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The Newsletter of Trinity Long Green

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ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

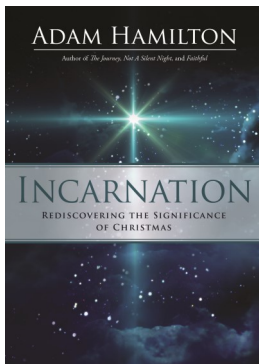
Join Rev. Jess for a study on Adam Hamilton's book, *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas*.

Time: 7:00 PM

Dates: Dec 2, 9, 16, and 23.

Join Zoom Meeting to attend:

<https://zoom.us/j/99127963315?pwd=U0VKemxUdGhyV04rY3NqL0VnNHp4dz09>



PRAYER BOOK & HELLO



The Drive By and pick up a Book of Common Prayer to follow along with our Morning Prayer and Compline will be on **Saturday, Dec. 5th**. You can drive up to the sidewalk outside the Parish Offices to pick up a Prayer Book and say hello to Rev. Jess+. All the Prayer Books will be borrowed from our church sanctuary until we return to in-person worship. We hope using Trinity Prayer Books will bring a piece of our church home to you! If you would like to have a Book of Common Prayer for use at home, please let the Church office know by December 3rd. Distribution on Saturday, December 5th will be along with orders for Christmas Greens and Mike Berry's wonderful stolen. Look for more details to come on this safe, non-contact Holiday event at Trinity!

-Joyce Lynagh-

STEWARDSHIP



Thank you to everyone who has turned in a pledge card. We are grateful for your gift and partnership in ministry.

If you have misplaced your card or did not receive a pledge card in the mail please call or email the church office.

PRE-CUT GREENS

Andrew Lowery has fresh cut ever green branches available for those who wish to make their own wreaths or swags for holiday decorating. Contact the church office if you would like to pick up greens for decorating.



FAMILY ADVENT SERVICE

All are invited to participate in a 15 minute worship service at 10:30 AM on Sunday mornings during Advent. This service will explore the story of the birth of Jesus and provide the opportunity to get to know the characters, especially Mary and Joseph.



This is an interactive service for kids to ask questions or comment on things that surprise them or they wonder about but can't ask during a normal church service. Join Rev. Jess+ for this fun worship time this Advent!

Jess's Message

Dear Trinity,

Grace and peace to all of you this Advent Season!

Advent is all about waiting and preparing for the coming of our savior into the world. This year we know all about what it means to wait. We have been waiting for months to return to normal, to worship in our building, and to visit with friends and family inside our homes. It has been exhausting and at times frustrating, and with the increasing number of COVID cases and deaths, it has been heartbreaking as well. As we enter into Advent, we may not feel as excited or ready as we have in the past. This makes me think about Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was given amazing news that she would bring the Son of God into this world. Most likely she was not ready for the impact this news would make on her life. News of great joy that had brutal consequences during that time where unwed women who became pregnant were subject to public humiliation and even death.

I often wonder how she felt and what she thought about during the months of her pregnancy as she waited for Jesus. How excited she must have been but terrified of the king who was threatened by her son.

So, Mary waited for Jesus to be born. She waited to see him be the Son of God as the angel of the Lord had promised. I bet she was equally frustrated and sometimes fearful just like us as she waited for God's purpose to be fulfilled through her son. She probably never knew what to expect or what would come of Jesus but Mary still had faith in God's sovereignty and love. She is an example to us that in our waiting for Jesus we need to cling to the hope and promise that was fulfilled in him many Christmas' ago. A promise from God that we would never be separated from his love or have to wait on knowing how much we are beloved by our creator. God's love sent his son to be our light and our hope especially in times like these.



As we patiently wait and prepare together to welcome Jesus into this world, may we hold fast to our hope that we will worship together again in person, we will meet for coffee hour and the joys of the church seasons will ring out from our doors. With our hope let us embrace this time of challenge and change in love, creativity and adventure! Part of our adventure this season will be telling Mary's story of waiting and anticipation in new ways with our virtual Lessons and Carols Service, a Zoom Christmas pageant, and our virtual Candlelight Christmas Eve Service. As we continue to pray and hope for this pandemic to end, join me in embracing this unique and different holiday season with excitement and joy in celebrating our beloved savior. A pandemic will not stop us in our waiting from singing, praying and hearing the story of hope this Christmas!

Many blessings to all of you!

Rev. Jess+



WORSHIP WITH TRINITY THIS SEASON!

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 6TH AND 13TH

9 AM MORNING PRAYER WITH MUSIC AND
COFFEE HOUR
10:30 AM FAMILY ADVENT SERVICE
5 PM COMPLINE

DECEMBER 20TH

9 AM LESSONS AND CAROLS WITH EUCHARIST
10:30 AM FAMILY ADVENT SERVICE
11 AM-12 PM EUCHARIST PICK UP AT CHURCH
5 PM COMPLINE

DECEMBER 24TH: CHRISTMAS EVE

4 PM ZOOM CHRISTMAS PAGEANT WITH MUSIC
7 PM ZOOM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE WITH MUSIC
AND EUCHARIST

DECEMBER 25TH: CHRISTMAS DAY

9 AM CHRISTMAS MEDITATION ON FACEBOOK LIVE

All our services can be found on our
website at trinitychurchlonggreen.org.

STAFF APPRECIATION GIFTS

To say that 2020 has been a challenging year is quite an understatement. Yet, despite all that has happened, Trinity has continued to thrive in these difficult times. Through the hard work and dedication of Reverend Jess, Sandy Lancraft and a few others, we have continued to worship and share God's love as a parish, attend to the personal needs of the parish and keep the physical plant functioning effectively. Please consider showing your support and gratitude for the staff who have worked so hard by making a monetary donation towards Staff Appreciation Gifts. You may send a check to Trinity Church with "Staff Gifts" written on the memo line.

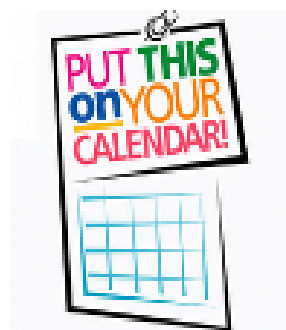


Thank you,

Joyce Lynagh, Senior Warden

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **January 24th** (snow date Jan 31)following the 9 AM Morning Prayer service. A list of eligible voters will be sent out in an email. If your name is not on the list, please notify the church office as we want to correct our mistake. During the meeting, we will elect new vestry members, reflect on the past year, and share our hopes for the future. As always, we will review reports from various committees and groups, and receive an update on our financial situation.



TRINITY'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT NEEDS YOU!

This Advent and Christmas Season will be different in many ways because of COVID-19. However, it will not stop our community from telling the amazing story of Jesus' incarnation with our annual Christmas pageant.

We will be holding our pageant on Zoom during our 4 pm Christmas Eve service. We need readers and participants of all ages to join us in telling this special story. There will be Zoom backgrounds for those who have certain parts and we hope that you all will participate this year!



A pageant sign up will be coming out in the Bugle Blast soon. If you have any questions or want to sign up to read a part, please contact Sue Berry or Rev. Jess+.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS



Trinity will continue to collect donations for Food for Thought this Christmas holiday. This ministry feeds many families in Baltimore County and this year has brought with it many challenges for our neighbors. In hope to lend a comforting hand as safely as we can, checks may be made payable to Trinity with "Food for Thought" in the memo line. Contact the church office if you have any questions.

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY TO:

- 1 Chris Lipira
- 3 Ella Jane Dengler
- 6 Jody Tagg Dengler
Lindsey Rast
Robert Fitzgerald
- 7 Carrie Anderson
- 8 Christine Cook
- 10 Elizabeth Lee
- 14 Lindsay Cromwell Rims
Andrew MacDougal
- 16 Nicholas Fiorelli
Gail Landers
- 17 Rose Luba
- 18 Gary Jennings
Bill Kincaide
Reese Owens
Tony Torlina
- 20 Roger Lee
- 21 Sherry Rast
- 25 Katherine Calvert
- 27 Dena Eberman



TIP OF THE HAT



- ◆ Many thanks to the Milo Family for cleaning up our garden beds and making our grounds ready for the Winter season.
- ◆ Thank you to Carol House and Joyce Lynagh for cleaning our Prayer Books and preparing them for parishioner use.

JOYFUL MUSIC THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Welcome our visiting organist, Daniel Weatherholt! He will be joining us for worship this Advent and Christmas season. Daniel is the Music Director and Organist at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Washington. With his musical leadership we will be adding hymns to our Morning Prayer service and our Christmas Eve worship. We will be praising our Savior this season at home!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 4 Donald & Lynlee Brock
- 10 William & Jeanine Bausman
- 27 Bill & Susan Wiley
- 30 Gary & Joyce Jennings



Looking for an easy way to help Trinity?



Amazon offers to make a gift to your designated charity for many items ordered on its Smile Amazon site. Follow the link below and designate Trinity Episcopal Church, Glen Arm MD as your charity of choice. Then all you have to do is remember to log into the Smile Amazon site (instead of the regular Amazon portal) and the rest will be done for you. I now make all my Amazon orders this way.

<https://smile.amazon.com/>

JANUARY TRUMPETER DEADLINE

December 23, 2020

Please email your submissions to marthab28@verizon.net

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 am Morning Prayer

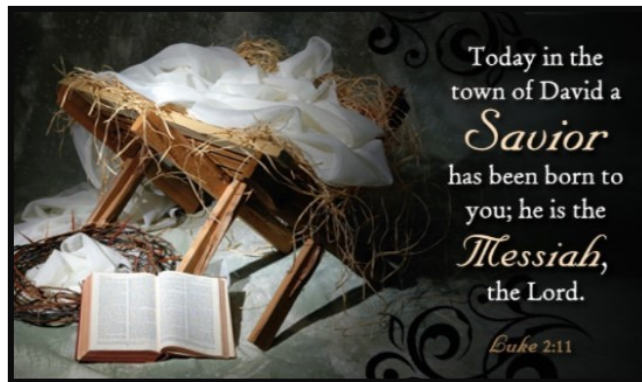
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94746484292?pwd=SnJOejJnZjBTTUk5T2xQV1B2aDhVQT09>

5:00 pm Compline

Compline will be held on Sunday evening on Facebook Live. A Facebook account is not needed to access the service. Here is the Facebook link:

<https://>



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