

Epiphany

*“They shall bring gold
and frankincense, and
shall proclaim the
praise of the Lord.”*
Isaiah 60:6



Trinity Presbyterian Church
An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

9:30 am

Epiphany Sunday

January 2, 2022

AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME BEFORE THE LORD

Prelude

The First Nowell

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

WITH JOY, WE CELEBRATE GOD'S AMAZING LOVE

Call To Worship

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Hymn 56 (vs. 3-6)

The First Nowell

Call to Confession

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Prayer of Confession

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Assurance of God's Mercy
Thanks be to God!

The Rev. Ms. Craven

WE LISTEN FOR THE FATHER'S MESSAGE OF LOVE

Bell Anthem

Carol of the Bells
Young Adult Bells

arr. Guebert

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Communion Meditation

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner

Anthem

God Rest You Merry Gentlemen
Adult Choir

arr. Kern

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay.
Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day;
To save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray.

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy.
From God, our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came;
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same;
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy.
Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace.
This holy tide of Christmas all others doth deface.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy.

***The Nicene Creed (unison)**

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

I believe in one God: the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God: begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, through whom all things were made; who for us and our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Setting Aside for Holy Use

Communion of the People of God

The Rev. Ms. Craven

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

A Christmas Hallelujah

(words are located at end of service)

(on the final *Hallelujah*, the congregation will join in singing the refrain 3 times)

Brian Kain, soloist

arr. Cloverton

Prayer after Communion (unison)

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**Your goodness to us is beyond our highest hopes
and our greatest dreams!**

**You give us every good gift that we have
and then above all other gifts,
you have given us *yourself* in Christ Jesus.**

**Holy and gracious One,
we thank you for again manifesting
Your presence among us in this joyous Feast.**

**As we leave this place
allow us to continue to
feast on your *joyful* presence
so all our lives might be filled
with the everlasting light of Christ.**

**This we ask, Almighty Father,
through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns into the ages of ages. Amen.**

**HAVING TASTED THE GOODNESS OF THE SAVIOR,
WE LEAVE READY TO SERVE**

***Hymn 66 (vss. 1 & 5)**

We Three Kings of Orient Are

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Silent Prayer

Postlude

We Three Kings of Orient Are

***Those who are able may stand.**

Christmas Hallelujah

(words by of Lance Stafford, Layne Stafford, Kirby LeMoine, and Josh Svorinic)

I've heard about this baby boy
Who's come to earth to bring us joy
And I just want to sing this song to you
It goes like this, the fourth, the fifth
The minor fall, the major lift
With every breath I'm singing Hallelujah
(refrain) Hallelujah

A couple came to Bethlehem
Expecting child, they searched the inn
To find a place for You were coming soon
There was no room for them to stay
So in a manger filled with hay
God's only Son was born, oh Hallelujah
(refrain) Hallelujah

The shepherds left their flocks by night
To see this baby wrapped in light
A host of angels led them all to You
It was just as the angels said
You'll find Him in a manger bed
Immanuel and Savior, Hallelujah
(refrain) Hallelujah

A star shown bright up in the east
To Bethlehem, the wisemen three
Came many miles and journeyed long for You
And to the place at which You were
Their frankincense and gold and myrrh
They gave to You and cried out Hallelujah
(refrain) Hallelujah

I know You came to rescue me
This baby boy would grow to be
A man and one day die for me and you
My sins would drive the nails in You
That rugged cross was my cross, too
Still every breath You drew was Hallelujah
(refrain) Hallelujah

TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP
An Inviting Community Serving Christ For Life
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor

The Rev. Mr. Barry Gruver, Parish Associate

The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus

Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session

Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music

Brian Kain, Music Associate

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Dick Nipe, Roberta Ritchie, Melinda Hall, Dorothy Rathje, Phyllis Johnson, Bill & Susan Greenwood, Betty Young, Erica Heyer, Marie Willem, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Ruth Kain-Palmer, Marcia and Joe Spatola, Dick Wolbach, Nancy Hickman.

Friends and Family: Rev. Pat Weikart (Pam Dougherty's sister). David Behrens (Ed Behrens' son), Ilene Kreadle (Wilson family friend), Jan (George Sanders' friend), Terri Skill (Steve Skill's wife), Richard D'Eustachio (Carol D'Eustachio's husband).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, and Connor Strobel. We thank them all for their service to our country.

Large Print Bibles and Hymnals are available in the Narthex. Along with Bulletins!

Pastoral Care – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Dr. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.

Please silence all electronic equipment during the worship service.

Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register. Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

Visit our website at www.trinpres.org for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes. You can email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

Trinity's Annual Stewardship Campaign- Connected Now and Tomorrow

Trinity's Annual Stewardship Campaign continues. The Theme of this year's campaign is "Connected Now and Tomorrow".

This theme highlights how we have adapted Trinity's worship, programs and group activities to remain a vibrant Church during the pandemic. However, while our new ways of connecting and serving God have progressed, they have also resulted in additional costs that will require your financial support. This is a friendly reminder that our stewardship Campaign continues and your pledge is critical to maintain Trinity's programs, mission and staff. At this point in the Campaign, we have achieved only 74% of our financial goal and have received 140 pledges against our goal of 225.

All Church members should have received their stewardship letter and 2022 pledge card in the mail. You can also submit your pledge through your *EasyTithe* account. If you have submitted your pledge, thank you!

We hope that you carefully consider the needs of your church during these extraordinary times. Please answer God's call by offering your generous financial support to secure Trinity's future.



EasyTithe, our online giving option, allows you to make your offering electronically. This option makes giving more convenient for you (no more checks to write) and ensures consistency in your giving which helps the church manage its cash flow requirements better. EasyTithe can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. The setup process is very straightforward and can be accomplished in just a couple of minutes. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.



An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444.

We encourage all members to establish automatic recurring gifts using *EasyTithe*.

2022 Pledge Boxes are now available for pick up. Please visit the tables outside of the Church Office where you can find your box alphabetically by last name. Due to high postage fees, they will not be mailed out. Please help conserve costs and materials by picking up your box and consider delivering one to a friend who might not be able to make it to church to pick theirs up! If you don't need envelope boxes in the future please sign the sheet next to the boxes. If you have already let me know you don't need boxes, you don't need to sign again. Thank you, Debby Talbott

Sunday Church School Schedule

Nursery-Kindergarten (main building)

Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

No Nursery care is being at this time (for the children's safety)

Room #6 Twos and Threes (must be 2 1/2 yrs. old by Oct. 1, 2021)
through Kindergarten

Witherspoon Center

Dismissal is 10 minutes after the conclusion of the worship service

Room #2 First- Third grades

Room #5 Fourth- Sixth grades

*****Parents, please drop off children kindergarten age and younger
at their classrooms *before* the service.**

Lenten Devotional

Trinity will publish a Lenten Devotional with reflections from our own congregation. You may remember from devotionals of the last few years that we are seeking submissions much in the style of These Days, Daily Guideposts, or another devotional with which you may be familiar. Submission to the devotional should include:

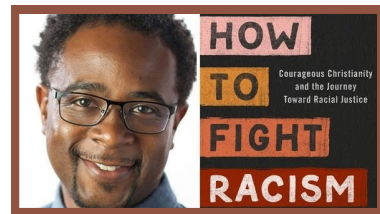
1. A verse or verses of scripture that comforts, challenges and/or teaches you.
2. A short discussion of how this scripture has been important to you (about 250 words).
3. A short prayer (2 or 3 sentences are fine).
4. Your name.

Since the devotionals need to be printed to be ready for distribution beginning the weekend before Ash Wednesday, the date due for submission has been established as **Sunday, January 23rd**.

Please send all submissions to Susan Bastnagel at sbastnagel@gmail.com and copy Alysia Sieh Badskey alysia.sieh@trinpres.org and Beth Gammie at bgammie917@gmail.com. Also please put Lenten Devotional in the subject line of the email. All members of the Trinity community, both youth and adult, are invited to participate in this church wide publication. If you have any questions, please contact: Beth Gammie at bgammie917@gmail.com or Alysia Sieh Badskey at alysia.sieh@trinpres.org.



Racism Study- Join our ONE CHURCH ONE BOOK study project for the 2021-2022 program year by reading Jemar Tisby's book **How to Fight Racism**. We are also offering two ZOOM opportunities each month for small group discussion and response planning to this compelling text. We will read one or two chapters each month according to the schedule. The calendar and more information can be found in the September issue of Tidings or email the study leader, Pat Weikart at: patweikart1952@gmail.com



Discussing the Gospel of John— has begun this month. If you are interested in this study or want more information about it, please contact Dr. Faulkner directly at: greg@trinpres.org

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, January 2 *Epiphany*

9:30 am Worship Service/ Communion
9:30 am Church School (PreK-6th Grade)
7:00 pm Senior Highs– Witherspoon Center

Monday, January 3

10:30 am Library Committee
6:00 pm Strategy Committee
7:00 pm Session Meeting

Tuesday, January 4

10:00 am Care ‘n Share Shop

Wednesday, January 5

6:15 pm Commissioning– Witherspoon Center
7:00 pm Cub Scouts– Community Room

Thursday, January 6

10:00 am Care ‘n Share Shop
12:00 pm Alzheimer’s Support Group—Witherspoon Center
4:30-5:00 pm Cherub Choir
5:00-5:30 pm Carol Choir
5:30– 6:00 pm TEAM Choir
6:00-6:30 pm TEAM Bells
8:00 pm AA Groups—Witherspoon Center

Sunday, January 9

9:30 am Worship Service/ Deacon Ordination & Installation
9:30 am Church School (PreK-6th Grade)
10:50 am Youth Choir Rehearsal
11:30 am Youth Bells

Trinity Presbyterian Church Vision and Values
An Inviting Community Following Christ for Life

At Trinity we:

- believe the Holy Spirit empowers us to reach out to others in order to serve God by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. It is this truth that governs all that we do and all that we are.
- worship as a community of faith gathering in the Triune God's presence to further our knowledge of Scripture, participate in the Sacraments and gain inspiration for our lives. Music is part of our worship in that it enhances the spoken words of worship in an uplifting multigenerational manner. We offer our musical gifts to the Lord.
- affirm that members of all ages contribute to the rich tapestry of our witness, interests and talents. We encourage others to join us. Through fellowship all members are supported on a communal and personal level as our church family gathers for many purposes.
- acknowledge the blessings the Triune God has bestowed upon us and we respond by offering our time, talents and treasure as a dynamic sacrifice in gratitude to the loving and caring God.
- recognize the importance of life long learning to further our knowledge of God and better grow in our relationship with God, our families and our Community.
- experience the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ and go from our worshipping fellowship into the world to serve others.

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*You are cordially invited to spend the
Christmas Season
with all of us at Trinity Presbyterian Church!!*

Sunday, November 28 - 9:30am
Advent Service with Handbell music

Friday, December 3 - 7:30 pm
*Trinity Community Concert Series featuring the
Atlantic Brass Band*

Sunday, December 5 - 9:30am
Advent Service with Children's & Youth Christmas Music

Tuesday, December 7 - 7:00pm
*Trinity Women's
Christmas Communion Service*

Sunday, December 12 - 9:30am
*Advent Service with Adult Choir
Family Church Time including Advent activities*

Sunday, December 19 - 9:30am
*Christmas Worship with handbell music
Virtual Nativity Walk*

Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
4:00pm *Family Worship Service & Pageant*
7:00 pm *Candlelight Communion Service with
Pre-service music, choir and brass*
11:00 pm *Prerecorded 7pm Service available online*

Sunday, December 26 - 9:30am *Sunday Worship Service*

Sunday, January 2 - 9:30am *Epiphany Sunday
Communion, Choir & Handbells*

