

Pensacola, Florida November 29, 2020 10:30 a.m.



*Indicates times when all who are able may stand.

Chiming Of The Hour

Prelude "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach

Welcome And Congregational Life Announcements

Lighting Of The Advent Candle "Light of Light" Joel Raney

Featuring The Handbell Choir and Hyunjoo Kim, piano

Congregation sings

Light of Light, we humbly pray; Shine in our hearts today. Dispel the gloom and dark of night; Fill all the world with love and light.

REFRAIN: Voices cry out from a world in grief.

Prayers of those who seek relief. End their darkness, hear their call For peace on earth, good will for all.

Liturgists: Ron Bailey and Ron Smith

Responsive Litany

ONE: Advent is a time of reflection and renewal.

ALL: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our hope.

ONE: Advent is a time of self-examination.

ALL: God of light, shine in our hearts and strengthen our resolve.

ONE: Advent is a time of joyful expectation.

ALL: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our faith.

ONE: Advent is a time of service and searching.

ALL: God of light, shine in our hearts and ignite our compassion.

Candle Lighting

ONE: Today we light the first candle - the candle of hope - reminding us that in sending Christ, God sent hope to the earth. Hope for a world free from war and pain, hope for a sense of purpose and belonging, and hope for peace and prosperity for our children and our children's children. When Christ came, he brought us the Light of Lights. Light that fills us with hope, illuminates our lives, and shines in our hearts.

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*Prayer:

God of light, we pray today that you will fill us with hopeful expectation, and that you will cause us to become your children of light. Help us to spread your light into the world around us. Help us to recognize our opportunities to brighten the lives of others. Help us to live each day as beacons of love filled with joy, peace, and hope. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Please greet each other, "Peace be with you."

Children's Moment

(at this point children will remain in pews with family)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: (UNISON) Mark 13:24-37

²⁴"But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,

²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory.

²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.

²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.

³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place.

³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.

³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn,

³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.

³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

After each reading: Leader: The Word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God.

Anthem/Hymn "Sleepers Wake! A Voice Astounds Us" Bach

Verses 1 and 2 Organ Chorale Featuring Hyunjoo Kim, organ Verse 3 Congregation sings See Hymn insert

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 64:1-12 (NRSV)

¹O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence-

²as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

⁴From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him.

 5 You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed.

⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

⁷There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

⁸Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of vour hand.

⁹Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

¹⁰Your holy cities have become a wilderness, Zion has become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.

 11 Our holy and beautiful house, where our ancestors praised you, has been burned by fire, and all our pleasant places have become ruins.

¹²After all this, will you restrain yourself, O LORD? Will you keep silent, and punish us so severely?

"THE PATH HOME: 1. Come Home!" Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

...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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hugh Hamilton

"Watchmen Tell Us Of the Night" *Hymn

*Call for the Offering

*Benediction

Sermon

"Now Thank We All Our God" *Postlude Sigfrid Karf-Elert

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS

WELCOME! To learn about Trinity's life and service or about becoming a member of Trinity, visit www.trinitypcola.org.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH begins again today, Sunday, November 29, 2020.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: Thursday, Dec 24 5pm and 7pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services in Sanctuary. Our pandemic safety protocols remain in place. Masks are required. Social distancing in the pews. Attendance limited to 100 persons each service; reservations required. For your convenience, you can reserve your spot at this link https://www.eventbrite.com/e/130114854031
OR reservation cards are available in morning worship. Pre-sealed communion kits will be distributed as you enter along with candles and wax catchers.

ADULT ADVENT STUDY: Sundays in Advent. Zoom Class with Hugh Hamilton and the Serendipity & Gap Classes: *PEACE, JUSTICE, JOY, AND SALVATION: AN ADVENT STUDY*, by Cynthia M. Campbell, PCUSA pastor. Weekly lessons will be emailed. Using passages from Isaiah, we will explore God's gifts to us and our application of gifts toward Peace (11/29), Justice (12/6), Joy (12/13), and Salvation (12/20). Email the church office (info@trinitypcola.org) to receive weekly lesson series.

PLEDGE CARDS Please drop off or mail in your pledge card to the Church Office. If you have misplaced your pledge card, please just write down the amount of your pledge and indicate whether it is weekly, monthly or annually. Please include your name and address. You may adjust your pledge at any time by contacting Sharon. Thank you for your faithfulness.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE Verses of Comfort can be found at trinitypcola.org > ministries > congregational care > other services - <u>click link here</u>.

CONCERNS OF THE TRINITY FAMILY

TRINITY MEMBERS
Butch Crooke
Kenny Heffner
Richard & Sue Peden
Jake and Lil Renfroe
Lamar & Cheryl Wasdin
Carl Williams

TRINITY FRIENDS & FAMILY

Don Allen (neighbor of Dona & Milton Usry)
Rose Baber (mother of Barb Martensen)
Jan Baldwin (family of Robert & Gail Childs)
Morgan Beck (brother of Gregg Beck)
Connie Brown (friend of Trinity Members)
Terri Carroll (sister of Dan Prettyman)
Joe Caruthers (friend of Mary Ruth Dobie)
Harvey Howell Casey (nephew of Mary Catherine Hinton)
Patricia Clark (cousin of Elizabeth Massengill)
Nathan Dille (friend of Diane Millas)
Ken Dunn (request of Fred Gamble)
Rob Dobie (family of Mary Ruth Dobie)
Kelly Eberhardt (request of Mary Anne Meier)
Vince Farrugia (friend of Mary Ruth Dobie)
Kristin Gottschalk (niece of Allen Martensen)

Tina & Roger Jaskot (friends of Jon & Karen Nagel) Joe Kemp (friend of Hugh Hamilton) Yangduck Kim (mother of Hyunjoo Kim) Jerry LaFlamme (request of Linda Gamble) Mason Land (request of Barbara McLean) Tom Landsgaard (brother of Greg Landsgaard) Allyson Lassiter (niece of Jan Beck) Deanna & Jeff Lepa (family of Tom & Sandra Buck) Angelica Makepeace (request of Alison John) Lora Millard (family of Cam & Elizabeth Massengill) Wyatt Mixson & Family (request of Marge Shimmin) Barbara & Ben Mozo (request of Sandy Edwards) Mary Muller (request of Peggy Watson) Shade O'Driscoll Family (friends of Mary Ruth Dobie) Jim Potter (request of Jean Norman) Allen Smith (son of Gerry Smith,

brother of Berney Smith)
Diane Swalin (request of Mary Ruth Dobie)
Roger Vinson (request of Jean Norman)
Linda Warrick (request of Marge Shimmin)
Jo Winford (sister of Jayne Felix)
Saffron Young (family of Mary Anne Meier)

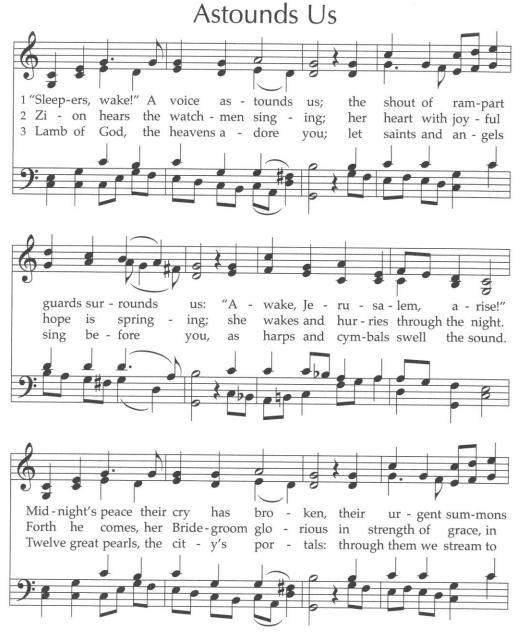
Prayer Warriors have been praying for our Concerns of the Trinity Family list during this time of isolation. We are grateful to Sally Zorn, Linda Gamble, Mary Anne Meier, Jill Clark, Sharon Gensemer, Sandra Holman, Kathy Webb, Marshall Arrich, Jane Patterson, Pat Harris, Dawn John, and Betty Petree. Thank you all!

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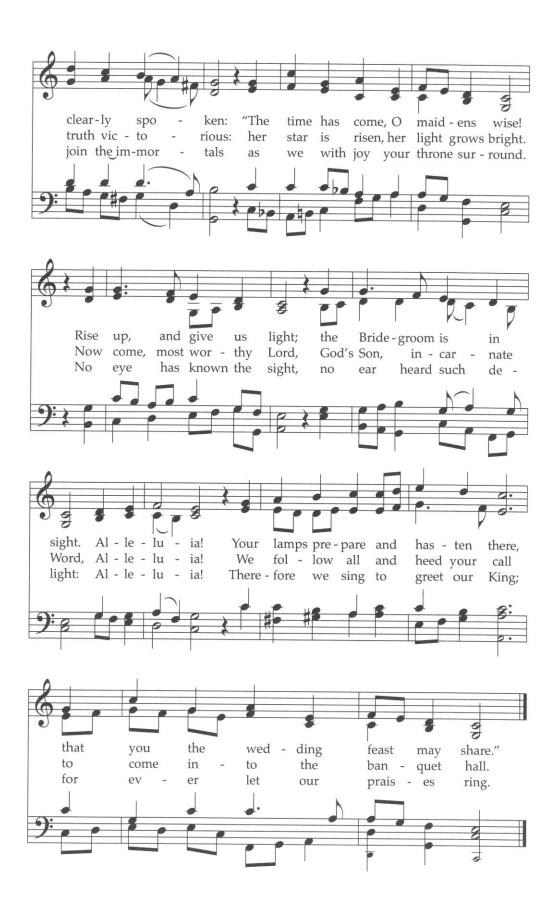


With its opening "Come," this hymn sounds the note of entreaty and invitation that characterizes the Advent season (from the Latin *adventus* = "coming"). Its blending of memory and hope helps us to give voice to our present faith as we stand between the past and the future.

349 "Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice

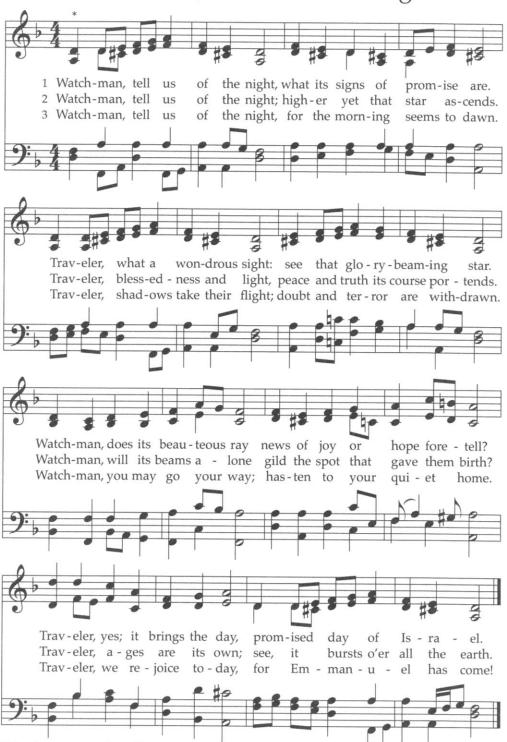


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Watchman, Tell Us of the Night 97



*May be sung antiphonally.

This unusual dialogue hymn alternates between the voice of a traveler and that of a watchman, setting up an exchange that creates parallels between the coming of dawn and the birth of Christ. The tune is named for a Welsh town whose name means "mouth of the bending river."