



Trinity Parish Presbyterian Church

United in Faith, Building Community

Sunday Worship, 11:00 am

November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent:
Hope Sunday



Prelude

An Advent Prayer by Stairs

Greetings & Announcements

*Please stand as you're able.

**Today's hymns are found in the Red Hymnals

***If you would like to read the Scripture on Communion Sunday's. Signups will be posted in the back of the Sanctuary.

Words of Welcome

*Passing The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us remain in our seats as we share signs and words of peace with our neighbors.

*Call to Worship

Isaiah 2:2-3 alt.

In the 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 hill; 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 God may teach us God's ways and that we may walk in God's paths."

With what shall we come to God's house?

Bring branches of cedar and holly, bring evergreens and a fir tree and poinsettias, hang wreaths and garlands and set candles in the windows. Make the church fragrant with the smell of living things and our holy play.

In acts of hanging greens and listening to the words of prophets and seers let us make our hearts and this space a place of inward and outward preparation for the One who comes to give us second birth.

*Invocation (unison)

Good Lord, by your mercy guide our outward actions in such ways that our inward being is formed in faith, hope, and love. May the decorations we offer engage our senses during the days of Advent and enliven our praise and worship, in the name of the child of Bethlehem, our risen and coming savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Vv. 1,2

*Hanging Wreaths on the Church Doors

Psalms 24:7-10

People of God, we step into God’s house at the entrance of the church as we step through the doorway of the Advent season into the Christian year. Let us mark the entrance to the church building and our hearts and minds as portals for Christ to enter.

Hear the words of the Psalmist: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors! That the Ruler of glory may come in. Who is the Ruler of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors! That the Ruler of glory may come in. Who is this Ruler of glory? The Lord of hosts, the Lord is the Ruler of glory!

Hymn *Lift Up Your Heads Vv. 1,2*

***Hanging Garlands/Wreaths/Banners** *Hosea 14:4, 8-9*

How shall we make this place a reminder of our need of repentance and the faithfulness and integrity that comes from God our maker and redeemer?

**Let us hang garlands as Hosea speaks the word of God:
I will heal my people's disloyalty; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them. O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols? It is I who answer and look after you. I am like an evergreen cypress; your faithfulness comes from me. Those who are wise understand these things; those who are discerning know them. For the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.**

Hymn *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

***Advent Wreath**

Hymn *Hail To The Lord’s Anointed Vv. 1,2*

***The Paraments**

Music of Meditation *Every Valley*

***The Poinsettias**

Hymn *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Vv. 1,2*

***The Creche**

***Decorating & Lighting the Christmas Tree**

Hymn *People, Look East Vv. 1,4*

Offertory

***Doxology #815** *Doxology*

***Prayer of Dedication**
Christ calls us to live generous and grateful lives. Take these gifts we offer today, O God, and use them to the fulfillment of Christ’s ministry. May these gifts help to free the captives, heal the sick, comfort the lonely, feed the hungry, heal the wounded. As Christ’s hands and feet, use us too, in service to building your beloved community. Amen.

***A Time Of Prayer**

Hymn *O Little Town Of Bethlehem Vv. 1,3,4*

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *In Excelsis Deo by Ellis*