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INVITATION TO INVITE - One of the most effective tools for growth in congregations is the simple invitation by a member to another, whether that other be family, friend, colleague or someone we meet in passing. You are therefore invited to invite. Now is good . . .

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OUR MISSION:

We seek to be . . .

- *a melting pot of believers in Jesus Christ whose hearts are open to embrace the world around us;*
- *a place of healing, comfort and safety for all God's children;*
- *a house of worship faithful to the traditions of the Episcopal Church and open to the joyful action of the Holy Spirit*

With God's help, we will . . . Seek Christ in all persons; Serve others; and Strive to be a vibrant, growing and visible Episcopal community of faith.

Sunday, December 17, 2017
The Third Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist Sunday, December 17, 2017

Liturgy of the Word

Hymn *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs 1,4,5,6,8* Hymnal 56

All standing, the Celebrant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Kyrie Canon by Ken Udell (*please leave the music inserts on the ushers table in the Narthex*)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

A reading from the Book of Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give

them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. For I the LORD love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *The Angel Gabriel* **Hymnal 265**

Holy Gospel John 1:6-8,19-28
All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I

am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,'" as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, "Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal." This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily **Meg Tiller**
Nicene Creed *all standing (as able)* BCP p. 358
Prayers of the People – Form III BCP p. 387
Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

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**Holy Trinity Parish Prayers**  
**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**  
PRAY for the Diocese of Wyoming

**DIOCESAN CALENDAR OF PRAYER**  
**Michael B. Curry** – Presiding Bishop  
**Wayne Hougland** – Bishop of Western Michigan  
**Wendell Gibbs** – Bishop of Michigan  
**The Standing Committee** – the Diocese of Eastern Michigan  
**Rayford Ray** – Bishop of Northern Michigan  
**Julio Holguin** – Bishop of the Dominican Republic  
**Justin Welby** – Archbishop of Canterbury  
**Craig Satterlee** – Bishop of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod of the ELCA Church in America  
**Ed Emenheiser** – Our Rector Emeritus  
**David Brower** – our Interim Rector  
**Brad Allard** – Our Deacon  
**St. Paul's Church, Greenville, John Autio, Priest-In-Charge, Dana Philips, Sr. Warden**

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN DISCERNMENT**

We pray for all those in our diocese who are discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our diocese who are preparing for the Sacred Order of **Priests**, including the following: **Radha, Pete, Kellan, Michael, Eileen, Allen**

We pray also for those in our diocese who are preparing for the Sacred Order of **Deacons**, including: **Brother Francis, Janet, Pat, Elizabeth, Wendy**

**HOLY TRINITY CALENDAR OF PRAYER**

**Todd, Mary Katherine, & Christian Lane; Amber, Genia, & Evan LaNore Sergeant Austin Vincent (Marines)**, grandson of Angie Vincent. Austin is stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA.

**Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Roger Anderson (Air Force)**, son of Chip & Kelley Anderson. Roger is stationed in North Carolina.

**LT Sean Newman (Navy)**, grandson of Ron Newman. Sean is stationed in King Bay, GA.

**All men & women** of our armed forces.

**Mary Kamara**, mother of Wata Akoi

**All** those seeking employment.

**To bless** and strengthen the members of our prayer chain as they pray for special needs.

**We give Thanksgiving** for the visitors in our midst. Help us to show them your love.

**FOR THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS – HOLY TRINITY**

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|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Wata A.    | Emily A.  | Kelley A. | Betty B.    | Robert B. |
| Aleeyah B. | Alivia B. | Jack S.   | Rick C.     | Cienna D. |
| Judy D.    | Jasper F. | Olivia H. | Irma H.     | Karen J.  |
| Tom K.     | Kirk M.   | Sally T.  | Bettiann T. | Angie V.  |
| Lillian B. | Brenym    | Debbie    |             |           |

**FOR THOSE WHO SEEK OUR PRAYERS FROM:**

Holy Spirit  
Soldiers of Christ Apostolic Church  
Iglesia Cordero De Dios  
Sudanese Grace Episcopal Congregation  
Blessed and Enduring Ministry

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Peace

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn *Blest Be The King* Hymnal 74

Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP p. 367

Sanctus by Ken Udell (*insert*)

The Lord’s Prayer (*traditional*) BCP p. 364

Breaking of the Bread

All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn *Lo How a Rose E’er Blooming* Hymnal 81

**Individuals are welcome to come forward to the Altar rail for prayers for healing*

Post communion Prayer BCP p. 365

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn *Hark! The Glad Sound!* Hymnal 72

Dismissal

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Want to add an announcement to the bulletin? Email it to contactus@holytrinitywyoming.org or leave a note on the office desk by Tuesdays at 9am

Flowers Advent

Birthdays this week

Lisa Nelson	12/6
Pete Emerson	12/8
Linda Stauffer	12/9
Bill Longhurst	12/15

Anniversaries

Ron & Meg Tiller	12/17
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Coffee Hour Schedule

No Coffee Hour today

The sign up sheet for 2018 available! Sign up soon to get the dates you want!



ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

Thank you for joining us! **Please** sign our guest book out in the Narthex, next to the church office door. We hope you enjoyed our service. We enjoyed having you here and hope to see you again. **NEED THE NURSERY?** Please ask the Ushers/Greeters for assistance.

Family Network of Wyoming

Non-perishable food items are always needed as well as personal care items (toiletries) and paper products (paper towel and toilet paper). Please put any donations in the bins under the table in the Narthex. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS! If you would like to donate funds toward the Christmas flowers there are envelopes on the table in the Narthex. Checks should be made payable to Holy Trinity. Please fill out the front of the envelope and leave on the office desk/In Box.

Important dates to remember...

December 17th is the Worship Committee meeting in the Chapel.

December 24th 4th Sunday of Advent services will be at **10am** with Fr. Brower's Egg Nog to follow. Feel free to bring a snack to share! AND a candle light service at **10:30pm** with carol sing and eucharist.

December 25th there will be morning prayer service with Brad at 10am.



THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL DECEMBER 24TH OR 31ST!

Becky Wells will continue to collect bags for as long as she volunteers at the Community Food Club. THANK YOU for your grocery bag donations! (you may leave donations on the shelf above the coat rack)



LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Acolytes	Altar Guild	Counters
12/17/2017	U: Wata & Gabriel G: Lora Lee & Bill		Brady, Lily, Evan	12/16-22 ALL teams	Lisa & Beth
12/24/2017	U: Barb & Keith G: Barb & Tim		Lisa/Becky, Mady, Magnus	12/23-29 Becky & Wata	Tim & Arend
12/31/2017	U: Meg & Ron G: Mary & Dan		Beth, Nolan, Grayson	12/30- 1/5 Barb & Debbie	Barb & Melissa
1/7/2018			Christian, Allen, & Madison	1/6-1/12 Beth & Carolyn	Allen & Debbie
1/14/2008			Brady, Lily, Evan	1/13- 1/19 Lisa & Troy	Mark & Lisa
1/21/2018			Lisa/Becky, Mady, Magnus	1/20- 1/26 Barb & Lynda	Melissa & Beth

Date	Old Testament / Epistle	Prayers of the People	Chalice
12/17/2017	No Schedule Available		
12/24/2017			
12/31/2017			

(Note: for questions regarding Readings, Prayers of the People, or chalice serving please contact Ron Tiller)



This Week at a Glance

Today, Sunday 12/17/2017	10:00am	Holy Eucharist – The Rev. David A Brower, Officiant
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:30am	Worship Committee Meeting
	11:30am	No Coffee Hour
	2:00pm	Soldiers Of Christ Apostolic Church
	5:00pm	Iglesia Cordero De Dios
Monday	7:00pm	SAA Meeting
Wednesday	11:00am	Holy Eucharist – Chapel
	7:00pm	NA Meeting
Sunday 12/24/2017	10:00am	Holy Eucharist – The Rev. David A Brower, Officiant
	10:00am	No Sunday School today!
	11:30am	Coffee Hour – Egg Nog and pot luck snacks!
	2:00pm	Soldiers Of Christ Apostolic Church
	5:00pm	Iglesia Cordero De Dios
Monday 12/25	10:00am	Morning Prayer with Deacon Brad Allard
Monday	7:00pm	SAA Meeting
Wednesday	11:00am	Holy Eucharist - Chapel
	7:00pm	NA Meeting