The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Giving of the Bread and the Cup

UMH 895

#### SENDING FORTH

Lighting of the Candles

\*Carol

Silent Night

\*Benediction

\*Carol

\*Postlude

Joy to the World

\* Please stand as you are able

Acolytes: Ashby Belding, Gray Belding, Lucas Hawes, Elise Vernon, Laurel Vernon (8 PM) Sydney Duerson, Matthew Estes, Kaleigh McPhail (11 PM)

**Our Advent/Christmas Offering** is designated to support United Methodist Family Services (UMFS).

You may designate "UMFS" on your check (payable to Trinity UMC); or put your donation in a "Christmas" offering envelope (located in the pews). All "undesignated" offerings received at the services tonight will be given to UMFS.

Our Trinity Foundation has generously approved a \$7,500 matching grant for this special offering.

Trinity has historically been one of UMFS's largest supporters, and we hope to continue that tradition this year.

#### We invite you to join us in Worship on Sunday mornings!

December 31	10 AM	One Worship Service
Regular Sunday Schedule	9 AM 10 AM 11 AM	Modern Worship Service Discipleship Classes (Sunday School) Traditional Worship Service



## 6:00 PM / 8:00 PM / 11:00 PM



# December 24, 2023

Rev. Daniel Guenther Associate Pastor	
Rev. Judy C. Oguich	
Minister of Congregational Care	

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#### Christmas Eve

December 24, 2023

6:00 PM / 8:00 PM / 11:00 PM

#### **ENTRANCE**

Chiming the Hour

Welcome

#### \*Call to Worship

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God, and the Word was with God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory. Do not be afraid, for see – I am bringing you good news of a great joy for all the people: And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory. To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory. \*Carol O Come, All Ye Faithful Lighting the Advent Wreath—The Christ Candle

...who dwells with us even now, our Emmanuel, God with us. We live as people in the in-between who celebrate the arrival of the Light that shines in lost and broken places as we wait for the day when we will live in the fullness of God's kin-dom.

\*Sung Response

Angels We Have Heard on High

\*Passing the Peace

\*Carol Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

\*Opening Prayer

O God our Father,

you have brought us again to the glad season

(continued)

(refrain)

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 hearts 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.

Choral Anthem	On Christmas Night (Sussex Carol)	(8:00 PM)
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#### **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

*Scripture	Luke 2:1-20 <i>CEB</i>	
Sermon	It Is Time!	Rev. Brian Siegle

#### Prayer of Confession

We come tonight, ready to celebrate the arrival of our King.
Yet, we come tonight, aware of our own shortcomings and failures to follow Christ's lead of love.
We come tonight, ready to celebrate the arrival of our King.
Yet, we come tonight, aware that this baby we celebrate is the same man that died so that we might live.
We come tonight, ready.
Renew us. Refresh us. Forgive us.
For us and for the world, it is time. Amen.

### THANKSGIVING

God's Tithes and Ou	ır Offerings	
Offertory	<i>O Holy Night</i> Allison McCullough, soloist	(6:00 PM)
	<i>Wexford Carol</i> The Trinity Choir	(8:00 PM)
	<i>I Saw Three Ships</i> Laura Candler-White	(11:00 PM)

\*Doxology