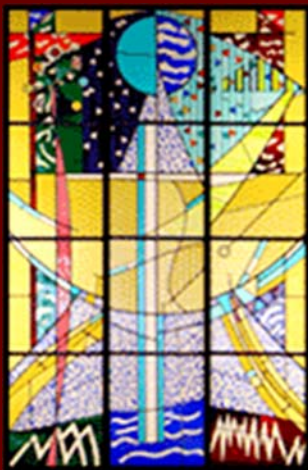


Fourth Sunday of Advent



We are:

- A Community of Faith
- Sent by God
- To Pursue God's hopes and dreams
- For DC and the World



First Trinity & St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Weekly Mission and Ministry Opportunities December 21, 2014

To Our Visitors and Guests

Welcome! Please fill out one of the visitor cards found in the pews and add a prayer request if you wish so that we can pray with you this week. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider First Trinity and St. Matthew's. Any of the pastors would be happy to discuss this with you further. Please join us after the service in the parlor, adjoining the sanctuary, for snacks and refreshments.

Las Posadas



This Sunday our participants in Lifeline will act out a Posadas. Las Posadas is a Latin American dramatization of Mary and Joseph in search for a place to have their baby. At times we are Mary and Joseph looking for a place to belong, looking for a place to be accepted, but also at the same time we are innkeepers given the opportunity to share what we have with those in need.

Poinsettia Orders

Last day to sign up for Poinsettias will TODAY. The price will be \$13 per plant. A sign up sheet is in the back of the church.



Lifeline Christmas Cards



Look out for Sunday school youth this week after church. They are helping Lifeline to sell the beautiful Christmas cards made by Lifeline artists. The cards are \$25.00 for a set of 12 and a generous donation has made it possible to ensure all proceeds go to Lifeline programs. You can also order them through the Lifeline office: email Lifeline@FirstTrinityDC.org or 202 628-4819.

Gifts of Hope and Fair Trade Coffee, Tea and Chocolates!

After church we are selling "Gifts of Hope" every Sunday during Advent thanks to Brian Werner. Stop by the "Gifts of Hope" table and make Christmas a real blessing for those in need. Buy Fair Trade coffee and teas today after church and sweeten those moments with Fair Trade chocolate! Your purchase supports small farmers around the world through Lutheran World Relief.



Christmas Eve at First Trinity



Join us for Christmas Eve service at First Trinity. Pre-service music begins at 7:00 and the service begins at 7:30pm. The service is a candle-light eucharist. After the service join us in the Parlor for a Christmas Reception hosted by Fran Knoll and the Morgan family. The reception will be heavy hors d'oeuvres, drinks and wonderful fellowship. Whether near or far on Christmas, we wish you a blessed day.!