TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Celebrating 180 Years of Life and Ministry



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 7, 2025

10:30 am The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Welcome to Trinty! Since its founding in 1845, Trinity has been a sacred space for Mobile. From the beginning, worship has been central to our common life. Trinity strives to be a humble outpost of the Kingdom of Heaven by sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ and walking the Way of Love.

If you are interested in learning more about Trinity or becoming a member of our community, please speak with our priest or call the church office at (251) 473-2779. Our office hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. You can also learn more about us through our website, www.trinitymobile.org.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Voluntary

Advent Wreath Lighting

The Forwood Family

Reader: Last Sunday, we lit the First Candle in our Advent Wreath, and celebrated the patriarchs and matriarchs of the Hebrew Scriptures. We light it again this morning as we remember our Savior, born a king in the line of King David. Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and we believe that he will come again to fulfill all of God's promises and to rule the world wisely and bless all nations.

(A person lights one purple candle here)

Today we light the Second Candle of Advent, the Candle of Peace. We remember the prophets who spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Savior would be born. The prophet Isaiah called this person "the Prince of Peace".

(A person lights a second purple candle here)

Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle, we celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ.

Priest: Let us pray: Lord Jesus, Light of the World, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people. Bring peace into our hearts this Advent. And help us today, to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with others. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. *Amen*.

Hymnal 65 Prepare the way, O Zion Bereden väg för Herran

The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Hymnal S 280 Glory to God in the highest Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day: 2 Advent

BCP 211

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Old Testament Isaiah 11:1-10

BCP 685



- 1 Give the King your justice, O'God, *
 and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
 and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy a mong the people; *
 he shall rescue the poor and crush the op pressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.
- †7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
 there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessèd be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
 who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessèd be his glorious Name for ever! * and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

The Epistle

Hymnal 67

Comfort, comfort ye my people

Psalm 42

The Holy Gospel

The Sermon

The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession of Sin & Absolution

BCP 393

The Peace

Announcements & Stewardship Reflection by Beth Stepan

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone is welcome to come to the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing from the priest, please fold your arms across your chest. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify an usher and Communion will be brought to you. Gluten-free hosts are available.

Offertory (seated)Advent CarolDale WoodDoxology Hymnal 380, v 3Old 100thThe Great Thanksgiving—Eucharistic Prayer BBCP 367Sanctus S 130Holy, holy, holy LordFranz Peter SchubertThe Lord's PrayerBCP 364The Fraction S 168My flesh is food indeedMason Martens

The Ministration of Communion

During Communion, all are welcome to light a candle at the prayer station in the Lady Chapel.

Hymnal 75 (seated) There's a voice in the wilderness crying Ascension

Postcommunion Prayer BCP 365

The Advent Blessing

Hymnal 542 Christ is the world's true Light St. Joan

The Dismissal BCP 366

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

THE PARISH PRAYER LIST

This Week: Doris Benson, Byron & Kay Cruthirds, Pat & Darrel Cyrus, Tom Holmes, Brenda Howard, Janelle Odom, Mona Porter, Nettie Robertson, Leona Rowan, Shane Sawyer, and Shae Street.

Others we are praying for: Scott Anderson, Micki Ankerson, Jeanne Babin, Betsy Brown, Latrelle Brown, Linda Dumas, Nancy Elstner, Derrick Freeman, Christopher William Forwood, Katherine Galanos, Dottie Gill, Chris Gregory, Butch Harbaugh, David Hart, Adam Hicks, Bill Holmes, Carol Ann Holmes, Fred Holmes, Jr., Håkan Kårdén, Annette Kelley, Pam Lane, Rev. Scott Lenoir, Kerry Senne Logan, Jessica Luce, Ashley Holmes McCrary, the Seth Murray Family, Kay Biggers Overstreet, Rev. Pam Strobel, Monty Thull, Glennie Weaver, David Whatley, Keith & Cathy Williams, and Stacey Yim.

Armed Services: Matthew Anderson, Marie Lacy, Charles Lewis, Jr., Robert O'Bryant, and Kevin O'Rourke.

SERVANT LEADERS

Celebrant

The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh

Altar Guild

Allison Castle, Martha Fuller, Carmen Kearley, and Margaret Platt

Crucifer

Rae Beck

Chalicists

Jill & Ricky Creel

Lectors

Allison Castle Janet Nodar

Intercessor

Rita Treutel

Ushers

Wilson Castle Austin Forwood

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ADVENT AT TRINITY

Worship Schedule

Every Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite One 10:30 am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two Nursery available at 10:30 am only

> Tuesdays 5:30 pm Compline in Schroeter Chapel

Wednesdays
11:00 am Bible Study
Noon Holy Eucharist
in Schroeter Chapel
The Chapel entrance is through the Memory Garden
between the Church and Parish House.

Labyrinth

Walk our beautiful Labyrinth anytime in the Meadow.

Food Pantry

Mondays 9:30–11:30 am Except for major holidays. Join our Mailing List





Clergy & Staff

The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, Bishop of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast
The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh, Rector
Brother Jacob Luke Taylor, OSB, Parish Administrator
Dawn Hearn, Finance Administrator
Jasmine Moultrie, Parish Steward
Ken Weber, Organist

Trinity Church Vestry

Anne Gill, Senior Warden (2028) Charlie Nakash, Junior Warden (2026) Maria Beck, Clerk (2027), Emily Blejwas (2028) Harold Dodge (2027), Tom Holmes (2026) John Howard (2026), Josh Robinson (2027) Tommy Murray (2028), Michel Nicrosi, Treasurer

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