



Second Sunday of Advent December 7, 2025, 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Welcome to Trinity!

Whether this has been your church home for many years, or this is your first time visiting us, we hope you feel at home here. If you are new or visiting, please fill out the Welcome Card in your pew and put it in the offertory plate or hand it to an usher.

This bulletin is designed for use with the Book of Common Prayer. Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Text in *italics* provides directions or details. Unless otherwise indicated, hymns can be found in the 1982 Hymnal.

Prelude: Veni, Remptor gentium-Come Redeemer of the world Samuel Scheidt

Opening Hymn 59 Hark a thrilling voice Merton

Opening Acclamation BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Lighting the Advent Wreath

Light one candle for hope, one bright candle for hope
He brings hope to all the earth, He comes, He comes.

Light one candle for peace, one bright Candle for peace
He brings peace to all the earth, He comes, He comes.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the Lessons and the Psalm.

First Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 *sung by the choir*

Tone 5

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 65

Prepare the way O Zion

Bereden wäg for Herran

The Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

The people stand

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

BCP 387

The leader and people pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially, **Bob S., James, Jackie, Joan, Larry, Miriam, Naved, Pam F., Rob, Rosa & Sandra**, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession

BCP 360

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 Celebrant says the absolution.

The Peace

BCP 360

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements**The Offertory**

The people remain seated as an offering to support the mission and ministry of the church is collected. If you would rather give online, you can give at www.TrinityNewport.org or scan the QR code on the right.

**Offertory Anthem**

O radiant dawn

James McMillan

O Radiant Dawn, Splendor of eternal Light, Sun of Justice: Come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. Isaiah had prophesied, the people who walked in darkness have seen the great light upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. Amen.

Presentation Hymn 380 (Verse 3)

Old 100th

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and Praise.

The Celebrant says the proper preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord

Schubert

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. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

The Lords' Prayer

BCP 364

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 breaks the Bread

Agnus Dei

Schubert

The musical score for 'Agnus Dei' by Schubert is presented in four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

System 1:
 Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

System 2:
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

System 3:
 Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

System 4:
 Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



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The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please follow usher directions to the altar rail. If you are sitting in the balcony, come down whenever you wish to receive. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew, please just let your usher know.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the rail, just place your hand over your heart (like the Pledge of Allegiance). If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you wish to receive wine, you may either sip from the cup or dip (instinct) your bread carefully into the wine.

Please note: Due to an increased attendance, we are now inviting all people to come down the center aisle to approach the altar, and to move back to your seats via the side aisles.

Communion Anthem

Benedictus

Thomas Tomkins
For lyrics see S 190

Hymn 336

Come with us, O blessed Jesus

Werde munter

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 436

Lift up your Heads

Truro

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

Veni Emmanuel

James Woodman

Our worship is now over, and our service in the world begins.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rector: Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

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Greeter: George Tumblin

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A/V: Dan Cordeiro

Coffee Hour: Ellen Patterson & Kay Winston

WEEKLY PRAYERS AND DEDICATIONS

This week we pray for: Eric, Joan, Jackie, Larry, Rosemary, Miriam, Naved, James, Sandra, Rob, Todd, Anita, Ginny, Michael, Karen, Peter, Jackson, Laurie, Sara, Elizabeth, Susan, Robby, Leonard, Bob S., Lewis and Rosa. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we join the Bishop in prayer for all laity in their several vocations and ministries, that they may truly and devoutly serve God.

Give thanks this week for the life of, Raymond King, Carolyn Skelly, Eva Brawner, Thomas Beebe, Roger King, Jr., and Warren Sullivan, the faithful departed on the anniversary of their passing.

Give thanks this month for the birthdays of Aurora Lyons, Ray Fisher, Eric Schweibenz, John Gilmartin, Meaghan Kelly Brower, Chris Meyers, Jan Watkinson, Noël Robinson, John Hattendorf, and Jean Gorham.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date: The Celebration of New Ministry for the Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower will take place on the Epiphany, Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Trinity Church Reading Group will meet on December 8th, continuing the mysterious theme with “The Thursday Murder Club” (Book1) by Richard Osmond. If interested, please contact Anne Glenn, annedglenn@gmail.com.

Food Drive: Trinity will be joining Lucy’s Hearth in gathering food for the community. A list with specific requests can be found at the rear of the church. For more information see this week’s E-Tower.

Silver Tea: Thank you to all involved for another incredibly successful Silver Tea.

Christmas Clean-up: In preparation for our Christmas Services, we are looking for Volunteers to help clean the glass chimneys on the concise lights in the Sanctuary on December 13th. We need a few individuals to remove the glass chimneys and a few individuals to wash and dry them. If you are willing to assist, please contact Norris Commodore (nwcommod@yahoo.com) or Donna Ellis (djellis55@cox.net).

CHRISTMAS AT TRINITY

Dedications: Forms to request a dedication of flowers, music & tower lightings can be found at the rear of the church or in this week's E-Tower.

Service Schedule:

Christmas on the Hill

Sunday, December 14, 4 p.m.

Christmas Eve Family Service

Wednesday December 24, 4 p.m.

If your child would like to be involved in the pageant, please contact Dolores Bauer at dbauer104@gmail.com

Festal Christmas Eucharist

Wednesday, December 24, 9 p.m.

Music begins at 8:30 p.m.

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25, 10 a.m.

A joint service celebration with
Emmanuel Newport and St. John the Evangelist

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, December 8: Reading Group Meeting, 5 p.m.

Tuesday December 9: Vestry Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 10: Healing Service and Eucharist, 12 p.m.
Men's Bible Study, 12 p.m.

Thursday, December 11: Choir Rehearsal, 7p.m.

Sunday, December 14: Worship Services: 8 & 10 a.m.

Bible Study in the Glenn Family Center, 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10 a.m., Teen Program 9 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, 10a.m.

Christmas on the Hill 4 p.m.

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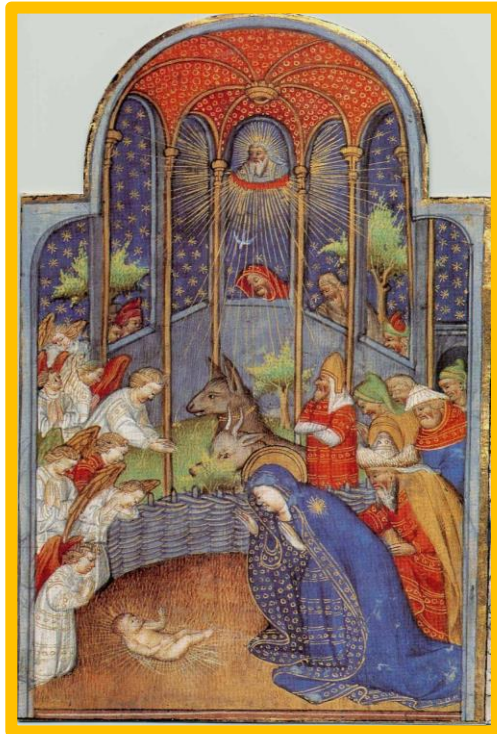
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Christmas on Historic Hill



Lessons and Carols

December 14, 2025, 4:00PM

Trinity Church in Newport, Rhode Island

The Choir of Trinity Church
Choir School of Newport County,
St. George's School Select Choir

Frederick Jodry, *Co-director of Music*

The Reverend Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower, *Rector*