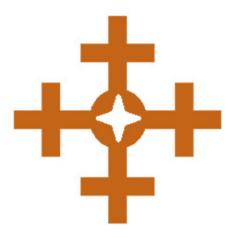


February 2, 2020



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 – February 2, 2020

Preparation for Worship: John 6:48-51

Welcome

### Entrance - God Calls Us; we gather together and praise Him

\* Call to Worship Psalm 145:1-3

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!

Pastor: The eyes of all look expectantly to You,

Congregation: And you give them their food in due season.

Pastor: You open Your hand

Congregation: And satisfy the desire of every living thing.

\* Hymn of Praise Trinity Hymnal, #4

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

\* Old Testament Lesson Psalm 141

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

## <u>Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him</u> 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.)

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions and my sin is always before me. We confide in Your grace and mercy through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior.

Amen! (from Psalm 51)

(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!

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. 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 and psalter cover)

Hymn of Preparation

Psalm 67 (See insert) O God. Show Mercy to Us

Let us pray: Lord God, Almighty and everlasting Father, You have brought us in safety to this new day: Prepare us with Your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen!

\* New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 10:14-33

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

\* Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:1-13

The Word of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "The First Battle: Defilement and the King's Delicacies"

\* Hymn of Consecration

Trinity Hymnal, #660

Dare to Be a Daniel

\* 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

John 6:53-58

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune. Incarnate God

Creed (inside hymnal cover)

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving

Psalm 145 (See insert)

I Will Exalt My God and King

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

\* The Lord's Commission of Us

Romans 12:1-2

\* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us

Numbers 6:24-26

\* 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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