The Second Sunday After Christmas

Celebrating the Epiphany January 5, 2025 10:30 am



Trinity Episcopal Church

Invite, Include, Inspire

A Christian community for the realization of God's presence through worship, relationship, and outreach.

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We are delighted to have you with us today.

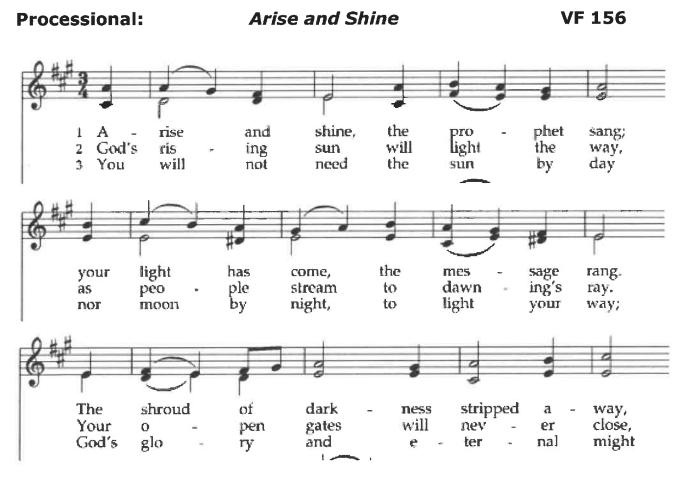
Everything that you need for the liturgy can be found in this bulletin. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask someone around you.

Children are always welcome in the church.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude:

Please stand as you are able.





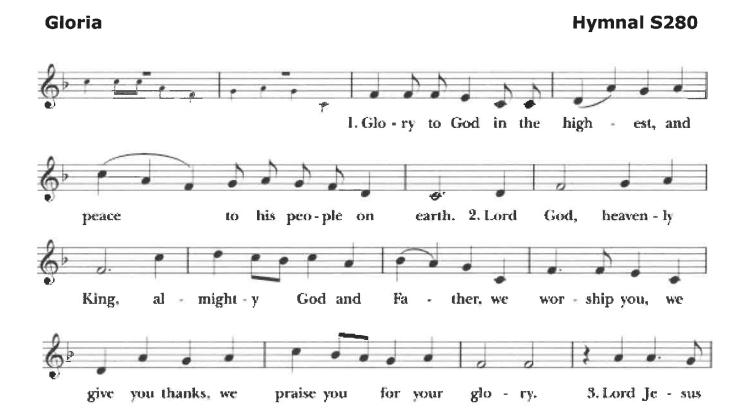
Opening Acclamation:

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





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The Collect of the Day:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6

Lector: A reading from Isaiah.

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. 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. 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.

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.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-7,10-14 The congregation remains seated.

- Give the King your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
 he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, * from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
 there shall be abundance of peace till the moon
 shall be no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, * and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, *
 and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, * and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *

 he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 3:1-12

Lector: A readings from Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.

In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power.

Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.



The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were over-whelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.

Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Response after the Gospel: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Homily: Mtr. Alane Osborne

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Presider: Let us stand and affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector: God of revelation, as we gather in praise for the gracious mystery of your Son, we remember the many needs of your church and your world.

For the Church: that we may be given wisdom and discernment: that we might become a leading star for others in their journey to Christ. Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For this nation and all in authority around the world: grant us knowledge and sound judgement, so that we might help bring justice, peace, and mercy to all people.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For the earth and for the wisdom and ability to conserve it: that we might see how you are made manifest through all creation.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially for **Diana Bodenmiller, Jo Stull, and Becky Daffner** and all those on our prayer list. We pray that your healing light be with them.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For all those who have died: that they might know the light of your resurrection.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Presider: Guide us on the path of salvation, O God, that the radiance and power of your Holy Spirit working in the world will gather together all peoples and nations in one community to offer you worship and proclaim your splendor. **Amen.**

You may stand or kneel as you are able.

The Confession

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

Presider and people

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Hymn What Star Is This? **Please Stand for verse 5 Unison or harmony so bright, more What star is this. with beams beau - teous - far who told the phet from True spake the pro with in them bright; guid bove The ing star 0 Je sus, while the star grace im pels us Light. Christ, To God the Fa ther, heaven re ald It shines day light? her than the to and cast ges risc of cob's star: ern sa 3 shines clear light, and **lcads** them on with er ful face, let not our sloth on seek thy to Ho vealed in earth ly night, to God the ly Gen - tiles his crib to bring. forth the King, to and the drous to ken gaze. with a - maze up on WOD αf the sign. 3 power be nign to seek the Giv er light to use. guid - ance of thy hearts re - fuse the ing praise. ccas qual and un -Ghost WC raise OUT

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

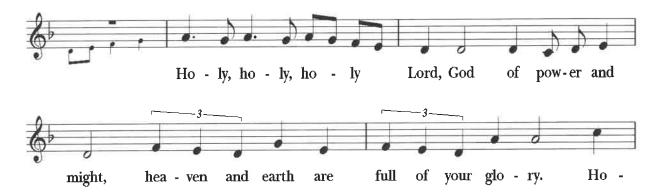
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

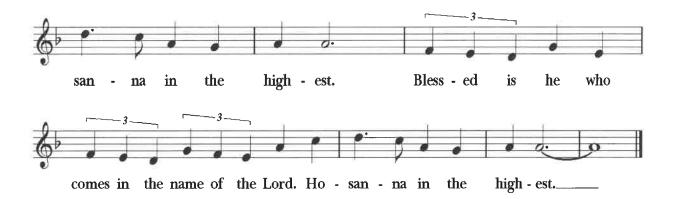
We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord S 129





Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, Presider and People

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread



Invitation to Communion

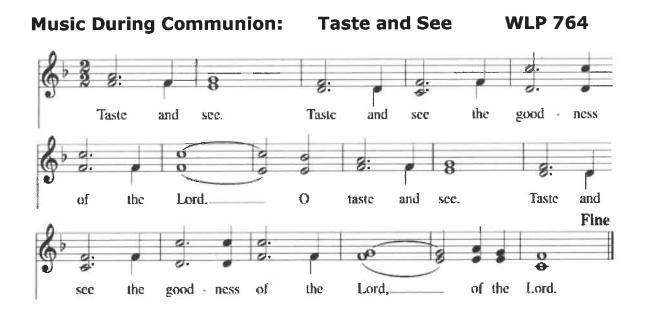
Presider: This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more.

So come you who have much faith. And you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been here long; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come because it is the Lord who invites you.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians are welcome at communion. When indicated by the usher, please come forward to the communion rail. You may partake of the common cup through the first chalice, or intinct (dip) from the second chalice.

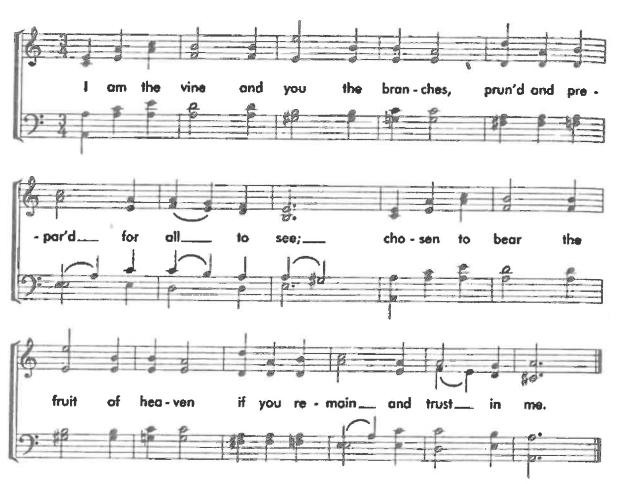
Please let the presider know if you need a gluten free wafer.





I Am the Vine, You Are the Branches

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The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand.

Presider: Let us pray.

God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

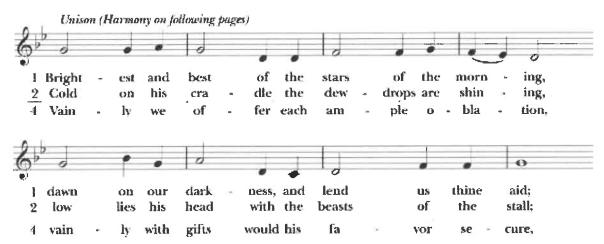
The Blessing

Presider: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn:

Brightest and Best

H 118 v1,2,4





The Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power

of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please join us after the service in the Parish Hall for time of coffee and fellowship.

Those Serving Today—January 5

Presider: Mtr. Alane Osborne

Organist: Brandon Evans

Acolytes: Elizabeth Rowland, Clive Osborne

Lectors: Bethany Evans and Nancy Blair

Usher: George Gutermuth

Camera: Carole Cobb

Altar Guild: Pat Marchal, Mary Siegel, Carole Van Osdol

Little Library Steward: Susan Beerbower

This Week at Trinity: January 6 — January 11

Monday	1/6	9:15 am	Contemplative Prayer
Monday	1/6	10:30 am	Buildings and Grounds
Wednesday	1/8	7:00 pm	Celtic Compline
Thursday	1/9	1:00 pm	Fellowship Committee

Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants *Evanthia Owen, Harvey and Dale Perrault, Sarah, Kevin, Javier, Alex, Sam, and Gregory Pfeiler, and Bill and Linda Ryan*. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversavies.

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants: **Dan Swank, Wiley Smith, Brian Wilgus, Carole Van Osdol** as they begins another year. Grant that he may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen his trust in your goodness all the days of his life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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