

9:00 am - LITURGICAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	<i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice Sing We Now of Christmas</i>	Leslie Dove
Anthem	<i>Run To Bethlehem</i>	Choir
Hymn	<i>Joy to the World!</i>	# 40
Celebrating Life at Trinity		Denise Shannon, M.Div.
Learning With the Children		Robin Olschner
	<i>Children are to remain in worship today. If needed, busy bags are available in the hallway, or young ones may be more comfortable in the "family" room.</i>	
Call to Worship		Nate Stuart, Worship Leader
	(adapted from 2 Corinthians 5:16-20)	
Leader:	So from now on we regard no one and nothing from a material world point of view	
People:	Though we once thought of Christ in this way, we do not any longer	
Leader:	All that are in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone-the new is here.	
People:	Praise God who reconciled us to himself through our Savior, Jesus Christ!	
Hymn	<i>How Great Our Joy!</i>	projected
Scripture	Lamentations 3: 22-27, 40-41	front cover
Song	<i>God With Us</i>	projected
Prayer of Confession	As the new year is born, We remember and regret... Forgive us, Holy One, When we keep You at a distance When we defy your bidding When we make it harder for people to know you Forgive us, Holy One, When we deny our weakness When we wallow in our weakness When we take advantage of the weakness of others Forgive us, Holy One, When we refuse Your counsel When we waste your gifts When we withhold Your compassion from others. <i>(Time of Silent Confession)</i>	
Scripture	Revelation 21: 1-5	front cover
Sermon	"Making It Stick..... New Year's Resolutions Reconsidered"	Denise Shannon, M.Div.
Prayers for Our World		
Special Song		
Offertory	<i>What Child Is This?</i>	
Song	<i>He Who Began a Good Work in You</i>	projected
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>	

Prayers for Our Trinity Family & Friends:



Joyce Bust	. . . Improving and grateful for all your prayers and support. Continued prayers for the skin graft to take.
Amanda Chamberlain	. . . Jan Jacobsen's 15 year old granddaughter, UPDATE: scope revealed an inflammation in her stomach. Starting medication to try to alleviate the still ongoing pain. Please continue to pray for healing.
Evelyn Christensen	. . . Don Sinness' sister, passed away December 14. She'd had multiple health problems for many years so her family rejoices in the knowledge she is with the Lord and not suffering anymore. Your prayers for her family to feel His continuing peace and comfort are appreciated.
Lou Coley	. . . UPDATE: Scheduled for surgery January 2 to remove some of the bladder tumor. Pray for God's peace in the waiting, and for healing.
Carolyn Johnson	. . . Janet Liming's daughter, UPDATE: surgery is on hold as they try hyperbaric treatment on a wound in her foot that, for months, has been resistant to healing. Please pray she will respond to this treatment.
Larry Ledford	. . . Brenda Cook's brother-in-law, doctors had to stop radiation as it was affecting his liver. Please continue to pray for peace and comfort for Larry, Mary (Brenda's sister) and family.
Mandee	. . . Larry & Jodie Spotanski's daughter recently started her new medicine for MS. Please pray for its success.
Donna Nevin	. . . Praises! Now recovering at home. Thank you so much for all your love, concern, and prayers!
Dee Overturf	. . . UPDATE: Halfway through his chemotherapy and CAT scans are showing encouraging signs of improvement. Thank you so much for your prayers and cards. Please continue to pray for healing.
Ron Sicilia	. . . Lee Ann Warnaka's dad, hospice care; prognosis is two to six months. Please pray for LeeAnn's mom, Patricia, and the entire family.
Karlanne Sinkovic	. . . Pray for hearts to soften to the Good News!
Mickey Taylor	. . . UPDATE: After recent tests, her doctor is sure that her chest pains are heart related. She will have an angiogram on January 2. Please pray for peace as she waits for this procedure, for her medical team, and for answers to help resolve her medical issues. Thank you so much for all the prayers and cards.
Rob Walraven	. . . Brenda Cook's nephew, numbness and pain in his hands and feet, similar to MS; local doctors have arranged for him to see specialists at Ohio State University. Pray they find the cause and a solution.
Marilyn Yates	. . . Recent chest x-ray of her lungs are looking better; is able to get off Warfarin and onto a different blood thinner. Continued prayers for a full recovery.

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December 31, 2017



Lamentations 3: 22-27, 40-41

- ²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
²⁴ 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'
²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.
²⁷ It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth,
⁴⁰ Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the LORD.
⁴¹ Let us lift up our hearts as well as our hands to God in heaven.

Revelation 21: 1-5

- ²¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'
⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

8:45 to 11:30 am - Nursery available for children birth thru age 2. A Family Room" is also available on the right side of the Sanctuary.

During the school year, children join their families in the Sanctuary for a time of worship at both 9:00 and 10:35 services before proceeding downstairs after "Learning with our Children" time. A parent, grandparent, or guardian needs to sign each child in (registration sheet in the main hallway outside the Sanctuary doors) & out (downstairs in Fellowship Hall).

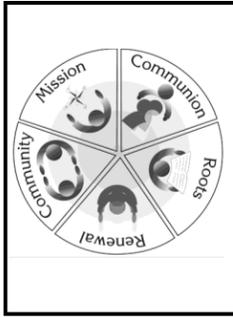
On Family Worship Sundays like today, children will remain in the service. Activity bags are available in the hallway just outside the center doors.

On 1st Sundays, our Preschool thru 5th graders will return to the Sanctuary with their leaders to sit with their families for Communion. The sign-out sheet will be on the cart outside the center Sanctuary doors.

Trinity's Ushers can help you with:

- Sound Amplification Devices
- Family" Room & Nursery Locations
- Large Print Bibles and/or Bulletins

CD's of our services are available to check out through Trinity's Library.



Trinity's Mission Statement :
Living With God at the Center
 Individually and together, we honor God at the center of our lives by:
 Meeting Jesus in authentic community-**Community**.
 Seeking to know God better-**Communion**.
 Learning God's truths-**Roots**.
 Serving God's purposes through our life mission-**Mission**.
 Welcoming the deep changes that the Spirit desires within us-**Renewal**.
 We invite others to worship with us and to join us on this journey.

NEW TO TRINITY?

Helping people to worship God is important to us. We believe that worship is not a passive receiving, but an active encounter with Jesus who stoops to meet us as we worship. The **Mostly Liturgical Worship Service** at **9:00 am** uses liturgy, hymns, worship songs, and silence to guide us in the worship of God. The **10:35 am Church From Scratch Worship Service** blends all different types of music, arts, liturgy and free-form worship to help guide newcomers and experienced alike in the worship of God. **During the Summer** and on **Family Worship Sunday**, selected Sundays throughout the year, we come together as one worshipping family at **9:30 am**.

A **Nursery**, (downstairs) is available for children two and under at both worship hours. A **"Family Room"** on the right side of the Sanctuary is available, as well.

Sunday Morning

Children's Christian Education School Year Schedule - 9:00 & 10:35

Children join their families in the Sanctuary for opening worship and "Learning with Our Children", then proceed downstairs for class.

Parents must sign their children in and out of all classes each week and pick them up promptly following worship. The Sign-in sheet is located in the main hallway outside the Sanctuary doors; sign-out downstairs in Fellowship Hall. This is particularly important after the 9 am service so our teachers can put away materials and set up for the 10:35 class. Thank you for supporting our teachers; you are always welcome to visit our classrooms.

Adult Christian Education

Sunday morning and Midweek opportunities are available; check the calendar or contact Robin Olschner (robino@tpcarvada.org) for details.

Youth Ministries

School year schedule - 9:00 am, Sunday Morning Breakfast Club (upstairs) for Junior & Senior High Youth. At **10:35 am**, all Youth are encouraged to attend worship.

Youth Group Gatherings

1st Sunday—Jr. & Sr. High Combined
Junior High Youth Group (6th—9th)

Sundays, from 5:15 to 6:45 pm

Senior High Youth Group

Sundays, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 31

9:30 am Family Worship

Monday, January 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
 Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 2

6:30 pm Ladies' Bunco Night (Lobby)

Thursday, January 4

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday, January 6

9:00 am Take down and put away
 Christmas decorations

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, January 7

9:00 am Mostly Liturgical Worship
 9:00 am Youth Sunday School (Sr. Hi room)
 10:30 am Adult Sunday School (Libr)
 10:35 am "Church from Scratch" Worship
 5:15 pm Jr. High Youth Group
 7:00 pm Sr. High Youth Group

Monday, January 8

1:00 pm Senior Bible Study
 6:30 pm Finance Committee (Library)
 7:00 pm The Story (Room 301)

Tuesday, January 9

12:00 pm The Story (Library)
 6:00 pm Deacon Meeting (Library)
 7:30 pm 2nd Tuesdays at Trinity Concert

Thursday, January 11

11:00 am Ruth Circle (Library)
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday, January 12

1:00 pm Sew Crafty (Library)

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
 Closed on Fridays

Barbara Hooks (Mon, Tues, Thur);
 Margie Bessler (Wed, Thur)

Betty Over, Brenda Cook,
 Dorothy Ashton, and Nick Quinones
 faithfully volunteer each week to cover the
 front office on Mondays and Tuesdays

CHANCEL FLOWERS



The **2018 Flower Calendar** is available in the front office. Each week, flowers may be donated in memory of or to honor someone or a special occasion and noted in the Sunday bulletin. They are then yours to keep following the 10:35 service. Please sign up on the Flower Calendar for the Sunday you would like to sponsor; place \$25 in the day safe using one of the envelopes provided.

Adult Education

"The Story" sermon messages and weekly discussion groups will resume the week of January 7. Take advantage of this church-wide exploration of the great narrative of God's Story and how it intersects with our own stories. It's not too late to join one of our weekly discussion groups: Sundays at 10:30 am in the Library, Mondays at 7 pm in room 301, and Tuesdays at noon in the Library. For more information, please contact Robin Olschner. (robino@tpcarvada.org)

Contribution Envelopes now available in the Lobby

For those who regularly give via the offering plate on Sunday mornings, you will find a box with your name on it. If you give online or through your bank, no box has been assigned to you. Due to recent streamlining, some envelope numbers had to be reassigned. Please be sure to use these new envelopes beginning in 2018 to aid the posting of your financial contributions.

Please note: today is the deadline for 2017 contributions to be included in your year-end giving statements (available late January) for charitable giving deductions on 2017 taxes.

PER CAPITA, or apportionment, is paid annually by local congregations to help fund our Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. For the coming year, Trinity will be assessed **\$30.58** for every member, active or not, on our roles at the close of 2016. It is so helpful when members contribute a gift in this amount to offset this large annual expense. If your budget allows, a donation (*above and beyond* your regular giving) for every "member" of the church in your household would be greatly appreciated. Non-member children are NOT included. Please make checks payable to Trinity with "Per Capita" noted in the memo field. Thank you so much!



Ladies' Bunco

Tuesday, January 2
 6:30 pm in the Lobby

This is a great way to meet people and make new friends. A \$5 Love Fund donation is appreciated. Please bring finger food (chips, dips, cookies & such) to share. We have bottles of water. Call Joan Enget (303-423-8986) for more information.



Ruth Circle

Please join us on Thursday, **January 11** at **11:00 am**, in Trinity's Library. We will be discussing Lesson # 8. Remember to bring your Thank Offering. All are welcome. For more information, please call Marilyn Archer (303-424-7531).

YOUTH STUFF

Sunday Morning Breakfast Club (during school year)
 at 9:00 am then Worship together at **10:35 am**.

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE:

1st Sunday of the Month - ALL Youth, 6 to 8 pm

Remaining Sundays:

Jr. High: 6th — 8th grades

5:15 to 6:45 pm on Sundays

Invite your friends! Come get closer to God and make lasting new friendships.

Sr. High: 9th — 12th grades

7:00 to 9:00 pm on Sundays

It's going to be a great year meeting weekly and growing in God.

No Youth Group Today, January 31

Contact Sarah for more information - 720-938-2892 or sarah@tpcarvada.org

Second Tuesdays at Trinity

Tuesday, January 9 at 7:30 pm

Featuring **Music for Two Pianos**

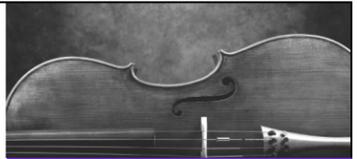
Steinway Artist, Stephanie Chang
 & Yamaha Artist, Sara Davis Buechner

Tickets: \$15 for adults and \$10 for students through high school.

Reserve tickets by using this link:
<https://www.presbyterianmissionexchange.org/second-tuesdays-tickets>

You can also purchase tickets at the door the evening of the concert using cash, credit card or check.

For more information, got to secondtuesdays.com or call 303-422-3656 x 6000.



We will need donations of baked goods or veggies for our Concert Series receptions. We also need help with setting up and putting away our receptions. We'll be glad to provide you with a "comp" ticket to the concert on the evening that you help set up or clean up. Please contact Robin Olschner or sign up in the Lobby if you are able to help with food items or set-up and /or take down.



Will it be a "Snow Day" at Church?

Now that Winter has finally arrived, there could be a few Sundays impacted by bad weather. To confirm whether or not we will have worship on a snowy day, call the church (303-422-3656) and listen to the recording or go to the very top of our church's homepage at www.TrinityArvada.org.

Sew Crafty

Friday, January 12, 1 to 4 pm or so

A regularly scheduled time to make progress on those craft/sewing projects and enjoy some fellowship, too!

For more information, contact: Barbara or Margie (barbarah@tpcarvada.org or margieb@tpcarvada.org)

Volunteers Needed

Please join us on **Saturday, January 6 at 9 am** as we return our facility to **pre-Christmas décor**. We plan to wrap things up in a couple of hours. Please contact Terry Breci with any questions.

If you could help **pack up the glassware in our kitchen** that is never used, please contact Barbara Hooks at barbarah@tpcarvada.org or 303-422-3656. We are looking to start this week.

The Presbytery of Denver at Prayer

You are invited to partner in prayer with the Denver Presbytery throughout 2018. Each week, we'll highlight special requests for various congregations, missions, etc. Our new Presbytery Prayer Guide begins today and continues through the coming year. You can access the full Prayer Guide by going to denpres.org.



Trinity's Staff

Senior Pastor: John Anderson, D. Min
Director of Music & Worship Arts: Nate Stuart
Director of Spiritual Formation: Robin Olschner
Director of Student Ministries: Sarah Holstein

Church Administrator: Barbara Hooks
Secretary/Bulletin: Margie Bessler
Accompanist: Leslie Dove
Treasurer: Lana Hearne

Helping With Our Service Today

Worship Leader: Nate Stuart
Acolyte: Sindra Wolf
Ushers: Jack Roberts, Gary Wellborn,
 Larry Spotanski, Jody Spotanski

Greeters: Trinity Youth
Openers: Bob & Jo Shaw
Closer: