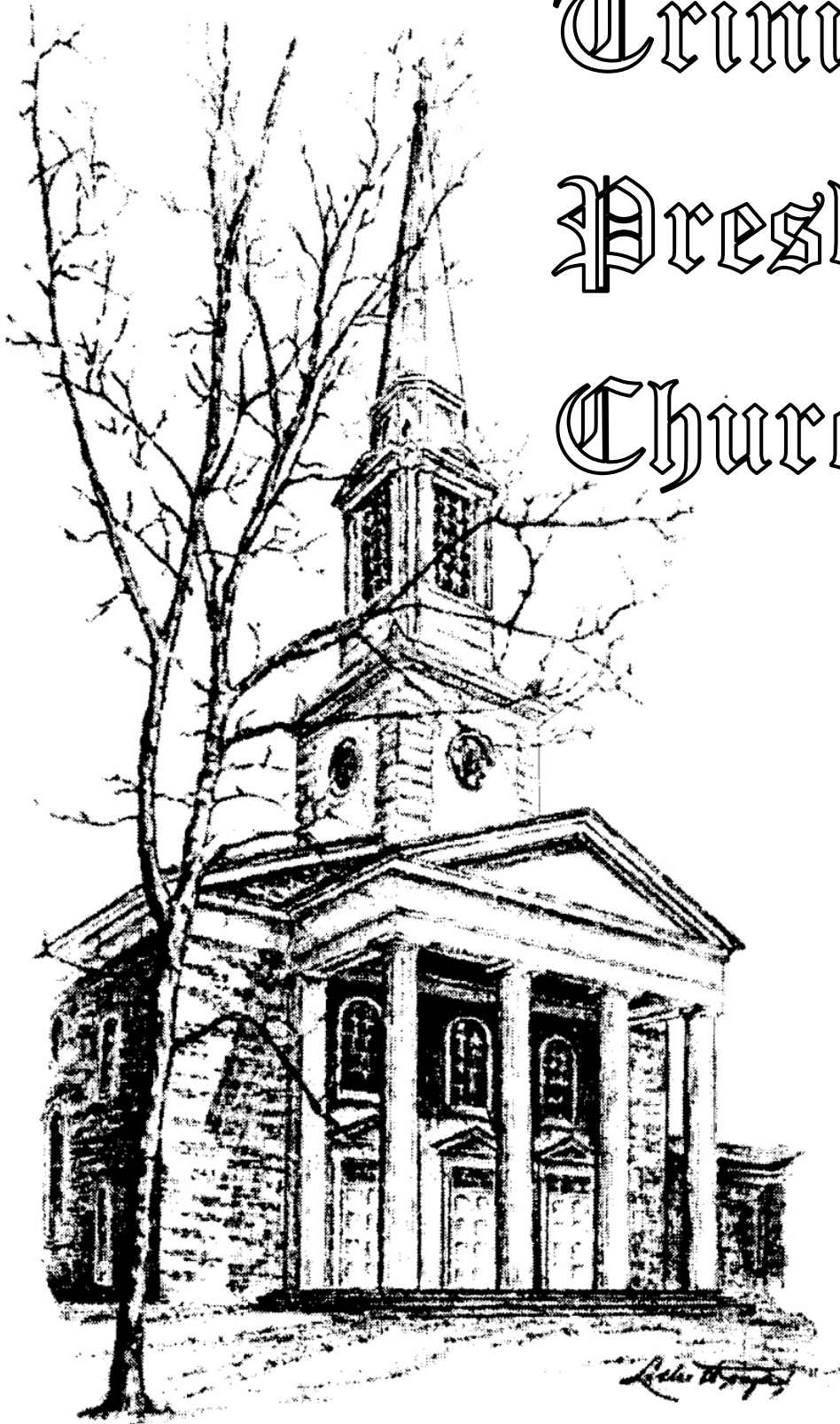


Trinity
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Church



JOY AND THANSIVING:

A Celebration of Trinity's 75th Anniversary

November 24 - 11 a.m. - 2024

JOY AND THANKSGIVING:
A CELEBRATION OF TRINITY'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

November 24, 2024 + 11:00 am Worship

*As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence all electronic devices.
The opening voluntary is the call to silent meditation and preparation for worship.*

*+ Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Tocatta in C Major, BWV 564
Now Thank We All Our God

Johann Sebastian Bach
J.S. Bach arr. Virgil Fox

WELCOME

Rev. Rebekah LeMon

WORSHIP THROUGH EXALTATION

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (*sung*)
Now With Awe and Expectation

Divinum Mysterium

THE INVOCATION

Rev. Tom Farmer

+THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

THE LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

The litanies of Thanksgiving and Dedication used in this service are adapted from litanies written by Mrs. L. Douglas Cook, Jr. for the dedication of Trinity's sanctuary, June 5, 1955.

One: For our belief in you, Great Builder, and in your beloved Son; for the ideals of righteousness and truth so intimately woven into our history,

All: We give you thanks, O God.

One: For entrusting a few with the vision of a church; for giving their minds a plan and a challenge, their hearts a dream and a purpose; for lighting the way, when the vision grew dim, with divine guidance and infinite wisdom,

All: We give you thanks, O God.

One: For administering to our needs by adding to our strength and number each year; for uniting us in our diversity and keeping us dedicated in time and talent to the vision before us,

All: We give you thanks, O God.

One: For the effort and energies, the toil and dedication of those who first placed the vision on paper; for the skilled hands of the artisans and the integrity of their craftsmanship as the sacred spaces of this community were created, and for all who have gathered, worshiped, loved and served in this place and in the world to which you send us,

All: We joyfully praise and thank you, O God.

WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Emily Beaver

+THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you love us, but we do not love you fully. You call, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We often condone evil, hatred, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

(silence for personal prayers of confession)

+THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Our Lord Jesus said: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. Give thanks to God, for God is good; God's love is everlasting.

Choir: You are the Lord, giver of mercy.
You are the Christ, giver mercy.
You are the Lord, giver of mercy.

One: Hear the good news! Christ Jesus entered the world to save us. He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross so that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

+THE RESPONSE

CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

(may be found as stanzas 1 & 2 of Hymn #263)

WORSHIP THROUGH ILLUMINATION & EXPOSITION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 84

One: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

All: My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

One: Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

All: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

One: Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. As they go through the valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.

All: They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

One: O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed.

All: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

One: For the Lord God is a sun and shield; God bestows favor and honor. No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly.

All: O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

O How Amiable Are Thy Dwellings

O how amiable are thy dwellings; thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter in to the courts of the Lord: My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: Even thine altars O Lord of hosts, my king and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will be always praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handiwork, O prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

+THE APOSTLES' CREED

Rev. Lucy Strong

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

+THE GLORIA PATRI

#581 *Glory Be To The Father*

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

FIRST READING

Philippians 1:1-11

(pew Bible, NT p. 196)

MUSICAL OFFERING

John Ness Beck

Song of Devotion

I thank my God on every remembrance of you; always, in every prayer of mine for you with joy, I have you in my heart. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement, that ye may approve things that are excellent, that ye may be sincere being filled with the fruits of righteousness unto the glory and praise of God.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:4-28

(pew Bible, NT p. 174)

REFLECTION

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon

On Having A Sense of What Is Vital

WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATION

THE CALL FOR TITHES & OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Malcolm Boyle

Thou, O God, Art Praised in Zion

Thou, O God art praised in Zion, and unto thee shall the vow be perform'd in Jerusalem. Thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Blessed is the one whom thou chooseth and receivest unto thee. He shall dwell in thy courts and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, e'en of thy holy temple. Trust ye in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. Let the people praise thee, O God, yea, let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God shall give us his blessing.

+THE DOXOLOGY

+THE LITANY DEDICATION

One: In this moment of thanksgiving for what has been and grateful joy for all that is to come, we rededicate ourselves to you, O God. Receive our humble tithes and offerings. Receive our lives, that we may become the kind of disciples you have called and equipped us to be. Receive again this church family, that this may be a place where all people recognize their oneness in Christ, where diversity is honored and makes us more unified in our purpose of following you.

All: We rededicate this church to you, O God,

One: That this may be a place where children know your love and find a life of faith, where parents and grandparents, neighbors and friends seek your wisdom to live in all their relationships with love.

All: We rededicate this church to you, O God,

One: That this may be a place where all people see clearly that they are beloved despite a world bewildered and beset by tensions and cross currents.

All: We rededicate this church to you, O God,

One: That this may be a place where people of all ages find assurance and confidence in your love, love enough to calm the anxieties of youth, the stresses of work, fear of the future, and the loss of family members and friends.

All: We rededicate this church to you, O God,

One: That this may be a place where all who are sick in body, heart, or mind may find healing and care; where all of us, who have fallen short of your command, are forgiven through the grace of our crucified Lord.

All: We rededicate this church to you, O God,

One: That this may be a place of prayer, where all find connection and companionship; a place of praise, where our faith is expressed through the songs of our hearts; a place of worship, where our spirits exalt our eternal God; and a place of participation in your mission to reconcile the whole world to yourself in love.

All: We rededicate this church and seek your continued guidance upon her, O God.

+THE HYMN OF DEDICATION

#321 The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

THE SENDING INTO THE WORLD

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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 CLOSING HYMN

#463 How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

+THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

We Thank You, Lord, BWV 29

Johann Sebastian Bach

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon
Senior Pastor

Rev. Tom Farmer
*Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
& Senior Adult Ministries*

Rev. Lucy Strong
Associate Pastor for Mission & Engagement

Rev. Emily Beaver
Associate Pastor for Family Ministries

Julia Cleaveland & Kitty Holliday
Acolytes

MUSICIANS

The Chancel Choir of Trinity Church
Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and Director of
Music and Arts*

Katherine Murray, *mezzo-soprano*

Anne-Marie Spalinger, *soprano*

Kathleen Poe Ross, *mezzo-soprano*

David Blalock, *tenor*

William Borland, *bass*

FLOWERS

The arrangement in the sanctuary is given by Brian Marcus to the glory of God and in loving memory of his mother, Pamela Tremayne. This morning's arrangement was created by the Trinity Presbyterian Flower Guild.



WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We are glad you are here. We invite you to get involved in the life of Trinity through a wide range of opportunities listed in this insert. Our goal is to build community through care, connection, and intergenerational events. There is something for everyone, no matter your stage of life.

Interested in learning more about any of the events you see here? Scan the QR Code to learn more.



TODAY

10 AM EDUCATION

Williams Hall Presentation |
Sanctuary

WORSHIP

11 am | Sanctuary

75TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

12 pm | Williams Hall

COMMUNITY INTERFAITH

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

4 pm | St. Anne's Episcopal Church

YOUTH GROUP: MOVIE NIGHT

6 pm | The Loft

**Reminder: Trinity campus will be closed on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29.*

AGAPE GIVING TREE

November 10 - 30

'Tis the season! Sign up to participate in the Agape Giving Tree by purchasing Christmas gifts for Agape students, families, or Ragtime seniors. You may sign up for more than one student or family. Please use the QR code below to sign up. For questions, contact Hannah Kershner at hkershner@trinityatlanta.org.



CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday, December 8

9 am – 1 pm | Williams Hall

Trinity's annual Christmas market plans are underway! You are invited to attend and/or volunteer as we raise awareness and funds for our three global mission partners in Cuba, Haiti, and refugee resettlement in metro Atlanta. Are you a new member? Volunteering is a fun way to meet other people while also making a valuable impact in others' lives. Different ways to volunteer include being a table host, cashier, greeter, and donate! Please use the QR code to volunteer. For questions, contact Hannah Kershner at hkershner@trinityatlanta.org



CAROLING IN THE COMMUNITY

Sunday, December 8

5 – 6 pm | Trinity Neighborhood

All are invited to go caroling in the community! Bring strollers, wagons, or wheels for the little ones. We'll meet at Trinity and walk to a nearby neighborhood to spread Christmas cheer, finishing at the fire station before heading back to Trinity for a light dinner. Invite your grandparents, friends, and neighbors to join us! Please use the QR code to register. For questions, contact Elizabeth Davis at edavis@trinityatlanta.org.



PRIME TIMERS' ASO CONCERT

Sunday, December 15

3 pm | Atlanta Symphony Hall

Prime Timers bought a block of 12 tickets for the annual Christmas Concert at the Atlanta Symphony. Norman Mackenzie will direct this fabulous concert! To register, please use the QR code or contact Hannah Kershner at hkershner@trinityatlanta.org. If you are willing to drive that afternoon, please let Hannah know.



NEXT WEEK SUNDAY EDUCATION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 | 10 AM

All Church Mission Project | Williams Hall

Join us for coffee, donuts, and hot cocoa with marshmallows as we pack Christmas bags and make Christmas cards for guests of the Central Outreach and Advocacy Center.



The Family of God

Advent 2024

Family of God | Advent 2024

Women's Advent Service

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
6:30 pm | Dobbs Chapel

Drive-Thru Christmas Pageant

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15
4:30-5:30 pm | Trinity Parking Lot

Christmas Market

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
9 am-1 pm | Williams Hall

Longest Night Service

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19
6:30 pm | Dobbs Chapel

Caroling in the Community

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
5-6 pm | Trinity Neighborhood

Congregational Carol Sing

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
7 pm | Williams Hall

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Children & Families

4 pm | Sanctuary

Youth & Families

6 pm | Sanctuary

Lessons & Carols

9 pm | Sanctuary

Communion

11 pm
Dobbs Chapel