

Trinity Moravian Church

December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship *O Little Town of Bethlehem (#282)*

Hymn #276 *Veiled in Darkness Judah Lay*

Children's Chat & Lighting of the Candles

Liturgy for Christmas—Page 59

Scriptures
Isaiah 7:10-16
Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18
Romans 1:1-7

Gratitude Moment

Anthem *Before the Marvel of This Night* by Carl Schalk

Offering Response Hymn #279 Vs 3

Offering Prayer

Hymn *In This Bleak December*—see insert

Gospel
Matthew 1:18-25
Sermon
"Hope is Born in the Midst of Despair"
Hymn #286 *It Came Upon A Midnight Clear*

Announcements

Benediction

Choral Response *Before the Marvel of This Night* (Reprise)

Postlude

We have child care available during the service. Children are welcome to stay in worship until the Children's Chat, and then may go to the children's room.

*Please stand if you are able.

The Rev. John Jackman – Pastor

Ms. Sara Wood—Organist

Dr. Cristy Brown—Music Director

Ministers – All of Us

We affirm that all people, regardless of race, culture, country of origin, gender, orientation, or ability, are welcome and beloved in God's Kingdom and in our congregation.

Debt Jubilee Project Christmas Campaign launched on December 14 and will target past-due medical debts of poorer folks in Forsyth county. Talk it up among your friends—we hope to have several other congregations help out in addition to the ones that have signed up!

REMINDER: Special year-end gifts must be received by the church office by December 31 to be counted in 2024 giving.

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 21 7:30 pm Community Christmas Lovefeast

Wednesday, Dec. 24 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Lovefeast
7:30 pm Christmas Eve Lovefeast

Thursday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day!

Sunday, Dec. 28 11:00 am Christmas Reading Service

Wednesday, Dec. 31 8:00 pm Watchnight Service @ St. Philips
Pastor Jackman will preside,
Rev. Angelica Regalado-Cieza
Will preach

Sunday, Jan. 4 11:00 am New Year's Communion, Installation
of Officers, Baptism of Gavin Campbell

Prayer Concerns

Members

Ed Hendel
Fred & Linda Walser
Rodney & Jane Reich
Ed Lyons
Family of Frank Sisk

Friends

Patsy Morris
Velvet Motsinger
Debbie Thorpe
Shane Moore
Rod Snell
Renee Harvey
Carl Marshall
Frances Mabe

Service Personnel

Landon Pendry
Arlene Flores
John Cardoza Flores
Michael Williams

Watchword for the Week

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved. Psalm 80:19