

Advent 2 Sunday Worship

Dec. 6, 2020

Online at 9 am | On local TV channel 18 at 11 am

We continue to be the church in all circumstances.

PASTORS
The Rev. Dr. Chris Bellefeuille
The Rev. Peter Weston Miller

Because God
first loved us,
we live as Jesus in the world,
loving God and
loving neighbor.

We are so glad you joined us for worship! Our shared ministry continues.

PARTICIPANTS

Dancer – Maya Parkin
Reader – Rachel Coppock
Song Leader – Gene Kelm
Worship Director & Organist
– Carol Carver

Adapted from *Prayers for a Privileged People* by Walter Brueggemann
(Nashville: Abingdon, 2008)

Egil Hovland, 1924 – 2013 was one of Norway's most productive contemporary composers, and probably the one whose works are most frequently performed. One of the Trinity Choir's favorite works is by Hovland – "Stay with Us" – which has often been sung on Christmas Eve.

Helmut Walcha, 1907 – 1991 was a blind German organist, teacher and composer who specialized in the works of the Dutch and German baroque masters and is known for his recordings of the complete organ works of Johann Sebastian Bach. Carol Carver had the good fortune to study organ with him in Frankfurt, Germany.



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Lighting of the Advent Candle *Light One Candle*

Welcome

Prelude *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* – setting, Richard Lind

Gathering Liturgy

Gathering Hymn
Comfort, Comfort Now My People – Words on screen

Prayer of the Day

Psalm 126

Hymn
Blessed Be the God of Israel – Words on screen

Lesson Isaiah 49: 1-6, 13

Children's Message

Message – The Rev. Peter Weston Miller

Musical Reflection *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* – Egil Hovland

Prayers of the Church

Peace

Offering

Communion Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer (1975)

Music during Distribution
Savior of the Nations, Come – Helmut Walcha

Communion Blessing & Prayer

Sending Hymn *Hark, the Glad Sound* – Words on screen

Blessing & Dismissal

Postlude *People, Look East* – Christina Langlois

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FAITH FORUM: **Light of the World** by Amy-Jill Levine
TODAY! Sunday, Dec. 6 at 11 am on Zoom

Join at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83989674185>

Join us on Sundays as we experience Advent together. Amy-Jill Levine helps us explore the season of Advent in her four-part study, *Light of the World*. We will look at the different perspectives in Matthew and Luke. All are invited to join. To watch other sessions of the forum, visit: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/adult/adult-ed/>. Questions? Contact Penny Catlin at pccatlin@juno.com.

**You're Invited to an Advent PAUSE Online Gathering
Advent PAUSE gatherings THIS WEEK!**

Sign up online:

<https://trinitylc.org/congregational-life/advent-pause/>

The special season of Advent is drawing near, and with it comes the Advent PAUSE (Peace And Understanding – a Season to Embrace) gatherings, this year online. This invitation is for YOU, to meet new women or gather in spirit with those you already know, and to give yourself a gift of time to pause. Advent PAUSE gatherings are for women of all ages: for friends, family, co-workers, neighbors, and more! For more information or questions, please contact Karen Gieseke at kgieseke@live.com or 651-492-6610. Sign up now at: <https://trinitylc.org/congregational-life/advent-pause/>.

GLOW/AWE EVENT POSTPONED! Christmas Stroll & Pizza Supper

Safety first! Due to the current spike in COVID-19 cases, we are postponing the Dec. 10 stroll and supper outdoor event. While we are disappointed, we are also hopeful and perhaps with some encouraging news, the event may be rescheduled sometime in December. We'll keep you posted.

CHARACTERS NEEDED! Drive-Thru Living Nativity

Sunday, Dec. 13, 3-5 pm, Trinity's Large 4th St. Parking Lot

Come experience several scenes from the birth of Jesus, featuring Trinity members in the starring roles. Angels, shepherds, live animals, and music will bring Christmas delightfully to life. Characters needed! Sign up to participate as an actor in an outdoor Living Nativity drive-thru experience. Please sign up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e45aca92ca5f94-living> or contact Sheila-Marie Untiedt at smuntiedt@hotmail.com or 612-308-9994. On Dec. 13—line up on 4th St. heading south and take your turn. (Blizzard date is Dec. 20, 3-5 p.m.) See you in Bethlehem!

IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Weathering Life's Losses Adult Grief Group

Thursdays at 6:30 pm on Zoom

Goal of this group is to provide an atmosphere of sharing of feelings, questions and struggles. We promote mutual support with educational presentations to encourage use of your own resources to discover and develop coping skills as you journey through grief. Meetings are free and no registration is required. Find us on Facebook @St.CroixChaplaincy to get notifications or contact Monique Dossdall at 651-239-8441 or StCroixChaplaincyAssoc@gmail.com.

Christmas Garden form on next page. Please print, complete form and mail with your check to Trinity to participate. Thank you!

PODCAST SERIES: **TrinityCast—An En-Courage-ing Word**

On Buzzsprout: <https://trinitycast.buzzsprout.com/>

Or on our web site: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/adult/podcast/>

On Apple Podcasts: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/trinitycast-an-en-courage-ing-word/id1540124079>

Our six-week podcast series continues with Pastors Chris and Peter diving into the Bible as a reflection of God's love in the world.

Listen in to Episode 5: An Historical Reading of Scripture.

Calling Trinity History Buffs! Did you know our church had a Correspondence Committee for Trinity military during WWII? In anticipation of Trinity's 150th Anniversary, we need those willing to develop a "story" with the numerous military letters in our archives. If you are able to help by reviewing letters, please contact Norma Wilson at dwilson804@aol.com or 651-470-5124.

Now for sale, just in time for Christmas! We have a limited supply of embroidered and hand-painted kitchen towels...the very popular ones normally sold at our Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner. All proceeds go to our Sunshine Ministry which sends a rose to Trinity members on milestone birthdays starting at age 75. Please contact Carolyn Minor at 651-439-7139 for information, including delivery!



Advent & Christmas Schedule

Sundays, Dec. 13 & 20

9 am Facebook Livestream Worship | 10 am Drive-in Worship

Advent Sunday worship is based on the hymn "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah." The Sundays of Advent will "banish the darkness" and prepare us for Christ's coming with music, dance, preaching, praying and more.

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

Outdoor Drive-in Worship at 4 pm

Weather permitting—outdoor Christmas worship at the drive-in in Houlton, WI. This will be a last minute call; check www.trinitylc.org for information.

Dec. 24 & 25 Christmas Eve & Day

Online Worship available at Noon

This will be a truly unique beautiful Christmas worship you can experience any time after noon on Christmas Eve via the Trinity website or Facebook page—before dinner, after dinner, by candlelight at midnight, Christmas morning—with family and friends, or by yourself. Truly, we will pull out the stops, with carols, choirs, instruments, something special for children, and a Christmas message from Pastor Chris Bellefeuille.

Sunday, Dec. 27

9 am Livestream Lessons & Carols

Tune in for a Lessons and Carols 2020! Though we can't all be together to raise our voices in song—this will be a wonderful alternative—we guarantee it will be PBS worthy!

www.trinitylc.org

Facebook Livestream: www.facebook.com/trinitylcstillwater/



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Trinity's Christmas Garden & Local Benevolences Gift Opportunities

Form and payment must be turned in by Sunday, Dec. 13, 2020

In the spirit of honoring/memorializing loved ones this Christmas, we welcome donations toward local benevolences such as St. Croix Chaplaincy and Valley Outreach Emergency Fund and Food Shelf, or a Christmas Garden. (Christmas Garden will be used to beautify the sanctuary for online worship on Christmas Eve and through the winter, preference is for local benevolence giving.) Donor names will be printed in the January issue of *Trinity Today*. Please fill out the form below and mail it with your payment to the Church Office at PO Box 339, Stillwater, MN 55082. Thank you!

Local Benevolences \$ _____

Christmas Garden (suggested donation \$20) \$ _____

In memory of _____ In honor of _____

Given by _____

Phone # (_____) _____ Total amount enclosed \$ _____