



Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

A Southeastern Wisconsin PCA (Presbyterian Church of America) church.

December 30, 2018 Christmastide



Christus Victor

The traditional monograms **IC** and **XC** are ancient Latin abbreviations for **Jesus** (*IHCOYC*, a Latinized form of his Greek name) and **Christ** (*XRICTOC*). **NIKA** means Victor or Conqueror. Jesus Christ was born to conquer sin, death, and the Devil. The cross in the center of the world reminds us that Jesus has conquered by means of his suffering, death, and resurrection. Jesus now reigns because he died for us.

LORD's Day Service – December 30, 2018 Christmastide

Preparation for Worship: *John 1:1-5*

Prayer: Almighty God, You have poured upon us the new light of Your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen!**

Welcome & Announcements

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

* *Call to Worship*

Psalm 95:1-5

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: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,

Congregation: And the Word was God!

Pastor: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,

Congregation: And we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

* *Hymn of Praise*

Trinity Hymnal #151
O Come, All Ye Faithful

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 our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Arise, lift up your heads and hear the comforting words of the Gospel! Our heavenly Father, in His great mercy, has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake pardons and rescues you from all your sins in order to 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 proper, right and our greatest joy that we should give thanks to You at all times and in all places, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. 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 & psalter cover)

**Hymn of Preparation* Trinity Hymnal, #59
Jehovah Reigns; Let Earth Be Glad

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 119:97-104
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson I Corinthians 2:1-16
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

* *Gospel Lesson* John 15:9-25
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.
Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon "To Have the Mind of Christ"

* *Hymn of Consecration* Trinity Hymnal, #451
Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth

* *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 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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

* *Hymn of Thanksgiving* Trinity Hymnal, #56
O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

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

* *The Lord's Commission of Us* Matthew 28:19-20

* *We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us* 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

* *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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