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TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Welcoming Community of
Compassion & Faith*

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 22, 2024

PRELUDE

Once in Royal David's City

arr. Karen Buckwalter

Trinity Ringers

WELCOME TO TRINITY

Bonnie Barber

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Once in Royal David's City

Hymnal № 250

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Everlasting God,
you see us in our moments of darkness and despair.
Yet in your boundless grace,
you fill our emptiness with the gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love.
In this holy season of exchanging gifts,
help us to be mindful of the gifts you freely give;
through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

*After each petition ending "Lord, in your mercy,"
please respond saying: "Hear our prayer."*

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Anne Mason

SENDING SONG

Go With Them, Lord

Go with them, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev - ery com-ing day, that
in Your Spir - it strong and true their lives may be a gift to You.

PSALTER

Luke 1:46b-55

Hymnal № 199

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

Sing We Now of Christmas arr. Kevin McChesney
Trinity Ringers

SCRIPTURE READING

I John 4:7-19

SERMON

“Love for Fear” Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith

HYMN

Love Came Down at Christmas

Hymnal № 242

TRINITY WILMETTE THIS WEEK

GIVING OUR TITHES and OFFERINGS

Invitation and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

In the Bleak Midwinter

Harold Darke

Chancel Choir

Anna Joy Buegel, soprano; Samuel Stalker, tenor

In the bleak midwinter frosty wind made moan. Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone. Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow. In the bleak midwinter, long, long ago. Our God, Heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain. Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign. In the bleak mid-winter, a stable-place sufficed. Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ. Enough for him whom cherubim worship night and day. A breastful of milk, and a manger full of hay. Enough for him whom angels fall down before. The ox and ass and camel which adore. What can I give Him poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part. Yet what I can, I give him, give my heart.

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal № 94

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CLOSING HYMN

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Hymnal № 240

BENEDICTION and CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

arr. Gordon Young

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Bob and Kathy Johnson,
in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Maggie.*