

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025
"Handbell Choir
Christmas Sunday"
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Prayer of Preparation

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ your light shines in our darkness, giving joy in sorrow and comfort in loneliness. Fill us with the mystery of your Word made flesh, until our hearts overflow with praise and joy, for he is the beginning and the end of all that exists, living forevermore. Amen.

Prelude

"O, Come All Ye Faithful" Handbell Choir arr. McKechinie

Welcome

Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 55:12)

Pastor Joe

Can you imagine the day...

When the mountains and the hills break forth into singing, and all the trees of the forest clap their hands?

The promise we have is this: We worship a God who has come, and who is coming, to make all things new!

Thanks be to God!

* Hymn #143 "Angels from the Realms of Glory" arr. Thompson

The Third Light of Advent - Joy

The Davenport Family

Choral Candle Liturgy "Come, Lord Jesus, Come"

J. Raney

The Third Light of Advent

Advent is marked by a spirit of joy and celebration.

With joyful hearts we celebrate the coming King.

Advent is a time to open our eyes to our many blessings.

With joyful hearts we celebrate the coming King.

Advent is a time to appreciate the bonds of human love.

With joyful hearts we celebrate the coming King.

Advent is a lime to remember the promises of God.

With joyful hearts we celebrate the coming King.

Candle Lighting

Choral Candle Liturgy "Come, Lord Jesus, Come"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We come to you with open hearts, recognizing our own imperfections and need. You have shown us the path of surrender, the path of gratitude, the path of inner peace and joy. Yet, we confess that we have not fully embraced this wisdom. We have often allowed worry and anxiety to grip our hearts. We have let the busyness and distractions of life to drown out the still, small voice of your Spirit. Forgive us, O God. Heal us and re-center us, that we might experience the deeper joy that you offer...

(Silent Prayers)

In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Promise of Grace

* Song of Praise (Hymn #82) "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

* Passing of the Peace

Children's Message Madelyn May

Anthem "We Three Kings" arr. Compton

Handbell Choir

God's Word to Us Philippians 4:4-7

Meditation "Finding Joy in Waiting" Pastor Joseph Albright

* Hymn #611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

Call to Prayer #471 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

Shelley Bennett

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory "Away in a Manger"
Handbell Choir

arr. Ivey

* Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Refrain from "Angels We Have Heard on High")

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn #113 "Angels We Have Heard on High" arr. Zabel

Blessing

* Postlude "Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah" arr. Thompson

Handbell Choir and Organ

Please join us in Mehaffey Hall after Worship for Potluck Lunch.

Welcome to Our Visitors

If you are worshiping here as a visitor, we extend to you our warmest welcome. We are so glad that you have joined us today! If you are looking for a church family, we would love for you to be part of our family. If we can be helpful in any way, please don't hesitate to be in touch. Church Office: (386) 445-4757. If you would like more information about being a part of Trinity Presbyterian Church, feel free to contact Pastor Joe personally at (904) 392-5618 or albrightfish@amail.com

Children & Families: Children are always welcome in worship at Trinity! Near the beginning of the service, there will be a Faith Formation moment geared especially for them. Immediately following, they will be invited to either stay with their parents or go with our screened leaders to "Children's Church," for the remainder of the service. Children's Church includes games, activities and a lesson related to the day's message. Please sign up in the Narthex for further details.

Please see the Weekly Update or Church Website for more information on Trinity's Upcoming Events and Happenings. If you are not receiving the Weekly Update via email, please contact Judy at trinityoffice@cfl.rr.com with your correct email address.

Advent at Trinity

- On Sunday, December 21, the Word will be joyously proclaimed through a very special **Christmas Cantata**. Our choir has been preparing, and it is sounding quite glorious!
- Monday, December 22 will be our annual **Christmas Caroling**. Meet at the Palm Coast Community Center at 3:30pm, spread some musical joy and then back to Trinity for cookies and cocoa.
- On **Christmas Eve**, December 24 we will gather in the sanctuary at 4:00. In addition to special music, we will share communion and candlelight singing.

Make an Impact! Trinity Online Giving:



Rev. Joseph Albright, Transitional Pastor <u>albrightfish@gmail.com</u>

Rev. John Huff, Parish Associate
Heasuk Che, Director of Music/Organist
Lillian Warner, Director of Handbell Choir
Jane Pellmann, Clerk of Session
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Thomas Buonocore, Sexton

Ministers, The Congregation

^{*} Denotes please stand if able.