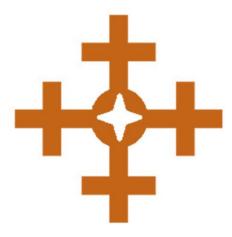


January 12, 2020



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 12, 2020

Preparation for Worship: Joshua 24:14-25

Welcome

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

* Call to Worship Psalm 97

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, #4

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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

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.)

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against You, opposing Your will in our lives and breaking Your law. We have denied Your goodness in our thoughts and in failing to do good to others. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, and the evil we have done. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in Your love and serve only Your will. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Arise, lift up your heads, and hear the good news! Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice! And the people say...

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

<u>Ascension – God Consecrates Us; we listen to Him</u> 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

Trinity Hymnal, #3 (2nd tune) From All that Dwell below the Skies

Let us pray: Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that Your people, illumined and fed by Your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that He may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. Amen!

* Old Testament Lesson

Daniel 1"1-7

Titus 2:1-8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

* New Testament Lesson
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

* Gospel Lesson

Luke 2:39-52

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

Praise to You, O Christ!

Sermon "A New Beginning"

* Hymn of Consecration Psalter, #82

God Is in His Congregation

* 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

Psalter, #83C

Do Not Be Silent, God, or Unresponding

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

* The Lord's Commission of Us

1 Corinthians 14:20

* 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

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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