

Trinity Episcopal Church

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

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The Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017

10:30 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

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The Rt. Rev. Larry R. Benfield, M.Div., Bishop of Arkansas

The Rev. Jay Bruno, Priest

The Rev. Mr. Len Griffin, Deacon

Mr. Faron Wilson, M.M.E., Organist / Choirmaster

Please remember that as we enter the church, we prepare ourselves for divine service by kneeling quietly in prayer and acknowledging the presence of God in this place. Please afford one another a time of quiet prayer prior to the beginning of the service.

Prelude on “*Winchester New*”..... arr. Roger C. Wilson

Processional Hymn 76: “On Jordan’s bank” (stand)..... *Winchester New*

Acclamation..... BCP 355

Hymnal S 96: “*Kyrie*” (*Lord, have mercy*)..... Schubert/arr. Proulx

Collect of the Day (*insert*)

The First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 (*sit*)..... (*insert*)

Canticle 3 (*said in unison*) (*insert*)

The Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 (*insert*)

Hymnal 481: “Rejoice, the Lord is King” *Gospal*

The Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28 (*insert*)

The Sermon..... the Rev. Jay Bruno

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form IV BCP 388

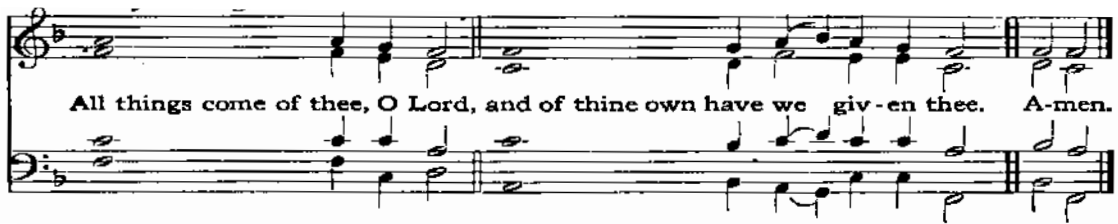
Confession of Sin and Absolution (kneel) BCP 360

The Peace (*stand*)..... BCP 360

At this time you are invited to exchange a sign of God’s Peace with the persons closest to you in the pew. The offering of the Peace is not a time for conversation but it is an outward and visible sign of reconciliation, a tradition we continue from the most ancient church.

Offertory Anthem: “*My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord*” Michael Praetorius

Presentation of the Offering and Doxology (*stand*)



- The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer BBCP 367
Hymnal S 120: *Sursum Corda (Lift up your hearts)*
Hymnal S 130: *Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy) (kneel following)* Schubert/arr. Proulx
The Lord's PrayerBCP 364
Hymnal S 164: *Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*..... Schubert/arr. Proulx

~ *The Communion* ~

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Table of Our Lord. Please join us at the altar rail to receive Holy Communion. If it is more convenient for us to bring the Sacrament to your seat, let the ushers know.

- Hymnal 69: "What is the crying at Jordan" *St. Mark's*
Prayer of ThanksgivingBCP 365
The Final Blessing
Recessional Hymn 438: "Tell out, my soul" *Woodlands*
Postlude: "Hornpipe" (*from Water Music*)..... George Frederick Handel



- Verger** Phil McBee
Lectors..... Donna Coker, Julie Bridgforth
Eucharistic Minister..... Doug Dorris
Trumpet..... Demarr Woods
Ushers..... Carol Davis, Jack Davis
Security..... Larry Wasson
Lock-up..... Jack Davis

The Advent greenery is given to the glory of God by Donna and Joe Coker in thanksgiving for their children, grandchildren and the Trinity family.

The Vestry will meet Monday at 5:00 p.m. (please note time change) in the conference room.

Wednesdays at Trinity — Join us for prayer, thanksgiving, potluck lunch and fellowship Wednesday starting at 12:05 p.m. You are welcome to bring a dish to share, as you are able.

Pledge cards are due – The Stewardship Campaign is doing well, but some of you who have faithfully pledged in the past have not gotten your cards to the Church. We would like to finish the campaign by Christmas, so if you have not made your pledge yet, please prayerfully consider it and turn in your card to the church or put it in the plate Sunday. For those of you who have not pledged recently, please give consideration to doing so. Your church needs you. – Bill Bridgforth, stewardship chairman

The ECW will meet **today** after the 10:30 a.m. service. This meeting will include the nomination and election of officers for the coming year.

Year-End Contributions — Monetary gifts received or postmarked by **Dec. 31** will be applied to your 2017 giving record.