

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025
 FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS



TRINITY
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Preparation for Worship

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
 to all who mourn and long for comfort;
 to all who struggle and desire victory;
 to all who sin and need a Savior;
 to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
 to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come,
 this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the
 Lord Jesus Christ.

God Calls Us to Worship | Luke 2:10-14

And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!"

Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
earth and heav'n before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!

Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened heaven's door,
and man is blessed evermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

We Listen to God's Word | Romans 12:3-8

[3] For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. [4] For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, [5] so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. [6] Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; [7] if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; [8] the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. (ESV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

We Confess Our Faith | John 1:1-5, 9, 14

***In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.***

He was in the beginning with God.

***All things were made through Him,
and without Him was not any thing made that was made.***

***In Him was life,
and the life was the light of men.***

***The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.***

***The true light,
which gives light to everyone,
was coming into the world.***

***And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen His glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.***

We Confess Our Sins

*O God, in the beginning You spoke,
and creation was born, the object of Your loving care.
In the fullness of time You spoke,
and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of Your love.
We wonder at the miracle of creation;
we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation.
Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith,
empty of hope, lacking in love.
We wait upon You with ready hearts, O God,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

SILENT CONFESSION *Please pause for a moment of silent confession.*

Wonderful Merciful Savior

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Wonderful, merciful Savior,
Precious, Redeemer and Friend,
Who would have thought that a Lamb, could
Rescue the souls of men?
Oh You rescue the souls of men

**You are the One that we praise.
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace,
Our hearts always hunger for;
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.**

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace,
You offer hope when our hearts,
Have hopelessly lost the way;
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

Almighty, infinite Father,
Faithfully loving Your own;
Here in our weakness You find us,
Falling before Your throne;
Oh we're falling before Your throne.

We Hear Words of Assurance and Pardon | Ephesians 2:4-5

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved!

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ know that you're forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

We Ask for God's Help

Let's close praying the prayer our Lord taught us, saying:

**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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever.**

Amen.

We Greet Others with Peace | Colossians 1:19-20

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you!

TrinityKids: During the Greeting of Peace, children 5 & under may be dismissed to walk to TrinityKids. Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Nursing Mothers' room at the back of Trinity Hall, where the service can be viewed on the monitor.

We Are Changed By God's Word | I Kings 19:9-18

[9] There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" [10] He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." [11] And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. [12] And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. [13] And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" [14] He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." [15] And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. [16] And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. [17] And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. [18] Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." (ESV)

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Thanks be to God!

Sermon in a sentence: God reveals Himself to us as He truly is, and not how we design Him to be.

I. Elijah's _____

II. God's _____

III. Our _____

We Give Regularly, Joyfully, and Sacrificially

There are six ways to give at Trinity:

1. Online: **give.trinityowasso.com**
2. Church Center app
3. Text “trinityowasso” to 77977
4. Offering basket during worship

5. Mail your gift to the church office
6. Stock and cash gifts through a foundation like the PCA Foundation, **pcafoundation.com**

Please take a moment to fill out the Trinity Connect Card & place it in the offering basket when it is passed down the aisle. If you miss the offering basket, please leave your Connect Card in the basket at the Connect Center in the lobby.

If you have children in TrinityKids, please go pick them up at this time.

We Celebrate Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is right and good and a joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks
unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and
archangels, and with all the company of
heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious
name; evermore praising You, and singing:

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

Away in a Manger

Words: Anon. and John Thomas McFarland, 1882 | Music: James Ramsey Murray, 1887

Away in a manger no crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head
The stars in the sky look down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing the baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes
I love you Lord Jesus look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask thee to stay
Close by me forever and love me I pray
Bless all The dear children in thy tender care
And fit us for Heaven to live with thee there

What child is this who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate,
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christians, fear; for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through;
the cross be borne for me, for you:
hail, hail the Word made flesh,
the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
come, peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings,
let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
the virgin sings her lullaby:
joy, joy for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary.

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God Sends Us Out With His Good Word | Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

We Go Into The World For His Glory

Let us go forth in joyful service to the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we love our neighbors, our city, and the world.

Thanks be to God!

Community Group and Family Questions:

The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Remember, these questions are just a starting point. Feel free to adapt them to the specific needs and interests of your family worship times and/or community group.

1. Why do you believe we love to celebrate the idea of "peace" during the Christmas season? What does this kind of peace mean to you?
2. The angels told the shepherds that Jesus would bring peace between God and man. How exactly did Jesus do this?
3. Do you believe there is peace between you and God? If not, what causes you to not believe it?
4. The shepherds went and saw Jesus with their own eyes. How do we as Christians see Jesus today and how do we show Jesus to others?



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WE ARE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We want you to be a part of us. We communicate all of our midweek activities through Church Center, and that's where you can join Bible studies, community groups, find out about events, and participate in group chats and prayer.



There's a lot going on at Trinity-
Download the Church Center App today so you can join in!



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Let us know how to pray for you and get you the information you seek.

TRINITY KIDS | Babies - 5th Grade
Sundays 10:30AM & Special Events
tpcok.cc/kidsandworship

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Sundays | 10:30AM
Wed | 6-8PM Youth Group @The Grove

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TRINITY MEN | Bible Studies, Small Groups, & Events.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Sundays 10:30AM: Exodus, From Bondage to Worship: God Redeems and Dwells with His People with Rev. Mark Kuiper

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

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Assistive Listening Systems available at the sound booth

Grow in Community:

Trinity Women:

January 26: Coffee & Conversations: Stump the Pastor Edition at the Grove

Trinity Men:

DATE CHANGE: January 31:
Men's Breakfast at The Grove

Guest Preacher:

February 1: Dr. Tom Gibbs,
President of Covenant Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri

ROOTED New Members' Class:

February 15th, 12:00PM-4:00PM
Signups available in Church Center

Trinity Youth:

February 15-16: High School Rest Retreat

Deacon on Duty this Sunday: Ron Braswell



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