

CHRISTMAS DAY
 December 25, 2011
 Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:00 AM

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

GOSPEL: LUKE 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Celebrant:
Organist:
Acolytes:
Vestry:
Ushers:

The Rev. Amy P. Turner
 Chris Ryder
 Harry Dickinson,
 William Dickinson
 Harry Dickinson
 Adrian Smith and Mike Frye

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given today to the Glory of God by Kelly and Sam Carniol in Thanksgiving for all children, especially, Alexander, Ben, Kate, Nikki, Dabney, Bekka, Cash and Brad.
THE FOOD BANK FUND is given today to the Glory of God by the Gannon-McDermott family in thanksgiving for God's blessings.
THE VIGIL LIGHT is given today to the Glory of God by Kelly and Sam Carniol in Thanksgiving for Our Families.

WELCOME TO TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We extend a most cordial greeting to all who are worshipping with us this morning. You honor us with your presence. **All Baptized Christians** are welcome to receive Communion at Trinity Episcopal Church. Those wishing to receive gluten-free wafers are asked to reach for communion palms down. To learn more about Trinity, please fill out a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate, or give it to one of the priests.

TRINITY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

As in past years, our **Christmas Offering** will go to El Hogar, a children's home and school in Honduras that we have been supporting for over 30 years. The gifts from Trinity enable two children to attend school and to receive training that will enable them to find good jobs upon their graduation. Your support will help to change several children's lives.

Thank you to all of those who helped make ELF Sunday a huge success this year. We had an outpouring of elves to help with the many tasks during the day last Sunday. Thank you to all those who brought gifts and stockings in for the 24 children we adopted. It was truly a magical day and I am always amazed at the outpouring of giving shown by all the Trinitarians. Christmas Outreach Committee- *Donna Krauss, Tracy Cain, and Herb Smith*

Club 45 lock in is rescheduled for Friday, January 13.

Women's Spirituality Group invites you to watch *Henry Poole is Here*, Saturday, January 7 from 10:00-Noon! The movie explores the unexpected wonders of the every day. If you are able, please plan to go out to lunch with the group at a nearby restaurant. For more information, please contact Vicky at (540) 373-2996 or vkoch@trinity-fredericksburg.org

Epiphany Dinner and Celebration, January 6, 2011, 6:30-8:00 pm! Pizza Dinner and Ice Cream Sundaes for Everyone! Epiphany is traditionally a time to ask for blessings on our homes and on all who live, work and visit them. After dinner, we'll begin the service in Barber Hall with blessing for the space; we'll process to church singing "We Three Kings" where our service will continue with the blessing of the church. Participants will be encouraged to bless their own homes with the candles which represent bringing the light of Christ into the world. Please look for the sign up sheet on the church doors.

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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE TO FEED THOSE HUNGRY FOR GOD'S
WORD AND LOVE"



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ay Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

Amen.

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

Amen.

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor.

Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Christmas Day

10:00 am

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