

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

9:30 am

Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2020

AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WE COME BEFORE THE LORD

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Introit

Joy To the World
Youth Bells

arr. Stephenson

*(At the sound of the music, the congregation begins the discipline of silent prayer;
so all might prepare their hearts and minds for worship.)*

WITH JOY, WE CELEBRATE GOD'S AMAZING LOVE

Call To Worship

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of God has risen upon you.

**We hear the news of the boundless riches of Christ
and our hearts sing for joy.**

God reveals the mysteries of the ages for those who wait.
The light of Christ illumines our way.

Come, let us walk in the light of God!
We will walk in the Light of Christ, the Light of the World!

***Prayer of Adoration (unison)**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**Ever-living God,
you sent forth your only Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ
and in him we have beheld your glory.**

**He is the Light of the World
which has illuminated our hearts
and is even now filling the world
with the radiance of your unfading glory.**

**By the descent of the Spirit,
grant us to walk in Christ's light
and so live that all around us
might come to know your glorious power
and unbounded grace.**

**This we ask of you, Great God,
in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***Processional Hymn 56 (vs. 3-6)**

The First Nowell

Call to Confession

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Prayer of Confession (unison)

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**God of light, in whom no darkness can abide;
We come to you in joy, but also trembling,
for we know what shadows abide in us.
We cannot conceal from you our cowardice,
our shallowness,
the resentments we harbor against others.
We confess to you our capacity to deceive,
our willfulness,
our avoidance of others' pain and suffering.
O Wonderful Counselor, illuminate what bears revealing.
O Mighty God, cast out our sin, as light casts out the darkness.
O Prince of Peace, live in us, that we might live for you.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.**

**Assurance of God's Mercy
Thanks be to God!**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Hymn of Praise 53 (Vs. 3 only)

What Child is This?

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh;
Come, one and all, to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary!

***Children Grades 1–6 will be dismissed to Church School at this time. Church School teachers will be at the rear sanctuary doors to escort your child to Witherspoon Center. Children may be picked up by their parents in Witherspoon, located in the rear parking lot, at 10:40 am.*

WE LISTEN FOR THE FATHER'S MESSAGE OF LOVE

Bell Anthem

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

arr. Berg

Maddie Desjardins, Sarah Lausi, Marissa McGrath,
Naomi Smith and Hannah Strobel - chimes
Leah Marcelli, flute
Lisa Marcelli and Kristen Viglietta, duet

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Morning Canticle (responsively) Isaiah 60:1-6

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;

but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.

**Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.**

Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

**Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**

Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

**Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.**

A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

**Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

**Hallelujah! Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. Hallelujah!**

Old Testament Lesson Exodus 1:15 - 2:10

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:1-23

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Communion Meditation

Rescuing Refugee

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner

***Hymn of Response 62**

Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love

***Profession of Faith (unison)**

The Nicene Creed

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

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.

Call to Present Our Gifts to the Lord

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Offertory

Sussex Carol

arr. Hagenberg

On Christmas night all Christians sing,
to hear the news the angels bring,
news of great joy, news of great mirth,
news of our merciful King's birth.
Then why, should men on earth be sad,
since our Redeemer made us glad;
when from our sin he set us free,
all for to gain our liberty.
When sin departs before his grace
then life and health come in its place;
angels and men with joy may sing,

all for to see the new-born King.
All out of darkness we have light,
which made the angels sing this night,
“Glory to God in highest heaven, Now and forevermore,”
Amen!

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Words of Institution

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayer of Setting Aside for Holy Use

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Communion of the People of God

(The communion bread is gluten-free)

A Christmas Hallelujah

Brian Kain, soloist

(words are located at end of service)

arr. Cloverton

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

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**

***Sending Hymn 66**

We Three Kings of Orient Are

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Silent Prayer

Postlude

*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 Following Christ For Life

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

Marina Pappas, Weekday Nursery School Director

The flowers were given to the glory of God Peggy Finger and the Sedeyn Family in loving memory of Robert D. Finger, husband, father and grandfather on what would have been his 71st birthday; and by Jen Dukelow with prayers for our military and ongoing support for their families who wait at home for their safe return.

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Connie Brownell, Marie Willem, Jonas Agbottah, Holly Sanborn, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Michele Gordon, Laurie Lausi, Heath Barnes, Ruth Kain-Palmer, Naomi Higuchi, Susan Greenwood, Barbara Cardea, Marcia Spatola, Dick Wolbach, Nancy Hickman, Helen Prickitt.

Let Us Also Pray for Friends and Family: Mason Bryszewsk (Trudie Levins' nephew), Ann Harris (Elaine Schon's cousin), Nate Burton and Hank Worrell (friends of Ron and Elaine Schon), Helen Heilshorn (Janet Cohen's mother), Nick Pinolini (Trudie Levins' nephew), Beth Coggins (Alison Schwarz's sister), Serina Desjardins (Pete and Sheri Desjardins' sister-in-law), Jonn Litton (Mary Ellen Litton's husband) Cindy Rosa (friend of Denise and TonyCeneviva), The Rev. Bruce Gillette, Allen Whipple (Jim and Beverly Whipple's son), Bettie Holford (Carolyn Kramer's mother), Frances Gagliano (Maria Falcone's aunt), Tanya Mullen (Maria Falcone's friend), Chuck Inman-Sergott, (son of former Trinity Associate Pastor Rev. Mary Jane Inman and Dan Sergott), Pamela Burgess (Lydia Burgess' mother-in-law), Nicholas Horgan (nephew of Theresa and Kevin Kain), Jim Higdon (Greg Faulkner's brother), Cubmaster Mike Morris (Pack 252), Rosemary Halpin (Mary Ellen Litton's sister), Louisa B. Coffin (Louisa Coffin-Tilsner's mother), Brian Alden (Barb Wilson's nephew), Jim Tomaselli (Barb DeSanto's brother), Clara Ballard (Marty Flynn's mother), Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friend), Liz Shapiro (Heather Kern's friend), Rich Van Doren (Melissa Smith's brother), Arlene Fraraccio (Bonnie Jones' friend), David Parks (Nancy Parks' brother), Larry Hansen (Linda Thorpe's brother), Ron Bishop (Martha Stem's brother), Shirley Muni (Susan Bryfogle's mother).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes.

Congratulations to Ron and Dipal Willoughby who were married on December 14, 2019.

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.

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 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!

Sunday Church School Schedule
Nursery-Kindergarten (main building)

Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

Room #1	Infant through Toddler
Room #6	Twos and Threes, must be 24 months by Oct. 1, 2019
Room #4	Fours, Fives and Kindergarten

Witherspoon Center
Dismissal is at 10:40 am.

Room #1	First and Second grade
Room #2	Third and Fourth grade
Room #5	Fifth and Sixth Grade

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

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!

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 **92% of our financial goal** and have received **201 pledges** against our **goal of 250**. Insufficient funds in 2020 may require us to reduce mission, property and facility maintenance, and staff compensation adjustments.

Thank you if you have already submitted your pledge. If you have not pledged, we encourage you to return your 2020 pledge card this week by mailing it to the Church office. If you do not have your pledge card, a card can be obtained through the Church Office or from the Church pews. You may also submit your pledge through your online EasyTithe account.

The theme of this year's campaign is "**Great is Thy Faithfulness**". This theme highlights the promises and gifts that God continues to provide to us and our Church. Let's return a portion of these gifts and secure the future of our Church.



2020 Pledge Boxes are now available. Please visit the Anteroom off Fellowship Hall 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! Thank you from the Finance and Stewardship Committee.

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*.

Please sign the cards in Fellowship Hall every Sunday—the goal is to get as many signatures as possible! All you need to do is sign your name! The cards mean so much to those who are in need of a cheery hello, get well wishes, or words of sympathy. Thank you for participating in this important outreach to members of our Trinity family!

In case of inclement weather, please check our website at www.trinpres.org. Any changes to or cancellations of worship services will be listed on the home page. If nothing is posted there, worship will take place as usual. If you do not have internet access, please ask a friend or family member to check for you.

TODAY, Adult Ministries has invited The Rev. Sarah Craven to speak about her experience in Rwanda this past year when in April 2019 marked the 25th Anniversary of the Rwanda Genocide. Come learn about the factors that led to the genocide and how the country has found and continues to work toward reconciliation and healing in the last twenty-five years. There is much that we can learn about forgiveness, and also how we as a church can both contribute to misconceptions in society and help foster an environment of reconciliation. **Please join us in Witherspoon TODAY.**



Water: Our Most Precious Resource- *Perspectives from Ancient Times, to Today, and Into the Future*

Presented by Gary Naumick on Sunday, January 12, 2020 at 11AM in Witherspoon Center.

We take our water supply for granted every day. And yet, the threats to this precious resource from droughts, floods and emerging contaminants are continuing to increase. And globally, **780 million people – over 10% of Earth's population** – do not have access to safe and clean drinking water.



Gary Naumick will discuss US and global water challenges that we face today and in the future. Gary will also describe and share photos of some of the water-related highlights from the recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Sites visited by the pilgrims included the River Jordan, Sea of Galilee, Jacob's Well, Mary's Spring, and Cana – where Jesus turned water into wine. Gary Naumick is a professional engineer with over 40 years of experience in the water resources field.

Membership Information Session, Sunday, January 12th

Are you ready to start a new adventure? Do you feel as though something has been missing in your life and you need to fill the void? Perhaps God is calling you to enhance your relationship with Him by joining a church. Perhaps that church is Trinity.



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

We invite you to explore this possibility at our next Membership Information Session on Sunday, January 12th. Grab a cup of coffee in Fellowship Hall and then join us in the Office Conference Room at 11:00am, where Rev. Faulkner will lead the discussion and you'll have the opportunity to ask questions and learn what it means to be a Presbyterian here at Trinity. Lunch will be provided. At the close of the meeting, you can decide to officially join our fellowship, if you're ready, but there's absolutely no pressure to join on the spot if you'd like to give it a little more thought.

Childcare is available with advance notice. Please call the church office at 856-428-2050 or email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org to reserve your space. All you need to bring is an open heart. We look forward to seeing you there!

What goes up must come down! Can you spare a few minutes? **On Saturday, January 11 at 11:00am**, we will be taking down the Christmas decorations and help is needed! Please consider lending a hand. It really doesn't take long to get everything down and packed up for next year. Thank you in advance.

The **2020 Flower Chart** is always available for sign ups every Sunday during coffee hour. Please consider donating the flowers around a date of significance in your lives, to remember loved ones, and to celebrate anniversaries, new life and new beginnings. **There are openings in May and through the rest of the year.**



Lenten Devotional

Once again, Trinity plans to publish a **Lenten Devotional** with reflections from our own congregation. You may remember from devotionals of the last three 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 **Wednesday, January 15th**. Please send all submissions to SUSAN BASTNAGEL at sbastnagel@gmail.com and copy Alysia Sieh Badskey alysia.sieh@trinpres.org and Larry Miller at clm974@hotmail.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: Larry Miller at clm974@hotmail.com or Alysia Sieh Badskey at alysia.sieh@trinpres.org.



Trinity continues with...

MIXERS & MISSION

Who: Trinity's Teens and Tweens
(6th-12th grades)

When: Once a month

Where: Trinity and the community

Spring Details:

1/12/20 11:30 am Lunch at Trinity followed by sandwich making for Cathedral Kitchen with youth from Temple Beth Shalom Synagogue in Cherry Hill.

2/9/20 12 pm Lunch and Bingo with the residents of R&M Boarding Home. Transportation provided.

4/19/20 12 pm Lunch at Trinity followed by a Scavenger Hunt.

We hope you can join us this fall.....
once, twice or for all 3 activities.

Community Service points are available...

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact

Lisa Marcelli at lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org

or

Sarah Craven at sarah.craven@trinpres.org

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, January 5 *Epiphany*

- 9:30 am Worship Service/ Communion
- 9:30 am Church School (N-6th Grade)
- 11:00 am Adult Education– Witherspoon Center
- 12:00 pm Gen Z lunch– Panera Bread, Cherry Hill
- 7:00 pm Senior Highs– Witherspoon Center

Monday, January 6

- 10:30 am Library Committee
- 6:00 pm Strategy Committee
- 7:00 pm Session Meeting– Ante Room
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts– Witherspoon Center

Tuesday, January 7

- 10:00 am Care ‘n Share Shop

Wednesday, January 8

- 6:15 pm Commissioning– Witherspoon Center
- 6:30 pm Adult Bells Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Cub Scouts– Community Room
- 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 9

- 10:00 am Care ‘n Share Shop
- 12:00 pm Alzheimer’s Support Group—Witherspoon Center
- 4:30-5:00 pm Cherub Choir
- 5:00-5:40 pm Carol Choir
- 5:40– 6:20 pm TEAM Choir
- 7:00 pm PW Coordinating Team Meeting– Anteroom
- 6:30-9:00 pm AA Groups—Witherspoon Center

Saturday, January 11

- 11:00 am Christmas decorations removal– Please lend a hand and help with taking down the decorations from the holidays.

Sunday, January 12

- 9:30 am Worship Service/ Deacon Ordination & Installation
- 9:30 am Church School (N-6th Grade)
- 10:45 am Membership Information Session– Office Conference Room
- 11:00 am Deacon’s Meeting– Anteroom
- 11:00 am Adult Education– Witherspoon Center
- 11:30 am Mixers & Mission– Community Room



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

Sunday, December 1 - 9:30am

Advent Service with Choir and Ukulele Band

Tuesday, December 3 - 6:30pm

Trinity Women's

Christmas Dinner & Communion Service

Friday, December 6 - 7:30 pm

*Trinity Community Concert Series featuring the
Tri-County Symphonic Band*

Sunday, December 8 - 9:30am

*Children & Youth Christmas Music followed by
Advent Festival and PW Cookie Sale*

Sunday, December 15 - 9:30am

*Adult Choir, Brass Ensemble & Timpani present
Bob Chilcott's Gloria*

Christmas Sharing Delivery - our Deacons deliver gifts to needy families

Sunday, December 22 - 9:30am

*Christmas Worship with handbell music & concert band
Nativity Walk immediately following the service—enjoy a cup of coffee
while viewing dozens of favorite crèches shared by our members*

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00pm *Family Worship Service & Pageant*

7:00 and 11:00 pm *Candlelight Communion with*

Pre-service music, choir and brass. Childcare offered at 7pm only.

Christmas Eve Social following the 7pm service

Sunday, December 29 - 9:30am *Sunday Worship Service, Childcare*

Sunday, January 5 - 9:30am *Epiphany Sunday*

Communion, Choir & Youth Bells

