

# TRINITY

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DECEMBER 9, 2018

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Honor God.  
Welcome All.  
Embody Christ's Reign.

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 9, 2018  
*Second Sunday of Advent*

*The first coming of Christ the Lord, God's Son and our God, was in obscurity; the second will be in the sight of the whole world. When he came in obscurity no one recognized him but his own servants; when he comes openly he will be known by both good people and bad. When he came in obscurity, it was to be judged; when he comes openly it will be to judge.*  
*Augustine (AD 354-430)*

## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

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### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

Rev. Brandon Eggar

PASTOR: Our souls magnify the Lord!

PEOPLE: **And our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!**

PASTOR: The Mighty One has done great things for us!

PEOPLE: **His name is Holy and he is worthy to be praised!**

PASTOR: Come then, and let us praise his name; for he is our Maker and our Redeemer. It is he who shows us mercy and grace.

#### \*Prayer of Adoration

#### \*Song of Entrance

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

#### Confession of Sin

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins together:

ALL: **Almighty God, we have sinned against you and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, we also acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ, your Son, to show mercy to us and to forgive us all our offenses. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths, and even the smallest thoughts of our minds, may be guarded and governed by you. Amen.**

#### Silent Confession

#### Song of Confession

"Come Light Our Hearts"

#### \*Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

PASTOR: Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us - for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree" - so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

*Galatians 3:13-14*

ALL: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is well-pleased.**

**\*Extending God's Welcome of Peace**

PASTOR: The peace of Christ be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

**\*Song of Renewal**

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

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**COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM**

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**Kingdom Moment**

Rob Holmes, TPC Missionary

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath—The Bethlehem Candle**

The Straka Family

Psalm 85:1-2; 8-13

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**

Luke 3:1-6

READER: This is the Glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

ALL: **Glory be to you, Lord Christ!**

READER: We light the second candle of Advent to remind us that the Lord Jesus, who is the light of the world, was born in David's city of Bethlehem, born like him to be a king, the King who reigns over all.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer of Intercession** (*followed by a season of silent prayer*) Rev. Monty Hershberger

**Common Prayer**

PASTOR: Let us now join our voices together praying:

ALL: **Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in this time when our Lord Jesus 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 life immortal with him. Amen.**

**Kingdom Giving and Song of Meditation**

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

**\*Doxology**

*At this time, children ages four to seven may dismiss through the center doors for Worship Training. After the sermon, children will return through the same doors so they can rejoin their families for the remainder of worship.*

## LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

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“Advent Refining”

Malachi 2:17-3:6

*Advent Series: Advent in the Prophets*

Rev. Brandon Eggar

*(See insert for Sermon Notes)*

## FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

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### Holy Communion (see insert)

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Christ for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from receiving communion until they are received as communing members by the session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The **clear** cups contain wine and the **purple** cups contain grape juice. Gluten free communion bread is in the glass dish in the serving basket.

## GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

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### \*Song of Sending

“How Firm a Foundation”

### \*The Sending

PASTOR: Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

*1 Peter 2:11-12*

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

### \*Benediction

PASTOR: And now may the God of peace, who, through the blood of the eternal covenant, brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, and work in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ.

ALL: **To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen!**

### \*Postlude

Senior Pastor: Rev. Brandon Eggar

Assistant Pastor: Monty Hershberger

Director of Music Ministries: Kimberly Robertson

Director of Children's Christian Formation: Neecia Eggar

Nursery Coordinator: Dawn Pfingsten

Musicians: Jackie Pasarilla, Anna Robertson, Addi Eggar, Michael Cardel

Song Leaders: Kimberly Robertson, Tonya Sacci, Rhonda McDaniel, Emily Cardel

\*The Congregation stands

# SERMON NOTES

“ADVENT REFINING”

MALACHI 2:17-3:6

## THE CONTEXT OF MALACHI

## THE COMING OF THE LORD PROMISED

## THE COMING OF THE LORD FULFILLED

## THE COMING OF THE LORD LIVED OUT

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### MEMBER/GUEST INFO

Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email\* \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.

\*I want to receive the weekly E-news.

I would like to order #\_\_\_\_\_ poinsettias in memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

## FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

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### Celebration of Communion

#### The Great Thanksgiving

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PASTOR: It is indeed good, right and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, by whom you have sent a new Light to shine upon the world, that we who rejoice in that light may be found cleansed from our sins and without fear when he shall come again to judge the world in righteousness. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

ALL: **Holy, Holy, Holy...**

#### Prayer of Consecration

#### Words of Institution

PASTOR: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

PEOPLE: **Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

ALL: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say:

ALL: **Our Father...**

PASTOR: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

#### Prayer Request

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# This Week at TPC...December 9, 2018

Today CE - Children 11:00 a.m., Adults 11:10 a.m.  
Student Ministry - Middle Sch. 5:00-6:30 p.m., High Sch. 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
Intro to Theology - 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Prayer Service - 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday Men's Bible Study - 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Wednesday ELC - Meets from 6:00-7:30 p.m. - Last class of the year

## Upcoming Events/Announcements

**Christmas Poinsettias** - This year we would like to extend the opportunity for you to purchase Christmas poinsettias in memory or in honor of loved one(s) for \$10 each. We have pre-ordered 40 plants and will have them on stage throughout the season of Advent. We will publish a special bulletin insert prior to our Christmas Eve service denoting who the poinsettias are honoring. If you would like to reserve a poinsettia please mark the insert designating who the memorial is for, and place in the offering plate with your check indicating 'Poinsettia' on the memo line or see the sign up at the Welcome Center. Last day to order is December 16th. Plants can be taken home on December 30.

**Season of Advent** - Our Sunday Evening Prayer service "Anointing" will be held from 6:00-6:30 this evening. For more information please check the Trinity website.

**Cornelius Christmas** - The annual Special Kids Christmas giving event will take place at TPC, December 10-14. Their program creates an opportunity to use the blessings God has given us to care for children and families in our community, and they use our facilities to receive and wrap the gifts that are donated. Please contact the church office for more information at [admin@trinityboro.com](mailto:admin@trinityboro.com).

**Christmas Eve Service** - Our evening service will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, December 24.

### **2018 Stewardship Giving**

General Fund Contributions	\$409,039	76.2% of Annual Budget
General Fund Expenses	\$479,446	93.5% of Annual Budget
YTD Budgeted Contributions	\$470,412	

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## Lord's Day Worship

9:30 a.m.

## Christian Education

Children & Youth 11:10 a.m.

Adult 11:10 a.m.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church** is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of the Nashville Presbytery. For more information about Trinity Presbyterian, visit [www.trinitymboro.com](http://www.trinitymboro.com). For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America, visit [www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org).

**Guests!** We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Please take time to fill out the Guest Info Slip on the insert and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer.

**Welcome Center:** Located in the front foyer, our Welcome Center is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Trinity and includes an area to sign up for upcoming events. Please help yourself to our brochures and other resources.

**Community Groups:** are small fellowships of people meeting at the church or in homes around Murfreesboro. They are primary places where we share life together in pursuit of Jesus as we learn to apply the gospel to our lives. For more information, please contact Monty Hershberger at [monty@trinitymboro.com](mailto:monty@trinitymboro.com).

## Church Leadership

### ELDERS

Brandon Eggar, Moderator

Jim Harris

Rick Malone

Paul Pasarilla, Clerk

Ron Phillips

Peter Robertson

Paul Shearer

Kim Sokoya

Randy Thompson

Pleun Troost

### DEACONS

Dean Cardel

Andy Englehart

Monty Lee\*

Charles McGaughy

Allen Pffingsten

John Pipes

Jeff Straka, Chair

Paul Vitolins

Dan Widener\*

### TREASURER

Paul Shearer

\*Deacon on duty