



PRELUDE

April Spaeth

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN **"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"** vs. 1,2 ELW #257

Song Leader: Brent Gerber

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE ON THE ADVENT WREATH / RESPONSIVE LITANY

L: We wait for the coming of Christ, the light of the world.

A: Come, Lord Jesus.

Singers: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

All sing: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

(The first candle is lit.)

L: The true light, which enlightens everyone is coming into the world.

A: Come, Lord Jesus.

L: The light shines in the darkness and the darkness will not overcome it.

A: Christ, shine in your church today.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray:

A: O Lord, you are our God, holy and mighty. Have you forgotten us? Have you not heard that we have suffered this year from something too small for the human eye to see? This small thing has tipped our world upside down and we long for things to be like they were. Our nation has been torn by conflicting political ideologies, racial tensions and people just wanting to do their own thing with no regard for others. Yet, you are our Father, the potter who formed us from the clay. While we are sinners, still we are your children, and we are asking for you to deliver us by your mighty hand. We ask this in the name of our Deliverer, Jesus Christ, our Savior, your Son. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Reckless Love"

Video - Alexis Limesand

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 126

L: The Word of our Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 16th chapter. **A: Glory to you O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

John

16:16-20

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

A: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

Pastor Jillene Gallatin

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION After each petition: L: God with us, A: **Hear our prayer.**

MEAL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: We come before you God, seeking forgiveness and life.

Please take a moment of silence for prayer.

L: Emmanuel,

A: have mercy on us. We confess all the times we have not shared our sorrows, instead of coming to you with them. We confess all the times we have not trusted your possibilities for our lives, instead of following where you lead. We confess all the times we have continued on our own path, instead of turning to you. Forgive us Lord and renew us with your love.

L: Because God loves us, He came to be with us. It is the power of that love that allows us to live freed and forgiven.

A: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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Share the wafer: This is my body, given for you. Take and eat.

Share the Juice: This is my blood, given for you. Take and drink.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

"Lamb of God"

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

"The King Shall Come"

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DISMISSAL

L: We are disciples of Christ..... **A: Called to grow in faith and action!**

POSTLUDE



Announcements

- ▶ **A Special Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday, December 13, at approx.. 10 am, for the business of calling a part-time Visitation Pastor. We are working out the details on how the meeting will be conducted. Please watch for the details.
- ▶ **In-person Worship** - all in-person Worship Services in the Sanctuary have been cancelled until further notice (this includes Christmas Eve), due to the increase in the spread of CoVid-19. We will continue to Worship together as a Trinity family through pre-recorded services accessible through Trinity's Website, YouTube, and Facebook Premier. Worship will also be available live via Zoom accessed by a link on the Website, or call the office for the link, which can be emailed to you.
- ▶ **GATHERINGS at Trinity** - Until further notice, we are limiting building gatherings.
- ▶ **THANKSGIVING BASKETS** - Thanks to everyone who donated money for the baskets this year. We were able to give out 24 baskets to those in need.
- ▶ **THANK YOU** to everyone who rang the bells for the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign.
- ▶ **THANK YOU** to everyone for the generous monetary and winter gear donations for the Give-a-way this year. We were able to provide winter gear to 95 children through referrals from schools and local agencies. You helped so many children stay warm and well this year! Thank you. Our hearts are full.....from the Outreach Committee
- ▶ **A FEW NAMES ARE STILL AVIALABLE ON THE GIVING TREE.** The 'tree' is conveniently disguised as a bulletin board in the front entry at the Church. Please choose a card and sign your name on the chart. OR, visit Trinity's website and click on the 'Giving Tree' link on the main page to sign up. Please return wrapped gifts to the Narthex by Dec. 9. If you have any questions, please contact Connie Wood at 218-234-5982.
- ▶ **WELCA NEEDS SHOE BOXES** for packing rolled bandages. Drop off boxes in the Narthex.
- ▶ **WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY**, Wednesday's, 9:00 am, on the Bible passages and sermon from the previous Sunday's worship. To join the Bible Study Zoom, go to the Trinity Website & click on the 'Zoom Connections" button, then the Weekly Bible Study Zoom connection or on the Website on the Calendar page, click on the Bible Study and follow the Zoom directions.
- ▶ Want to call or send cards to members of our Trinity family? Become a **CARE CONNECTOR!** Call Teri in the office if you are interested in being a Care Connector.

STAY HEALTHY AND SAFE!