

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

15 November 2026

Trinity Episcopal Church
Wilmington, Delaware
in
The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware

Welcome!!!
We are Glad you are Here

Nursery

For those with small children, we have staff available for the 10.00am and 12.00noon Services in the Nursery Room.

Lectionary Cartoon Inserts for Children

(available on the low table at the rear of the nave)

The Sunday Paper Junior, an 8½ x 14" double-sided sheet, folded into a leaflet form serves as a children's bulletin for preschool through third or fourth grade, features one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) in big, bold artwork, with a simple story line, a note to parents, and an activity page designed to stir children's imagination requiring a pencil or crayon.

The Sunday Paper, a single side, 8½ x 14" sheet that appeals to intermediate through junior high school students, presents one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) as a two-line cartoon. The Old Testament Reading, the Epistle and the Psalm are presented as single vignettes.

"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." *……Mark 9.37*

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INTRODUCTIONS TO TODAY'S LESSONS

Judges 4.1-7

Israel is now under the influence of 12 successive *judges*, charismatic leaders raised up at times of national crisis by the spirit of God, to deliver God's people from pagan oppressors. Ehud was a *judge* and a national hero who put an end to domination by the Moabites.

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

Paul has just told his readers that, when Christ returns, those who have died and those who are still alive will have equal status: they will be with God for ever. Now he encourages them to be prepared.

Matthew 25.14-30

Jesus continues to tell parables about the kingdom of heaven. In the previous parables, he has told us that we need to be prepared for the Second Coming at all times.

OREMUS

Week of Sunday, November 15th to Saturday, November 21st, 2026

This list combines all the prayer and thanksgiving requests we have received for this week, along with "cycles" of prayer for the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Delaware (The Episcopal Church in Delaware). We invite you to have your prayer requests and thanksgivings listed by calling the Parish Office at 302.652.8605 or sending an email to office@TrinityParishDE.org or contacting Fr Kirtley at FrKirtley@TrinityParishDE.org. Names will remain on the list for a period of two weeks. Should you wish for a name to be renewed, please contact the Parish Office with a status update.

In addition to being listed here, those who are sick or have special needs will be mentioned by Christian name in the Prayers of the People at each liturgical service. Anyone who has died this week will be remembered by using their full name.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

For the Church: Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primates of the Anglican Communion and the Anglican Consultative Council.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: 242nd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Delaware.

Rector Search Committee, Trinity Forward: Greg, Rachel, Betsy, Steve, Brian, Doug, Angelica, Toni.

Spiritual Relationship: Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes.

Ministry Partners: Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park, Eastside Thrive.

For Government Leaders: Donald our President; Matt our Governor; John our Mayor.

For Health and Healing: Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Charlie, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi, Paul, Marilyn S.

For Safe and Healthy Pregnancy:

For Anniversary of their Birth: Andrew R., Marisol, Kaylee, Sara, Greg S., Dylan, Catalina, Margot

For those preparing for Marriage: Michael & Victoria

For those celebrating the Anniversary of their Marriage:

For the Repose of the Soul on the Anniversary of their Year's Mind:

For those who have Died:

Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers today are given to the Greater Glory of God by Anise Dubose in thanksgiving for the birthday of Lenise DuBose.

WELCOME TO TRINITY EPISCOPAL PARISH (TRINITY CHURCH AND OLD SWEDES CHURCH). *We are glad you are here! We are a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware. The Episcopal Church welcomes all who worship Jesus Christ, in 106 dioceses and one mission area in 22 nations or territories. The Episcopal Church is one of 42 autonomous Member Churches, also known as Provinces, of the Anglican Communion, a global family of churches serving communities and proclaiming the Good News in more than 165 countries.*

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and contains all the material needed for this service.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL ELECTRONIC PAGING DEVICES AND CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND OBSERVE SILENCE BEFORE THE START OF THE LITURGY. THANK YOU.

Please join in saying together the congregational responses printed in ***bold*** *type.*

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

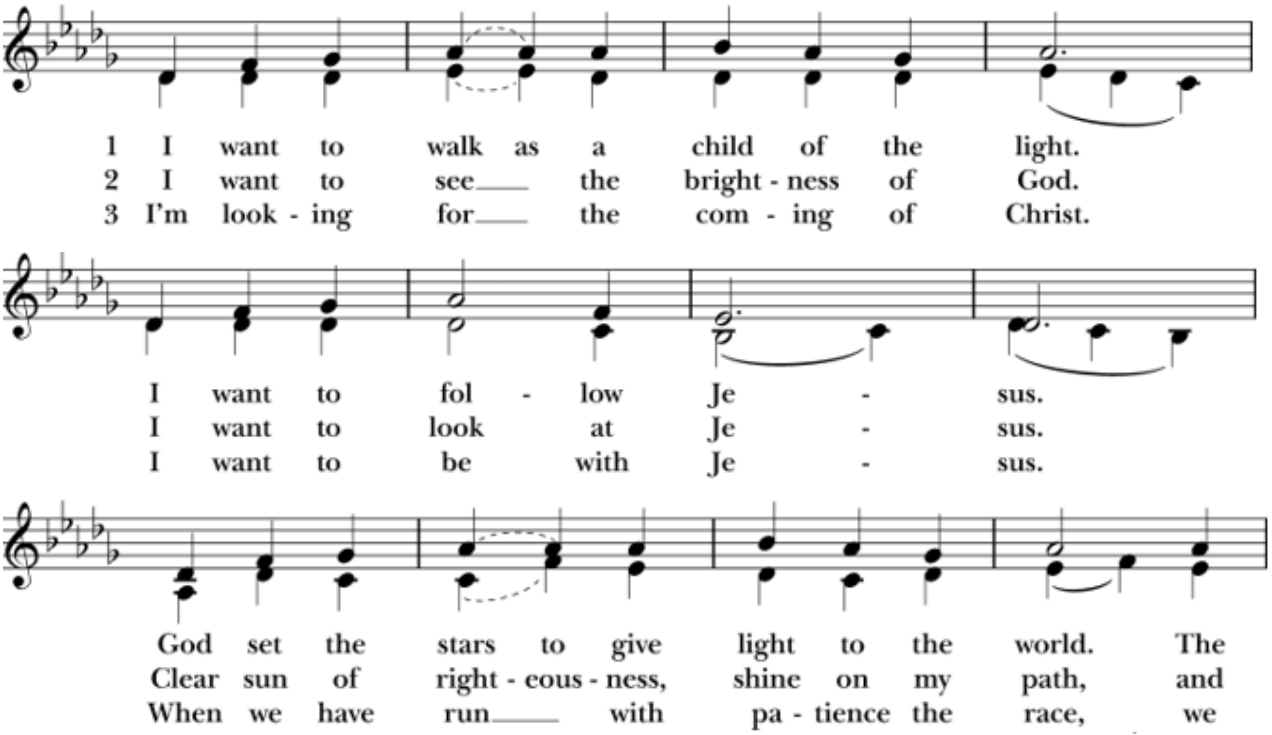
Please observe **silence.**

ORGAN PRELUDE So Fades the Lovely Blooming Flower

Tune: *DISTRESS*, William Walker
Southern Harmony, 1835
Setting: George Shearing

PROCESSIONAL HYMN I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Please stand, as able; sung by all





Words: Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934)
Music: *Houston*, Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934)

GREETING *remain standing, as able.*

The Celebrant greets the people with these words

† BLESSED BE THE ONE, HOLY AND LIVING GOD.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

WELCOME TO TRINITY PARISH *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.

COLLECT FOR PURITY *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant and People then say

ALMIGHTY GOD, **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE Glory To God Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

remain standing, as able; sung by all



COLLECT OF THE DAY *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All pray in silence for a space.

BLESSED LORD, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Judges 4.1-7

The Lector first says

A Reading from the Book of Judges.

THE ISRAELITES AGAIN DID WHAT WAS EVIL in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

After the Lesson, the Lector says

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is kept.

GRADUAL PSALM 123 *Ad te levavi oculos meos*

The Congregation remains seated. The psalm is recited in unison.

1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
2 **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, ***
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
3 **So our eyes look to the LORD our God, ***
until he show us his mercy.
4 **Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, ***
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
5 **Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, ***
and of the derision of the proud.

Please remain seated. A period of silence is kept.

THE EPISTLE 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

The Lector first says

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

NOW CONCERNING THE TIMES AND THE SEASONS, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

After the Lesson, the Lector says

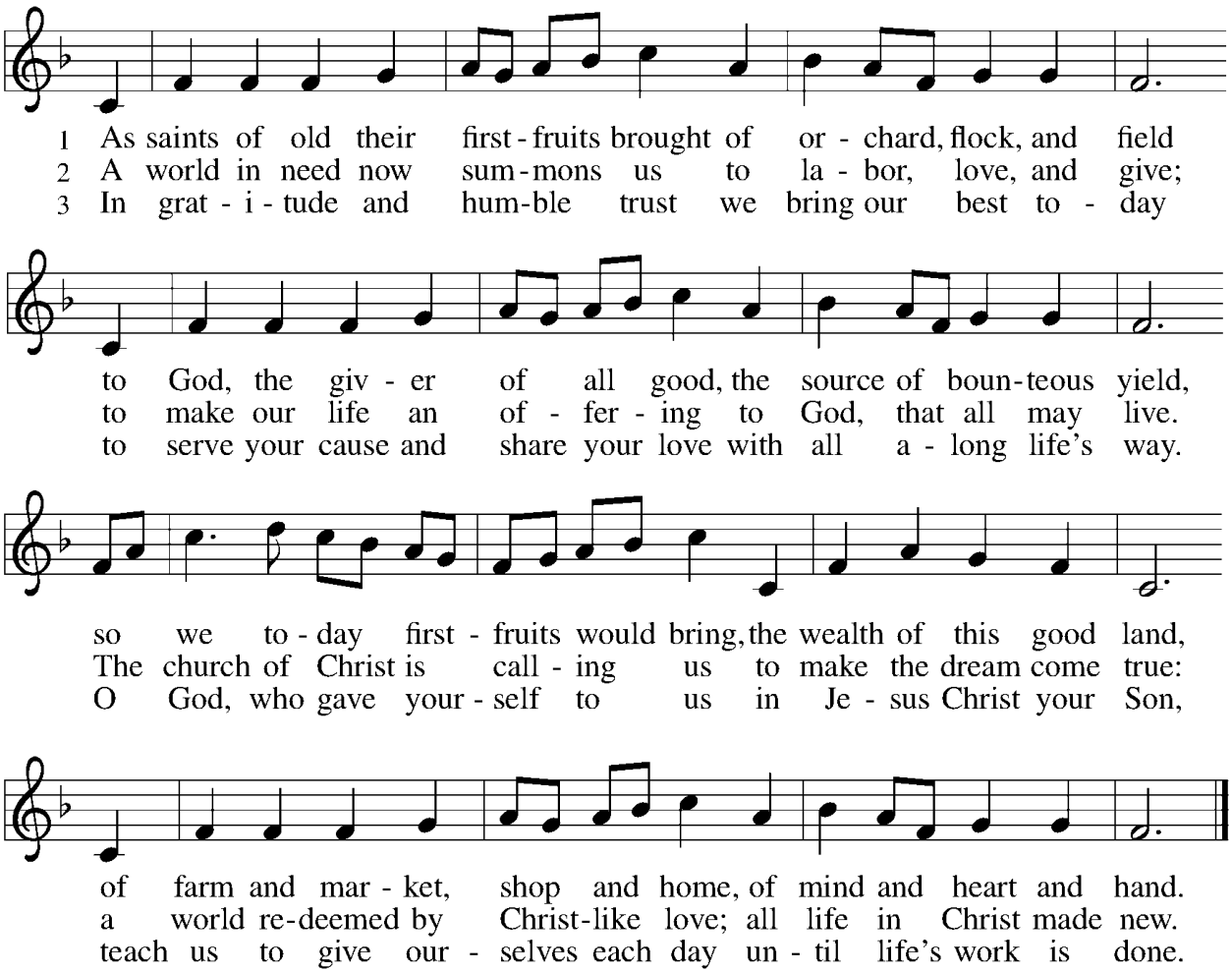
The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is kept.

HYMN AT THE GOSPEL As Saints of Old

Please stand, as able; sung by all



Words: Frank von Christierson (1900-1996), alt.
Music: *Forest Green*, English folk tune

THE HOLY GOSPEL *remain standing, as able* Matthew 25.14-30

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The † Holy Gospel of our † Lord Jesus Christ † according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JESUS SAID, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and

trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON The Very Rev'd Christopher David

A period of silent reflection is kept.

THE NICENE CREED *standing, as able; said by all*

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the † life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant bids the Intercessions with these words

AS WE WALK THE WAY OF LIFE, AND HOPE, let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings for the Church universal, our world, those suffering, and those who have died, asking Jesus to lead us, "as we walk the way."

Silence

The intercessor then leads the Prayers

We pray for the church universal, through which you call us to be stewards of your mission in the world. May it seek to serve your glory, and not its own. May its leaders, ordained and lay, reach out and be Christ's hands and heart in this world. We ask you to guide and direct Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primates of the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Consultative Council and all ministers of your Church, especially in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Anglican Church of Chile, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for the 242nd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Delaware; for Kirtley and Christopher our Priests; our Staff, and Wardens and Vestry of our Parish; the Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes, Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park, and Eastside Thrive.
Jesus lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for the world, which you created and are redeeming. We know you call us to steward our society and your creation. We pray for those in the midst of warfare and strife. We pray for the victims of natural disasters, violence, oppression, and degradation. We pray for a just peace, in which the dignity of every human being is recognized and lifted up.
Jesus lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for our nation, which controls so much of the abundance of this earth. We pray that our leaders may make decisions for the welfare of all. May we as a society be better stewards of all that we have and are.
Jesus lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for our own cities and towns, and our stewardship of them. We pray, that through our lives and resources these communities may be places of hope, love, and justice.
Jesus lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week,
Andrew R., Marisol, Kaylee, Sara, Greg S., Dylan, Catalina, Margot
and we give thanks for the anniversary of Lenise's birth, in whose honor the Altar flowers are given today;
for those preparing for marriage,
Michael & Victoria,
that they may grow in wisdom and grace,
and be strengthened to trust in your goodness.
Jesus lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for all those who are suffering, both whose names we know and those we do not. We know that you call us as your stewards to care for and love those who are ill, in pain, in prison, lonely, or destitute. In our own journeys, may we be faithful companions.
We remember especially Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi, Paul, Marilyn S.
Jesus, lead us:
As we walk the way.

We pray for those who have departed this life to join you in the next.
We pray for those who mourn their loved ones. May we be strong companions in these dark hours of their journeys.
Jesus, lead us:
As we walk the way.

We offer our thanksgivings and gratitude for the abundance you provide for us. We give thanks for the many blessings of our lives. As we journey in the footsteps of Jesus, help us to see your glory all around us.
Jesus, lead us:
As we walk the way.

Silence

At the end of the Intercessions, the Celebrant adds the following concluding Collect.

GOD OF HOPE, JOY AND ABUNDANCE, we offer all of these prayers up to you. We know that our lives are journeys, and that you are beckoning us as we walk along the path. Help us to feel your presence, to know your love, and to be your stewards in this world. We offer all of this up in the name of the Holy Trinity, one God. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

LET US CONFESS our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

MOST MERCIFUL GOD,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION *remain standing, as able*

The Priest says

ALMIGHTY GOD have ✝ mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE PEACE *remain standing, as able*

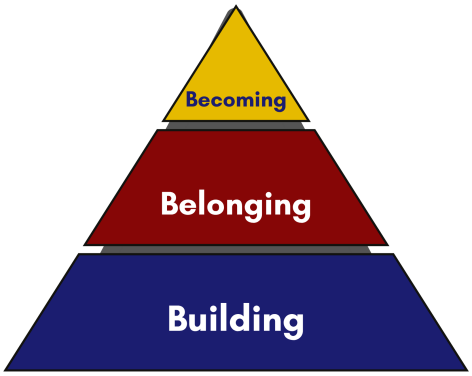
The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

EVERY PERSON COMMITMENT CAMPAIGN 2027



TRINITY IN ACTION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *remain seated*

An Offering of money is collected for the work of mission and ministry OR you may scan the QR Code below:

If you would like to give online to Trinity Parish, please scan the QR code on the right.

The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward as the Choir sings the following:

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Halle, Halle, Halle! Music: Traditional Caribbean tune; original music and setting by Hal H. Hopson
Text: Traditional Caribbean text; additional text based on Psalm 150 by Hal H. Hopson

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Praise God in this holy place, every nation, every race, come make joyful music to the Lord.
Sound the trumpet, sound it clear. Sound it for the world to hear.
Come, make joyful music to the Lord.

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Everything that breathes now praise; sing your songs, let voices raise.
Come make joyful music to the Lord.
Play the cymbals, play the lute; play the timbrel, play the flute.
Come, make joyful music to the Lord.

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Please stand, as able, as the alms are brought forward.

OFFERTORY HYMN Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful

sung by all



Words: John W. Arthur (1922-1980)
Music: Richard W. Hillert (b. 1923)

SURSUM CORDA

The people standing, as able. The Celebrant says,

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE OF THE LORD'S DAY

Then, the Celebrant proceeds

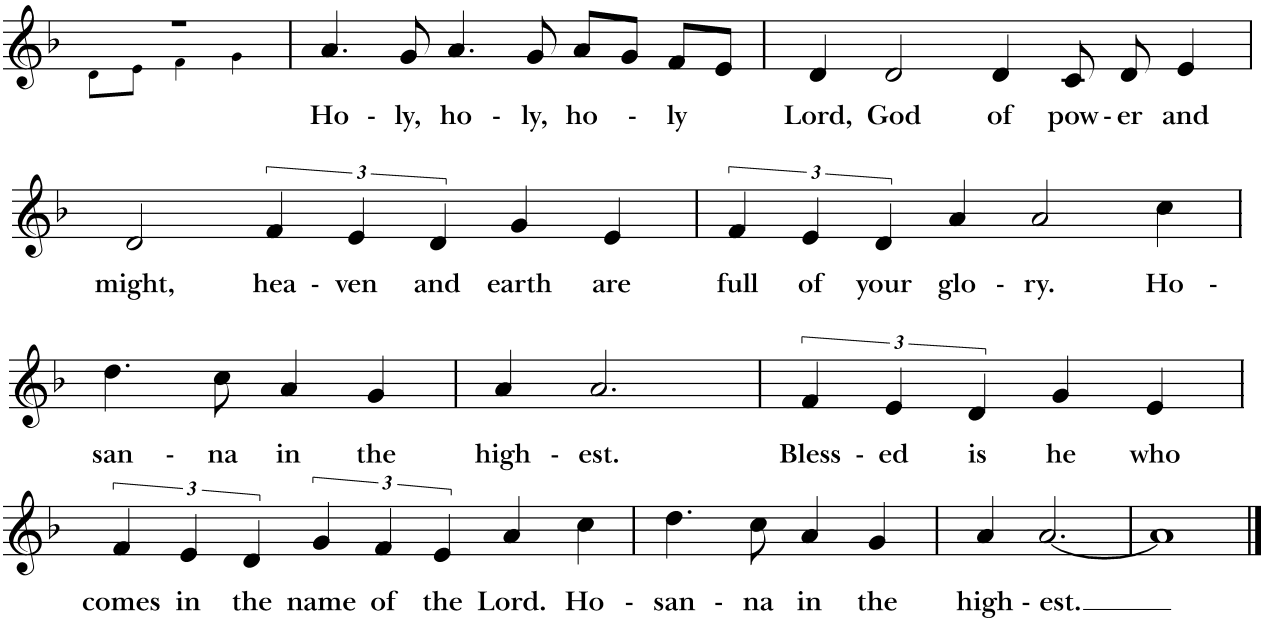
IT IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT *remain standing, as able; sung by all*

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *remain standing, as able*

Then the Celebrant continues

BLESSED ARE YOU, GRACIOUS GOD, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "TAKE, EAT: THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU: THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR ALL FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. WHENEVER YOU DRINK IT, DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

REMEMBERING HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be † filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

A period of silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *remain standing, as able; said by all*

The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *remain standing, as able*

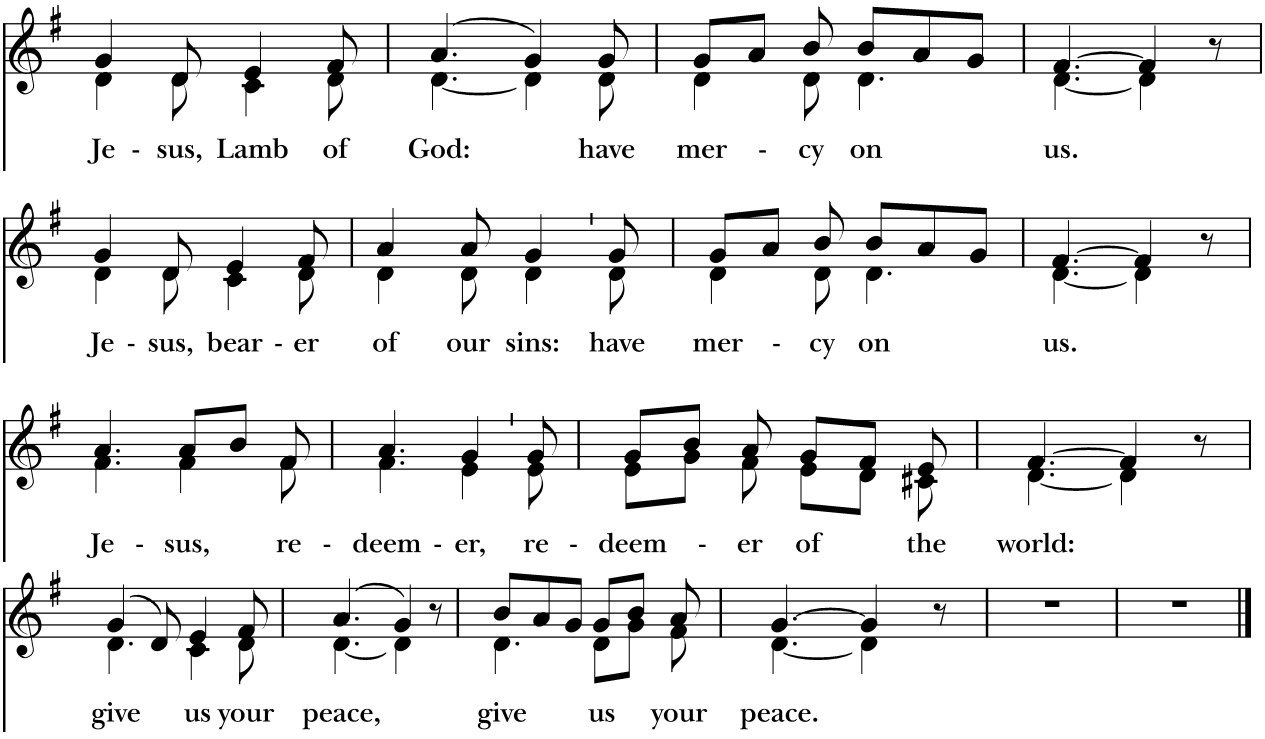
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM Jesus, Lamb Of God

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Sung by all



THE INVITATION *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Things for Holy People.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Episcopal Church invites all Christians of any age to the Lord's Table. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the consecrated Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered, by gently guiding the base with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you are not baptized, or if you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms).

Gluten-free wafers are available at the Altar rail. Please speak to the priest when you come forward for Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN Light Dawns On A Weary World

Sung by all



Words: Mary Louise Bringle (b. 1953)
Music: Temple of Peace, William P. Rowan (b. 1951)

A period of silent prayer is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

GOD OF ABUNDANCE, **you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR *remain standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY GOD, **giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and so guide the mind of the Discernment Team, Trinity Forward, who shall recommend to the Vestry of Trinity Parish, a Rector for this congregation, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING FORTH

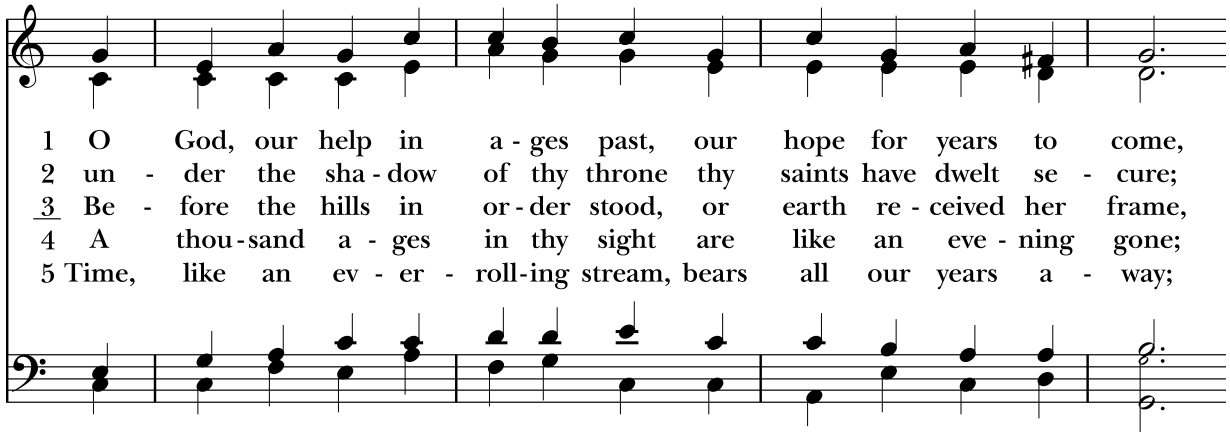
BLESSING *remain standing, as able*

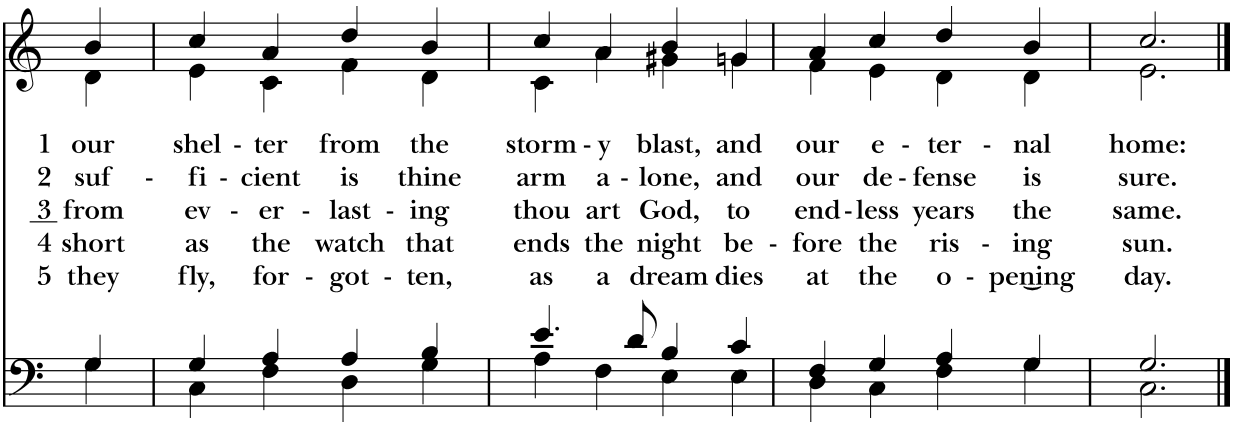
The Celebrant gives the blessing

THE GOD OF ALL GRACE, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; And the blessing of God Almighty, ✝ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN O, God, Our Help In Ages Past

remain standing, as able; sung by all





6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90.1-5
Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

DISMISSAL *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant dismisses the people

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please observe silence *as the following is played:*

ORGAN POSTLUDE Once More, My Soul CONSOLATION, Elkanah Kelsay Dare
Setting: George Shearing

✝

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Come, See…Go and Tell

Liturgical Participants

Fr Kirtley Yearwood SR — Presider
Fr Christopher David — Preacher
David Simmons — Organist and Choir Director
Sarah Berninger, Isabel Zuniga Sandoval — Eucharistic Ministers
Kenia Ortega Bernabe — Acolyte
Betsy Chapin, Brenda Demanczyk — Lectors
Kennard Brown — Intercessor
Don & Beth Copson — Ushers
Team 2: Toni Spille, Sarah Berninger, Rachel Schneiders — Altar Guild
Tina Thornes — Flower Arrangers Guild
Daphne Arrindell — Fellowship Host

Virtual Trinity

Maureen Lyons — Greeter

TRINITY PARISH

Red Wagon Ministry

Help Fill Thanksgiving Baskets

NOVEMBER COLLECTION



- Canned green beans
- Canned fruit
- Small bags of rice
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Cans of turkey gravy
- Boxes of stuffing mix

On Sundays, the children bring your donations to the altar in the Red Wagon for a blessing during the Offertory Procession.

Contact Sarah Berninger • berninger59@comcast.net

PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

Prayer Group

Sometimes we feel like we don't get an answer to prayer or it's not the answer we wanted.

Now what?

We talk about these things in our Prayer Group.

Join us Tuesday at 11:30
for conversational prayer.

Questions contact Marty Emeritz 202-352-3149
marty.emeritz@gmail.com

Holiday Volunteer Opportunity

Seamen's Center
at the Port of Wilmington



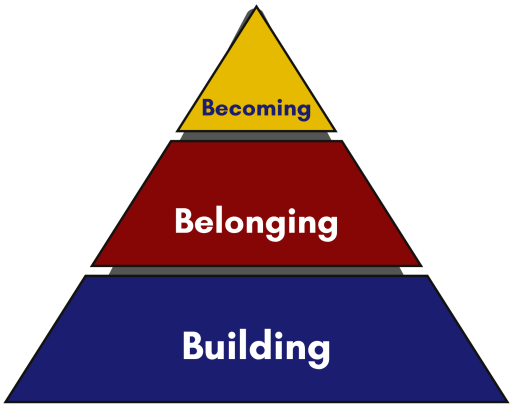
Anyone who is interested in visiting the Seamen's Center at the Port of Wilmington on **Tuesday, November 17th from 12:30 to 3:00** to wrap the ***Christmas Gifts*** for the mariners should contact me.

Last year we met in the parking lot of Trinity and drove one car to making entering the port security an easier process.

If you have never visited the port, the drivers at the center can give you a little tour while you are there also.

Please contact Sarah Berninger at berninger59@comcast.net or 302-383-1666.

NOVEMBER 22 IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY



TRINITY IN ACTION

Please prayerfully complete a green Every Person Commitment Campaign 2027 Form and place in an "EPCC 2027" white envelope

Blank green Every Person Commitment Campaign 2027 Forms and white "EPCC 2027" labeled envelopes are available on the table in the rear of the nave.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of financial support to Trinity Episcopal Parish (Trinity Church and Holy Trinity {Old Swedes} Church)


TRINITY PARISH
Eve of
Thanksgiving Day
Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, November 25, 2026
7:00 PM
Old Swedes
606 N Church St, Wilmington, DE 19802


TRINITY PARISH
AN ADVENT READING & DISCUSSION
GOSPEL VOICES
Advent with Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
By Tina Francis, Jerusalem Jackson Greer,
Deon Johnson and Marshall Jolly
Four Gospels. Four perspectives. A season of prayer.
SUNDAYS IN ADVENT
November 29 • December 6
December 13 • December 20, 2026
9:15–9:45 AM • Trinity Church Foyer
Read, reflect and discuss four chapters—about 25 pages each—with self-guided discussion questions and prayer.
Books available • $7 each
Please join us for an enriching reflective gathering this Advent.
Curious or interested? Contact Esther Summers
eswps59@gmail.com • 302-655-0765 (landline only)
Or speak with Esther at 8:00 AM on Sundays.
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Hope IN THE DARK

A CANDLELIGHT EXPERIENCE

An evening of food, compassion, and community. Together, we can bring hope to those who need it most.

Join us for our inaugural fundraising event!



SATURDAY
DECEMBER 5, 2026
7:00 PM

TRINITY HALL
1108 North Adams Street
Wilmington, DE 19801

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Peace, Pancakes & Prayer

A SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT BRUNCH

Sunday, December 6, 2026
Immediately following the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Services.

Gather Around the Table.
Share in the Peace of the Season.

Join Trinity Parish for a joyful Advent gathering filled with delicious food, meaningful fellowship, and moments of prayer as we prepare our hearts for Christmas.



A Little Peace. A Lot of Pancakes. A Moment for Prayer.

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Blue Christmas

Service of Remembrance and Hope

When the holidays are hard, you are not alone.

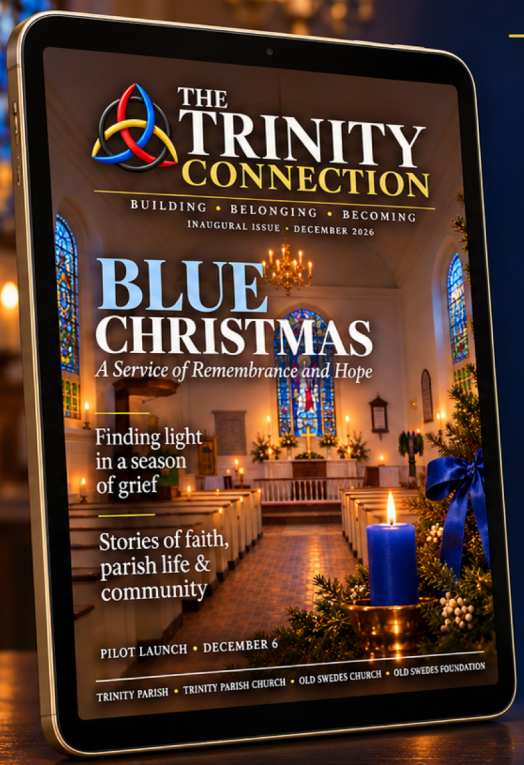
Prayer • Sacred Readings • Music • Poetry

Monday, December 7, 2026 • 7:00 PM

Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church
606 N Church St, Wilmington, DE 19801

Come as you are.

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— COMING DECEMBER —

THE TRINITY CONNECTION

Our new monthly digital publication

Discover stories of faith, parish life, and community from Trinity Church and Old Swedes Church. Each issue brings inspiring reflections, ministry highlights, upcoming events, and ways to connect and serve.

Read. Reflect. Stay connected.

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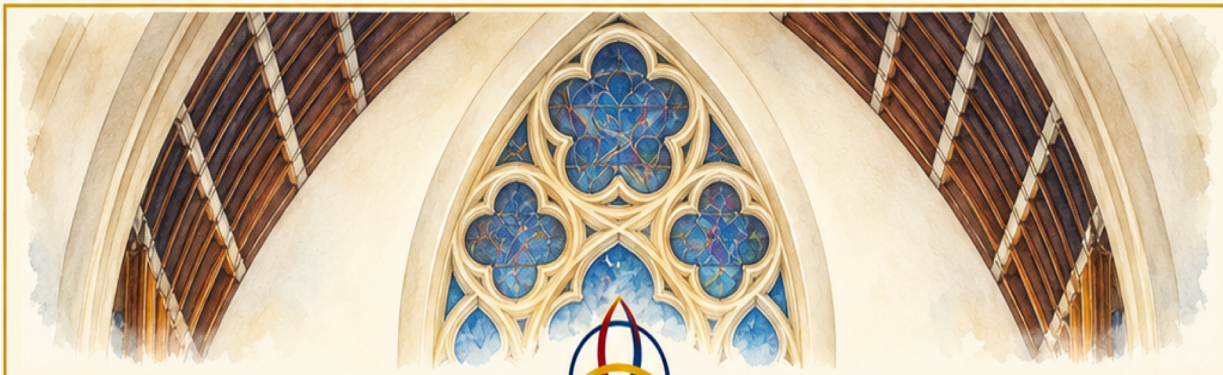




ENCORE CHORALE OF WILMINGTON

FREE Holiday Concert: Wed., Dec. 16 – 7:00 pm

Come ring in the opening of the holiday season on Wednesday, December 16, at 7:00 pm, right here at Trinity Church, when ***The Encore Chorale of Wilmington***, a 65-member vocal ensemble, under the direction of Trinity's Director of Music, David Simmons, presents their FIFTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY CONCERT featuring both sacred and secular holiday and winter classics. Tickets are FREE, but you must reserve them online in advance at ***EncoreCreativity.Org*** in order to make sure you can get in the door and get a seat because these annual holiday concerts have become quite popular and "sell out" in advance.



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John Zajaczkowski — Sexton

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Viviana Mondragon, Juan Rodriguez, Isabel Zúñiga Sandoval — 2028 Class
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