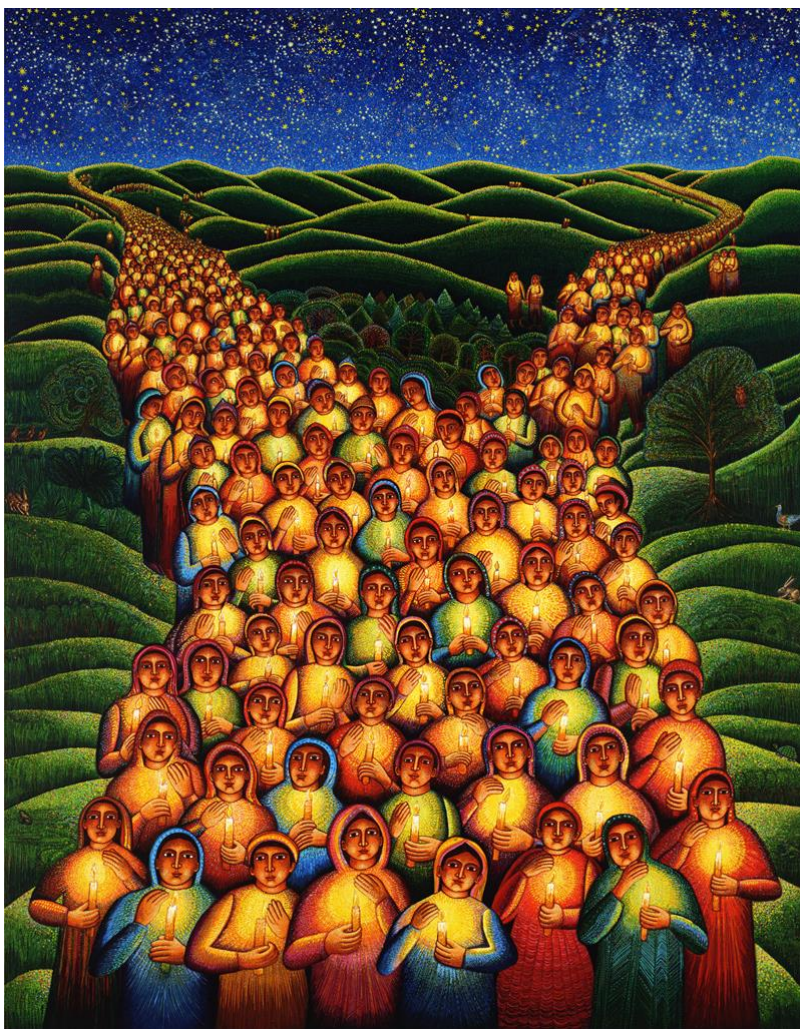




TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FIRST Sunday OF ADVENT THE HOLY EUCHARIST



December 1, 2024

10:00am

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

PRELUDE

Awake, Awake!
(Ken Stoops, organ)

J. S. Bach

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Applegate

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Pasek and Paul from Dear Evan Hansen

*Even when the dark comes crashing through / When you need a friend to carry you
When you're broken on the ground / You will be found
So let the sun come streaming in / You'll reach up and rise again
Lift your head and look around / You will be found*

Celebrant:

We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

People:

**In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the
desert a highway for our God.**

OPENING HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

The Hymnal 1982 #56

All rise.

Verses



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And
2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who
6. O come, Thou Day-spring from on high And
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In

1. ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in
2. or - d'rest all things might - i - ly; To us the
6. cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the
7. one the hearts of all hu - man - kind; Bid thou our

1. lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of
2. path of knowl - edge show, And teach us in her
6. gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow
7. sad di - vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our

Refrain

1. God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u -
2. ways to go.
6. put to flight.
7. Prince of Peace.

el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: LM with refrain; Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3-6, para. in *Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum*, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John Mason Neale, 1818-1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. *The Hymnal* 1940, alt.
Music: *Processionale*, 15th cent. French; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890; Chant, Mode I.

Trinity Kids are now invited to join their teachers in the rear of the church for Sunday School in the Clubhouse!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People: You come to your people and set them free.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Reader: A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 25: 1-9

"Psalms for Praying" by Nan Merrill

All join in to sing the refrain. The choir will offer the verses.

REFRAIN



REFRAIN

To You, O Love, I lift up my soul; O Heart within my heart, in You I place my trust.

Let me not feel unworthy; let not fear rule over me.

Yes! let all who open their hearts
savor You and bless the earth!

*Compel me to know your ways, O Love; instruct me upon your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for through You will I know wholeness;
I shall reflect your light both day and night.*

REFRAIN

*I know of your mercy, Compassionate One, and of your steadfast love.
You have been with me from the beginning.
Forgive the many times I have walked away from You choosing to walk alone.
With your steadfast love once again, Companion me along your way.*

*You are gracious and just, O Spirit of Truth, happy to guide those who miss their way;
You enjoy teaching all who are open, all who choose to live in truth.
Your paths are loving and sure, O Holy One,
for those who give witness to You through their lives.*

REFRAIN

THE SECOND READING

1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

Reader: A reading from First Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence

Thy Word is a Lamp

Augsburg Hymns for Worship

All are invited to join.

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're right there beside me,
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near, please be with me 'til the end
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.*

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 21:25-36

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

sermon

Bryce Roberts, Toledo Streets Newspaper

THE NICENE CREED

**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 of 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 worshipped 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

Emily Williams Guffey

- Leader* Creator of the stars of night, which keep watch when our own faith is dim: Awaken hope and kindle our longing for your return. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set your people free: Release us from our sins and fears, that we may live in your light and truth. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* O come, Desire of nations: bind in one the hearts of humankind. Dissolve our sad divisions, and strengthen us to work for peace. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Comfort all who sit in the darkness of illness, grief, or distress, especially those we now name: *(all are invited to offer, aloud or silently, names of those in need.)* Speak to them your peace, which passes all understanding. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Welcome into your glory those we love but see no longer, especially those we now name: *(all are invited to offer, aloud or silently, names of those who have died.)* May light perpetual shine upon them, bright as sun and moon together. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Leader* With the angels who announce your coming with shouts of joy, let us name the blessings of our lives: *(all are invited to offer, aloud or silently, prayers of thanksgiving.)* You have lifted up our lowliness in many marvelous ways. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**

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

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

People: **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERTORY INVITATION

Loose offerings (cash or checks) can be placed in the Offertory Plate when it is passed.

To give online, use the attached QR code or visit www.trinitytoledo.org/online-giving/, choose GIVE NOW and today's date. You can also **text** the word "Give" to 419-OMG-LOVE (419-664-5683) to make your weekly offering.



OFFERTORY

Winter Song Sara Bareilles and Ingrid Michaelson
(Trinity Section Leaders)

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE ✠

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Prayer B (Expansive Language Version)

Celebrant: God 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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 with 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

The Sound of My People by Roger Holland III

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san -

na in the high - est. Ho-san - na, ho-san -

na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Ho-san -

na, ho-san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your people; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**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: BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the people of God; holy food for holy people.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please be seated until you are invited to come forward to receive communion. We offer both bread and **non-alcoholic wine** at the time of communion. **BREAD**- please extend your hands to receive a piece of bread (or ask for a gluten-free cracker) **WINE**- we ask that you drink from the chalice as it is offered to you. Please let an usher know if you would like the bread/wine brought to you and if you would like a gluten free option.

COMMUNION SONG

Maybe

composed by Charles Strouse
From *Annie the Musical*

COMMUNION SONG

Tomorrow

composed by Charles Strouse
From *Annie the Musical*

*The sun will come out
Tomorrow
Bet your bottom dollar
That tomorrow
There'll be sun!*

*Tomorrow!
Tomorrow!
I love ya
Tomorrow!*

*Just thinking about
Tomorrow
Clears away the cobwebs,
And the sorrow
'Til there's none!*

You're always a day away

*When I'm stuck in a day
That's gray,
And lonely,
I just stick out my chin
And Grin,
And Say,
Oh*

*When I'm stuck in a day
That's gray,
And lonely,
I just stick out my chin
And Grin,
And Say,
Oh*

*Tomorrow!
Tomorrow!
I love ya
Tomorrow!*

*The sun will come out
Tomorrow
So ya gotta hang on
'Til tomorrow
Come what may*

*You're always
A day
A way!*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please rise.)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Prayer for Transition

Jolene Miller

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Loving God, you traveled with your people out of Egypt and to the Promised Land. We thank you for your presence as we've traveled through our transition. Grant us patience as the Search Committee continues to discern with priests and is guided by the Holy Spirit to identify our next rector. We hold the Search Committee, our Vestry, and our community before you in prayer, and we pray with thanksgiving for all the priests who have offered their gifts in the process. May we live into the hope and promise of the search, as you lead our new rector to us, and us to them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Crowded Table

The Highwomen

*I want a house with a crowded table
And a place by the fire for everyone
Let us take on the world while we're young and able
And bring us back together when the day is done
And bring us back together when the day is done*

Blessing

Sending Hymn

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

The Hymnal 1982 #66

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to and serve our Loving, Liberating, Life-Giving God!

People: **Thanks be to God.**



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