

# Welcome Guests

We hope that you encounter God in our worship and feel at home in our church community. We also hope that you'll continue to join us as we strive to grow as disciples who make a difference in our community and world.



## **Worship**

We believe that worship is the primary act and response of a disciple. The Lord alone: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is worthy of all of our worship. And therefore, we sing, we pray, we give, we serve, and we offer our very lives to God as acts of worship.

## **Learn**

We believe that a disciple is a lifelong learner. We study the Bible in order to learn more about God and ourselves as we strive to become more like Jesus. We hope to grow deep in our faith and understanding so that we are well equipped for life.

## **Serve**

We believe that Jesus sent us out to be his Body in the world, and that takes expression as we serve other people. We believe that as we know more about Jesus we can't help but roll up our sleeves and get involved in our world, partnering with him to make it more and more his kingdom.

We believe that we can best grow as disciples if we grow **together**. To this end we share our lives together. We celebrate, mourn, laugh and cry together. We believe that we look the most like the community that Jesus is calling us to be when we're an authentic community together.

## **Church Staff /Leadership**

Pastor Tim Galligan, Sr. Pastor  
Pastor Josh Menke, Associate Pastor  
Brandon Clark, Worship Leader  
Laura Bray, Music Director  
Leland Morris, Clerk of Session

Rachel Peters, Preschool Director  
Ruth Johnson, Business Manager  
Christa Harley, Administrative Assistant  
Brittany Bradley, Sunday Coordinator  
Donna Crenshaw, Deacon Moderator

# Announcements

## **Congregational Meeting**

We will be holding a brief Congregational Meeting at 10:00 (after our 9:00 worship service) on January 3<sup>rd</sup> to receive and vote on the recommendations from the Nominating Committee for the new class of Elders and Deacons. This meeting will be BOTH in person or via Zoom Webcast (which will also allow people to call in). Details for the Zoom meeting can be found in the weekly eNews.

## **Removal of the Greens**

We will be taking down the Advent and Christmas decorations from the campus after the holidays after the worship service today. Thanks in advance for your help.

## **Stewardship Notes**

Thank you for all your gifts and pledges! Heads up, for any year-end gifts you want counted towards 2020 giving, please give during offering on Sunday, December 27th, turn into the office or have postmarked by December 31st. Merry Christmas to All and Happy New Year!

## **Service Opportunities**

### **Lake Charles/SW Louisiana Hurricane Recovery**

Laura came to Lake Charles in August, then Delta showed up a few weeks later and although that's just a couple of months ago, it seems like so much longer and the devastation of these storms is still very real and the needs are still very critical. Our Trinity Presbyterian Family has an opportunity to provide direct assistance to those areas with the greatest need. During this Christmas Season every gift is important, whether it's a gift of \$5 or \$5000, we can all give something.

Please go to our Church website [www.trinitysouthlake.org](http://www.trinitysouthlake.org) and click on the "Lake Charles Relief Fund" tab to make your gift online, or send your check directly to the Church (make checks payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church with Lake Charles in the memo). We will be accepting gifts through January 3, 2021.

## **Updated Worship Services Information**

Our Worship Service at 9 am will take place in the Worship Center and is for anyone and everyone (no reservation required) We are going to require masks (and/or plexiglass) for all at our 9:00 worship service until increased restrictions are lifted.

Our Worship Gatherings on Sunday will meet at 8:00 am (outside the church) followed by a 10:45 am service (inside the Worship Center). Please wear masks and social distance. These Worship Gatherings do require reservations. You can make your reservations on Wednesdays beginning at 1:30 either through the eNews or the Worship Page on our website.



*Our mission is to make and grow disciples  
who give their lives to make a difference in the world.*



**Christmas Eve  
5:30 pm**

*Thursday, December 24, 2020  
[www.trinitysouthlake.org](http://www.trinitysouthlake.org)*



# Christmas Eve



## Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Welcome

The Christmas Story *Luke 2*

Call to Worship: Advent Reading

Pastor: Come, Lord Jesus, our light and our salvation.

Congregation: Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

\* Song

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

*Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”  
Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies’  
With the angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”*

*Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord!  
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the virgin’s womb,  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail the incarnate Deity.  
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”*

*Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by, Born that we no more may die.  
Born to raise us from the earth, Born to give us second birth.  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King!”*

Prayer of Confession

*Almighty God who inhabits eternity  
but dwells with those who are of a humble and contrite spirit:  
before you and our Lord Jesus Christ  
we confess our sins.  
We have ignored the presence of your Spirit.  
We have failed to look for the return of our Savior.  
We have been blind to your coming  
in the suffering of the hungry, the exiled,  
the destitute, the sick, and the imprisoned.  
In your great goodness  
put away our offenses  
and cleanse us from our sin, for Jesus’ sake.  
And hear us as we continue to confess  
in the silence of our hearts.*

Assurance of Pardon

Song

O Holy Night

*O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining  
It is the night of our dear Savior’s birth  
Long lay the world in sin and error pining  
’Til He appears and the soul felt its worth  
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices  
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn  
Fall on your knees; O hear the Angel voices!  
O night divine, O night when Christ was born  
O night, O Holy night, O night divine!*

*Truly He taught us to love one another;  
His law is love and His Gospel is Peace  
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother  
And in His name, all oppression shall cease  
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we  
Let all within us Praise His Holy name  
Christ is the Lord; O praise His name forever!  
His power and glory evermore proclaim  
His power and glory evermore proclaim*

Prayers of the People and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.*

## Hearing the Word

Sermon Series: A Kingdom People

Sermon: This, This is Christ the King

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-18

## Responding to the Word

\* Hymn #25

In the Bleak Midwinter

*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 ago.*

*Our God, heaven cannot hold Him,  
Nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away  
When He comes to reign:  
In the bleak midwinter, A stable place sufficed  
The Lord God incarnate, Jesus Christ.*

*Angels and archangels, May have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim, Thronged the air;  
But His mother only, In her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the beloved, With a kiss.*

*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 can I give Him: Give my heart.*

Offering

Offertory

\* Affirmation of Faith

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.*

\* Hymn #60

Silent Night, Holy Night

*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright,  
Round yon virgin, mother and child!  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing: “Alleluia;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.”*

*Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.*

*Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;  
With the angels let us sing,  
Alleluia to our King;  
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.*

\* Benediction

*\* Please stand if you are able  
Please drop candles and connection cards in the baskets  
as you leave after the service.*