

**Trinity Presbyterian Church
The Second Sunday in Advent
December 4, 2022 A.D.**

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - Pastor

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude

Call to worship

L: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

P: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

The Morning Anthem

Lighting of the Advent Wreath - The Fleschut Family

Call to Confession

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Together, with boldness, let us confess our sins unto the good Lord who hears all. Let us pray . . .

All: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from

our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*Our Response ***What a Friend We have in Jesus***

***What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what
peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because
we do not carry everything to God in prayer!***

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn - ***Angels, from the Realms of Glory #22***

The Morning Scripture Lesson: Philippians 2:2-11

² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

- ⁶ Who, being in very nature^[a] God,
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own
advantage;
- ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature^[b] of a servant,
being made in human likeness.
- ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!
- ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,
¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Sermon: ***Making Joy Complete***

*Hymn - ***Good Christian Friends, Rejoice #28***

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

***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.***

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Sending forth and Benediction

*Choral response

God be with You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Liturgist: Barbara Rinker

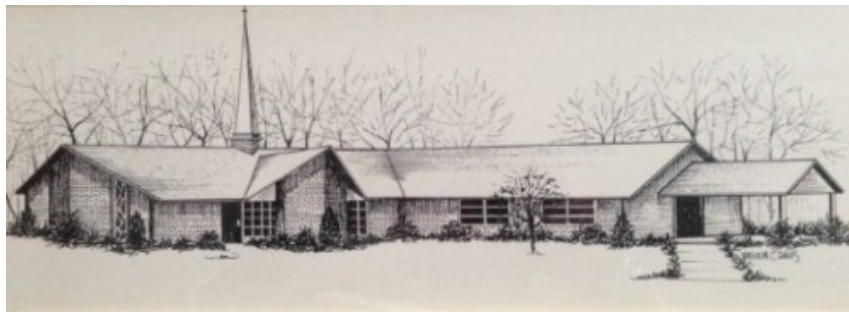
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Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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