



Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

Sunday, February 2, 2020
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Celebrating our 141st Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

*We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet,
found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.*

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INTRODUCTION

Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, the meek, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who mourn, and those who hunger for righteousness. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.

VOLUNTARY

Partita on Lux in Tenabris

Franklin Ashdown
(b. 1942)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(10:30)

INTROIT

Vidi Aquam: *I Saw Water*

Text: Ezekiel 47:1

Tomás Luis de Victoria

(1548 - 1611)

Timothy Flynn, cantor

I saw water flowing from the temple,
on the right side, alleluia:
And all to whom that water came
have been saved, and they will say, alleluia.

Worship the Lord, for he is good:
for his mercy is forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

Light Shone in Darkness “Lux in Tenebris”

ELW 307

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the eternal voice from
heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the
waters.

Amen.

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

God who searches us and knows us,
you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

Amen.

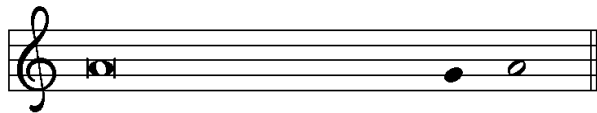
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GREETING

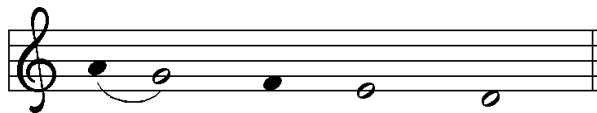
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

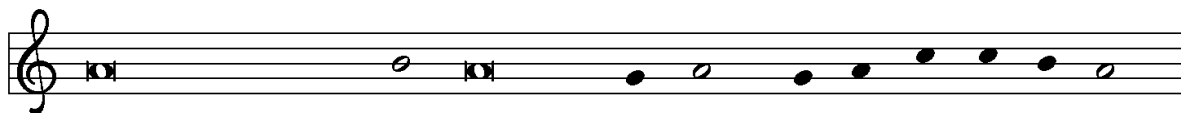
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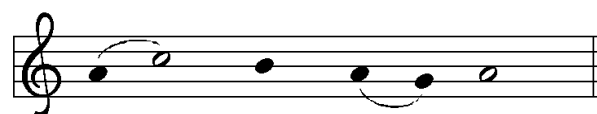
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



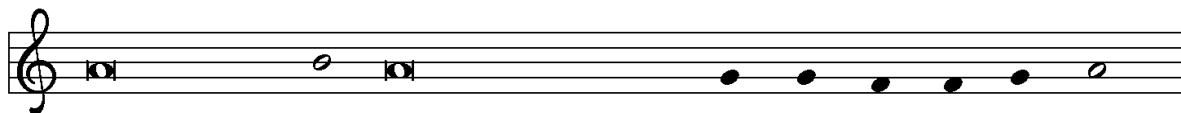
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



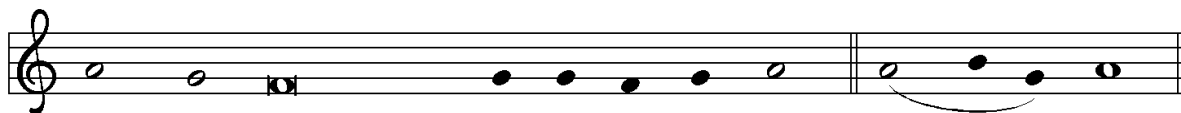
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

FIRST READING: Micah 6:1-8

The first reading for the Fourth Sunday after Epiphany is recorded in Micah, the 6th Chapter.

¹Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

³“O my people, what have I done to you?

In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,

Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

⁶“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

⁸He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(10:30)

MOTET

Mass for 4 Voices

Kyrie

William Byrd

(1543 - 1623)

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The second reading for today is recorded in 1st Corinthians, the 1st Chapter.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

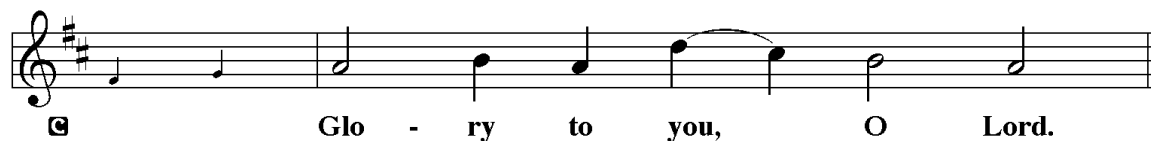
Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew



¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

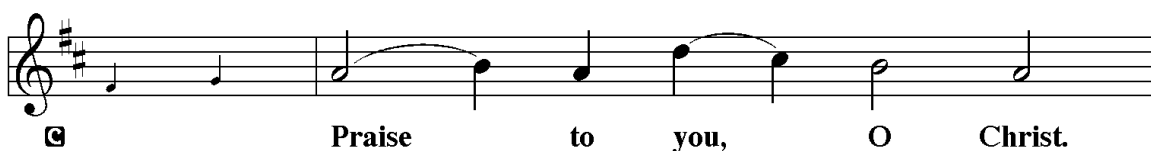
⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

Please stand, if able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Blest Are They “Blest Are They”

ELW 728

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting that God hears us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

God of liberation, you set your people free to serve others. Embolden your church, that we seek justice for the oppressed, share generously your lovingkindness, and live humbly together. Unite us as one people under the foolishness of the cross. Strengthen all communities of faith, including the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the universe, your care is evident everywhere—from the foundations of the earth to the summit of the tallest mountains. Reconcile all of creation to itself and repair the environmental destruction caused by human carelessness and greed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, you desire peace and justice among all people. Deliver us from systems of fear that seek to divide us. Guide our local and national leaders. May their decisions empower and serve the needs of the poor and the disenfranchised. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the oppressed, you raise up the lowly and comfort those in despair. We lift up to you all who are victims of exploitation, discrimination, and greed. We pray for those who are suffering in any way this day. We pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts... Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of love, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to earth in the form of a baby, whose presentation in the temple we celebrate today. Fill our own house of worship with your presence, that all who enter may encounter Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all, watch over all of us as we pray for the young and young at heart. For your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially David and Gabriel. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of life, we give you thanks for all those who have died in the faith. Thank you for the examples of our ancestors and the saints who have gone before us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident that you are able to accomplish more than we even dare to ask, we bring these prayers before you, believing in your saving grace revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

(8:30)

SOLO AT THE OFFERING

The Lord is my Light

Text from Psalm 27

Oley Speaks

(1874 – 1948)

Aurora Deeds, *soprano*

The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom then shall I be afraid?
Though an host of men were laid against me, yet will not my heart be afraid,
And though there rose up wars against me, yet will not my heart be afraid.
For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His tabernacle,
Yea, in the secret place of His dwelling shall He hide me.
For in the time of trouble, shall He hide me.
The Lord is my light and my salvation, of whom then shall I be afraid?
The Lord is my light and my salvation.

(10:30)

Christus est Stella

Will Todd

(b. 1970)

Christ is the morning star
who when the night of this world is past
brings to his saints the promise of the light of life
and opens everlasting day.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from your good earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

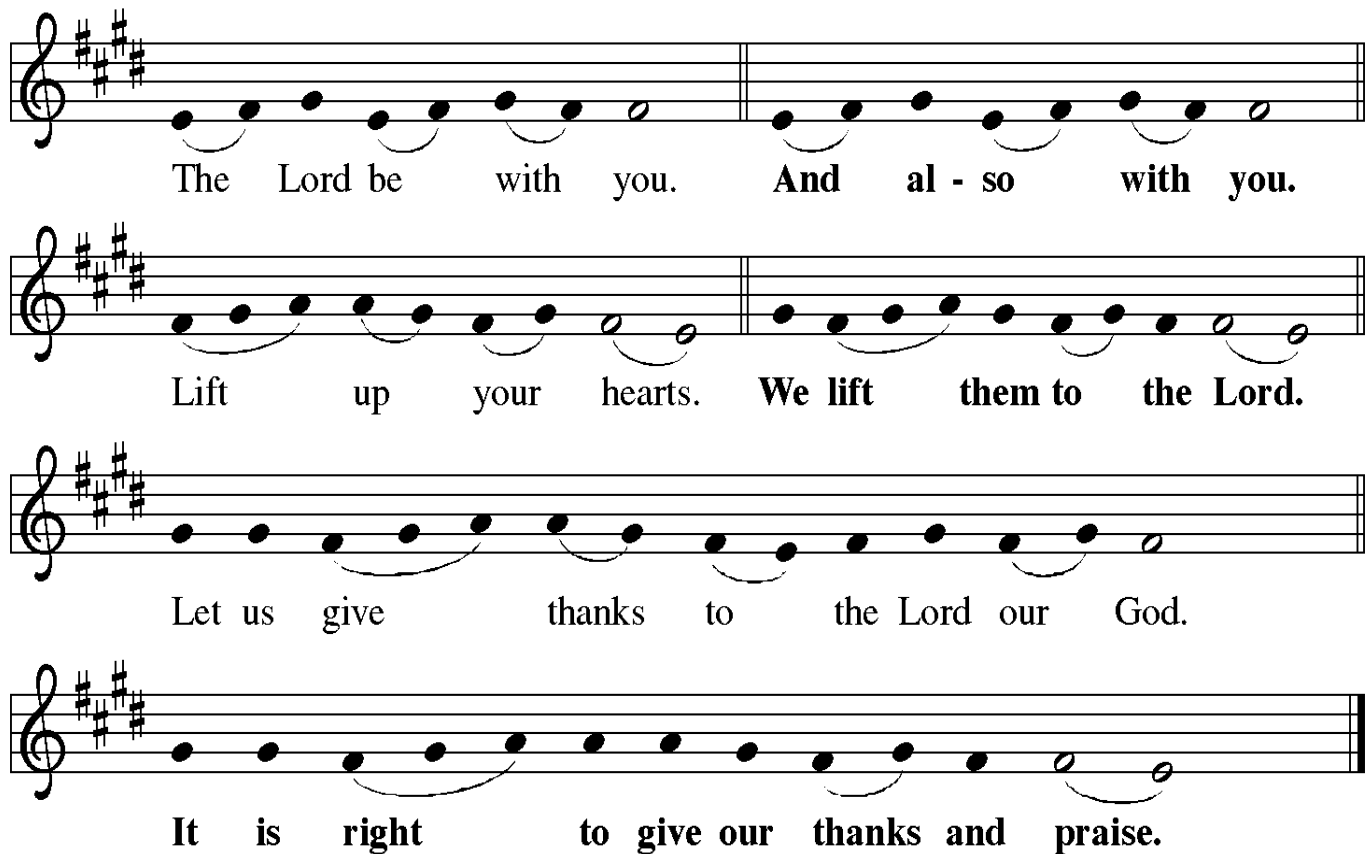
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

ELW 885

“Old Hundredth”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

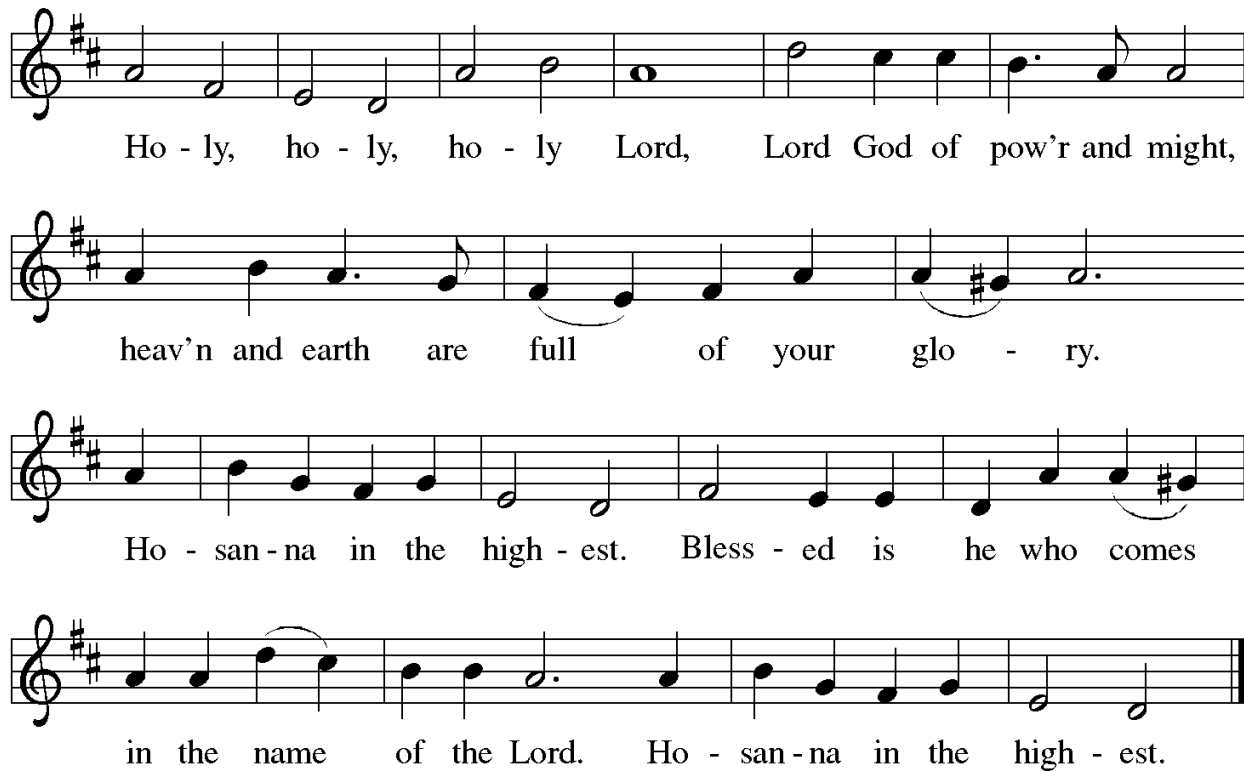
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

THE COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward down the center aisle to the presiding minister. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or “intinct” the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. Come eat and drink; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord.

(8:30)

SOLO AT COMMUNION

O Light of Life!

Mack Wilberg

(b. 1955)

Aurora Deeds, *soprano*

O Light of Life! O pure Light Divine! Thou art in us; Our ember is Thine. Kindle our faith, give hope when we fear, deepen our love thy fire appear! Light of our souls, thou speak at our birth – grow bright in us, shine in all the earth! O Light of Life! O true Light of Peace! Storms will arise, let thy light increase. Pierce through dark clouds, give pause to the proud; let thy shafts fall, lift humble heads bowed. Answer our pleas, melt hearts in thy flame. Make us as one as one in Thy name. O Light of Life! O sweet Light of Grace! Thou bidst us come, we follow apace. See the bright tree! Behold the white fruit! Feasting we weep, we witness the root! O Light of Life! O dear Light of Love! Come, wash us clean, send forth thy white dove. Fill us with fire, enlighten our eyes; help us to love ‘tis price of the prize. Then let us come, enrobe us in white – cleaving to Thee, light unto thy light. Light unto light, Oh Light of Life! Amen.

(10:30)

COMMUNION MOTET

Beautitudes

Arvo Pärt

(b. 1935)

Blessed are the poor in spirit: For theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are they that mourn: For they shall be comforted
Blessed are the meek: For they shall inherit the earth
Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: For they shall be filled
Blessed are the merciful: For they shall obtain mercy
Blessed are the pure in heart: For they shall see God
Blessed are the peace makers: For they shall be called the children of God
Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake: For theirs is the kingdom
of heaven
Blessed are ye
When men shall revile you
And persecute you
And shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake
Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: For great is your reward in heaven:
For so persecuted they the prophets which were before you
Amen

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen
you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal,
nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants
forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the
hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: As the Magi set out from Bethlehem, going home by another road, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son we may all know the hope of your promised coming in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. The blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.
Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Let Justice Flow like Streams “St. Thomas”

ELW 717


DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in D Major

Georg Frederic Handel
(1685 – 1759)



*We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall
for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.
All are welcome.*



MUSIC NOTES

Will Todd (b. 1970)

British composer and pianist Will Todd has worked at the Royal Opera House, Lincoln Center in New York, London's Barbican, and with Welsh National Opera, award-winning choirs The Sixteen, BBC Singers, and Tenebrae. He travels extensively world-wide, workshopping with choirs, and conducting performances of his works. Todd's music is valued for its melodic intensity and harmonic skill, often incorporating jazz colors, and his choral music is much in demand from amateur as well as professional performers. He is best-known for his choral works, and his jazz-inspired *Mass in Blue* has been performed hundreds of times since its premiere in 2003. This has been followed by his critically acclaimed *Passion Music*. His anthem, *The Call of Wisdom*, was commissioned for HRH The Queen's Diamond Jubilee service at Westminster Abbey.

In *Christus est stella*, Todd sets words by the Saint Bede (672/3-735), which are also found inscribed above Bede's tomb in the Galilee Chapel of Durham Cathedral. Saint Bede was an English Benedictine monk and also an author, teacher, and scholar. His most famous work, *Ecclesiastical History of the English People*, gained him the title "The Father of English History". Another important area of study for Bede was the academic discipline of *computus*, otherwise known as the science of calculating calendar dates. One of the more important dates Bede tried to compute was Easter, an effort that was mired with controversy. He also helped establish the practice of dating forward from the birth of Christ (*Anno Domini* – in the year of our Lord), a practice which eventually became commonplace in medieval Europe. Bede was one of the greatest teachers and writers of the Early Middle Ages.

Christus Est Stella features the original Latin text intertwined with an English translation, the piece is homophonic with jazz harmonies.

The Beatitudes are eight blessings recounted by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount in the Gospel of Matthew. Each is a proverb-like proclamation consists of two phrases: the condition and the result. Together, the Beatitudes present a new set of ideals that focus on love and humility. They echo the highest ideals of Jesus' teachings on spirituality and compassion.

Arvo Pärt composed *The Beatitudes* for mixed choir and organ in 1990 and revised it again in 1991. This is one of the first works in which this Estonian composer uses the English language. Pärt highlights the godly virtues line by line and each clause is performed centered on a different harmonic chord. Over the course of the composition, the central pitch of the recitation constantly rises, increasing the tension. Having reached its peak, the process reverses through an organ cadenza. All of the harmonic combinations are repeated, this time in reverse order, moving back to the starting point.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, February 2, 2020 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Forum (FR)
10:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour (FI)
12:00 p.m.	Faith in Action Meeting (FR)
12:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting (FI)

MONDAY, February 3, 2020

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study (FR)
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TUESDAY, February 4, 2020

5:30 p.m.	Burrito Project
5:30 p.m.	WELCA/Prayer Shawl (FR)

WEDNESDAY, February 5, 2020

7:30 a.m.	Brewed Faith at Spot Coffee
6:00 p.m.	BNYC Rehearsal (MC)
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Worship (CH)

THURSDAY, February 6, 2020

6:00 p.m.	Chapel Choir (CH)
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir (MC)
7:00 p.m.	AA/AL-ANON (RH)

FRIDAY, February 7, 2020

6:00 p.m.	Council Retreat (FR)
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SATURDAY, February 8, 2020

8:30 a.m.	Council Retreat (FR)
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SUNDAY, February 9, 2020 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (CH)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday Forum (FR)
10:30 a.m.	Service of Holy Communion (MC)
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School/Nursery (SS)
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour (FI)
12:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
2:30 p.m.	Worship to Go at Wedgewood

CH = Mansperger Chapel
FR = Fellowship Room
MR = Music Room
SC = Sacristy

CI = Crib Room
FI = Fireside Room/Library
PS = Pastor's Study
SS = Sunday School

CR = Conference Room
MC = Main Church
RH = Redeemer Hall
YR = Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FORUM: Today we welcome Pat Hutton from Sew REDI Buffalo (Refugee Economic Development Initiative). Next week Pastor Brenda will be discussing Reconciling in Christ Sunday. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

ORGAN UPDATE: You may have noticed the scaffolding in the Gallery. We are very excited that the Gallery Reeds (16' Dulzian and 8' Trompete) have been removed by Parsons Pipe Organ Builders. These pipes were dirty and damaged and have been silent for over three years. The pipes are scheduled to return for Easter this year!!

STEWARDSHP MEETING: All are invited to join us for a discussion today at noon in the Fireside Room. Please bring your questions, comments or ideas about the stewardship of our faith family.

JOIN THE HOLY TRINITY NEEDLERS Prayer Shawl Ministry to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the group this Tuesday, beginning at 5:30pm. Please bring a dish to share, beverages will be provided. Regular meetings will resume on March 3.

THE BURRITO PROJECT! We will meet this **Tuesday**. If you would like to help assemble the burritos, we will meet in the HT kitchen at 5:30pm to prepare and heat the burritos. At 6:45 we depart HT and begin our delivery. Volunteers may participate in the preparation time, delivery time, or both.

THANK YOU: Pastor Buerk would like to thank everyone for their cards, well wishes and prayers.

HELP NEEDED: Food Bank and Pastor's bags donations. If you are able to help, right now we are in need of cereals, tabbed (if possible) cans of fruits, vegetables, meats or fish, peanut butter. Continuing donations of pasta, sauce in plastic jars, mac and cheese as well as those cans of complete meals are still welcome. THANKYOU ALL!

COMMUNITY MEAL FOR HAITI – Our partners in Haiti continue to be impacted by political unrest, demonstrations and increasing food costs. We would like to send funds to Carribean Children's Foundation so that a community meal can be provided on a Sunday after church services. We are hoping to collect coins toward this mission project. **Outside of the chapel and the main church you will see jars labeled "Coins for Haiti Community Meal"**. If you have spare change (or would like to slip dollars or a check into the jar toward this mission) we will hopefully be able to once again provide food for individuals on the Island of Ile à Vache. Susan Bundt will have small cans available during Sunday Faith Formation for any of the children who attend would like to take a can home to collect coins from friends or family members. The estimated cost of providing a meal is \$1500.00.

We will be holding an informational meeting for anyone who would like to learn more about our partnerships in Haiti and the potential of traveling as part of a mission team on **February 23rd directly after the 10:30 service in the Fellowship Room**. If you have any questions or would like more information please feel free to give Kathy Crissey a call (807-9494) or email at kc1008@aol.com. Thank you for your continued support of our Haiti partnership!

THE RACIAL JUSTICE TEAM invites you to join us for our next book club reading: "Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US." from Amazon. The book club will meet Thursday 2/20. You are welcome to bring a lunch and join in fellowship at 12:00; the discussion starts at 1:00pm.

WOMEN AT THE WELL will meet on Tuesday February 11 at noon in the Fellowship room. The book "Beloved" by Toni Morrison will be discussed.

BLOOD DRIVE: There will be a blood drive at the church on Sunday, March 22 from 8 am to 1 pm. Please note you must wait 56 days between donating blood. If you are planning to donate blood in the near future, please wait until our blood drive on March 22. If you donate Power Red Cells, it is 16 weeks or 112 days. Platelet donors may give every 7 days up to 24 times a year. Connect Life is doing our blood drive this year. More information will be coming in the future. Thank You, Judy Reifsteck FCN.

OUR COMMUNITY MEAL MINISTRY/SUE'S SUPPER, will be hosting a free dinner on Wednesday, February 19 at 5:30pm. **Please note Sue's Supper has moved to the 3rd Wednesday of each month.** We will hold a brief evening worship following supper. The entire church family is invited to this event for food and fellowship.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Holy Trinity has an electronic option for making regular offerings or a one-time donation. If you would like to sign up, please fill out the forms located on the tables in the narthex and return to the office. Please call the church office with questions.





Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings

February 2020

I am now a survivor! After a long day of testing on January 23 and a one year battle with breast cancer, Roswell Park has cut me loose (at least for six months).

Thank you to all who helped me through this uncertain journey.

And, a shout out to my HT choir family, who had me ring a “Symbolic Bell” as I was released too late on that Thursday evening, with no one in the Roswell lobby (except one security guard) to witness the ringing of the “Roswell Recovery Bell.”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow-
By Cris Campana*

Now you can honor special events and special people in your life!

Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to

Holy Trinity for \$25 for each event you wish to honor.

Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Randi Jones. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Marcia Haas. Communion assistant is Susan Bundt. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Jen Yap. Lay reader is Clyde Terry. Altar guild is Kathy Szakmary. Greeters are Martha Kryszczuk and Claire Carmer. Ushers are Ron Leiser (captain), Kristen Best, Mike Day, Alan Heiss, Kaci Kaltrider, Elizabeth Vihnanek and Helen and Marty Wright. Communion Assistants are Peter Bergenstock, Helen Wright, Ethan MacDonald and Alex Cialone. Worship Assistants are Jennifer Carden, Aidan Vitka, Ethan MacDonald, Alex Cialone, Brandon Howard, Madalyn Brown, Ethan McKinney, Erica Sampman and Griffin Miller. Collection counters are Darlene Carden, Noreen Casson and Thomas Johnson.

Council Treasurer Emily Notari will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include David and Gabriel Behrens.

The flag flying on the flagpole has been dedicated In Memory of Ken James by Gail and John Camilleri.



Stewardship Thought of the Day

*If everyone took only what was sufficient for their needs, leaving the rest to those in want,
there would be no rich and no poor.*

St. Basil

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