

# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 1, 2024  
First Sunday of Advent

*Proclaiming Jesus as the way, the truth, and the life*

# W O R S H I P   S E R V I C E

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SUNDAY 9:00 & 10:30AM

DECEMBER 1, 2024

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ADVENT READING

Micah 5:2-5a, Micah 7:7

First Purple Candle, Prophet's Candle, Represents Hope

## PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

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## REFLECTING ON GOD'S GLORY

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Allen Taha

Psalm 29:1-4

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

**All: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

*Joy to the World!*

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her  
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -  
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the  
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,  
 play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow  
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture  
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his  
 and heav'n and na - ture sing,

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,

*Words by Isaac Watts; Music by George Handel*

# PRAYER OF PRAISE

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## REPENTING OF OUR SIN

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### **GOD'S WORD EXAMINES OUR HEARTS**

Hebrews 12:1-4

### **CONFESSING OUR SINS**

Faithful God, we thank you for your steadfast love and generous provision in our lives. Forgive us for entertaining thoughts and desires that are not glorifying to you, your will, and your way. Lead us to resist temptation and to fight against the wiles of the devil. Enable us through your empowering grace to be more thankful for your mercies, more zealous for your service, and more contented in our circumstances. Amen.

*Parts of this prayer have been adapted from the Valley of Vision.*

### **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

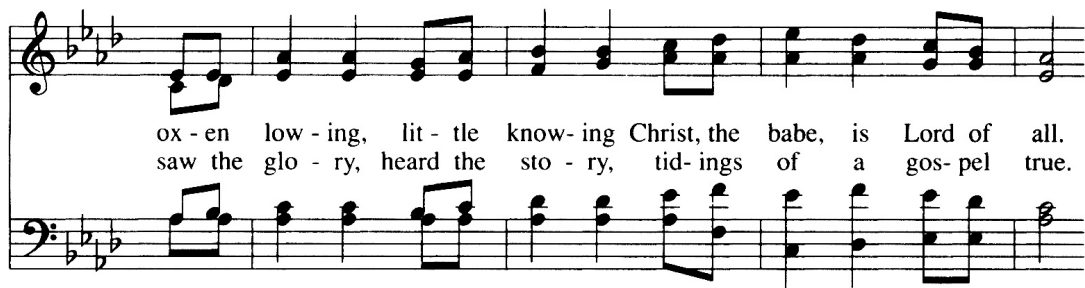
James 4:7-10

# HYMN OF GRACE

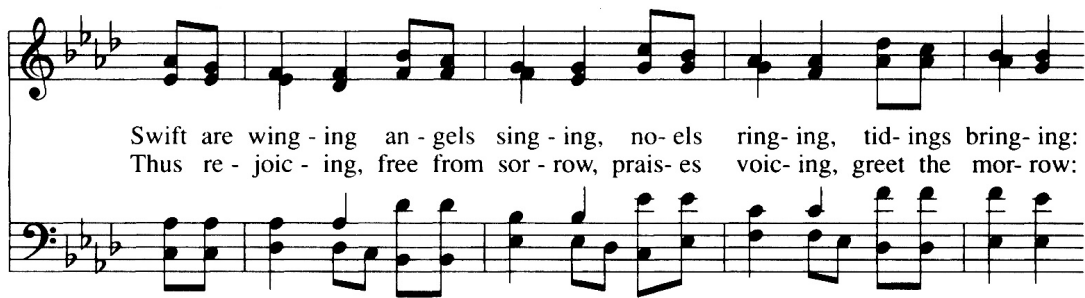
*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*



1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;  
 2. Flocks were sleep - ing: shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new



ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ, the babe, is Lord of all.  
 saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.



Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:  
 Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the babe is Lord of all. Christ the babe is Lord of all.  
 Christ the babe was born for you. Christ the babe was born for you.

*Traditional Polish Carol*

**PRAYERS FOR TRINITY, BOERNE, AND THE WORLD**

**SERMON**

Pastor Allen Taha

*Hold Fast*

1 Peter 5:8-14

1. Resisting the devil (vs. 8-9)

2. Standing firm in Christ (vs. 10-14)

## **ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER AT TRINITY**

*The Lord's Supper, also called Communion, is a time for Christians to meet with the Savior to be strengthened in our faith. We invite those who are baptized members of an evangelical church to participate.*

*As part of our worship service, we come forward to the table by using the center aisles. Take one of the double stacked cups that contain bread on the bottom and grape juice on the top. Gluten free communion bread is labeled and located in the center tray on the table. Return to your seat using the outside aisles and join in singing.*

*Children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ should refrain from participating in communion. Trinity has resources to help assist you in the process of your child becoming a communing member and participating in communion.*

*This also serves as our offering time. Offering plates are located up front. We ask that you give as the Lord leads you to help support Trinity's mission locally and globally. Our giving comes from an understanding that God has blessed us generously in Christ.*

# THE LORD'S SUPPER & OFFERINGS

*He Will Hold Me Fast*



1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
 2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;  
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.  
 Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.  
 Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could nev - er keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;  
 He'll not let my soul be lost; His Prom - is - es shall last;  
 Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast



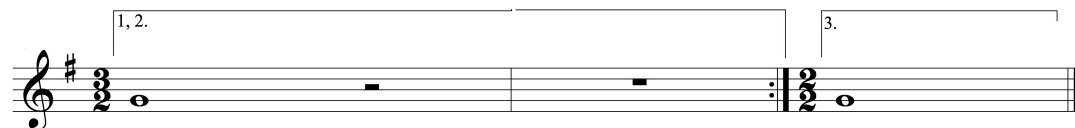
For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.  
 Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.  
 'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!



He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



For my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me



fast.

fast.

*Words by Ada Habershon; Alt. Words and Music by Matt Merker*



# BENEDICTION

## HYMN OF BLESSING

### *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

*Unison*

(Ref.) Go, tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and ev - ery - where;

go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.

*Fine*

1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -  
2. The shep - herds feared and trem - bled when, lo! a - bove the earth rang  
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger our hum - ble Christ was born, and

hold, through - out the heav - ens there shone a ho - ly light.  
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

*D.C.*

*Anonymous spiritual*



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