

**Trinity Presbyterian Church**



**The Order of Worship**  
**3rd Sunday of Advent (C)**  
**December 16, 2018**

# Service for the Lord's Day

**10am**

*\*(indicates stand if able)*

*† Items projected on the screen*

**Prelude**

*Intergenerational Band*

**Processional**

"We Are Marching"

**Welcome & Announcements**

**†\*Call to Worship**

**Special Music**

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

*Laura Theiss, Emma Jaros and Tove Griffiths*

**The Lighting of the Advent Candle ~ Joy**

*Samuel & Eyana Mosisa*

**†Unison Prayer**

**†Hymn**

"When God Is a Child" vs. 3

**†Prayer of Confession**, (praying first in silent confession)

**†Words of Assurance**

**†\*Joyful Response** "Good Christian Friends Rejoice"

**GTG #132, vs. 3**

**†\*The Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*You are invited to greet those around you with words and signs  
of God's reconciling peace.*

**Special Music**

"Noel"

*by Tomlin/Cash/Redman*

*Solo, Kelsey Strand; Drums, Neal Strand*

**†Epistle Reading**

Philippians 1.3-11

*Madeline Upson*

**Children's Choir**

*"How Far Is It to Bethlehem"*

## Experiencing the Word through Drama

### Scene 1 Invitations

†Hymn “Away in a Manger” **GTG #114, v. 1**

### Scene 2 Blankets

†Hymn “O Little Town of Bethlehem” **GTG #121, v. 1**

### Scene 3 Homeless bags

†Hymn “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” **GTG #136, v. 1**

### Scene 4 Making cards/Crocheting a prayer shawl

†Hymn “Joy to the World” **GTG #134**  
*Children’s Choir Intro,*  
*then Congregation sing all verses*

### Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

†Invitation to Prayer (Let us sing together) **GTG #466**  
“Come and Fill Our Hearts”

### †The Lord’s Prayer

### Reception of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Intergenerational Band*

†\*Response “In the Bleak Midwinter” **GTG #144, vs. 4**

### †\*Unison Offertory Prayer

†\*Hymn “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” **GTG #119**  
*Children’s Choir Intro,*  
*then Congregation sing all verses*

### \*Response Charge and Blessing

Postlude *Intergenerational Band*

*You are invited to remain seated to enjoy the Postlude*

## Announcements

**ADVENT ADULT EDUCATION** Dec. 23. Advent is about waiting, and waiting is hard for us. We must be tutored in waiting. Wait for the Lord. Let your spirituality feel a bit awkward, for your primary goal for the ramp-up through December need not be to get your shopping done or to have your home ready for guests. Your goal is to grow close to God, to grow into a better person. Your deepest wish, your most fervent desire, even if it's hidden from even yourself, is for the coming of the Lord into your life. These themes are repentance, faith, holiness, and love.

**GIVING CARDS** don't forget to return your Giving 2019 cards to help us budget for 2019.

**A CHRISTMAS CHORAL CELEBRATION**, "How Great Our Joy!", will be shared by our Trinity Choir, December 23, during the 10:00 am worship service. What a wonderful way to prepare for Christ's birth.

**CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING** during this advent season, giving to the Christmas Joy Offering, you provide assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. We will be collecting the special offering on Dec. 23 during worship.

**THERE WILL BE A WASSAIL BOWL** on Christmas Eve served in the narthex just before the service. Come a little early to share wassail and fellowship.

**SCRIP** Don't forget to order your scrip cards, due Jan 6. These make great gifts at any time of the year. Remember, it is a great way to raise funds for the church just by buying cards where you normally would frequent.

**CREATIVE CRAFT TIME** The Second Monday night, from 6 – 8:00 pm. Please join us with any craft project you may be working on. We will not meet Dec. 24.

**TRINITY CHILD CARE** Infants and toddlers are welcome to stay in the childcare room during the service. Parents may stay to help their little ones' transition to a new setting. Worship activity bags containing worship-related activities for children are available inside the sanctuary door.