

Stewardship Campaign Luncheon

There will be a stewardship campaign luncheon. The luncheon will take place following church service, during the social hour on Sun., Dec. 14, 2025. We welcome you to come celebrate with the congregation! As we approach the end of the Stewardship Campaign, we encourage and welcome you to submit a pledge if you have not already done so. As

Living Saints, we can entrust that Trinity remains a strong and welcoming spiritual home for all.



Poinsettia Orders

It's Time to Order Your "Living Memorial" Christmas Poinsettias! The deadline for ordering poinsettias is noon on Wednesday, December 17! Forms are at the back of the sanctuary.



The December Gallery Exhibit

Plan to stop in the Community Gallery before or after the worship service today to view the Scantic River Artists and Artisans exhibit.



Angel Tree

The gifts are due in Asbury Hall today, Sunday, Dec. 7. They are going out for delivery.



The Maker's Market is Today, Sunday, December 7

This is a good opportunity to support an intergenerational group of Trinity craftswomen and artisans and to avoid the commercialism that surrounds the holidays. The handmade products will include woven, sewn, quilted, crocheted and knitted items as well as soaps, baked goods, artwork, and handmade cards. All are

invited to stop by the Community Gallery between noon and two today and do some of your Christmas shopping while supporting Trinity since a portion of all sales will be donated to the church.



Sunday Night Youth Fellowship (YF) for Grades 6th -12th at 6-8 p.m. Tonight

Let's have a triumphant return from the recent holiday by enjoying our Chapel time, dinner together, games, and fellowship!



Book Study with Rev. Dr. David Calhoun Continues

The book is "Questions Jesus Asked" by Magrey R. DeVaga. The classes are held in the Gallery & afé. Continues, Mondays: December 8, & 15 at 12-1:30 p.m. We have the books for purchase in the office. Please email Doreen in the church office to sign up and to coordinate purchasing the book at doreen@trinityspringfield.org.



Quiet Anticipation: An Advent Silent Retreat - Dec. 19, 2025, 4-6 p.m.

Step away from the business of the Holiday Season to wait quietly with prayerful anticipation for the birth of Christ. Our time will include a small worship service, a time of silence where we meditate on the hope, peace, joy, and love offered to us through Jesus Christ, and close with a time of reflection and prayer.



Caroling to Shut-Ins

Trinity's adult choir and Chamber choir will carol at the homes of shut-ins on Sun., Dec. 21 from 1 - 3 p.m. We will meet in the choir room at 12:45 p.m. on Dec. 21 and car pool to each location. Anyone from the parish who would like to join us is welcome to come to the choir room on Dec. 21. This is a great way to take a break from the holiday

rush and participate in an act of kindness. For more information, email Dr. Bruce Glenny, Director of Music Ministries, at: music@trinityspringfield.org.



Second Sunday of Advent – December 7, 2025 **Liturgy for the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

The Great Thanksgiving Advent (Adapted UMH)

Leader: The Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

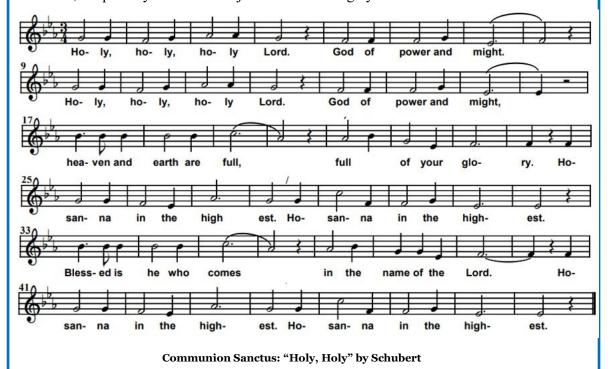
Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Liturgy for the Sacrament of Holy Communion (continued)

Leader: God of Advent, Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time to be a light to the nations. You scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts and have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation. You put down the mighty from their thrones and exalt those of low degree. You fill the hungry with good things, and the rich you send empty away. Your own Son came among us as a servant to be Emmanuel, your presence with us. He humbled himself in obedience to your will and freely accepted death on a cross. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

Leader: On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



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Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you.

Leader: By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.





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Welcome to Worship - Second Sunday of Advent, December 7, 2025

We are glad that you are here! If you have any questions, ask one of the ushers at the rear entrance of the sanctuary. Large-print Bibles, hymnals, & hearing devices are available from an usher.

NEW TO TRINITY CHURCH?

We would love to reach out to you! Scan the QR code with your New to Trinity? phone's camera app and a staff member will contact you. Welcome!

SUNDAY MORNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

The Children's Table offers coloring pages and other materials to help children feel welcome and comfortable in church. The table is located in the rear of the sanctuary. Please return supplies.

Trinity's Nursery & Child Care for children birth-4 yrs. is open during the worship service.

Trinity has a dedicated staff member responsible for providing a safe and engaging atmosphere for children during services. Cody Minahan has worked in the education field for over 10 years with experience ranging from preschool all the way up to high school! We also have a weekly volunteer. An usher can direct you.

Trinity's Christian Education Classes for K - Grade 12.

LIGHT@9 Sundays runs through mid-May. LIGHT@9-Children is for Kindergarten through grade 5. LIGHT@9-Youth is for gr. 6-12. Sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary or in front of the classrooms next Sunday.

Chapel Kids is a worship service designed for children Ages 5–13 yrs.

Chapel Kids runs Sundays through mid-May, except Communion Sunday, which is the first Sunday of every month. It begins at the beginning of the middle hymn, and ends after the benediction. It is located in Grace Chapel, which is through the side door in the front right of the sanctuary around the corner.

For more information about our music programs, email the Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Bruce Glenny: music@trinityspringfield.org, for the Dance Movement Choir, email the director, Amelia Hays-Rivest: dancemovementchoir@trinityspringfield.org. For Children and youth programs please email the Director of Family Ministries & Connections, Rob Powell at directorfmandc@trinityspringfield.org.

This church is committed to providing a safe place for our children & youth.

Our Safe Sanctuaries Policy requires that parents (or an adult they have designated) bring & pick-up their children 5th gr. & under from church-sponsored programs. Please escort your child to/from the restrooms during worship. Thank you.

Want to learn more? Scan the QR code with your smart phone.







Attendance for Sunday, November 30, 2025: Adults 129, Children 13 = Total 142

Financial Update: 2025 Pledge Goal = \$425,000. Total received including pledges paid in full through 10/30/2025 = \$395,263. -Thank you for your generosity, and for supporting the many missions of Trinity!