

# Trinity Episcopal Church

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November 30, 2025 10:00 a.m.

## Morning Prayer - Rite Two

The service begins in silent prayer.

### Lighting the First Advent Candle®

Officiant: We shall light the Advent candles

praying that our preparation for Christmas may help us

to look outward in love,

and to look forward in hope.

People: Risen Christ, light of the world,

shine in our lives

and shine among us now.

Officiant: Let us pray that waiting for Christmas may show us

how to be patient when things take time,

how to live for Christ day by day,

and how to wait for promises not yet fulfilled.

People: Risen Christ, light of the world,

shine in our lives

and shine among us now.

Officiant: In Isaiah, chapter 2, the prophet declares that in days to come

God will judge between the nations,

and arbitrate for many peoples.

The first candle is lit.

Officiant: We light this candle because we refuse to let go of Isaiah's hope

that swords can be beaten into ploughshares,

and spears into pruning hooks,

and that nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

People: Risen Christ, light of the world,

shine in our lives

and shine among us now.

Officiant: The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see

it together. Isaiah 40:5

#### **Confession of Sin**

Officiant: Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty

God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence.

All: 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.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our

Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of

the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

# The Invitatory and Psalter

All Stand

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as

it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia

Officiant: Our King and Savior now draws near: Come, let us adore him.

**Jubilate** "To God With Gladness Sing" *Hymn* #399

I was glad when they said to me, \*
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Now our feet are standing \* within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city \* that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, \* the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.

For there are the thrones of judgment, \* the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*

"May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls \* and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, \* I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the Lord our God, \*
I will seek to do you good."

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning

hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle "Blessed be the God of Israel" Hymn #444

Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Hymn** "Christ is the World's True Light" *Hymn* #542

Third Reading Matthew 24:36-44

Reader: A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

"But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake

and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

### The Homily

### The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

# The Prayers

The people stand or kneel

Officiant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

All: 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.

### **Suffrages**

Officiant Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

People Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Officiant Day by day we bless you;

People We praise your name for ever.

Officiant Lord, keep us from all sin today;

People Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

Officiant Lord, show us your love and mercy;

People For we put our trust in you.

Officiant In you, Lord, is our hope;

People And we shall never hope in vain.

#### The Collects

Officiant: Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness,

and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty and gracious Father, we give thee thanks for the fruits of

the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant:

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Officiant:

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Australia. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Diocesan Finance Committee. In the Diocesan Human Rights Cycle of Prayer we pray for Personal Spiritual Renewal.

Officiant:

We pray for those on our parish prayer lists: Fran M, Ruth, Joe M, Martin & Sue, Robert G, Andrew, Fr. James, Mike, Diana, Curtis, Terrie, Laue, Bob K, Shelby, Dolores, Micah & Emily, Charisse, Arne, AJ, Barb D, Virginia, Tammy, Chantelle, Scotti, Janie, Larry, Jeffre, Dana, Dale, Linda, Jesse, Tom & Talya, Sophie, Crystal, Nancy S, Fran, Taylor, Mary, Bryan, Jeff, Holly, Chad, Rev. Doug & Deacon Eileen, Heather, and the Pocatello Women's Correctional Center Residents and Staff.

We pray for all we name before you now, either silently or aloud, let us pray:

Your prayers are invited: For \_\_\_\_\_

Do we have any birthdays, anniversaries, or special occasions for prayer?

#### **Announcements**

# Offering of the People

# Offertory

# The General Thanksgiving

All:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love

in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord

to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life

everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn: "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" Hymn #57

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing

through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Romans 15:13

Postlude

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Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Please join us for coffee & conversation in the Parish Hall following the service

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Advent Wreath.** Join us after the service today, as we make Advent Wreaths in the Parish Hall. We'll have plenty of supplies, so plan on making one and taking it home. Haven't made an Advent wreath before? We'll be happy to help you. Haven't used an Advent wreath before? We'll be happy to explain. And if you already have an Advent wreath, bring it in to add greenery or just to let the rest of us enjoy it!

**Fifth Sunday Offering.** Today's fifth Sunday offering (any non-pledge offerings) will be donated to Aid for Friends.

**First Friday Concert & Compline:** At 5pm on Friday, December 5, the special musical event preceding Trinity's monthly Sung Compline service will be vocal performances by ISU students. Come listen... enjoy some wine and cheese... and close the evening with compline at 7pm!

**Advent Tea.** All Trinity Family and friends are invited to Advent Tea, Saturday, Dec. 6, 2-4 pm. Slow down for a couple of hours! Enjoy each other's company, a cup of tea or mulled wine, some German holiday treats, Diane Bilyeu's reading of "A Child's Christmas in Wales", and communal holiday song singing accompanied by Geoff Friedley.

**Greening of the Church.** Please join us next Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> after worship to decorate the church for Christmas. Many hands make light work, so grab your coffee and treats and come back over to help hang the lights and greens!

**My Brothers' Table.** It's our tradition to provide holiday gifts to folks who come to My Brothers' Table. Please bring new and warm hats, gloves and socks for women and men. We also need personal care items, especially pocket pack tissues and disposable razors. And everyone loves a little holiday candy. Please bring donations to the Parish Hall by Saturday, December 13.

Holiday Craft Fair. December 14th & 21st during Coffee Hour. Bring cash or your checkbook and help ECW raise money for various projects. Pick up that little gift for someone without braving the crowded stores. Holiday cookie assortments will also be available. What better time to pick up a goodie plate for someone—or for yourself?

**Trinity Reads.** Our current book is *Advent and Christmas, Wisdom from Henri J. M. Nouwen,* which we'll discuss on Tuesday, December 16.

**Goats.** Each holiday season, Trinity congregants come together to buy goats for those in need. The goats are purchased through Heifer International and provide a source of income to families in the USA and internationally. Each goat costs \$120, and a share costs \$10. You can make your donation to Trinity, and we'll send in all the donations together at the end of December. Don't forget to write "Goats" on the memo line.

# THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, December 1, 2025	10:00-2:00 10:00-2:00 2:00 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Church Office Open Rev. Haydie Office Hours OGP Alleluia Choir Girl Scouts A.A.
Tuesday, December 2, 2025	3:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	OGP A.A.
Wednesday, December 3, 2025	9:00-2:00 3:00 p.m.	Phone/Email Office Hours OGP
Thursday, December 4, 2025	10:00-2:00 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Church Office Open OGP Choir Practice
Friday, December 5, 2025	10:00-2:00 10:00-2:00 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Church Office Open Rev. Haydie Office Hours OGP ISU Vocal Recital Sung Compline A.A.
Saturday, December 6, 2025	2:00 p.m.	Advent Tea – P.H.
Sunday, December 7, 2025	10:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist My Brother's Table

## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Officiant: Trent Clegg

Lectors: Joe Marley, Miffy Lane, Ruta Casabianca

Usher: Rita Haggardt, Jeffre Miller

Altar Guild: Angela Young

Vestry on Duty: Rosa Hill-Alford

Music Director: Trent Clegg

Choir Accompanist: Jaden Klein Audiovisual Facilitator: Kevin Scott

Coffee Hour Host: Angela Young