

\*Hymn: O Sing a Song of Bethlehem 179 (Red Hymnal)

\*Blessing

Never put your faith in worldly status, and never underestimate your heavenly importance. Let your trust in the coming of Christ soar within you like wings of joy. Go out into the world and serve one another as God-bearers. May your soul magnify the Lord, and your spirit rejoice in God. Grace, mercy and peace, from God our Creator, through Jesus our Savior, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit our Nurturer, be with you this day and evermore.

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
In the name of Christ. Amen**

\*Hymn: Spirit Song 347 (Red Hymnal)

PRAYER MINISTRY

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Pastor Doug Conway and family -- Trinity members at home or in assisted living our church and its ministries -- our community -- nation -- world  
Our military and families -- Desi McNichol -- Tanisha Rano -- Flora Brooks  
Donna Brooks -- Janet Houser -- All people afflicted with COVID-19 and caregivers and all front-line workers -- Bethany Schwartz -- Sonia Myers  
Ava Kosmam -- David Walker -- Mike Faulkner -- Connor Wagner  
Jerry Oulette -- Raymond Brooks -- Brenda Blue -- Vicki Brightbill  
Tom Scornavacchi -- Scott Young -- Ed Steele Tom Worrich -- Tim Williams Bob Neff -- Pastor Doug's uncles Steve, Matt and Jim -- Gerry Lynn Schultz Cathy Drysdale -- Roy Gorecki -- Ed Drummond -- Mike Moyer  
Jim Matson Donna Bennett -- Mabel Wilkinson -- Robert Pluebill  
Jane Bodle -- Carol Hockman -- Mike Sheckler

*Please join us downstairs in The Gathering Room directly after  
worship for Refreshments and Fellowship.*

# Bring the Love of Jesus Christ to Our World



## TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Worship: 10:00 am on Sunday; 6:00 pm on Wednesday**

12/19/2021

Trinity United Methodist Church  
Pastor James "Doug" Conway  
Sunday, December 19, 2021 10:00 am  
*4th Sunday of Advent*

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(\* Indicates: Please stand if you are able.)

The Prelude:

The Greeting/Calendar

\*Hymn: Advent Song (verses 1 thru 4) 2090 (Black Hymnal)

Lighting of the Advent Candle (Carol and Rebekah)

\*The Call to Worship

Seasons come and seasons go,  
**but our God endures forever.**

Our faith exhibits ebb and flow,  
**but our God endures forever.**

Our lives may freeze up or may grow,  
**but our God endures forever.**

**So let our souls magnify the Lord our God this day.**

\*Hymn: Gather Us In 2236 (Black Hymnal)

\*The Opening Prayer

**O God, you broke down the barriers when you crept in beside us.  
In Jesus, your hands touched all, and touched us.**

**You opened our eyes to see how the hands of the rich were  
empty, and the hearts of the poor were full. You took the  
widow's mite and the child's loaves and used them to show us  
the Kingdom. Here in the company of the neighbor whom we  
know and the stranger in our midst, and the self from whom we  
turn, we ask to love as Jesus loved. Make this the place and  
time, good Lord, when heaven and earth become one, and we in  
word and flesh know ourselves beloved. Amen.**

Hand Bells: Away in a Manger

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Old Testament Reading: Micah 5:2-5

\*Open Our Eyes

**1. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach  
out and touch him, and say that we love him.**

**2. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our  
eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

\*The Gospel Reading: Luke 1:39-45

Message: Peace Eternal -- Pastor Doug

\*Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem 230 (Red Hymnal)

The Morning Prayer

The Offertory

Hand Bells: Silent Night, Holy Night

\*The Doxology 94 (Red Hymnal)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*A Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Lord we sing of your greatness, we rejoice in your  
graciousness. We are amazed by the works of your  
hands and your love baffles us. As you continue to bless  
us with your goodness we offer you our tithes and gifts.  
We offer you the works of our hands and the praise from  
our lips. May you bless and multiply all that we offer so  
your name may be magnified throughout all the earth  
among all nations. Amen.**