



O give thanks

UNTO THE LORD
FOR HE IS GOOD

PSALM 136:1

9:30 am

November 26, 2023

AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

WITH HOPE, WE ADORE THE LORD OUR GOD

Call To Worship

Sarah Lausi

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

For the Lord is a great God;
a great ruler over heaven and earth!

Prayer of Adoration

Sarah Lausi

Loving God,
You not only welcome us, you receive us into yourself.
Give us courage to be so open to others,
to let them become so dear to us,
that we might share not only your gospel,
but also our lives,
through Christ,
who makes room for us all. Amen.

***Opening Hymn 551**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Call to Confession

Nitan Charles

Prayer of Confession

Nitan Charles

God,
You have called to us, but we have not answered.
You have sought us out, but we have continued to wander.
You have tenderly gathered us together and cared for us,
but we have not extended that same care and mercy to others.
Forgive us. Remind us. Teach us.
Set us free from sin that we might turn toward your love and justice for the
whole world.
Guide us so that, tentative step after tentative step, we may walk your way.
Amen.

**Assurance of God's Mercy
Thanks be to God!**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

***Gloria Patri**

No. 579

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

HEARING GOD'S HOLY WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Dr. Mouris Yousef

First Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 1:1-3

The Rev. Dr. Mouris Yousef

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God

Second Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 12:1-7

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This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God

Sermon

A Vision of God!

The Rev. Dr. Mouris Yousef

The Sacrament of Baptism

Presentation

Elder Walt Steinle

Questions to the Parents

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Question for the Congregation

Elder Walt Steinle

Baptismal Questions

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

***Profession of Faith**

The Apostle's Creed

Elder Walt Steinle

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Baptism

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Blessing and Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL

*Hymn of Response 559	<i>We Gather Together</i>	
Call to Present Our Offering	Marissa McGrath	
Prayer of Dedication	Marissa McGrath	
Offertory Anthem	<i>I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing</i> Gen Z Bells	arr. Krug
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer	The Rev. Ms. Craven	

GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER

*Sending Hymn 555	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>
*Charge and Pastoral Benediction	The Rev. Dr. Mouris Yousef
	<i>(The congregation will please be seated.)</i>
Silent Prayer	
Postlude	 *Those who are able may stand.

Thank You to our guest preacher, The Rev. Dr. Mouris Yousef, for participating in the service today. Rev. Yousef is the preacher at La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, in La Crescenta-Montrose, California.

TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP

An Inviting Community Serving Christ For Life

Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor

The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus

Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session

Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music

Brian Kain, Music Associate

Baptism

*We Rejoice with **Walter Steinle III and Felicia Cintron** on the baptism of their children, **Aiden Cintron, Miles Cintron, and Walter Steinle IV.***

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Nancy Parks, Pat Turner, Carol Plimpton, Gail Van Dyke, Camrynn Curl, Elaine Lippincott, Carol Murray, Beverly Whipple, Nancy Morton, Doris Crozier, Liz Gyswyt, Nancy Applegate, Marguerite Houck, Marty Flynn, Roberta Ritchie, Melinda Hall, Dorothy Rathje, Phyllis Johnson, Bill & Susan Greenwood, Betty Young, Erica Heyer, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Gloria Wolbach, Nancy Hickman.

Friends and Family: Frank Appello (Connie Groves's son-in-law), Jesse Benedict (friend of Pam Dougherty's daughter), Shirley Muni (Susan Bryfogle's Mother), Kristina Heck (Alison's Schwarz's niece), Loretta Johnson (former long-term member), Martha Delaney (Debby and Steve Talbott's niece), Nancy McIlvain (Kathy Eddleman's sister), Larry Carter (Emily Carter's uncle), Tristan Kabai-Tokes, Matt Ruggles, Myrna Roberts (Nancy Roberts' sister-in-law), Joan Malloy (Nancy Roberts' friend), Chuck Inman (Mary Jane Inman's son), Charles Porcaro (Ben Rieth's brother in law), Eileen McSparran (Kathy Eddleman's sister-in-law), Linda and Brian Kent (Gail Van Dyke's sister-in-law), Laurie Duffin (Gail and Bruce Van Dyke's friend), Elaine Good (Opal Stockwell's sister), Susan F. Heilshorn (Janet Cohen's sister-in-law), Kathy Kellmer and Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friends), Michael Fisher (Carol Parsons' nephew), David Behrens & Kelly Behrens (Ed Behrens' son & daughter), Ilene Kreadle (Wilson family friend), Jan (George Sanders' friend), Terri Skill (Steve Skill's wife), Richard D'Eustachio (Carol D'Eustachio's husband).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, Aaron Bill, Tyler Parsons and Connor Strobel. We thank them all for their service to our country.

Pastoral Care – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Dr. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.

Please silence all electronic equipment during the worship service.

Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register. Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

Signing in online using the QR code? Remember, if you're a **Trinity member**, you don't need to fill out the entire form—just type in your first and last name.

The Flower Chart will be available in Fellowship Hall the first Sunday of every month. Since the cost has increased, we are asking for payment of \$55 at the time of sign-up. Hopefully this will once again become a special part of our worship and giving for our shut-ins. Please text or email Bonnie Jones for further information: bjones34@verizon.net or 856-986-2012.

Visit our website at www.trinpres.org for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes. You can email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

***EasyTithe*, our online giving option,
allows you to make your offering electronically.**

This option makes giving more convenient for you and can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.

An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444.

You can now go right to the EasyTithe giving portal by using the QR code. Simply turn your camera on your phone and direct it to the code and the link to the website will come right up!



Church School Schedule

All Church School rooms located in main building.
Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

Nursery care - Infants through 2 years
Preschool (ages 2 1/2—Kindergarten) - Room #6

It's the 4th Sunday: Worship Together
Grades 1-5 remain in worship

Monthly Rotation of Worship, Learning, and Service For Grade School-Age Children

1st Sunday of Every Month: Mission Sunday

2nd Sunday of Every Month: Family Church

3rd Sunday of Every Month: Church School

4th Sunday: Let's Worship Together



Preschoolers & Kindergartners: Church School for pre-K through Kindergarten takes place in a classroom under the sanctuary. On the second Sunday of each month, these children participate with their families in Family Church.

Nursery (Birth - Age 2): The nursery is supervised by adult volunteers. It is equipped with its own restroom and changing table as well as age-appropriate toys.

*Find Your Place at
Our Place!*



CELEBRATE THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH

Trinity Church

Friday, December 1 - 7:30 pm

Trinity Community Concert Series featuring the
Atlantic Brass Band

Sunday, December 3 - 9:30am

Advent Service with Children's & Youth Christmas Music
followed by Advent Festival and PW Cookie Sale

Tuesday, December 5 - 6:30pm

Trinity Women's Christmas Dinner & Communion Service

Sunday, December 10 - 9:30am

Advent Service with Adult Choir

Sunday, December 17 - 9:30am

Christmas Worship with Handbell Music, Trinity Band, & Ukeleles
10:30am - Nativity Walk
11:00am - *Blue Christmas*, Adult Ed

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Worship & Christmas Eve

9:30am - Christmas Worship

4:00pm - Family Worship Service & Pageant

7:00 pm - Candlelight Communion Service with
Pre-service music, choir, and brass

Sunday, December 31 - 9:30am

Sunday Worship Service

Sunday, January 7 - 9:30am

Epiphany Sunday with
Communion, Choir & Handbells



HELP NEEDED!

Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 26 following worship.

Deck the halls, hang the greens, and help us prepare the way,
as we usher in Christmas Season at Trinity.

Stay after worship and lend a hand. Any amount of time you can give would
be helpful! Tasks range from fluffing out wreaths to hanging the beautiful
paper white banners that mark the change of the season at Trinity.

Lunch will be provided!

Let's make our church a beautiful place to celebrate Christmas together.

Trinity Community Concert Series

Friday, December 1st, 7:30 pm

Atlantic Brass Band

Get into the holiday spirit with the three-time national
champion Atlantic Brass Band, one of the premier volunteer
performing ensembles in the greater Philadelphia and
Southern New Jersey area.



**Our concerts are open to all!
Admission is a free-will offering.**



FREECYCLE EVENT

Do you need preschool toys, educational materials, bins and baskets, and similar items?
Visit the Community Room on **Saturday, December 2nd, from 10 am - 1 pm**
to “shop” for FREE items that were left behind following the closing of Trinity Nursery School.
BRING YOUR OWN BOXES OR BAGS!

Care & Share will be open that day, too, with lots of great clothing, shoes, accessories, and home decor items, all available at thrift store prices!

Make progress on that Christmas list and shop till you drop - or till 1:00 pm, whichever comes first!



ADVENT FESTIVAL & PW COOKIE SALE! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 AFTER WORSHIP

Join us in the anteroom for bagels, cookies, and Christmas crafts following the Advent Service with Children’s and Youth Christmas music. Children & adults are welcome!

Then, stop by the PW Cookie Sale during Coffee Hour.
Cookies will be packed six to a bag and sold for a free-will donation.
Cookie donations can be dropped off that morning.

You’ll also enjoy festive holiday music from the Trinity Band in the Atrium.



SAVE THE DATE

PW
Advent Dinner

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 2023

6:30 DINNER

8:00 CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

CATERING BY CATHEDRAL KITCHEN

TICKETS: \$25 (STARTING 11/12)

***DIETARY QUESTIONS?: CONTACT JENNY FOLEY AT
JERSEYJENNY13@GMAIL.COM***

MISSION: MOTHER CHILD RESIDENCE

Deacons' Christmas



TOY DRIVE

for Urban Promise

November 12 - December 3

Gifts should be UNWRAPPED and placed in bins in Fellowship Hall

(Please place gift cards in envelopes to avoid misplacement.)

WISHLIST

Special Gifts

Bikes
Scooters

Gift Cards:

Walmart, Target, Amazon,
Gamestop, Sephora, Footlocker

Ages: 5-10

Most Popular: Legos, Squishmallows, Slime, Science Kits, Play-Doh

Figurines: Disney, Marvel, Pokemon, & Dolls Of Color

Sports: Balls, Gloves, Equipment

Arts & Crafts: Art & Science Sets

Other: Nerf Toys, RC Cars

Clothing: Pajamas, Hats & Gloves

Ages: 11-16

Most Popular: Headphones, Wireless Speakers, LED Light Strip

Personal Care: Lotions & Scrubs

Accessories: Jewelry, Wallets, Bags

Arts & Crafts: Sketch Book & Art Set

Other: Workout Equipment, Portable Chargers, Ring Light

Clothing: Hoodies, Jackets & Sport's Apparel

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TO: YOU!
FROM: TRINITY'S
CHILDREN'S
CHOIRS



Get your daily dose of Christmas!

Beginning on Friday, December 1st, check out our *Countdown to Christmas* videoclips, prepared for you by members of our Children's Choir. Look for them on our social media feeds and on our website (trinpres.org)!

These short clips (most less than 30 seconds) will brighten your day during the hectic holiday season.

THE MITTEN TREE HAS RETURNED!

Our Mitten Tree is back again this year!
Please look for it in Fellowship Hall.

New hats and mittens for any age group are welcome and will be sent to those who are in need. Let's help give the gift of warmth this winter.





Trinity Nativity Walk

Sunday, December 17
after worship

Bring your favorite creche to the social hall before the service to add to the display! You'll take it home with you that day.

Christmas carols and cake will add to the festivities ... Join us!
(To help us plan for enough display space, please sign up during coffee hour if you're planning to bring a creche or email sbastnagel@gmail.com)



Blue Christmas Program

Sunday, December 17, 11 am

Community Room

A time to acknowledge that we often come to this season
with sadness and regrets, as well as joy and peace.

Bring a photo (or photos) of loved ones you are missing or an object that
represents for you something that makes you blue at this time of the year.



Trinity News and Notes

MISSION THURSDAY CONTINUES: The Mission & Outreach Committee has decided to continue Mission Thursday through the fall Cathedral Kitchen has expressed their gratitude many times for our congregation's tremendous support. **Next Mission Thursday: November 30th**

It's Time for a Change...with Tidings!

Tidings will be moving to a seasonal publication, the first issue is out now! As we increase our efforts to meet all the communication avenues with the varied needs of our members, we will be scaling back the production of Tidings from every other month, to seasonal. It will continue to be a place for updates and highlights but if you are looking for the most current information. Look here!

Have you noticed the new Work & Worship? You will find much of the information you can find in Tidings here on a weekly basis. We also share information through email, on our website, in our live-stream, on Facebook and Instagram, on flyers in coffee hour, at the pulpit, through phone and text messages, on our time-honored route 70 sign, and through the old fashion way, of calling the church office! Hope you are connecting with us in one, or in all, those ways!

This or That TRINITY CHRISTMAS EDITION



Hot Cocoa

Candy Canes

Fake Tree

Colored Lights

Elf

4PM Family Fun Service

Egg Nog

Christmas Cookies

Real Tree

White Lights

White Christmas

7PM Candlelight Service



Livestream Service in your PJs ?

Trinity Presbyterian Church Vision and Values
An Inviting Community Serving Christ for Life
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

At Trinity we:

- believe the Holy Spirit empowers us to reach out to others in order to serve God by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. It is this truth that governs all that we do and all that we are.
- worship as a community of faith gathering in the Triune God's presence to further our knowledge of Scripture, participate in the Sacraments and gain inspiration for our lives. Music is part of our worship in that it enhances the spoken words of worship in an uplifting multigenerational manner. We offer our musical gifts to the Lord.
- affirm that members of all ages contribute to the rich tapestry of our witness, interests and talents. We aspire to be a diverse community of faithful Christians that welcomes people of all ages, races, and gender affirmations. We encourage others to join us. Through fellowship all members are supported on a communal and personal level as our church family gathers for many purposes.
- acknowledge the blessings the Triune God has bestowed upon us and we respond by offering our time, talents and treasure as a dynamic sacrifice in gratitude to the loving and caring God.
- recognize the importance of life long learning to further our knowledge of God and better grow in our relationship with God, our families and our Community.
- experience the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ and go from our worshipping fellowship into the world to serve others.

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