



Trinity Episcopal Church Hamburg
Order of Worship

Sung Rite II Holy Eucharist

The Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016

10:00 am

Welcome to your Spiritual Home

All are welcome at our Table

Whatever your religious background and however you have come to be here, we welcome you to the Trinity Community. We hope that you will feel spiritually fulfilled and strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily life. And we hope these notes about our worship will be helpful to you. If you do not yet have a Spiritual Home, please consider joining us. Membership forms are available in the Foyer.

We are Trinity Episcopal Church of Hamburg: One Community, united in Jesus' Name.

Trinity's Red Doors – Safety and Refuge

Hospitality, Healing and Hope

Trinity Episcopal Church's doors, painted a brilliant red following ancient tradition, signify our Sanctuary as a place of safety and refuge. Red doors lead to holy ground within them, protecting people from both physical and spiritual harm.

Today, Episcopal Churches – the Anglican expression of God's One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church – proclaim with their red doors that they are a haven for emotional and spiritual healing, and a place of refuge and safety, forgiveness and reconciliation. In other words, Trinity's red doors invite you into a Sacred Space filled with the presence of the Holy Spirit.



The Beling Memorial Bell calls us to worship five minutes before the hour.

The People are seated for

The Organ Prelude – Comfort, Comfort Ye My People – *Robert Lau*

THE WORD OF GOD

At the sound of the organ, the People stand to sing

Hymn 76 (*blue book*) – On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry – *Winchester New*

The People remain standing for

The Opening Acclamation – BCP 355 (*red book*)

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

The Celebrant then prays

The Collect for Purity – BCP 355 (*red book*)

The People then sing

The Trisagion– **S-100** (*blue book*) or BCP 356 (*red book*)

The Celebrant then prays

The Collect of the Day: Advent III, BCP 212 (*red book*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are then seated for

The Readings from the Bible

Hebrew Scriptures – *Isaiah 35:1-10*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and

Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

At the sound of the Organ, the People stand to sing

Psalm 146:4-9

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;*
who keeps his promise forever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The Lord shall reign forever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

All are then seated for a reading from the

Letters to the First Christians – James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

At the sound of the Organ, all stand to sing

Hymn 67 (*blue book*) Comfort, comfort ye my people – *Psalms 42*

The People turn towards the Gospeler for the proclamation of

The Holy Gospel – Matthew 11:2-11

Gospeler: The +Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, ‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’ Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We Respond to God's Word

The Preacher then invites the People to sit for

The Sermon

The People then stand to pray

The Nicene Creed – BCP 358 (red book)

The People then stand or kneel for

The Prayers of the People

In the course of the silences, the People add their own petitions & thanksgivings.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Conclusion: **To you, O Lord.**

The People then sit or kneel for

The Confession of Sin

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.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and pronounces God's Absolution.

The People then stand for the exchange of

The Peace – BCP 360 (red book)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The People are then seated for

The Rector's Welcome & Parish Announcements



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The People remain seated for music at

Offertory Anthem: The King Shall Come - Robert Hobby

Rob Campbell, Narrator

Bless you for your generous financial tithes and offerings which ensure the continuation of the Ministries at Trinity Hamburg, the Diocese of Western New York and in the surrounding communities.

The Flowers at the Altar

*are given to the greater Glory of God in loving memory of **Jeannette Ort***

*May the +Souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercies of God, rest in peace. **Amen***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

At the sound of the Organ, the People stand to sing verse three of

Hymn 380 vs. 3 – (blue book) “From all that dwell” – *Old 100th*

The People's offerings of bread, wine, money and pantry items are presented at the Altar.

The People remain standing to pray

Eucharistic Prayer B – BCP 367 (red book)

The *Sursum Corda*

Celebrant: 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 him thanks and praise.**

Prayer B continues – BCP 367 (red book), & then the People sing

The Sanctus – Hymn S-129 (blue book) “Holy, Holy, Holy” Deutsche Messe

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

+Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel as Eucharistic Prayer B continues – BCP 368 (red book)

The Celebrant & People then proclaim

The Acclamation – BCP 368 (red book)

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Prayer B continues, & the Celebrant and People then pray

The Lord’s Prayer (traditional) – BCP 364 (red book)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant then breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept before singing

The Fraction Anthem

Who- ev-er comes to me shall not hunger,
and who ev- er be- lieves in me shall nev-er thirst;

The Celebrant then invites the People to Communion saying

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People are then invited by the Ushers to come forward to receive Communion.

Receiving the Bread and the Cup at Trinity

- ❖ *There is no one who is ineligible or unwelcome from receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion. .Adults and children are - without exception - warmly invited to come forward.*
- ❖ *We extend a special welcome to our Protestant, Roman Catholic & Orthodox Sisters and Brothers visiting with us this morning to join us at God's Table.*

Hymn 314 (*blue book*) Humbly I adore thee - *Adoro devote*

Once the Holy Table has been cleared, the People kneel or sit to pray

The Prayer after Communion – BCP 365 (*red book*)

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious **Body and Blood**
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the **Body of your Son,**
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant then gives

The Blessing

Celebrant . . . and the blessing of God Almighty, the +Father, the +Son, and
the +Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

At the sound of the Organ, all stand to sing

Hymn 437 (*blue book*) Tell out, my soul -*Birmingham*

As the Processional cross passes, all turn to face the Narthex for

The Dismissal from the Font – BCP 366 (*red book*)

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *Alleluia! Alleluia!*

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude – Postlude on ‘Woodlands’ – *Paul Manz*

Serving at today’s Liturgy

Belting Memorial Bell Ringer Mrs. Gretchen Zollendeck

Eucharistic Ministers Mrs. Lorinda Koczur

Mrs. Debbie Harris

Acolytes Mr. Xavier Lake

Lectors Mr. Len Harris

Mrs. Tina Kumiega

Usher Mr. Bob Smith

Mrs. Karen Smith

Preacher & Celebrant The Rev. Canon Cathy Dempsey-Sims

Home Communion

This morning Sue Minekime will be taking communion to **Susan Nickerson and Alice MacKinnon** who are absent from this Feast.

We, who are many, are one body, for we all share in the one Bread. **Amen.**

THE WEEK AT TRINITY

- Sunday, 12/11** 8:00 am Spoken Eucharist –Rite I
8:30 am – noon Cookie Sale
9:00 am Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Sung Eucharist – Rite II
7:30 pm Open AA Meeting – “Carry the Message”
- Tuesday, 12/13** 12:00 pm Produce Pantry
7:30 pm Boy Scouts
- Wednesday, 12/14** 5:15 pm Pot Luck Dinner
7:00 pm Advent Program
- Thurs. 12/15** 5:00 pm Irish Dance Class
7:00 pm Vestry Meeting
8:30 pm Men’s Sobriety Discussion Group
- Sunday, 12/18** 8:00 am Spoken Eucharist –Rite I
9:00 am Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Sung Eucharist – Rite II
7:30 pm Open AA Meeting – “Carry the Message”

TRINITY NEWS AND NOTES

Coffee & Conversation at Nine – We extend a warm invitation to our Parishioners, visitors and new members to join us at 9:00am in the Parish Hall for shared coffee and conversation. Thank you to **Patti Lukasiewicz, Doreen Nuessle, & Linda Banks** today's hospitality hosts.

Christmas Flower Memorials will be accepted until Monday, December 19th. Envelopes for memorials can be placed in the alms basin or mailed to the church office.

2017 Offering Envelopes are located on the table in the foyer. Please contact the parish office if you cannot locate your envelopes.

2017 Vestry & Warden Nominations – Nomination forms are available on the table in the parish hall. We will be electing 1 warden for a two year term, 3 vestry members for three year terms, 1 vestry member for a two year unexpired term and 1 vestry member for a one year unexpired term. Nominations must be received by Dec. 11th.

Advent Program – Bishop Franklin and Canon Cathy will lead an Advent Program on **Hope, Peace and Joy** on Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at Trinity. Our Fellowship Team will be organizing a pasta dinner to begin at 5:30 p.m. before the program. Please sign the sheet on the table in the parish hall to indicate your attendance at the dinner.

Trinity Church Women will gather for a Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at noon at JP Fitzgerald's in Hamburg. Meal choices are Shepherds Pie and salad, Pasta Primavera, Lemon Chicken and salad. The cost is \$21 and includes gratuity. Please make checks out to Trinity Church and return to Leslie Kintner or the church office.

2017 Altar Flower Memorials & Thanksgivings – If you wish to have flowers on the altar, please choose the Sunday you would like and complete an Altar Flower envelope. Enclose your offering for \$30 and place the envelope in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Please make checks payable to "Trinity Altar Guild". Envelopes are available on the table in the foyer.



Trinity Prayer Roll

Of your charity, please pray for:

The Anglican Communion ~

Pray for L'Eglise Episcopal au Rwanda

The Episcopal Church ~

Pray for St. Aidan's, Alden; St. Michael and All Angels, Buffalo

Those in any need or trouble ~

Pray for Tim, PJ, Terry, Dick S., Mark Simmons, Dawn Hauser, Nancy & Kim Dennis, Dolly Westcott, David Blank, Carly, Wendy, Jonah, Ceil, Ellie Connors & Brother Blane

Those who are absent from us ~

Pray for Harvey Burton; Susan Nickerson; Don Cooper; Isobelle Jeffrey; Alice MacKinnon; Sally Klipfel; Ann Dunn, Irene Spencer, Jane Koron, Mark Hubbard, David Blank, Caroline Wehling, Barbara Burke, Mary McWhorter

To add a name to the Trinity Prayer Roll, or to arrange for Home Communion, please contact Rich and Judee Emerling, Pastoral Care Leaders, at (716) 649-5015

For complimentary, confidential advice on Assisted Living, please contact Rosalie DeLio, Elder Care Counselor, at 716-662-0651

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