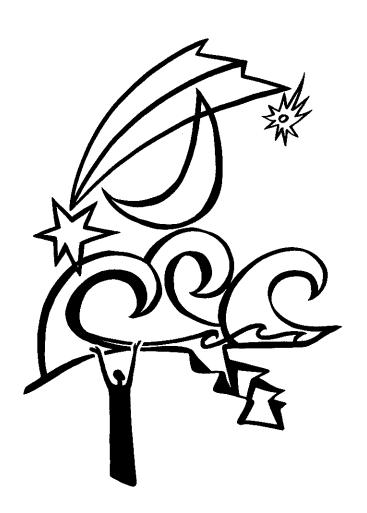
# CHURCH OF THE TRINITY Coatesville in the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.



"There will be signs in the sun, the moon and the stars..."

**November 28, 2021** 

9:30 AM

#### **Entrance Rite**



## THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE (SEE HANDOUT/ATTACHED)

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People

You come to your people and set them free.

# SONG OF PRAISE (THE HYMNAL 1982 #96) Angels we have heard on high (Gloria) (H 96)



#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### The Lessons

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

#### PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9

Remain seated.

'To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \* let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

<sup>2</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

<sup>3</sup>Show me your ways, O LORD, \* and teach me your paths.

<sup>4</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me, \* for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

<sup>5</sup>Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \* for they are from everlasting.

<sup>6</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \* remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Gracious and upright is the LORD; \* therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

\*He guides the humble in doing right \* and teaches his way to the lowly.

<sup>9</sup>All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \* to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ( CHRIST IS COMING - LEVAS 6)

Christ is coming. Prepare the Way. Christ is coming. Prepare the Way. Christ is coming. Christ is coming.

#### **GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36**

All stand.

Deacon

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said:] <sup>25</sup>"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup> Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

#### THE NICENE CREED

All 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

All remain standing.

As the church worldwide celebrates the beginning of its New Year, let us turn our minds and hearts to the larger community of which we are a part, saying: Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us mercy.

For all peoples of every race, nation and disposition: May your love so embrace us all, that its power overcomes our conflicts, our defenses, and our fears. Quicken us to our true nature as your children that we may love another. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

For all the churches of the world, Orthodox, Catholic, Protestant, and Pentecostal: May we grow together in our understanding of mission, that we may be strengthened in unity and united in acts of service. Call us to the one discipleship with its many gifts. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

For those that live in fear and confusion: Whether they be stateless people in refugee camps, or settled people hidden behind high fences, give to the vulnerable strength, and to the secure vulnerability, that our human compassion for one another may end injustice and give our societies a human face. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

For this community, especially for those who suffer most, for the emotionally and physically ill, for the dying, for those who grieve, especially those effected by the coronavirus and for those listed here that are near to our hearts, and those we now name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Violet Armstead, Clair Armstrong, Angie Ashe, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Velda Baynard, Chrissie Belamarich, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Lashoni Brown, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Lola Clarke, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Mary Fleck, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Ruth Gardiner, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Livi Guthridge, Lillian Hadler, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Margaret Harrell, Mary Harris, Esther Harvey, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Diane Kitson, Jodi Lancaster, John and Lindsay, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Paige McClean, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Meredith Olseski, Ben Phillips, Stephen Phillips, Barbara Post, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Cheryl Robinson, Jacob Rockoff, Flora Rutledge, Judy Skoniczin, Mary Shidlowski, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Calvin Smith, Colby Stackhouse, Stephanie, Linda Still, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, JoAnn Tarrant, Bill Terry, Tom, Tom Wagner, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Ruby Williams, Art Wyatt

May we all, out of our own suffering, give comfort and support. Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us mercy.

We pray for all those who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed here that are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Police: Sgt Lori and Jeff Kistle

Military: PVT Austin Combs, PO2 Jason Combs, PO3 Andrew Combs, 1CPT Corey Combs, MAJ Alex Deets, Seaman William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, PVT Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPL Ryan Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MC, MSgt Rewa Price and Capt. Greg Wuestner,

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us mercy.

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Nora Bush, Caroline Kirwin and Samuel Haak. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

For the larger community around us, especially for the newborn children, the homeless, and the imprisoned: May we create a world where shelter, food and medical care are available for all and where the law protects people for a better chance and better choices. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

For those who will die this day, and for the beloved dead whom we have entrusted to you, especially for Virginia S. Keating, for whom the altar flowers are given; that you will be present to them, speaking your name in comfort and in power. Hear our prayer, O Lord, *and grant us mercy*.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

On this first day of the year, we gather up our prayers and offer them to you, O Lord, knowing full well that there are signs in the sun and moon and stars and in the common events of ordinary life that call us to attend to your coming. Prepare us for the time of trial and for your dominion, coming now and at the close of this age. **Amen.** 

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

#### THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

# The Holy Communion

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2



# The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life

and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

#### THE HYMNAL 1982 SERVICE MUSIC #S 125

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Cyril, our Patron Saint, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN* 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER LEVAS #264

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing.

People and Celebrant

Our Father, which 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.

# The Breaking of the Bread

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia! Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia!

#### INVITATION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**COMMUNION HYMN Steal Away (LEVAS 103)** 



#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

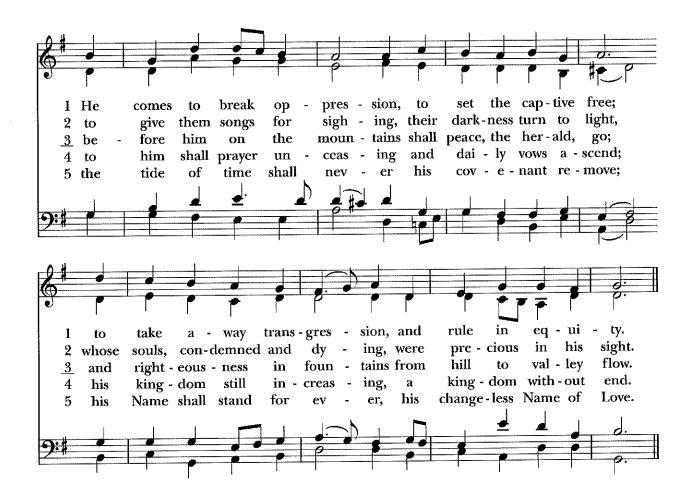
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send

us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### BLESSING

# POST-COMMUNION HYMN Hail to the Lord's Anointed (Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein) (H 616)





#### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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#### **TODAY**

Funeral Service for Judy Vennell at 11:30 a.m.



The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God and in loving memory of

Virginia S. Keating

by Victor J. Shanley, III

Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace

#### **Announcements:**

- \* Thursday Healing Service on **December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon**, via Zoom. Commemorating Francis Xavier, Missionary to the Far East, 1552.
- \*Coatesville Christmas Parade, Saturday, December 4th begins at 10 a.m.
- \*Family/Contempory Worship Service at 11:15 a.m., Sunday, December 5th
- \*Caroling through downtown Coatesville, Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. Meet in front of the steps of Trinity at 1:45 p.m.
- \*Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, December 11th 10 a.m. to Noon.
- \*Vestry Meeting, Sunday, December 12th at 11 a.m.
- \*Angel Tree Christmas party at Thorndale Volunteer Fire Hall, Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> Noon-4 p.m. (please have your gifts back to Trinity by December 12<sup>th</sup>)
- \*Christmas Eve Service, Friday, December 24th at 7 p.m.
- \*Christmas Lesson and Carols, Sunday, December 26th at 9:30 a.m.

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# THE PROPHET'S CANDLE OF HOPE First Sunday of Advent

Leader: Today begins a four-week journey to Christmas and we begin our Advent work of watching, waiting and preparing. Each week, as the frenzied pace toward Christmas grows busier, louder and more insistent, we will gather in this holy spot where our hearts can find rest. We will light the candles of Advent and take a few quiet moments to contemplate and meditate and hope.

People: O Come, O Come Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel... (sung a cappella)

Leader: This first Sunday of Advent we light the Prophet's Candle of Hope. The Old Testament prophets urge us to prepare for the coming Messiah — a Messiah who not only brings light to a cold and darkened world, but whose warmth and light can stretch into even the deepest crevice of our personal darkness. We wait in hope and expectation.

People: O Come, O Come Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel... (sung a cappella)

Leader: As we light the Prophet's Candle of Hope, we hear the echo of the prophet Isaiah: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined." (Isaiah 9:2) The time of salvation is at hand and the Messiah is on his way!

All: God of Hope, thank you for sending your son, Jesus Christ, to help us know we are Children of Light and no longer a people who walk in darkness. Give us strength to follow the example of the prophets of old who were ready and expectant. Be known to us during these Advent days that we may feel a keen awareness of the light of your love. Amen.