

THE TRINITARIAN

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

DECEMBER 2024



From the Rector

We've reached the season of Advent. A season of well. . . expectant waiting, preparation, repentance... or is it hope, joy, peace, love? A season in which we light candles as we count down to Christmas, the birth of Jesus Christ into the world. But wait, why does our scriptures and prayers in this season speak about the second coming? Which is it? And why are some parishes using the color blue, while others, including Holy Trinity, use purple? What is this season really all about?

The season of Advent is one of the oldest seasons of the Church. Its origins date back to the fourth century and its original purpose was a time of preparation for those seeking baptism on the Feast of Epiphany. By the sixth century, however, the season switched its focus to preparation for the coming of Christ, in both his first coming, as commemorated on Christmas day, and his second coming as he ushers in the Kingdom of God. The weeks were spent in prayer, penitence and fasting as room was made in our hearts and souls to receive Christ's coming. Since its beginning, Advent has always had a focus on repentance, preparation and expectant waiting. The second Vatican Council held in the 1960s introduced minor changes to the season in an attempt to differentiate it from the season of Lent. The reforms focused on the idea of hope in the darkness for the second coming of Christ. This is why some parishes use the color blue to symbolizing the hope of this season rather than purple, which represents repentance.

Though the purpose and focus of Advent has evolved over time, one factor remains the same. It is a time for us to draw closer to God. To reflect, discern and prepare ourselves to be fully present in our relationship with God and to receive Christ. Perhaps this takes on new meaning for us today as we wait patiently for God to do something new for us and with us.

May you keep this Advent holy and open yourself to God's hope, joy, peace and love as we await the coming of Christ.

Fr. Joe+

Save the Date

Sunday Worship

8:00-10:00 am

Live Stream on YouTube

Wednesday

Brown Bag Bible Study

11:30 am

December 8

Vestry Meeting

7:00 pm

December 7

Breakfast with Santa

8:30-11:00 am

December 16

WHT Meeting

7:00 pm

December 24

Christmas Eve Service

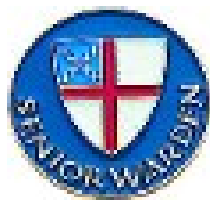
12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

December 25

Christmas Day

Office Closed

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Senior Warden's Report

The season of ADVENT. . . .

Waiting, anticipating. How do you wait for something? Do you pace, fidget, just worry? . . Little people are excited, waiting the arrival of the jolly elf. Some are anxious about a dr. report. Some, eager for family to visit.

This season we have the guidance of the Advent Candle. Each light should help with the anxiety. HOPE..... there is always hope. PEACE....peace in the world, peace in our hearts. JOY... always look for the joy. And LOVE Really, that's what it's all about.. Love.. the first three are easy if we just try love.

I am anticipating the transition of my husband, Joe, to leave this earthly life for something wonderful and pain free. As you know he has been suffering with a form of dementia. Now the battle will soon be over. The victory won. I am grateful for all the love and support you have given me. I am thankful for every prayer and healing thought.

As a friend once said to me Don't cry because it's over. SMILE because it happened. Joe and I shared 50 interesting years together.

Blessing to you .

Love and hugs,
penny



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF MARYLAND

Ordination of Deacons December 14 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

The Right Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent, bishop of Maryland, will ordain Jennifer Mariano, Kiorna Rhee Lookingbill, Nathan Harpine, Anne Howard Fitchett Stick, and Amelia Estela Bello Santana to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

Cathedral of the Incarnation, Baltimore
4 East University Parkway
Baltimore, MD 21218

The service will be streamed live beginning at 11:00 AM (EST)
Clergy are invited to vest and process, the festal color is red

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Women of Holy Trinity

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Santa is planning to arrive at Holy Trinity on Saturday, December 7, 2022, at 8:30am. We will have baked items, craft items, and swags available for purchase. Children can get a picture with Santa and make a craft (4-H will be doing the crafts), so please plan on stopping by for breakfast or do some shopping.

Baked Goods: All baked goods should be dropped off by Friday, December 6 at 10:00am.

Setup: Friday, December 6 at 9:30am

Making Swags: Thursday, December 5 at 5:30pm

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 20th at 7pm via Zoom.

The Outreach Report

*Happy are they who consider the poor and needy!**
The Lord will deliver them in the time of trouble. (Psalm 41, v1)

Over the last weekend of November volunteers were able to deliver Thanksgiving groceries for ten families who have children in our local elementary schools which include Bakerfield, Churchville, Hall's Crossroads, Lisby, and Prospect Mill. Thank you to everyone who donated the groceries including turkeys and thanks to those who delivered those groceries to individual families or to the schools, Bill deRosset, Liz Pratt, Nancy Ann Sayre, Sharon Stone,

Now we are preparing both Christmas gifts and groceries for these ten families plus gifts for two families at Havre de Grace Elementary. Diane has sent out a Sign-up Genius listing the gift wishes of the children. There are a total of thirty-eight children we are assisting from the six schools we serve. We attempt to provide three toys and three items of clothing per child. That is a total of 228 gifts. As of this writing there are still about 38 items unassigned. Please check the Sign-up Genius list if you have not already done so. If you have been unable to access this list, please let Diane Quarles or me know so we can help you with the list. We ask that all gifts be brought into the Parish House by December 13. The Harlan Room will have separate, labeled boxes for each family. All gifts should have an easily removable tag firmly attached to identify the child's id. number, age, and gift. For example: "121, boy 5, action figures". All gifts for children with id. code HdG 421-424 and HdG 431- 432 should not be wrapped. All others wrapped if you are able, but we can help with the wrapping. We will gather on Saturday, the 14th of December, to put the children's name tags on every gift and complete the sorting of the gifts. Outreach funds will be used to purchase the Christmas groceries.

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Thanks.

Jane Scocca

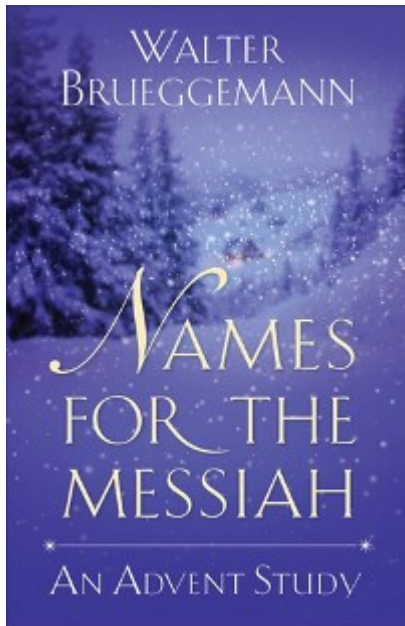
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ADVENT SOUP & STUDY BEGINS DECEMBER 3RD



Join us Tuesday evenings at 6 pm during the Season of Advent for our soup and study program. This year, we will explore the book: *Names for the Messiah* by Walter Brueggemann.

In Isaiah 9:6, a divine utterance is given to us using four royal titles--**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.** *Names for the Messiah* ponders each title and how the people understood it then, how Jesus did or did not fulfill the title, and how Christians interpret Jesus as representative of that title. Christians have claimed from the beginning that Jesus was the Messiah foretold in the Old Testament. In this study, best-selling author Walter Brueggemann tackles the questions: "What were these expectations?" and "Did Jesus fulfill them?"

Session One (12/3): Wonderful Counselor

Session Two (12/10): Mighty God

Session Three (12/17): Everlasting Father & Prince of Peace

The parish office has a limited number of copies that can be purchased for \$9. The book is also available through many retailers including Amazon which has both print and kindle versions. The QR code will take you to Amazon's page for the book:

Please join us!
Fr. Joe+



Please remember as you go grocery shopping that our pantry can always use hearty soups, spaghetti sauce, cereal, peanut butter, jelly/jam, canned meat dishes such as beef stew and chili, canned pasta, rice (in 1 or 2 lb. bags), kidney beans, baked beans, fruit juice, canned fruit, brownie mix, muffin mix. Recently we have also been trying to include items that cannot be purchased with food stamps such as toilet paper and bath/dish/laundry soaps.



Food Pantry

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Join Us for
Holy Trinity's
Annual



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Bring family & friends

Saturday

December 7th

8:30-11:00 AM

Bake Sale

Handmade Swags

Crafts

\$6 per person

\$30 maximum per family

Cost includes
breakfast of pancakes,
sausage and beverages...
and a photo with Santa!

Crafts and activities
for kids, too!

Reservations Preferred

- 2 Betsy Wasson*
- 3 Carol Gilmartin*
- 4 Nancy Kittle*
- 8 Barbara Kreamer*
- 17 Virginia Brice*
- 19 Elizabeth Pratt*
- 20 Janet Dettwiler*
- 24 Sharon Scott*
- 29 Dave Warder*



**Happy
Birthday
December
Born**

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ROTA Schedule

Altar Guild: Barbara Webster, Penny Schmidt

Please note: If you are unable to serve on the assigned Sunday, please arrange for a substitute and call the office as soon as possible so that the worship bulletin can be updated accordingly.

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	LEM 8 am	LEM 10 am	Acolyte 10 am	Lector 10 am	Usher 8 am	Usher 10 am	Live stream	Coffee Hour
12/1	<i>Serena Thomson</i>	<i>Kieth Quarles</i>	<i>Abigail & Chase</i>	<i>Jane Scocca</i>	<i>Susan Hopkins</i>	<i>Sally Carnohan</i>	<i>Carl Owens</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>
12/8	<i>Lawrie Sayre</i>	<i>Carl Owens</i>	<i>Leah & Madison</i>	<i>Penny Schmidt</i>	<i>Peter Huryk</i>	<i>Sally Carnohan Gerry Wolff</i>	<i>Liz Pratt</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>
12/15	<i>Betsy Sayre</i>	<i>Janet Dettwiler</i>	<i>Chase & Leah</i>	<i>Sally Carnohan</i>	<i>Gerry Hurky</i>	<i>Gerry Wolff Nancy Ann Sayre</i>	<i>Jane Scocca</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>
12/22 10:30 am		<i>Carl Owens</i>	<i>Abigail & Madison</i>	<i>Jane Scocca</i>		<i>Rick & Jean Wilson</i>	<i>Nancy Ann Sayre</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>
12/24 12:00 pm Christmas Eve Service		<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>		<i>Jean Wilson</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	
12/24 7 pm Christmas Eve Service		<i>Lawrie Sayre</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Sally Carnohan</i>		<i>Janet Dettwiler Sally Carnohan</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	
12/29	<i>Lawrie Sayre</i>	<i>Kieth Quarles</i>	<i>Chase & Leah</i>	<i>Penny Schmidt</i>	<i>Peter Huryk</i>	<i>Sally Carnohan Gerry Wolff</i>	<i>Liz Pratt</i>	



New Playground Coming!

THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF SO MANY WE ARE
HAVE RAISED ENOUGH FUNDS TO PURCHASE A NEW
PLAYGROUND FOR THE CHILDREN!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00-10:00 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1:00 pm Beautiful Church	2	3	5	5	6 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 7:00 pm Beautiful Church Prayer Meeting	7 8:30-11:00 am Breakfast with Santa
8 8:00-10:00 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1:00 pm Beautiful Church	9 7:00 pm Vestry meeting	10 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 7:00 pm 4H Club	11 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 11:30 am BBBS	12 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee	13 Do Re Wee 1:00 pm Lower Crossroads Stitches 7:00 pm Beautiful Church Prayer Meeting	14 9:30-11:00am Sort and Pack gifts
15 8:00-10:00 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1:00 pm Beautiful Church	16 7:00 pm WHT meeting	17 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 6:00 pm LOPEOS 7:00 pm 4H Club	18 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 11:30 am BBBS	19 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee	20 9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 4:00 pm Set-up for Scrap-booking 7:00 pm Beautiful Church Prayer Meeting	21 9:00 am Scrapbooking
22 10:30 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1:00 pm Beautiful Church	23	24 12:00 & 7 pm Christmas Eve Service	25	26	27 7:00 pm Beautiful Church Prayer Meeting	28
29 8:00-10:00 am Holy Eucharist (in person & virtual) 1:00 pm Beautiful Church	30	31 9:15 -12:00 pm DoReWee 7:00 pm 4H Club	9:15 -12:00 pm Do Re Wee 11:30 am BBBS			

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