Trinity Episcopal Church

Celebrating 180 Years of Life and Ministry



The First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2026

10:30 am

The Holy Eucharist:
Rite Two

Welcome to Trinity! *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.*

The Liturgy of the Word

Organ Voluntary

Lighting of the Advent Wreath — Mike and Jill Grimes

Reader: Today, we begin this wonderful Season of Advent and we open our hearts to God's love as we prepare to welcome Christ into our lives and homes. The candles of this wreath remind us that Jesus Christ came to conquer the darkness of sin and to lead us into the light of his glorious kingdom. And now we light our first candle....

(A person lights one purple candle here)

Clergy: Let us pray:
Gracious God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of our Savior, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness around us. Pour forth your blessings upon us now as we light the first candle of this wreath; and may this light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Hymnal 61 "Sleepers wake!" A voice astounds us *Wachet auf*

The Acclamation and Collect for Purity **BCP 355**

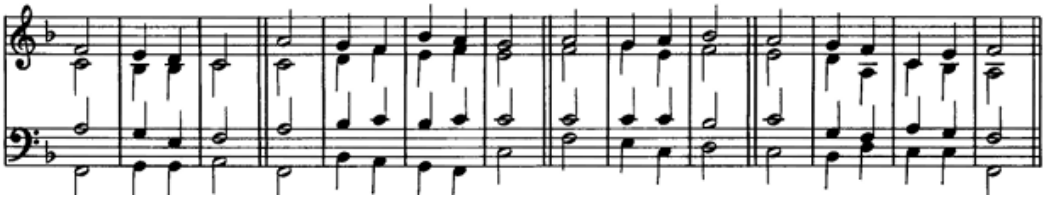
Hymnal S 280 Glory to God in the highest Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day: The First Sunday of Advent

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 First Lesson — Isaiah 64:1-9

The Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 *(sung by all)*



1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading ¦Joseph like a ¦flock; *
shine forth, you that are en¦throned up¦on the ¦cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, ¦Benjamin, and Ma¦nasseh, *
stir up your ¦strength and ¦come to ¦help us.

†3 Restore us, O ¦God of ¦hosts; *
show the light of your ¦countenance, and ¦we shall be ¦saved.

4 O LORD ¦God of ¦hosts, *
how long will you be angered
de¦spite the ¦prayers of your ¦people?

5 You have fed them with the ¦bread of ¦tears; *
you have given them ¦bowls of ¦tears to ¦drink.

6 You have made us the de¦rision of our ¦neighbors, *
and our ¦enemies ¦laugh us to ¦scorn.

7 Restore us, O ¦God of ¦hosts; *
show the light of your ¦countenance, and ¦we shall be ¦saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the ¦man of your ¦right hand, *
the son of man you have ¦made so ¦strong for your¦self.

17 And so will we never ¦turn a¦way from you; *
give us life, that we may ¦call up¦on your ¦Name.

18 Restore us, O LORD ¦God of ¦hosts; *
show the light of your ¦countenance, and ¦we shall be ¦saved.

The Second Lesson — 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Advent Gospel Acclamation

As the procession passes, please turn to face the proclamation of the Gospel.

Hymnal 56 (vs. 1 only) **O come, O come, Emmanuel** ***Veni, veni, Emmanuel***

The Holy Gospel — Mark 13:24-37

The Sermon The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh

The Nicene Creed **BCP 358**

The Prayers of the People, Form III **BCP 387**

The Confession & Absolution **BCP 360**

The Peace & Announcements

Stewardship Speaker: Carmen Kearley

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone is welcome at 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.

Hymnal 68 Rejoice! Rejoice, believers *Llangloffan*

The Doxology * Hymnal 380 vs. 3 *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer B **BCP 367**

Sanctus S 130 Holy, holy, holy Lord Franz Peter Schubert

The Lord's Prayer **BCP 364**

The Fraction S 155 Christ our Passover Gerald R. Near

The Ministration of Communion

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

The Postcommunion Prayer **BCP 365**

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Advent Blessing

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymnal 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed *Es flog ein kleins*

The Advent Dismissal

Deacon As we await our coming Saviour, go in the Peace of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

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THE PARISH PRAYER LIST

This Week: Brian Campbell**,** Darrel & Pat Cyrus, Buddy Evans**,** Brenda Howard, James O'Rourke

Others we are praying for: Doris Benson, Latrelle Brown, Chris Collum, Ricky Creel, Byron Cruthirds, Randy Fausak, Helen & Caroll Grimes, Christopher William Forwood, Katherine Galanos, Dottie Gill, Butch Harbaugh, Adam Hicks, Annette Kelley, Pam Lane, Kerry Senne Logan, Jeff McCarthy, Andrea Miller, DOC, Steve Mussell, Brian Nichols, Paige Oliver, Mona Porter, Hayden Putre, Lowie Rice, Cookie Rich, Nettie Robertson, Tom Rotterman, Leona Rowan, Shane Sawyer, Shae Street, Mary Stewart Stephens, Monty Thull, Elizabeth Trice, Mark Ward, Keith Williams, David Whatley, and Stacey Yim.

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

SERVANT LEADERS

Celebrant - The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh
Deacon - The Rev'd Pratt Paterson
Altar Guild – Dana Burton, Laurent Cadden, Pat Cyrus, Brenda Mussell
Flower Guild - Laurent Cadden
Ushers - Mike and Jill Grimes
Lectors – Janet Nodar and Allison Castle
Intercessor – Bob Howard
Chalicist - Bob Howard and Steve Mussell
Crucifer – Sadie Smith
Media Production - Carolyn Watts-Smith
Nursery – Emma Fitzhugh and Abby Blaize

TRINITY CHURCH VESTRY

Anne Gill, *Senior Warden* (2027), Mike Grimes, *Junior Warden* (2028)
Maria Beck (2026), Emily Blejwas (2027) Julie Castle (2028),
Harold Dodge (2026), Tommy Murray (2027),
Elizabeth Palmer (2028), Josh Robinson (2026)
Nell Gustavson, *Clerk;* Michel Nicrosi, *Treasurer*

KEY PARISH CALENDAR DATES

December 6 – First Sunday Breakfast & Children's Worship, Second Sunday of Advent
December 9 – Bereavement Group, Parlor at 9:30 am
December 13 – Stewardship Open House, 60 Bienville Ave., 4:00 – 6:00 pm
December 14 – Food Pantry Christmas Party Luncheon
December 15 – Trinity Staff and St. Anne's Guild Christmas Party Luncheon
December 20 – Vestry Christmas Social, location / time TBA
December 23 – Blue Christmas, Chapel at Noon
December 24 – Christmas Eve Services at 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
December 25 – Christmas Day Eucharist at 10:30 am
Decmeber 27 – One Service Only at 10:30 am
December 28 – January 1 – Office Closed
January 10 – Confirmation and Bishop Kendrick's Visitation
January 17 – Annual Parish Meeting – Service at 10:30 am (only)
Luncheon to follow
January 24 – Vestry Meeting – Discuss / Approve 2027 Operating Budget

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, Nov. 29th
8:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite One
9:15 am Adult Forum- In the Parlor
10:30 am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
Nursery available at 10:30 am only.

Monday, Nov. 30th
9:30 am Food Pantry
5:30 pm AA

Tuesday, Dec. 1st
5:30 pm Compline in Schroeter Chapel

Wednesday, Dec. 2nd
10:45 am Bible Study
Noon Holy Eucharist in Schroeter Chapel

Thursday, Dec. 3rd
5:30 pm AA

Friday, Dec. 4th
Noon - Coffee & Conversation with Fr. Mark at Soul Caffeine ~ 1714 Dauphin Street.

Walk our beautiful Labyrinth anytime in the Meadow.

SUPPORT

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Clergy & Staff

The Right Rev'd J. Russell Kendrick, *Bishop of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast*
The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh, *Rector*
The Rev'd Pratt Paterson, *Deacon*
Dunn Hester, *Parish Administrator*
Dawn Hearn, *Finance Administrator*
Jasmine Moultrie, *Parish Steward* / Ken Weber, *Organist*

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