

# Advent 4 Sunday Worship

Dec. 20, 2020

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

*We continue to be the church in all circumstances.*

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

## PASTORS

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

## PARTICIPANTS

Reader – Angie Hong  
Song Leader – Solveig Neseth  
Oboe – Bailey Holmes  
Worship Director & Organist  
– Carol Carver



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

## Welcome

## Prelude

*The Son of Mary* – setting, Robert Farlee

## Gathering Liturgy

## Gathering Hymn

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

– Words on screen

## Prayer of the Day

## Reading

*Advent Credo* – Daniel Berrigan

## Lesson Isaiah 43: 1-3a, 4-7, 19

## Children's Message

## Message

– The Rev. Peter Weston Miller

## Musical Reflection

*In the Bleak Midwinter* – setting, K. Lee Scott

## Prayers of the Church

## Peace

## Offering

## Communion Great Thanksgiving

## Words of Institution

## Lord's Prayer (1975)

## Music during Distribution

*A Stable Lamp is Lighted* – setting, Robert Farlee

## Communion Blessing & Prayer

## Sending Song

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* – Tune: Hyfrydol

– Words on screen

## Blessing

## Dismissal

## Postlude

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PLEASE NOTE:** All Trinity staff will be “out of the office” Christmas Day through New Year’s Day for some much needed time off. Pause & Pray on Facebook will not be provided that week. Pastor Chris and Bob Eiselt will be on call. Please call the church office at 651-439-7400 for emergencies. Thank you!

**Drive-in Worship UPDATE!** Weather permitting drive-in worship will continue through Christmas Eve. Worship will be online only (no drive-in worship) at 9 a.m. on Dec. 27 and Jan. 3. Then drive-in worship resumes on Sunday, Jan. 10, again weather permitting. Please check [www.trinitylc.org](http://www.trinitylc.org) each week for updates.

### Christmas at Trinity

Christmas Eve  
Thursday, Dec. 24

**Online Worship available at Noon**  
**Broadcast on TV Channel 18 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. Also available on local TV channel 18 at noon. Truly, we will pull out the stops, with carols, choirs, instruments, something special for children, and a Christmas message from Pastor Chris Bellefeuille.

### 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](http://www.trinitylc.org) for information.

Christmas Day – Friday, Dec. 25

### FROM OUR SYNOD: Christmas Day Worship Service

The Saint Paul Area Synod and St. Paul Reformation are teaming up to provide an online Christmas Day worship service. Most of the synod staff are participating in leading the service, with Bishop Lull preaching. The service will be available for viewing early on Christmas morning (Friday, Dec. 25) on the synod’s website at <https://spas-elca.org/> and at 9 a.m. on their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/saintpaulareasyndod>.

Sunday, Dec. 27

### Livestream Lessons & Carols at 9 am

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](http://www.trinitylc.org)

Facebook Livestream: [www.facebook.com/trinitylcstillwater/](http://www.facebook.com/trinitylcstillwater/)

### Handmade kitchen towels 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!



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#### GIVE ONLINE

Visit <https://trinitylc.org/giving/> to make a secure Christmas offering, one-time or recurring donation.



#### GIVE BY TEXT

Text 651-383-1911 with the amount you would like to contribute, include the dollar sign with the amount.



#### GIVE+ APP

Download the Give Plus Church (Give+) app to your smartphone. Under Find Church, enter: Trinity Lutheran Church.

### It's So Easy To Forget....

Please remember to fulfill your 2020 financial pledge to Trinity by Dec. 31, 2020. It's been an unusual year with many of us worshipping virtually, so it's easy to forget to keep up to date with your pledge. Please get up to date today! If you aren't sure where you stand, your giving record through November is in the mail. Or contact Parish Administrator Bob Eiselt at [beiselt@trinitylc.org](mailto:beiselt@trinitylc.org). We are the church, GENEROUS in all circumstances.

### 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 the final Episode 6: An Lutheran (and other denominations) Reading of Scripture.

### 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](mailto:StCroixChaplaincyAssoc@gmail.com).

#### Every Meal is providing shelf-stable meal bags for pickup.

Free for all families, no qualification requirements, and no contact information collected. For more information and pickup locations visit [www.everymeal.org/winter](http://www.everymeal.org/winter).



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