purchase tickets at trinitywallstreet.org/messiah.

Whole Community Sharing
10am, Dec. 16, 14 Vesey Street, Discovery Center
Whole Community Sharing in an intergenerational
wrap-up. Peer groups will present to one another
their group experiences of Stories of Jesus, the
Rebel, Unit I. Come for multi-media, multi-age
storytelling around the breakfast table. If you
haven't attended but are curious, come and see!
All are welcome.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas: A Reading
3pm, Sunday, Dec. 16, Church of the Intercession
A holiday reading of the beloved Clement
Clarke Moore poem A Visit from Saint Nicholas
with Assembly member Al Taylor of the 71st
Assembly District of Upper Manhattan. After the
reading, join St. Nicholas in a lantern procession
and wreath-laying at Moore's tomb at Trinity
Church Cemetery & Mausoleum, followed by a
festive reception. Free and open to the public.
Information: 212.283.6200 or intercessionnyc.org.

Comfort at Christmas
5pm, Sunday, December 16, Chapel of All Saints
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. Refreshments
will be served. Information: Amiriz at asanchez@
trinitywallstreet.org.

Introduction to Brown Bag Volunteering
4-5pm, Wednesday, December 19, Parish Center
Brown Bag Lunch is offering training sessions for
current active volunteers. Topics include strategies
for conflict resolution; best practices for site conduct; and information about other volunteer opportunities at Trinity. Information or to RSVP: Rassey at rdelossantos@trinitywallstreet.org.

Community Carol Sing
7:30pm, Saturday, December 22, St. Paul's Chapel
3pm, Sunday, December 23, St. Paul's Chapel
Don't miss this extravaganza of Christmas favorites. The concert features opportunities to sing along to carols arranged by Julian Wachner, from his album *The Snow Lay on the Ground*. Downtown Voices; NOVUS NY; Trinity Youth Chorus; Stephen Sands and Julian Wachner, conductors. Purchase tickets at trinitywallstreet.org/downtownvoices.

Mindful Therapy for Anxious Times
10am-4pm, Saturday, January 12, 2019, Offsite
Join psychiatrist Mark Epstein, MD, and staff from the Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute for a day-long conference that will explore how mindful psychotherapy techniques can help manage and decrease anxiety. This conference is designed for mental health professionals and the general public who are interested in exploring the ways mindfulness can help us cope with precarious political and societal circumstances and events. Location: Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, 7 West 55th St. Information and to register: trinitywallstreet.org/psiconference.

Scene & Unseen: Facing Race Through Film
February 8-9, 2019, St. Paul's Chapel
Participants will explore how cinema can reveal structural racism, foster dialogue, and ignite transformation towards healing and reconciliation. These conversations in our faith communities aren't optional; they are the gospel.

EVERY SUNDAY
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.

The Gospel, Times, Journal, and You
10am, Parish Center, 56 Trinity Place

Brown Bag Lunch Ministry: Packing
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Brown Bag Lunch
2pm, St. Paul's Chapel
Information: trinitywallstreet.org/brownbag.

Compline by Candlelight
8pm, St. Paul's Chapel
The final service of the traditional monastic Ritual of the Hours, Compline—from the Latin verb *complere*, meaning to complete—is one of the oldest services of the Christian Church. Darkened and candlelit, St. Paul's Chapel is the ideal environment for this weekly chant-based service featuring The Choir of Trinity Wall Street in intimate offerings of chant, improvisation, psalmody, and newly composed sacred works.

BULLETIN BOARD
Trinity Church Rejuvenation Update
Trinity Church has embarked on a rejuvenation project to enhance the overall worship experience, make spaces accessible and welcoming, upgrade technology and infrastructure, and address deferred maintenance. To allow the work to proceed as efficiently as possible, the nave, or main body, of Trinity Church is closed until the work is substantially complete, in the spring of 2020 or possibly sooner. Update: Workers have completed
the construction of the scaffolding. Want to see the rejuvenation up close? You can follow the work at trinitywallstreet.org/rejuvenation.

**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 Friday, December 14, to submit your name.

**Christmas Pageant**
Calling all angels, shepherds, magi and assorted barnyard animals! This year's Christmas Pageant will be held during the 9:15am service on Sunday, December 23. There is one mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, December 22, at St. Paul's Chapel from 10am to 12pm. To sign up, please email Wendy Barrie at wbarrie@trinitywallstreet.org with your child's name, age, preferred role and whether they are interested in a speaking part.

**St. Paul's Chapel Choir Auditions**
Through December 20, Chapel of All Saints
The St. Paul's Chapel Choir welcomes volunteer singers to audition for this new ensemble launching in January 2019. The Chapel Choir will sing for morning services on the first Sunday of each month at St. Paul's Chapel and lead a congregational hymn-sing each season. All voice parts are welcome, but tenors and basses are especially encouraged to audition. Learn more and schedule an audition through December 20 at trinitywallstreet.org/chapelchoir.

**The Sisters are In**
10:30-11:45am, weekdays, Chapel of All Saints
A Sister of St. Margaret is available for anyone who needs to talk, pray, or just sit with someone.

**Ministry Night**
Ministry Night will meet in St. Paul's Chapel at 6pm on the fourth Tuesdays in September and January. At these meetings, chairpersons of the Congregational Council Standing Committees (arts, education, witness & outreach, community & hospitality, and membership), parishioners, and staff plan upcoming events and programs and share updates. All are welcome. For information or to RSVP, contact Summerlee Staten at sstaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

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**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 Friday, December 21, 2018. Please send submissions to Summerlee Staten, Executive Assistant to the Vicar at sstaten@trinitywallstreet.org.

Congregational Council Nominating and Development Committee: The Rev. Dr. William Lupfer, The Rev. Phillip Jackson, Mr. Scott Evenbeck, Dr. Joyce Coppin Mondesire, Ms. Wendy Boyce, Dr. Beverly Ffolkes-Bryant, Ms. Sian Wetherill, Mr. Adam Zotovich.

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**Greeter Ministry**
Parishioners are invited to greet regular worshippers and guests to the 9am, 9:15am, and 11:15am Sunday services. Volunteer commitment is once or twice a month, for 45 minutes (volunteers are asked to arrive 45 minutes before the service). Volunteers are required to undergo a background check. Information: Dane Miller at dmiller@trinitywallstreet.org.

**Lenten Meditations**
Every spring, Trinity parishioners and staff write reflections or contribute art or a photo for each day in the season of Lent. These are gathered in a small booklet that is mailed to parishioners and made available to friends. If you’d like to contribute a meditation for 2019, please contact Emory Edwards at eedwards2@gmail.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; Roy Watson; Maria George; Roy Burrowes; Pearl Grady; Drew Pardus; Evadné Hodge; Adrian Prisecaru (husband of Donna Prisecaru); Michael Cheesesman (friend of Keith and Beckie Klein); David Henry; Susie Edwards; Jeff LaHuta; William Jayne; Susan, Amy and Kenzie Cohen (friends of Ellen and Henry Andrews); Robert Goodman (father of Melissa Goodman); Robert Staas (nephew-in-law of Ruth Lovelock); Marcia Talcott (relative of MacKerrow Talcott); Blaine and Jeff Davis (friends of Mark Alvino); Tamara Howes (friend of Ellen Andrews); Darlene Colon (cousin of Lenore Rivera); Yaffe family (friends of Mollie Myers); Kimberly Lafuente; Dru Finkelstein (friend of Kathy Bozzuti-Jones); Arjun Weehuizen; Lisanna McIntyre; Douglas Milburry (brother of parishioner Lee Englund); Nitz Valerio and family–Journaled and Marlon Valuena, Donna Cabuena, Nerve Valerio, and Virginia Valerio; Rosa Fortiz; Elizabeth Melillo; Allen Mazalewski; Jorgelina Solari; Joan Duncan; Antoinette Emers and family–Ayinde S. Emers, Norma Diaz, and Claudia Booker; Trevisan and Pivetta families; Henry Loua and Alice Guillou (family of Alfred Loua); Ruby and Dan Woolley (aunt and uncle of Valerie Thurab); Gloria Stanke and Donna Stanke (family of Catherine Stanke).

DEPARTED
The Rev. Elizabeth Simmons Masquelette (grandmother of Grace Ramsdelle).

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).

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**Congregational Voice**

“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth” (Psalm 46:10). Leave to the Lord things that you cannot control and do not allow negative/toxic energy in your space. —Joycelyn Nedd
This is a service of Holy Eucharist according to Rite II, which begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Daily scripture readings come from the Revised Common Lectionary and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. On certain days, we remember a saint or feast of the church in the course of the service, and may use proper collects, readings, and prefaces appointed by Lesser Feasts and Fasts, A Great Cloud of Witnesses, or Holy Women, Holy Men. The Canticle is excerpted from An Inclusive Version of the Daily Office by Frank Huber and Louie Crew. Hymns come from The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS II). Other service elements may also come from additional sources as noted, including Common Worship (CW), the Scottish Liturgy 1982 (SL), and the Book of Occasional Services (BOS).

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Assistive Listening devices are available for this service and are located at the welcome table.