TO US A SAVIOR IS BORN!

OPENING HYMN: #49 Rejoice, Rejoice, This Happy Morn

OPENING SERVICE (spoken)
M: O Lord, open my lips.
C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.
M: Hasten to save me, O God.
C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.
M: Unto us the Christ is born:
C: O come, let us worship him.

PRAYER

HYMN: #35 v 1-3 Of the Father's Love Begotten

TO YOU A SAVIOR WILL BE BORN

RESPONSIVE READING
M: I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers.
C: He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.
M: Through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed.
C: Because you have obeyed me.
M: A star will come out of Jacob,
C: A scepter will rise out of Jacob.
M: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers.
C: You must listen to him.
M: Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign.
C: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.
M: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders,
C: And he will be called wonderful counselor, mighty God, everlasting Father, prince of peace.
M: But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah,
C: Out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel,

whose origins are from ancient times.
M: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.
C: Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn, proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

HYMN: #4 v 1,2 Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates

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SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:26-38

HYMN: #34 vv 1,2 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:1-7

HYMN: #50 Once in Royal David's City
Verses 1 & 2 – Choir
Verses 3 & 4 - Congregation

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 1:18-25

HYMN: #62 vv 1,2 Joy To The World

RESPONSIVE READING
M: And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.
C: An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.
M: But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.
C: Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.
M: This will be a sign to you:
C: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.
M: Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,
C: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."
RESPONSIVE READING
M: When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the
shepherds said to one another,
C: "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has
happened, which the Lord has told us about."
M: So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby,
who was lying in the manger.
C: When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning
what had been told them about this child,
M: and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to
them.
C: But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them
in her heart.
M: The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the
things they had heard and seen,
C: which were just as they had been told.

HYMN: # 80  Angels From the Realms of Glory
Verses 1 & 2 – Choir
Verses 3 & 4 - Congregation

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HYMN: # 60 Silent Night! Holy Night!

RESPONSIVE READING
M: But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a
woman, born under law,
C: to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full
rights of sons.
M: The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.
C: We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only,
who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
M: You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he
was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through
his poverty might become rich.
C: How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we
should be called children of God!
M: Now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet
been made know,
C: But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him,
for we shall see him as he is.
M: This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one
and only Son into the world that we might live through him.
C: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
M: If God be for us, who can be against us?
C: He who did not spare his own son, but gave him up for us
all, how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us
all things.
M: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust
in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the
Holy Spirit.
C: We rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom
we have been made children of God.

HYMN: # 42 vv 1,2  Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising

CHRISTMAS SERMONETTE  Luke 2:11
Silent Night in a 7 O’Clock News World

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

CHRISTMAS PRAYER and  THE LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: # 64 Let Us All With Gladsome Voice

ANNOUNCEMENTS
We are glad that you have joined us to celebrate our Savior’s birth
this Christmas Day. We thank Trinity’s choir for singing Jesus’
praises in our service. We also thank our organist, David Bilitz, and
our guitarists, Joel Berg and Pastor Bilitz.

Our Worship Services will be held at their usual times on Sunday:
8:30 am at Trinity and 10:00 am at St John’s. There will be no
Sunday School or Bible classes.
You are all invited to our Joint New Year’s Eve Service next Sunday at 7:30 pm at St. John’s.

Trinity members, your 2018 offering envelopes are in the entryway.

_Pastor, Carol, and their family wish all of you a very blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year!_