

Welcome!

Whether you are a member or a visitor, we rejoice to have you worshipping with us on this Holy Night.

Trinity offers a full range of ministries and opportunities for all ages – children, youth and adults. We invite you to explore these opportunities at our website – www.trinityumc.net – or on Facebook – www.facebook.com/TrinityRichmond.

We are glad that you are here.

Pastor Larry Lenow

TRINITY'S CLERGY ASSISTING WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Larry E. Lenow, Rev. Drew Willson,
Rev. Judy C. Oguich, Rev. Jim Noland

Lay Participants in Tonight's Services

Trinity's Brass

Don Floyd, trumpet
Erica Sena, trumpet
David Zanitsch, trombone
Tom Norton, euphonium

Lay Reader Mary Katherine McCullough

Ushers Rob Taylor
Cliff Culley
Ken Hart
Jerry Williams
Jerry Clark
Mike Hildebrand
John Cardwell

Acolytes Brent Blackmon
Sam Blackmon
Caitlin McSorley
Jake Sanne
Max Sanne
Drew Thompson
Cameron Love
Matthew McCullough

Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all who would follow Jesus Christ.

Our method of Communion is by intinction. Please cup your hand to receive the host, dip it into the cup and then commune. Then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Elements free of Gluten and other allergens are available in front of the Holy Family Banner (*to your far left*).

If you are unable to come forward to commune, please notify an usher for assistance.

Candle Lighting

We will conclude tonight's service by sharing the light of Christ.

Parents, please be extra mindful of your little ones because we care about their safety.

In passing the light, please hold the lit candle STRAIGHT and the unlit candle above it sideways.

Please leave your candle in the container provided following the service.

POINSETTIAS—If you have a flower tribute listed in the bulletin and would like to take a poinsettia, you may do so after the 11 PM service tonight.

We ask that you leave the poinsettias on the altar.

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8:30 PM



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GROW IN FAITH.
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Traditional Worship

8:30 PM

Prelude Selections by the Trinity Brass

Introit

Call to Worship

* Processional Hymn *O Come All Ye Faithful* UMH 234

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;*

CHORUS: *O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

*True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal,
Lo, he shuns not the Virgin's womb;
Son of the Father, begotten, not created;
[CHORUS]*

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
[CHORUS]*

*Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory given.
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:
[CHORUS]*

* Lighting of the Christ Candle

Leader: Christ is born; give him glory!

People: Christ has come down from heaven; receive him!
Christ is now on earth; exalt him!

Leader: O you earth, sing to the Lord!

People: O you nations, praise him in joy,
for he has been glorified!

Congregational Prayer *(In Unison)*

**O God our Father, you have brought us again
to the glad night when we celebrate
the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Grant that his Spirit may be born anew in our hearts this day
and that we may joyfully welcome Him to reign over us.**

**Open our ears that we may hear again
the angelic chorus of old.**

**Open our lips that we, too, may sing with uplifted hearts, "Glory
to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace, goodwill toward all;"
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory *On Christmas Night* ARR. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 9:2, 6-7, O.T., p. 638

Epistle Lesson Titus 2:11-14, N.T., p. 215

* Gospel Proclamation

*(In an ancient tradition of the church the good news of Christ's
coming to us is read from the midst of the people.)*

* Hymn *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

*Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th' angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"*

*Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come, off-spring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail th' incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"
Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!*

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

*Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the new-born King!"*

* Gospel Lesson Luke 2:1-20, N.T., p. 58

* Hymn *Angels We Have Heard on High* UMH 238

*Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
See him in a manger laid,
whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while our hearts in love we raise.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!*

Sermon *Christmas Surprises* Larry E. Lenow

Solo *Gesu Bambino* YON
Mary Beth Huneke and Amy Barefoot, soloists

Sacrament of Holy Communion UMH 9

*Carols will be played and sung during the time of Communion.
Please follow the choir and join in singing.*

* Candlelighting

* John 1:1-14

Silent Night, Holy Night UMH 239

*Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven a-far,
heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!*

Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

*Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light;
radiant beams from thy holy face
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*

*Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!*

* Benediction

* Sending Forth *Joy To The World* UMH 246

*Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.*

*Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

*No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.*

* Closing Voluntary WIDOR

Toccata from the 5th Symphony

Worship has ended—let your Service begin.