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Order of Worship  
**Sung Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2014  
Christmas Carols 10:30 pm  
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Festal Midnight Mass 11:00pm

## **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.

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 the holy ground within them, protecting people from both physical and spiritual harm.

Today many Episcopal churches proclaim with their red doors that our churches are a haven for emotional and spiritual healing, and are a place of refuge and safety, forgiveness and reconciliation -- in other words, red doors invite the passers-by into a space filled with the Holy Spirit.

May Trinity be for you such a place.



*The People are seated for the singing of*

## **The Christmas Carols before Midnight Mass**

**Hymn 87** *(blue book)* Hark! the herald angels sing – *Mendelssohn*

**Hymn 79** *(blue book)* O little town of Bethlehem – *St. Louis*

**Hymn 107** *(blue book)* Good Christian friends, rejoice – *In dulci jubilo*

**Senior Choir:** Lo, how a rose e'er blooming

**Hymn 101** *(blue book)* Away in a manger – *Cradle Song*

**Hymn 89** *(blue book)* It came upon a midnight clear - *Carol*



## MIDNIGHT MASS

*The People are seated for*

**The Organ Prelude:** The Snow Lay on the Ground - *Robert Powell*  
Trumpets: Marc Bridon, John Landers

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

**Hymn 83** (*blue book*) "O come, all ye faithful" – *Adeste fideles*

*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 for ever.**

*The Celebrant then prays*

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

*The People then sing the*

**Hymn 100** (*blue book*) Joy to the World - *Antioch*

*The Celebrant then prays*

**The Collect of the Day: The Nativity of Our Lord**, BCP 212 (*red book*)

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*All are then seated for*

**The Readings from the Bible**

**Hebrew Scriptures** *Isaiah 62:6-12*

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give

him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, “See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.”

They shall be called, “The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord”; and you shall be called, “Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.”

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

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

## **Psalm 97**

1 The Lord is King;

let the earth rejoice; \*

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, \*

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

3 A fire goes before him \*

and burns up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings light up the world; \*

the earth sees it and is afraid.

5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, \*

at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens declare his righteousness, \*

and all the peoples see his glory.

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images

and delight in false gods! \*

Bow down before him, all you gods.

8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*

because of your judgments, O Lord.

9 For you are the Lord,

most high over all the earth; \*

you are exalted far above all gods.

10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; \*

he preserves the lives of his saints

and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*

and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, \*

and give thanks to his holy Name.

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.

*All are then seated for*

**Letters to the First Christians**     *Titus 3:4-7*

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*At the sound of the Organ, all stand to sing*

**Hymn 109** (*blue book*) "The first Nowell the angel did say" – *The First Nowell*

*The People turn towards the Gospeler for the proclamation of*

**The Holy Gospel**     *Luke 2:1-20*

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

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

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he

was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

*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 remain standing for the exchange*

**The Peace**, BCP 360 (*red book*)

*The People are then seated for*

## **The Rector's Welcome**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The People remain seated for*

**Offertory Anthem:** Gloria in Excelsis Deo - *Allen Pote*

*Bless you for your generous financial Christmas tithes and year-end 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 and in the Sanctuary are given to the greater Glory of God and in loving memory of:**

Will Klipfel

Betty & Thomas Facer

Georgiana Cook

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Irene Foster

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Miles & Hannah Blinston

### **The Loved Ones of**

Sandy Brzezinski

The Morrison Family

Rich & Judee Emerling

Denise Hall

The Fulford Family

The McCulle Family

The Forrest Family

Pat Bulger

The Wirth Family

Marie Lavis

Carol Foster & Dan Kubli

The Flynn Family

The Wanser Family

The Kinick Family

The Bates Family

Jane Koron

### **And in Honor of the**

Children & Grandchildren of Gretchen Zollendeck

**The Christmas Tree is given in loving memory of**

Carol Bauer

# 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 100<sup>th</sup>  
The People’s offerings of bread, wine and money are presented at the Altar.*

*The People remain standing to pray*

**Eucharistic Prayer D** – BCP 372(*red book*)

*The People then sing*

**The *Sanctus* - Hymn S-130** (*blue book*) *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**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.**

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

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*The People stand or kneel as Eucharistic Prayer D continues – BCP 373 (red book)*

*The Concelebrants and People then proclaim*

**The Acclamation** – BCP 375 (*red book*)

**We praise you, we bless you  
And give thanks to you,  
And we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Concelebrants and People then pray*

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

**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 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 directed 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 with the Trinity Family.*
- ❖ *We extend a special welcome to our Protestant & Roman Catholic Sisters and Brothers visiting with us this evening to join us at God's Table.*

*During Communion the People sing*

**Communion Anthem** Christmas Candlelight Carol –Gruber/Page

*Following Communion, all pray*

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

*At the sound of the organ, all stand to sing*

**Hymn 96** (*blue book*) “Angels we have heard on high” - *Gloria*

*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!**

**The Organ Postlude:**



## Serving at today's Liturgy

Beling Memorial Bell Ringer	Mrs. Gretchen Zollendeck
Trumpeters	Mr. Marc Bridon Mr. John Landers
Eucharistic Ministers	Mrs. Mary Margaret Campbell Mrs. Judy Johnson
Crucifer	Mr. Frank Julian
Lectors	Mr. Rich Emerling Mrs. Gretchen Zollendeck
Ushers	Mrs. Debbie Harris Mrs. Susan Hannel
Preacher	The Rev. Brother Blane Frederik OLW
Concelebrants	The Rev. Canon William Wipfler <i>✠</i> The Rev. Brother Blane Frederik OLW

## Serving at a future Liturgy

If you would like to discuss the possibility of serving at the Mass as:

- ❖ A Eucharistic Minister assisting at God's Table
- ❖ An Acolyte carrying the Cross, a Torch or assisting at the Altar
- ❖ A Lector reading from the Lectionary
- ❖ A member of the Trinity Choir
- ❖ A "Master of Ceremonies" overseeing the Liturgical schedule
- ❖ A Bell-Ringer
- ❖ A Greeter *✠* Usher

please consult with Brother Blane Frederik OLW who will be happy to provide advice, training and support.



## Trinity Prayer Roll

*Of your charity, please pray for:*

### **The Anglican Communion ~**

The Extra-Provincial Diocese Falkland Islands

### **The Episcopal Church ~**

Pray for St. Andrew's, Burt; St. John's, Wilson

### **Those in any need or trouble ~**

Pray for Rod, Jill, Denise, John Carney, Virginia Pratt, Carol Kohn, Nancy Dennis, Barbara Burke, Mary McWhorter, Dorothy Forrest, David Blank, Carly, Ceil & Frank Athans

### **Those who are absent from us ~**

Pray for Harvey Burton; Susan Nickerson; Don Cooper; Isobelle Jeffrey; Alice MacKinnon; Sally Klipfel; Peggy Hynes, Ann Dunn, Irene Spencer, Jane Koron, Mark Hubbard, David Blank & Winnie Romeril.

*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*

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