*“Trinity UMC exists to* ***ENGAGE*** *people in joyful relationships with God and with each other, that we will* ***GROW*** *in Christ-like compassion and* ***SHARE*** *the blessings of the Holy Spirit.”*

December 1ST, 2024 10:30 a.m. DIGITAL BULLETIN

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PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Dave

GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

ADVENT CALL TO WORSHIP (sung to SLANE)

**We light one candle, as Advent we start,**

**hoping this season some grace will impart;**

**patiently waiting the day of the Lord,**

**hoping for justice, and kindness restored.**

**Advent is time for reflection on life, for**

**righting of wrongs and for healing of strife,**

**brothers and sisters, united by love,**

**seeking the wholeness that comes from above.**

HYMN # 196 “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

**Come, thou long expected Jesus,**

**born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,**

**let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,**

**hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,**

**joy of every longing heart.**

**Born thy people to deliver,**

**born a child and yet a King,  
born to reign in us forever,**

**now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal spirit**

**rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all sufficient merit,**

**raise us to thy glorious throne.**

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US (10:30)

HOLY BAPTISM – *Celeste Grace Peterson*

OUR LORD’S PRAYER

GOSPEL Luke 21:25-36 Liturgist

MUSICAL INSPIRATION “Will We Know Him?”

HOMILY “Beyond Distress and Confusion”

OFFERTORY

ADVENT DOXOLOGY and PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,**

**praise God, all creatures here on earth below;**

**praise God above, ye heavenly host,**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost!**

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel**

**shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING IN SONG!**

**THE PREFACE** *(sung responsively to Adeste Fidelis)*

The Lord be with you, **and with you, his servant.**

Come, let us lift our hearts unto the Lord.

**With hearts uplifted, thanks to him we render.**

**With joy we come before him,**

**with thankful hearts adore him,**

**with thankful hearts adore him, evermore!**

**THE SANCTUS** *(sung to “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing”)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts, by all adored!**

**Heaven and earth cannot contain**

**all the glory of your name!**

**Hail, hosanna, God most high,**

**blest are we who now draw nigh,**

**In the name of God the King,**

**Halleluiahs glad we sing!**

**Hail, hosanna, praises due**

**be forever, Lord, to you!**

**OUR LORD’S PRAYER** *(sung to “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”)*

**Our Father, Lord, on heavens high throne,**

**most holy be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done,**

**on earth, in heaven the same.**

**Give us this day the food we need,**

**forgiven may we be;**

**into temptation do not lead, from evil set us free!**

**Yours is the kingdom, unto you**

**in grateful love we bow,**

**and yours the power Lord, let us view**

**your mighty presence now.**

**The glory yours, your praise be sung**

**by angel hosts and men;**

**in every land, by every tongue,**

**forevermore, Amen!**

WE RECEIVE THE FEAST *(We will come forward today for the bread and the juice…please kneel or stand to receive. If you cannot come forward, please alert an usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.)*

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE Pastor Dave

HYMN # 724 “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”

**On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,**

**and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land,**

**where my possessions lie.  
*I am bound for the promised land,***

***I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?***

***I am bound for the promised land.***

**O'er all those wide extended plains**

**shines one eternal day;  
there God the Son forever reigns,**

**and scatters night away.**

***I am bound for the promised land,***

***I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?***

***I am bound for the promised land.***

**No chilling winds or poisonous breath**

**can reach that healthful shore;  
sickness and sorrow, pain and death, a**

**re felt and feared no more.**

***I am bound for the promised land,***

***I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?***

***I am bound for the promised land.***

**When I shall reach that happy place,**

**I'll be forever blest,  
for I shall see my Father's face,**

**and in his bosom rest.**

***I am bound for the promised land,***

***I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?***

***I am bound for the promised land.***

BLESSING *Dear Lord, we await your arrival among us again, our Redeemer, our Prince of Peace. This Advent time, fill us with deep and abiding hope, and help us share that hope with everyone we meet, and especially those who need it the most. Amen!*

POSTLUDE