



Trinity Episcopal Church

December 24, 2025: Christmas Eve, 9:30pm Festival of Carols, 10pm Festival Choral Eucharist

Welcome to Our Parish

We are glad to have you with us for our worship today, to share in the inclusive, ever-abundant love of God. If you would like to learn more about life here at Trinity, please fill out a **Welcome Card** found in the pew racks in front of you; join us for refreshments after the service; and visit our **website** at trinitysb.org.

For an explanation of why worship at Trinity looks and sounds like it does, scan the QR code for our **Guide to the Episcopal Liturgy**.



Open Communion. Whatever tradition you come from, and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome at our communion table. You will find simple directions on how to participate in the Holy Communion section of the program. Gluten-free wafers are available—just ask when the bread is presented to you.

Prayer Ministers. During communion at the 10am service, two prayer ministers are available at the back of the church to pray. The three of you will pray together in a circle and you will be offered anointing with oil.

Children. On Sundays, Trinity offers religious formation for our children (ages 3 to 12) through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program. It takes place as early as 9am in the church school building behind the sanctuary. Children are brought into the church during the offertory hymn to join us for communion at the 10am service.

Nursery and Toddler Care is from 9:45am to the end of the 10am service on Sundays in the nursery upstairs. During the offertory hymn, you are welcome to gather your child from the nursery to join you for communion in the church.

Trinity's Youth Group (grades 7-12) meets weekly during the school year for fellowship and reflection.

Our ushers are always glad to be of assistance, including answering questions, providing hearing loops as needed, and giving directions to the church school building, the nursery, and other on-site facilities.

Hearing Loop installed in the sanctuary.



Merry Christmas!

Welcome to Trinity's Christmas Eve Choral Eucharist

Advent is a season of divine anticipation. A *before* marked by waiting with bated breath for Jesus to be born, for the world to be made right. And Christmas is the ultimate *after*. One marked by realized joy and celebration. As we finally place baby Jesus in our nativity scenes and light the Christ candle on our Advent wreaths, we are reminded that Jesus' birth means that God is with us, the Emmanuel.

God is with us in our before and afters. *God is with us* in our pain and joy. *God is with us* during our beginnings and endings. *God is with us* when we find the courage to hope for a bigger story even in our own impossible situations. *God is with us* when we are surprised by the joy that embraces our sorrow and loss. *God is with us* when we feel a peace that passes all understanding, even when our lives have come undone. *God is with us* even when our circumstances don't change. *God is with us* when we realize God's love for us, so much that God sent Jesus to us.

The best news is that the love, peace, joy, and hope that comes with God's presence doesn't have to end when the clock strikes midnight Christmas Day. It can't be boxed up and put in storage until next year. We can practice recognizing, embracing, and looking for the presence of God throughout the year. For our God is always with us from this day until the end. -Kate Bowler

Ministers of Tonight's Liturgy

10pm Service

Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Molitors, Rector

Presider: The Rev. Sarah Thomas, Associate Rector

Deacon: The Rev. John Draper

Director of Music: Thomas Joyce

Piano Assistant: Patrick Lindley

Conducting Assistant: Grace Wenzel

Orchestral Chimes: Paul Delaney

The Trinity Choir

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Ann Manzi,
Helene Gardner, Anna Kokotovic

Readers: Michael Neal Arnold, Alexander Thomas

Intercessor: Jeannie Christensen

Acolytes: Sol Beard-Armbruster, Claude Garciacelay,
Ralph Armbruster-Sandoval, Terre Sanitate (MC)

Thurifer: Sol Beard-Armbruster

Ushers: Kathleen Rogers, Jim Terzian,
Alexander Thomas, Anita Perez Ferguson

Audio Guild: Chris Mollkoy

Stream Team: Betty Wenzel

Welcome Team: Steve Kriz, Susan Zink

Altar Guild: Christine Purcell, Terre Sanitate

Director of Children and Youth: Theo Patterson

Remember in Your Prayers

Veronica, Men of Lompoc prison, people of Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, undocumented immigrants, Ryley, Katie Troy, Maya and Rowen, the Bergquist family, Kate Kelly, Nancy Siris-Rawls, Griffin Arnold, Valerie and Andrew Arnold, Phylene Wiggins, James and Patricia Wright, Marie Schoeff, Megan, Mica Basilici, Brett Evans, John Spence, Ana Orozco, Aaron, Wendy, Robert F Adams, Chris Teasley, Megan, Dylan, Ned, Paul D. and Caitlin D., Emmie and the Hoffman family, Ken Sorgman, Anastasia Miller, Molly Ferro, Ben Howell.

Those with Long Term Illness

Rachel Roitman, Judy Boyd, Ellen Sherman, Stephanie Campbell, Royal Claydon, Greg Hawkins, Carolyn Roberts, Michael Wilds, Karen Myers, Johnny Mac, Karen McKenzie, Joan W., Cindy Sprague, the Rt. Rev. William Smalley, Rick Huyett, Ada A., Tim, Molly Ferro, Jane G., Gloria C., Barbara Winslow, Gail Lanonette, Kathy Floyd, Vera Grigorian, Scott Smallwood, Joaquin and Jan, Quinn Sellars, Jane Arnold, Billy Jones, Gina B., Nadine Wilcox, Jane Ramshaw, Travis Stockstill, Virginia Burris, Kathy and Steve Stuck, Bruce Freeman, Rev. Mary Atwood, Randy Howard, Dinah, Jerry Gardner.

For the Departed:

All victims of gun violence, Earl & Maryon, Christian Garvin, Matthew Bergquist, Jaclyn Henretig, Charles Lean, Jacob Risley, Dave Wyman, Latif, Jack Carey, Marilyn Murphy-Houseman, Linda D., Zdenka Garciacelay. Kent Eyman, Dorothy, Edwin Weston.

In the Armed Services:

Michael C. Fish, David Dees, Frederick Johnston, Nicole A. Dennis, Kyle Ray, John Whitney, Sean Dunbar, Nicholas Hoegh Guldborg, Ryan Carey, Ben Wilson.

Postulant for Holy Orders

(diaconate): Phylene Wiggins

Pastoral Care:

If you would like names added to the prayer list, please contact the office. Names will be removed after 90 days. If you would like to receive communion at home, are going into the hospital or are otherwise in need of pastoral care, and would like to pray with or be visited by clergy, please email office@trinitysb.org or call 805-965-7419.

Festival of Carols: 9:30-10:00 pm

Welcome

All who are able, please stand to join the choir in singing the selected verses of the carols found in the 1982 hymnal.

All: O come, O come, Emmanuel

Hymnal No. 56. Vs. 1-5, 8

Please be seated

Choir: Rorate Caeli (Drop down, ye heavens)

Christopher Tye (c.1505 - c.1573)

Solo: O Magnum Mysterium

Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)

All who are able, please stand and sing

All: Away in a manger

Hymnal No. 101. Vs. 1, 2, 3

Please be seated

Quartet: Mariam Matrem Virginem

Michael McGlynn (b. 1964)

All who are able, please stand and sing

All: Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

Hymnal No. 81. Vs. 1, 2, 3

Please be seated

Choir: A Spotless Rose

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

All who are able, please stand and sing

All: O little town of Bethlehem

Hymnal No. 79. Vs. 1, 2, 3

Please be seated

Piano: Evening Prayer (from "Hansel and Gretel") Engelbert Humperdinck (1854-1921)

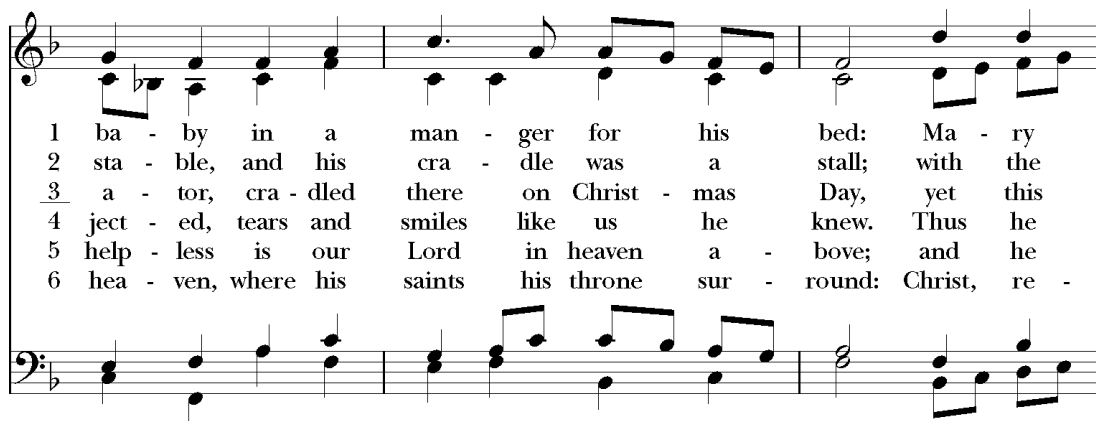
All who are able, please stand and sing the hymn on the following page



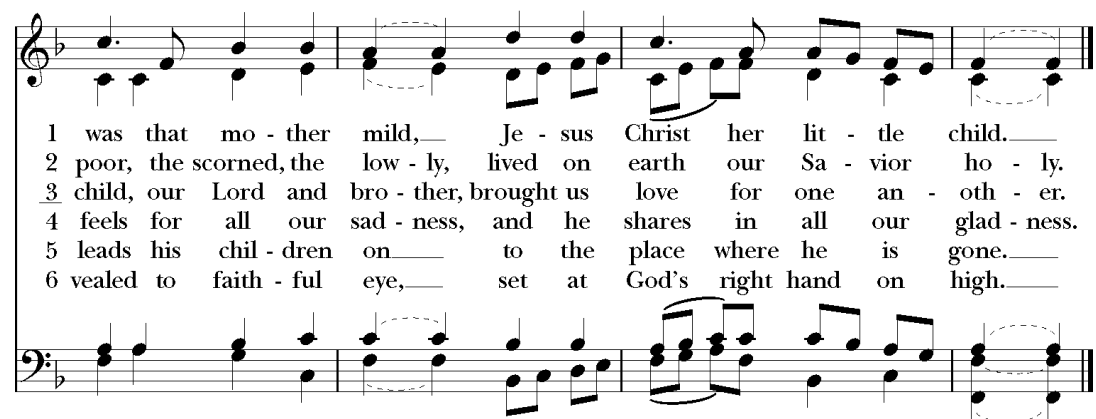
1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a
 2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
 *3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a
 4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,
 *5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
 6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the



1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her
 2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a
 3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -
 4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -
 5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so
 6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in



1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry
 2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the
 3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this
 4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he
 5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he
 6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -



1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone.
 6 vealed to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **You come to your people and set them free.**

Missa ad Praesepe (Mass at the Crib)

Sung by the choir

George Malcolm (1917-1997)

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of Christmas Eve

adapted from *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray. God of hope and expectation: in the time of empires, your word is born to those who have no place and sung to those who watch in the wild; may his birth unsettle our world with hidden glory and untold peace; through Jesus Christ, the Child of Promise. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Lesson

Isaiah 9:2-7

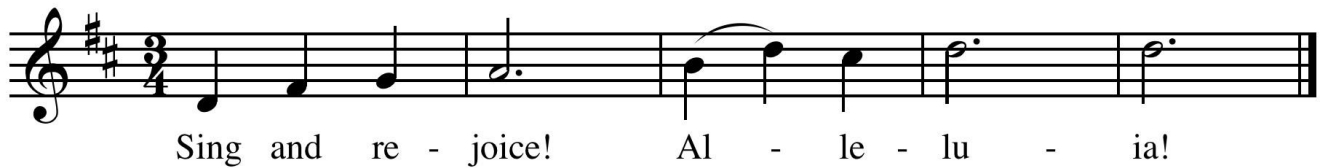
The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
His authority shall grow continually,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 97*All are invited to sing the refrain*

Hal H. Hopson (1933-2025)



Hal H. Hopson © 1988 Hope Publishing Company

REFRAIN

The Lord is Sovereign;
let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about you, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne.

A fire goes before you *
and burns up your enemies on every side.

Your lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.

REFRAIN

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord, *
and all the peoples see your glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O Lord.

REFRAIN

For you are the Lord,
most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil; *
The Lord preserves the lives of the faithful
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, *
and to the holy name of the Lord give your praise.

*REFRAIN***Second Lesson****Titus 2:11-14**

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.


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All who are able, please stand.


Sequence Hymn

Angels, we have heard on high

Before the Gospel, vs. 1, 2; after the Gospel, vs. 3, 4



1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;



and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright-ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

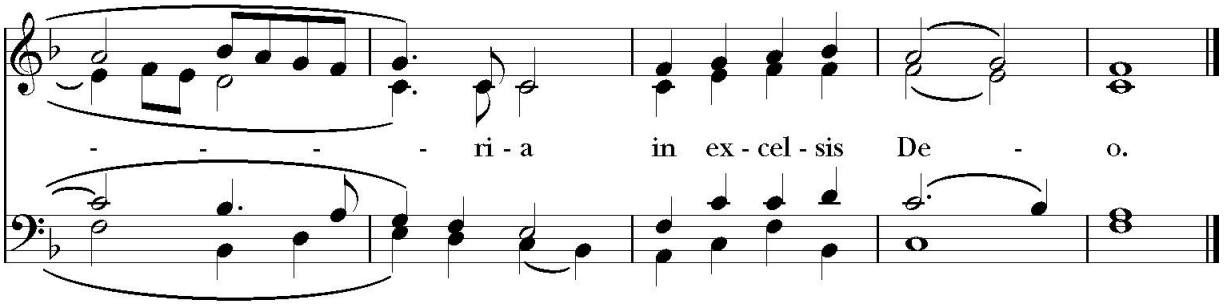
Refrain



Glo - - - - - ri - a



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The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:1-20

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, O 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, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Rev. Elizabeth Molitors

[Allow for a few moments of silence]

All who are able, please stand.

Affirmation of Faith

Sister Joan Chittister, OSB

**We believe in God who made us all,
and whose divinity infuses life with the sacred.
We believe in the multiple revelations of God,
alive in every human heart, expressed in every culture,
found in all the wisdoms of the world.
We believe in Jesus, the Christ, who leads us to the fullness of humanity,
to what we are meant to become.
Through Christ, we become new people,
called beyond the consequences of our brokenness,
lifted to the fullness of life.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God on earth,
who keeps the Christ vision present to souls yet in darkness,
gives light to hearts now blind, infuses energy into spirits yet weary, isolated,
searching and confused.**

We believe in God who is life. Amen.

Prayers of the People

adapted from *Shaping the Prayers of the People*

Loving God, in your Son Jesus Christ, you show us the nature and destiny of your creation and salvation;

Bless this church, Trinity, stable of strangers and angels, and continue to make this a community that seeks to reflect your glory and humility; we pray, in thanksgiving **that you come among us.**

Bless our city, our country, our world: places of honest human endeavor and unresolved human struggle, and continue to transform us into communities where your word is made flesh. We pray, in thanksgiving **that you come among us.**

Bless those people and places that long to hear the angels' message of peace and goodwill. We pray, in thanksgiving **that you come among us.**

Bless those who, like the holy family, have no place to stay, no security to rely on, and are strangers and pilgrims on earth. We pray, in thanksgiving **that you come among us.**

And finally, bless those with whom we have shared Christmases past, and with whom, in glory, we long to share Christmas again. We pray, in thanksgiving **that you come among us.**

The presider adds a concluding Collect:

God of Mary and Joseph, who welcomed the greetings of angels, inspire our hearts with sure trust in your promises. Bless all who are far from home this Christmas. Comfort all who have lost loved ones this past year. Come close to all who cannot be together with the ones they hold most dear in this season of joy. Pour your grace upon those who suffer from sickness, and those who are lonely and hurting. Send your heavenly host to visit us as we are, O God. By your Holy Spirit lift us up by the healing in your wings and make our hearts sing the song of angels in the starry skies. **Amen.**

Confession

Presider We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins:

People **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

Announcements

The Offertory

To donate, make or pay your pledge, scan the QR code, on the right, with your smart phone, or visit trinitysb.org/giving. We also gratefully receive checks in the offertory plate or mailed to the Trinity office at 1500 State St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.



Please stay seated as the offering plates are passed, then stand, as you are able, as the ushers bring forward the offerings of bread, wine, and money to the altar.

Offertory Anthem

The Holly and the Ivy

Matthew Owens (b. 1971)

The holly and the ivy when they are both full grown;
of all the trees that are in the wood the holly bears the crown.

Refrain: O the rising of the sun and the running of the deer,
the playing of the merry organ, sweet singing in the choir.

The holly bears a blossom as white as any flower;
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to be our sweet Saviour. *Refrain*

The holly bears a berry as red as any blood;
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to do poor sinners good. *Refrain*

The holly bears a prickle as sharp as any thorn;
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ on Christmas Day in the morn. *Refrain*

The holly bears a bark as bitter as any gall;
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ for to redeem us all. *Refrain*

- Traditional English Christmas carol

Offertory Hymn 110

The snow lay on the ground



1 The snow lay on the ground, the stars shone bright,
2 'Twas Ma - ry, daugh - ter pure of ho - ly Anne,
3 Saint Jo - seph, too, was by to tend the child;
4 And thus that man - ger poor be - came a throne;



when Christ our Lord was born On Christ - mas night. Ve -
that brought in - to this world the God made man. She
to guard him, and pro - tect his mo - ther mild; the
for he whom Ma - ry bore was God the Son. O



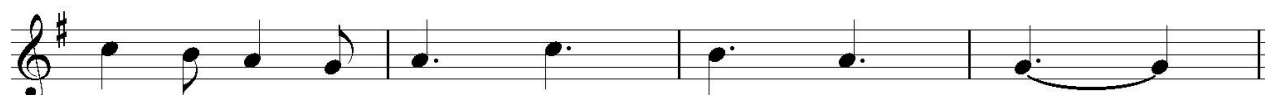
ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num. Ve -
laid him in a stall at Beth - le - hem; the
an - gels hov - ered round, and sang this song, Ve -
come, then, let us join the heaven - ly host, to



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
ass and ox - en shared the roof with them. Ve -
ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
praise the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num. Ve -



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.

The Great Thanksgiving

adapted from *Wells & Kocher*

The musical notation is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is for the Presider, with the lyrics "May God be with you." and "And al - so with you." The second staff is for the All, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts." and "We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Presider, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the All, with the lyrics "It is right to give God thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

Presider May God be with you. *All* And al - so with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts. *All* We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider

Bountiful God, we give our thanks to you, for you brought into being your glorious creation and crafted human life in your image. Your prophets promised that a young woman would conceive a son, the One in whom your truth would live, God with us. Through the voice of Mary, your Holy Spirit rejoiced in the wonder of the child eternally begotten of the Creator. Through the lips of Joseph you spoke the long-awaited name Emmanuel. A sword pierced their hearts when your Son Jesus was crucified at the hands of sinners, but in his resurrection you make a new family of the redeemed, restored, and the renewed.

And so with angels and archangels and all the company of earth and heaven, we lift our voices in joyful celebration as we join the unending hymn:

Sanctus *All are invited to sing*

Sanctus from *Deutsche Messe* - Franz Schubert
1982 Hymnal - S 130, arr. Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,___ Ho - ly,
ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,___ hea - ven and earth are
full,___ full___ of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes___
in the name of the Lord._____ Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho san - na in the high - est.

Presider Living God, as your Son was nourished by Mary's body, feed us, your body, with this holy meal, your very self, that we may grow into fullness of life. Send your Holy Spirit on us now, that we, too, may become God-bearers, to care for the life of your world.

Send your Spirit upon this bread and this cup, that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Fearless God, who came in a dream to Joseph, dream through us anew today. Speak into our places of fear. Transcend and transform all that keeps us from living your dream. Cast

out our sin and enter in; be born in us today. Dream into life in this very place a church renewed by the leading of your Spirit.

Dream through our hands and feet your just future, where the hungry are filled with good things, the lowly lifted up, and the oppressed set free, until that day when the life of heaven and earth shall be made one, and all your children gather in glory around you, everlasting God, eternally one with Jesus and the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now let us pray together, in the words Jesus gave his disciples:

**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.**

Fraction – Agnus Dei *All are invited to sing*

Agnus Dei from *Deutsche Messe* - Franz Schubert
1982 Hymnal - S 164, arr. Richard Proulx

Je-sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy on us. Je-sus, bear-er of our sins: have

mer-cy on us. Je - sus re-deem - er, re- deem-er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Invitation

Presider This is the table of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to know Christ more. So come, you who have little and you who have much; you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who feel you have failed. Come, because it is God who invites you.

The Holy Communion

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table for communion. Communion will be administered by stations – two at the front of the church, and one at the back. You have the option to receive only the bread (wafer), or the bread intincted (dipped) into the wine and placed into your hand by the clergy person distributing communion. If you wish to receive only the wafer, please say "bread only" as it's your turn to receive. Gluten free wafers are also available.

Regardless of whether you're receiving the bread only, or the bread and wine, you will hear the phrases, "the body of Christ, the bread of heaven" and "the blood of Christ, the cup of salvation" as communion is offered to you.

As the ushers invite your row forward, please come up the center aisle to receive communion, then return to your seat via the side aisle.

If you're unable to make your way to the front or back of the church, please notify an usher and communion will be brought to you.

If you do not wish to receive communion, simply cross your arms across your chest; this will signal to the clergy to offer a blessing in lieu of communion.

Communion Anthem

'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

'Twas in the moon of wintertime
When all the birds had fled
That mighty Gitchi Manitou (Great Spirit)
Sent angel choirs instead
Before their light the stars grew dim
And wandering hunters heard the hymn:
Jesus, your King, is born;
Jesus is born!
In excelsis gloria!

Within a lodge of broken bark,
The tender Babe was found
A ragged robe of rabbit skin
Enwrapped His beauty round
But as the hunter braves drew nigh,
The angel song rang loud and high:
Jesus, your King, is born;
Jesus is born!
In excelsis gloria!

The Huron Carol, arr. Antony Baldwin (b. 1957)

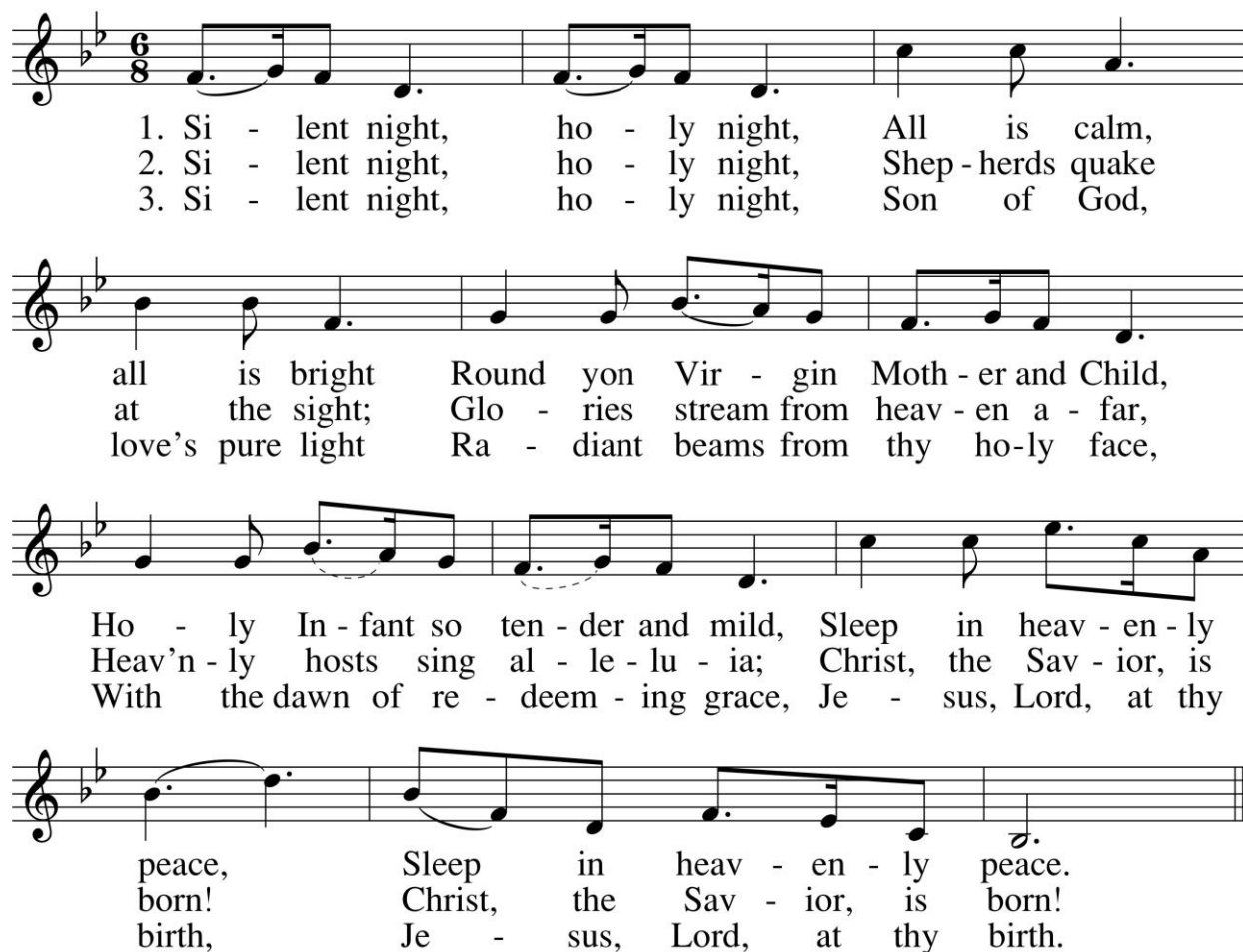
The earliest moon of wintertime
Is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on the helpless infant
there.
The chiefs from far before him knelt
With gifts of fox and beaver pelt.
Jesus, your King, is born;
Jesus is born!
In excelsis gloria!

O children of the forest free,
O sons of Manitou
The Holy Child of earth and heav'n
Is born today for you
Come kneel before the radiant Boy
Who brings you beauty, peace and joy:
Jesus, your King, is born;
Jesus is born!
In excelsis gloria!

- The first Christmas carol composed in North America (Jean de Brebeuf, 1640).
Originally written in the Wyandot language; English Words by J. E. Middleton, 1926.

Communion Hymn 111

Silent Night, Holy Night



1. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, All is calm,
 2. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Shep - herds quake
 3. Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright Round yon Vir - gin Moth - er and Child,
 at the sight; Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,
 love's pure light Ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild, Sleep in heav - en - ly
 Heav'n - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sav - ior, is
 With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
 birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Text: *Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht*; Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885
 Tune: STILLE NACHT, 66 89 66; Franz X. Gruber, 1787-1863

All who are able, please stand.

Post Communion Prayer

adapted from *Wild Goose Worship*

Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew and make us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

The Blessing

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Presider May God, who sent the Christ child to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness, and brighten your heart with the light of holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

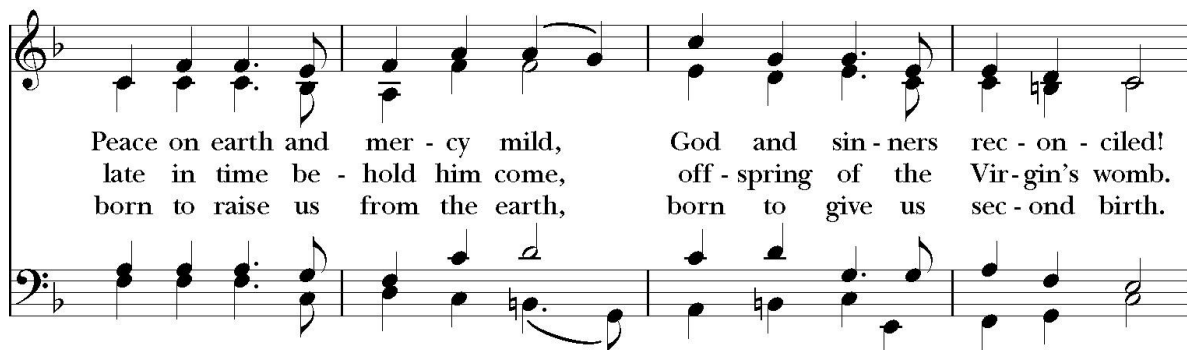
And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 87

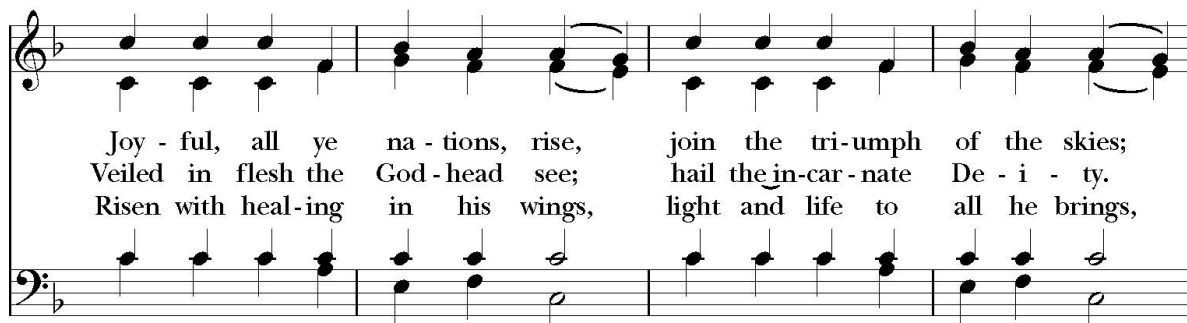
Hark! the herald angels sing



1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,



with the an-gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the love and peace of Jesus, Emmanuel, God-with-us!
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Sortie on "Mendelssohn" David Bednall (b.1979)

*We are glad to have you with us for our worship today, to share in the inclusive, ever-abundant love of God. If you would like to learn more about life here at Trinity, please visit our website at **trinitysb.org**.*

New to Trinity? Please know you are welcome! Fill out the newcomer card in the pew rack or complete the online form using the QR code below so we can get to know you better!



**Celebrate Christmas
with Trinity Episcopal Church**

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24
4pm Children's Nativity (*livestreamed*)
9:30pm Carol Singing
10pm Festival Choral Eucharist (*incense will be used*)

Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25
10am Choral Eucharist

First Sunday After Christmas, December 28
9:30am Lessons & Carols with Eucharist

Feast of the Epiphany – Sunday, January 4

Join us at 8am for Holy Eucharist and 10am for Choral Eucharist. The Feast of the Epiphany is the celebration of the manifestation of Christ to the peoples of the earth.

Trinity Office Closed

The office will reopen on Monday, January 5, from 10am-1pm. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

**Thank you all for the dedications and
donations made for Trinity's Christmas
greens and flowers.**

**Given By. . .
In Memory of. . .**

Megan Bright
Gina Reeves
Ken Johnson
Dave Johnson
Christine Purcell
Ron and Ann Funk; Carl Funk
Mary Heumphreus
Joe Heumphreus
Karen Claydon
Kent Carlander
Peggy King
The Landes, King, and Powers families
The Carey-Pisani Family
John Patrick Carey III (Dad, Jack, Poppy)
Karen Claydon
Kent Carlander
The Suganos
Tomoko Sugano
Kate Wallace
Ann & Jack Wallace, Bob & John Wallace
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My Mother, Patricia Neal Arnold
Leslie Meadowcroft Schipper
Carlo Scandiuizzi, Natalie Scandiuizzi
Mary Weston
Edwin Weston
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John Stivers, Alex and Zoila Petzinger,
Don & Floss Stivers

**Given By. . .
In Memory of...(cont.)**

The Bargiel family
Alta Bonacorsi, Chuck "JaJa" Bargiel
Joe & Amy Mathews
Glenice Mathews
Stephen Fountain
Gilbert & Margaret Fountain
Susannah Rake
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Bill & Anita Perez Ferguson
William & Ortencia Perez, Bill Dimeff,
George & Margie Ferguson, Jim Farr
Nancy Caponi & Robert Adams
Karin Van Hoek, Judy Woolsey Isaac
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Irene M.N. Sahyun
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Bob Christensen, Eric Christensen,
Inez Christensen
Kerry Misteretta
My parents, Emmy & Charles Seger
Nollie Lei Dawson
Don and Rodger Dawson
Kristina Kelehan
Marie T. Ross
Betty Wenzel
Elizabeth Hess, Katrina Perez
Laurinda Marshall
Sue Nash and Anna Bunting
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Ruth Bailey Hayward
Jean Davis
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Anne Roediger
Debbie Molnar; Kathryn Dean
Margie Weeks & Jack Talbott
Amy Talbott Leach, Helen Talbott Foster,
Beth Lewis
Ted & Nancy Tazer-Myers
Peter & Lois Fleming
Lois Capps
Lisa Capps, Walter Capps
Andy Siegel
Sharon Siegel
Fred & Libby Williams
Fred & Ella Williams, Richard Williams,
Stanley & Emma Freeman
Dawn Draper
My mom, Dorothy Reed

Given By. . .
In Memory of...(cont.)

The Bergquist Family
Remembering our dear son, Matthew
James McNamara
In loving memory of Christopher Hoskin
Norma Stuck
Glenn Stuck
Lois Callan Moore
John & Gladys Callan, my parents
Barbara & John Larson
Lillian & John Larson and Jane and Otto
Schulz
Cathy Mollkoy & Family
David Mollkoy, Terry Walker
Robin & Joe Selzler
Mary Selzler
Carol Ann Manzi
My beloved mother, Dorothy
Ann Robinson
Carl Robinson, Lynda Rothman
Sarah Fenstermaker
Mary Fatout Proctor
Jeanette Hatfield
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my Mimi Barbara Conrad
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Joan E Bennett
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Julie Parrish
Stephen & Mary Gibson
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Miles Sweda, Taylor Harris, John &
Andrea Adams, Joe & Jeannie Gibson
Rita Forbyn
John Forbyn
Miss Kathleen Lopez
My father, Henry
Katherine Zeiss
Jennifer Z.K.
Jean and Bruce Wollenberg
Eli & Flora Tarziu; Herbert & Winette
Wollenberg

Given By. . .
In Honor of. . .

The Carey-Pisani Family
Lucille Bell
Don & Siu Zimmerman
Trinity and its programs
Georg Rice
George Rice and June Ward

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In Honor of. . .(cont.)

Ashley Miller
Jim & Patti Wright
Susannah Rake
My colleagues at Hospice of Santa Barbara
Mark Ismond & Steve Thompson
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Edith Hollister
Katherine Zeiss
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MK & Jim Micallef
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Rev. Martha Siegel
Margie Weeks & Jack Talbott
Felix Gilbert
Lee Southerland & Bruce Barlow
Rev. Michelle Woodhouse
Terre Sanitate
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Michael J. Paulsen, MD
Joseph Salmey
Joseph Salmey Sr., Stella Salmey
Stephen & Mary Gibson
Lori, Megan, Tyler Harris, Shawn, Carola,
Clare, Catalina & Mateo Carey Pisani,
Nathan & Lani Gibson

Given By. . .
In Thanksgiving for. . .

Justin and Ellen Whittet
Our family
The Carey-Pisani Family
The Gibson Family
Anne Crowe
My family
Kate Wallace
My Trinity family, Kristi and Doug
Justin & Ellen Whittet
Our family
Leslie Meadowcroft Schipper
My Trinity Episcopal Church family
Don & Siu Zimmerman
Our Children, Todd and Tracy
Betty Wenzel
MaryAnn Paxton and the Trinity staff
Aaron Panchal
Jen, our families, friends and the Trinity
family: the gift of life, resilience, and healing

Given By. . .
In Thanksgiving for. . .(cont.)

Anne Roediger
This vibrant, caring community

Margie Weeks & Jack Talbott
Our family

William Hurbaugh & Randall Day
Helen and our back-row buddies:
Catherine, Paul, Isabella, Liam, Deedee,
and our Cannon Green neighbors

John & Anna DeVore
The Word made flesh; our family; and the
Trinity community

MK & Jim Micallef
The staff at Trinity

Teresa & Tim Angulo
Family

Michael & Tine Corrigan
The power of the Holy Spirit

Jarry & Susie Bartz
Shirley and Krista and their families

John & Carla Spence
Our daughter, Rowena Cortina

Stephen Fountain
Jackson

Mark Ismond & Steve Thompson
Our granddaughter, Margot Rose D'Arcy

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Trinity Family

The Salcido Family
Our family and friends

Barb & Joe Howell
Our children and their families

Martin & Barbara Scharlemann
Our family

Lynn Menefee
Trinity Church and each member

Nollie Lei Dawson
Bob Burtness

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For the gifts God has given our family

Shawn Carey
The Gibson Family

Anya & Nico Cortina
Mary, Robin & Vanessa

Mitchell & Sarah Thomas
Madeleine, Zoe & Gwyneth

Mary Ann Evans
Our 60th Wedding Anniversary on 12/26

Elizabeth Molitors
The people and ministries of Trinity

Norma Stuck
My family

Given By. . .
In Thanksgiving for. . .(cont.)

Phylene Wiggins
My Trinity family

Art & Louise Fisher
Zoe, Luke and Kate

Joseph Salmey
Leslie Parrish, Frederic Salmey

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Elizabeth, Sarah, John and
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Douglas Clegg
25 years of being part of this amazing
community at Trinity

Becky Hoffman
The Coven

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Given to the Glory of God in Memory of
and in Thanksgiving for Charlton Heston

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