Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.

The bulletin today is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Sanford LeMoine** by George and Linda.

SERVICE TIMES FOR December 10 – December 17		
Sunday, December 10 *Advent 2*	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Eucharist (BAS)	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Thursday	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	9:30 a.m.
Sunday, December 17 *Advent 3*	Holy Communion (BCP) Choir Christmas Service Prayer & Healing Service	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11   2 Peter 3:8-15a   Mark 1:1-8
Readers: Sandra Knight   Robert Hiscock   Martha Beson

Welcome to Our Worship. If you are visiting with us this morning, please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book in the foyer.

Advent. Advent is a time of waiting and watching and preparing for the celebration of Christmas and the coming of Jesus as a baby in Bethlehem. Let us continue to prepare our hearts in such a way that we can experience God's presence in our lives at any moment for we never know exactly when we will have one of those God-incidences.

Worship Services. There will be a worship service at Golden Years at 1:30 p.m. today followed by a service at the Carmelite at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Altar Guild Meeting. There will be an Altar Guild Meeting this Monday, December 11, at 6:45 p.m. in the Vestry Room. New members are always welcome.

Singing Sidesmen Christmas Sing–Along. There will be a concert this Tuesday, December 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the E.M. Bishop Hall. Admission is $5. Refreshments will be served.

Holy Trinity Church Choir Christmas Service: *Joy to the World, A Celebration of Carols*. The service will be on Sunday, December 17 at the 10:30 a.m. service. Please mark that date on your calendar. We hope to see you there.

Christmas Eve Family Service. Any children interested in singing **Silent Night** at the 6 p.m. Family Service on Christmas Eve are asked to contact Lesley Roberts at lesleyburke99@hotmail.com. There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 23 at 2 p.m. All children are welcome to be part of this group.

Flowers for Christmas. Anyone wishing to place flowers in the church for Christmas in memory of loved ones may place a donation in an envelope in the Offertory Plate. Please mark the envelope: **Christmas Flowers**. All names must be received by December 17 to be included in the Christmas Bulletin.

Annual Christmas Tree of Memories. The tree will be lit on Tuesday, December 19 at 7 p.m. If you would like to have a bulb lit on the tree in memory of a loved one, please place your donation and the name of your loved one in a plain envelope, write your envelope number on the envelope and place it in the collection plate **before December 17**. The names will be read out and then the tree will be lit in loving memory of all loved ones. Following the lighting of the tree, everyone is invited to the Olde Parish Hall for hot chocolate and Timbits.

Church Calendars. If you would like a calendar, please contact Karen Brown (489-6490). The cost is $5 each.

ACW. Ladies, we will be having a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 13. We are going to have pizza for supper, and it will be served at 6:30 p.m. (*Note time change.*) Please reply through e-mail to Danette or call Sandra (489-4092) by the end of today.

Church Office.   The office phone is 489-3002. The Church Wardens will be checking the office phone messages. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the Ena Dacosta (489-4914) or Wayne Ricks (489-2525).

Greeters/Sidesmen Needed. If you like meeting people and making everyone feel welcome, then maybe you would enjoy being a greeter before Church services. If you are interested in helping us in this important ministry, please call Terry Brown (489-3898).

Greeters: Bill Reid, Roy Earle, George Thorne, Phyllis Woolfrey

Messenger Notices. Please have your submissions to Linda by Thursday. You may contact her at 489-9801 or e-mail linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com.

Advent Word Study: Peace

"Peace" is a very common word in English, that means different things to different people. It's also a very important word in the Bible that refers not only to the absence of conflict but also to the presence of something else. In the Advent Series at **https://thebibleproject.com/explore/the-advent-series** the core meaning of biblical peace and how it all leads to Jesus is explored.

Advent Word Study: For centuries, Christians around the world have used the four weeks leading up to Christmas to prepare themselves for celebrating the birth of Jesus. Each week is dedicated to remembering and pondering a key biblical theme that came to its fulfilment in the arrival of Jesus: Peace, Hope, Joy, and Love. In the series, each of these biblical words and their unique meaning within the biblical story will be explored.

Advent Candle Lighting

Second Sunday of Advent – Peace

Bringing peace – feeding refugees

PWRDF Story:

Refugee Egypt program provides food packages to motivate parents to bring their children in to the clinics, and also provide the opportunity for staff there to talk with the families about proper nutrition to help ensure the children's growth is not stunted due to malnutrition.

One newborn baby came to the Well Baby Clinic when he was 29 days old. After weighing and measuring him, the staff determined he was underweight (under the 3rd percentile), and then referred him to the malnutrition clinic. At the clinic, his mother learned about the importance of breast feeding and of her own diet while she is lactating.

One month later, his weight had improved, and his mother was happy to see her baby growing and being more active.

> *You call us Lord to prepare the way: to be your messengers of peace.*

We light this candle as a beacon for peace.

Prayer for the week:

> *God of light*
> *You show us the Way*
> *Lift up our hearts that we may proclaim your peace*
> *To all those who wander in the wilderness*