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THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Holy Eucharist

December 28, 2025 at 10:30am



Welcome to Trinity!

Trinity is an open and affirming congregation, where we believe every person is created in God's image and all creation is sacred. Our deep values are **Diversity** and **Inclusion**, **Community**, **Engaging our Neighbors**, and **Sacred Place, Holy Space**.

The service is being broadcast and recorded. By attending, you consent to your likeness and voice being broadcast, recorded, and published on the Internet and telephone broadcast system.

Whether you are joining us in person or livestream, we are so glad you are here to worship with us on this holy day.

We acknowledge that we worship on the unceded ancestral land of the Duwamish People past and present, the first people of Seattle, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe, to whom we pay Real Rent.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please rise as you are able.

HYMN

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Picardy



1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with




trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
on the way, as the Light of Light de -
sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
he will give to all the faith - ful
that the powers of hell may va - nish
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"



our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the dark - ness clears a - way.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885). Music: *Picardy*, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

Presider The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

People **And we beheld his glory.**

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

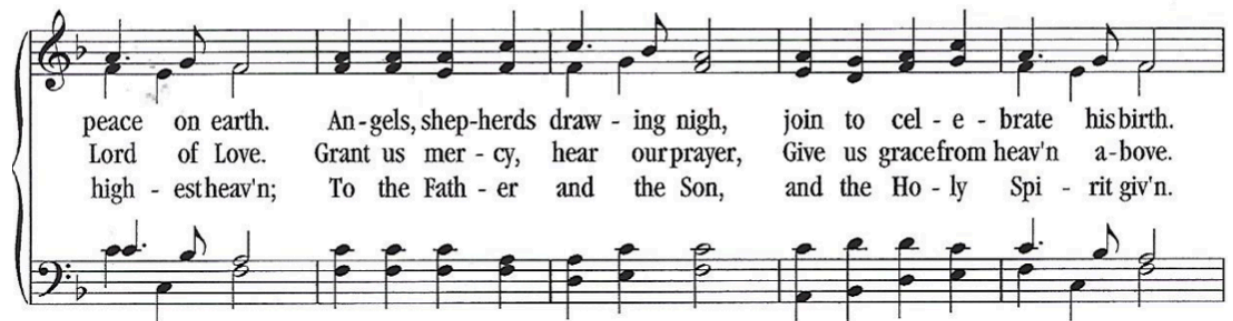
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

GLORIA

Gloria



Glo - ry be to God on high, To all peo-ple,
 Je - sus Christ we now de-clare Lamb of God and
 Prais-es to the Ho - ly One, Prais-es sing in



peace on earth. An-gels, shep-herds draw - ing nigh, join to cel - e - brate his birth.
 Lord of Love. Grant us mer - cy, hear our prayer, Give us grace from heav'n a - bove.
 high - est heav'n; To the Fath - er and the Son, and the Ho - ly Spi - rit giv'n.

The image shows a musical score for a Gloria. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line (soprano) and a piano accompaniment (treble and bass staves). The vocal line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The piano accompaniment starts with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics 'Glo - ri - a,' are written below the piano part. The second system also has a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has a first ending bracket labeled '1.' and a second ending bracket labeled '2.'. The lyrics 'in ex - cel - sis De - o! in ex - cel - sis De - o!' are written below the piano part. The piano accompaniment for the second system uses block chords and includes a repeat sign.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication

shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Psalm 147: 13-21

Hymn Tune Psalter



13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *

praise your God, O Zion;

14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *

he has blessed your children within you. *Antiphon*

15 He has established peace on your borders; *

he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 He sends out his command to the earth, *

and his word runs very swiftly. *Antiphon*

17 He gives snow like wool; *

he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *

who can stand against his cold?

19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *

he blows with his wind, and the waters flow. *Antiphon*

20 He declares his word to Jacob, *

his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; *

to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah! *Antiphon*

READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

HYMN

Arise and shine

Wareham

1 A - rise and shine, the pro - phet sang;
2 God's ris - ing sun will light the way,
3 You will not need the sun by day

your light has come, the mes - sage rang.
as peo - ple stream to dawn - ing's ray.
nor moon by night, to light your way;

The shroud of dark - ness stripped a - way,
Your o - pen gates will nev - er close,
God's glo - ry and e - ter - nal might

God's glo - ry brings a bright new day.
in bus' - ling day or night's re - pose.
will be your ev - er - last - ing light.

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GOSPEL READING

John 1:1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Rev. Sao Uomoto

A brief period of silence follows the Sermon.

Please rise as you are able.

NICENE CREED

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

Submit your prayer request here: <https://rb.gy/erserv>

Presider

Come, let us adore Christ our Savior.



Prayer Leader

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: make our hearts joyful. We pray for every member of our Trinity community, for the people and ministries of [Diocesan cycle of prayer]; for military and health care chaplains, for Nathan our postulant, for Tina ordained to the diaconate, for Sao our guest preacher, for Andrew our supply priest, for Sabeth our rector, and for Phil our bishop.

Strengthen your Church with humility and faith that your love might triumph over the power of evil. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: inspire us to know you and follow your way of peace. Shine your light on all the world that the nations may seek your truth and find healing and hope in it. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: may all of creation burst forth in songs of praise. We offer our prayers of deepest gratitude and thanksgiving... silently or aloud. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: summon all people to yourself. May the distractions and heartache of our lives fade away in the joy of your presence. We pray for the Duwamish people, for the women of WHEEL, and for all whose work centers the voices and experiences of marginalized people. Open our eyes and pierce our hearts to create communities that promote justice and peace for all people and creation. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: help us be your hands of love to our neighbors. We pray for all people who are sick, lonely, or afraid; hungry, unhoused, or unemployed; for those who serve in the armed forces and their families; for those who live with addiction or abuse; for those who mourn; we pray for [*parish prayer list*]... and those we now name, silently or aloud. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

Christ our Savior, we humbly adore you: all glory be given to you. You blessed our earthly bodies by your birth into one; and you promise to raise us to new life by your death and resurrection. We remember those who have died... naming them now, silently or aloud. *Silence*

God of Glory,

Grant us your peace.

God of Creation, whose Son wandered in the desert for 40 days and whose Spirit bestows unexpected blessings, during this time of sabbatical, enliven us with reflection and renewal, guide our leaders with wisdom and fortitude, and inspire our hearts towards love, this we pray through the one, holy, and blessed Trinity.

Presider

We pray you, blessed Messiah, be born in our hearts tonight. Let us never fail to find room for you. Come and abide among us, that we may glimpse your face on every friend and neighbor. You only are the King of kings and Lord of lords, one with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence.*

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 our Savior 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

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.**

BLESSINGS AND CELEBRATIONS

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Please be seated while the table is prepared.

OFFERTORY

You may make an offering at any time, before, during or after the conclusion of the service using our "Virtual offering Plate"
(<https://onrealm.org/TrinitySeattle/give/now>).



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OFFERTORY MUSIC

The truth sent from above

R. Vaughan Williams

This is the truth sent from above, The truth of God, the God of love; Therefore don't turn it from your door, But hearken all, both rich and poor.

But after that they both had done, A place of joy they both had won, But for their sin and wretchedness They were put out of happiness.

The first thing which I do relate Is that God did the world create; The next thing which to you I'll tell Is that he made the garden well.

And then for that we must have died, And in our sins must have remained, Had not the Father of us all Sent us his Son to help our fall.

And for the help of Adam's life He made him then a happy wife; The promise made that they should keep, And not into the garden peep.

Then let us all with one accord Give thanks to God our heavenly Lord; And let us all our voices raise To sing our great Creator's praise.

Please rise as you are able as the monetary offerings are brought to the altar

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love.
Accept all we offer you this day; in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

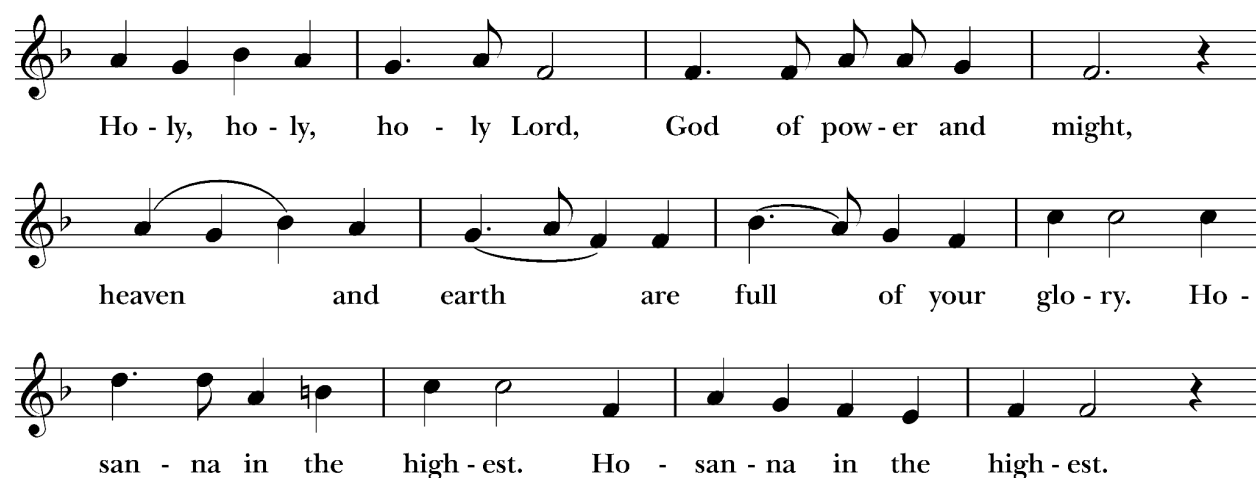
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

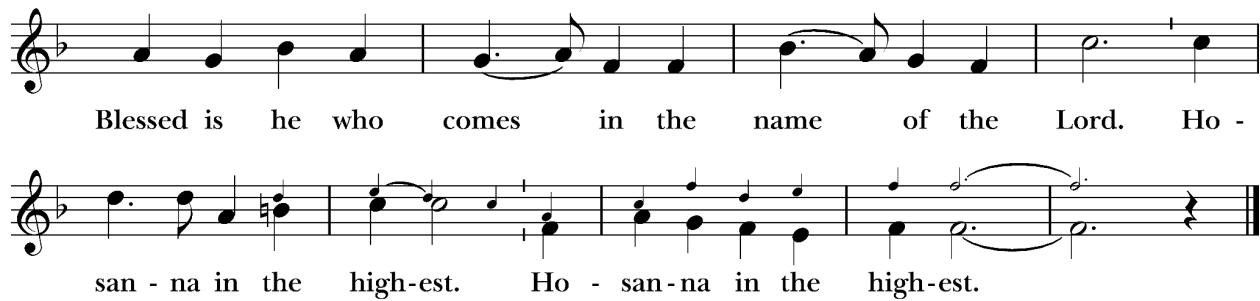
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfectly human of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The musical notation is written on three staves in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,' are aligned under the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with a slur over the first two notes. The lyrics 'heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -' are aligned under the second staff. The third staff continues the melody. The lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' are aligned under the third staff. The notation ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, Holy God,

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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 Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Greensleeves

O Lamb of God, O Ho - ly
Child, who takes the sin of the world a - way; Have
mer - cy on us, lamb so mild, the babe, the
son of Ma - ry. This, this is your bo - dy
giv'n, Your pre - cious blood, the gift of heav'n.
Take, eat, for we are one in the babe, the
son of Ma - ry.

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For those participating remotely at 10:30am, please join us in spiritual communion by praying from wherever you are:

O Christ, I believe that You are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

INVITATION AND COMMUNION

Come, The table of bread and wine has now been made ready,
It is the table of company with Jesus and all those who love him.
It is the table of sharing with the poor and outcasts;
 those with whom Jesus identified himself.
It is the table of communion with the earth in which Christ became incarnate.
So, come to this table:
You who have much faith
 and you who would like to have more;
You who have been to this sacrament often,
 and you who have not been for a long time;

You who have tried to follow Jesus,
 and you who have failed.
Come. **It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.**

All who seek God are welcome at Christ's Table.

- *Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.*
- *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat.*
- *Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time.*
- *To receive a blessing instead of the bread or wine, cross your arms over your chest.*
- *If you need communion brought to you at your seat, please notify an usher.*

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

CHRISTMAS BLESSING

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

How bright appears the Morning Star Wie schön leuchtet



1 How bright ap - pears the Morn-ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing
 2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
 3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
 pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
 fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

O right-eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
 the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser - a -
 In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great

Son of God! We, too, will lift our voic - es:
 phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture;
 Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873); after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608). Music: *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

DISMISSAL

Go in peace bearing the good news that Christ is born. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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TRINITY CHIMES: NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMASTIDE SERVICES

"Love's Unexpected Blessings"

Second Sunday after Christmas

Sunday, January 4

8:00AM - Morning Prayer (in person only)

10:30AM - Christmas Lessons & Carols led by the Trinity Choir

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Today's Guest Preacher

Today we welcome the Rev. Sao Uomoto as our guest preacher. He is a 4th generation Central District Seattleite who has had pastoral roles at Japanese Baptist, St. Andrew's Episcopal, and Seattle First Presbyterian. Rev. Sao has been a hospital chaplain at various locations, and is currently the chaplain at Skyline.

Coffee Hour *(after both services)*

Please join us in the Parish Hall (across the courtyard) for coffee and conversation.

The Church Office is Closed for Winter Holiday Break (December 25 - January 5)

Please Consider a Year-end Gift to Trinity - TODAY is last day for *in-person* gifts!

Will you consider celebrating Trinity's commitment to providing a safe and welcoming place for all people by making a year-end gift? To ensure your gift is processed in 2025, please be sure to note the following **IRS deadlines**:

- **IN PERSON:** *TODAY (December 28) is the last day* for making in-person year-end gifts (please **place them in the offering plate** so the counters receive them today). *The church office is closed until January 6.*
- **BY MAIL:** Any checks mailed to Trinity must be **POSTMARKED by the USPS by Wednesday, December 31** to be counted toward your 2025 giving records. (*We encourage you to mail them even earlier, in case of potential USPS delays.*) Trinity's address is 609 8th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104.
- **ONLINE:** Any online contributions made through Realm or at <https://onrealm.org/TrinitySeattle/give/now> must also be completed **by Wednesday, December 31**. Again, *we highly encourage you* to make your gifts earlier in order to account for processing times and to avoid any technology or other glitches that could result in missing the deadline.

Trinity must strictly adhere to these IRS deadlines for crediting year-end gifts, so we are unable to make any exceptions if a deadline is missed. As always, THANK YOU for your gifts to Trinity.

Weekly AA Meetings at Trinity

- **TANBIR - Thursdays at 8:00PM**

The Trans And Non-Binary In Recovery AA group is an open meeting.

- **Live and Let Live - Fridays at 8:00PM**

An open AA meeting that welcomes LGBTQ+ participants.

MORE PARISH EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Have Cryptocurrency? A New Way to Support Trinity's Ministries and Mission

Would you like to make a tax-deductible gift to support Trinity's ministries and mission using cryptocurrency? Trinity is now able to accept gifts to our General Fund or Memorial Endowment Fund in the form of crypto: <https://onrealm.org/TrinitySeattle/-/form/give/crypto>.



Ungreening the Church - All ages welcome

Sunday, January 4 immediately following the 10:30am service

Many hands will make tasks go quickly as we take down the Christmas greens, trees, and other Christmas decorations and store them away for another year.

Compline Service

Thursday, January 8 at 8:15-8:45PM in the Trinity Sanctuary

Compline is a service of prayer for the end of the day. Quiet and refresh your soul with this contemplative service of acapella chant led by the Trinity Choir.

(Upcoming Dates: 2/5, 3/5, 5/7)

Bookmarks! (2nd Sundays)

Sunday, January 11, at 12:15PM in the Trinity Library

Bookmarks! is reading *How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Faith and Life*, by the Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington (D.C.). All are welcome to join in the discussion, whether you've read the book or not. We are also seeking suggestions for other titles to read in 2026.

Community Lunch (3rd Sundays) - *All hungry humans are invited to eat!*

Sunday, January 18, at 11:45am in the Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch, after the 10:30 service, as we host a FREE hot meal for our community and neighbors.

ONE Service, Annual Meeting, and Parish Lunch

Sunday, February 1, 2026 at 10:30am

We gather as one Trinity Community for worship at 10:30am followed by our Annual Meeting and lunch. We'll elect representation to diocesan convention and other congregational leadership, hear a summary of the parish's financial status, and talk together about our dreams for our life and ministry in 2026 and beyond.

Winter Weather Reminder

Trinity is on a big hill! We will do our best to get the word out if we need to cancel services due to inclement weather; but, if you have any concern about possible snow or ice, please stay safe and warm! We'd rather have you err on the side of caution than have you take any unnecessary risks. Remember our livestream options, or watch one of our past services on our YouTube channel.