

Christmas Eve at Holy Trinity

Christmas Eve Children's Service

with Holy Eucharist

5:00 PM

We hope to make this service a special offering to our children and to children of friends and family.

The Service:

Jesus's birthday parade (Procession).

The children will be doing the lectionary readings for Christmas Eve .

A children's sermon.

The Children will be invited up around the Lord's Table during the consecration prayers to learn about Holy Communion.



Christmas Eve Festival of Lessons and Carols and Midnight Mass

10:30 pm

Invite your friends to join you for this great, traditional Christmas Celebration

Beginning at 10:30 pm Christmas Eve, we will have a Festival of Lessons and Carols following the pattern of Scripture readings and carol singing that was first used at King's College, Cambridge. The scriptures and carols will be a recitation of God's redeeming acts in history, which finds its apex in the incarnation of God in Christ-Emmanuel, God with us.

We begin our lessons with the Genesis account of Creation and The Fall. Then, through a series of Old Testament readings, we plumb the depths of our need for God to rescue us from enslavement to sin. The New Testament readings that follow describe God literally stepping into history, "The Great Rescue." We celebrate through Scripture the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. The singing of hymns, praise songs, and Christmas carols throughout the liturgy punctuate the telling of this *Old, Old Story*.

This is an excellent service to bring friends and introduce them to this great Anglican Tradition and to Holy Trinity. If you, your family, and friends are looking for a cure for the commercialism and secularism of the season, come join us.

