



Trinity Presbyterian Church PCA
Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

January 5, 2020
 Epiphany Sunday



To the Four Corners of the Earth

The season of Epiphany reminds us of the church's world-wide mission to reveal the true God and his love for mankind in his Son. The star in the center is the star of Bethlehem. It shines to the four corners of the earth to manifest the cross of Christ to all the nations. The Epiphany of our Lord is the Christian festival that celebrates how Jesus Christ manifests himself to the world as God Incarnate and King of kings—as the crucified and risen Lord.

Today our table paraments are white and gold, symbolizing joy, celebration, gladness, light, and the shining forth of God's glory through Jesus Christ.

LORD's Day Service – January 5, 2020
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Preparation for Worship: Psalm 72:8-19

Welcome

Entrance – God Calls Us; we gather together and praise Him

* Call to Worship

* New Testament Lesson

Romans 11:22-36

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Pastor: Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen!

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!

* Hymn of Praise

Trinity Hymnal, #164 (v 3-5)
Angels from the Realms of Glory

Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him and are forgiven in Christ

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. *(Those unable to kneel may be seated.)*

O most merciful God, since You have given Your only begotten Son to die for me, have mercy on me, and for His sake grant me remission of all my sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace I may come to everlasting life; through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Arise, lift up your heads, and hear the comforting, good tidings of great joy! Our God, in His great mercy, gave His only Son to die for us, and for His sake pardons and rescues you from all your sins, that He might present you spotless before His glory with great joy! And the people say...

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

**Ascension – God Consecrates Us; we listen to Him
and offer our works and lives to Him**

* Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so!

Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to You at all times and in all places, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

**The Sanctus* (inside hymnal or psalter cover)

Hymn of Preparation See insert
We Three Kings (4 verses)

Let us pray: **O God, by the leading of a star You manifested Your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know You now by faith, to Your presence, where we may see Your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

* *Old Testament Lesson* Isaiah 60
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Response Trinity Hymnal, #154
As with Gladness Men of Old

* *Gospel Lesson* Matthew 2:1-23
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.
Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon "The Book of the Prophecy of God My Judge"
(Introduction to Daniel)

* *Hymn of Consecration* See insert (tune: *Angels from the Realms*)
Glory Be to God the Father

* *Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

Prayers of the Church Requests & Lord's Prayer

Peace - God Communes with Us; we eat at His table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Matthew 26:26-30

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God Creed (inside hymnal cover)

* *Hymn of Thanksgiving* Psalter, #72A & B (4 stanzas)
O God, Thy Judgments Give the King
(tune: Trinity Hymnal, #500, *He Leadeth Me*)

Benediction - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we march out to serve Him

* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Matthew 28:18-20

* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* Jude 24-25

* *We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him* Doxology

* *Threefold Amen*

LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

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