

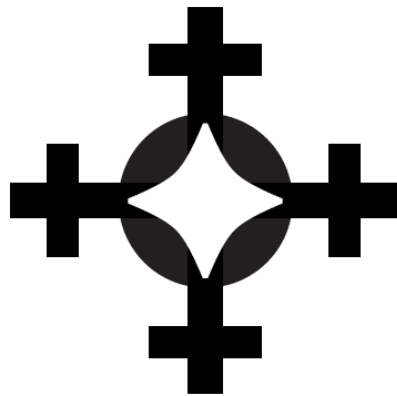


# Trinity Presbyterian Church

*Gathering in the Name of the Triune God*

*A Southeastern Wisconsin PCA (Presbyterian Church of America) church.*

## January 18, 2015



The season of Epiphany reminds us of the church's world-wide mission to reveal the true God and his love for mankind in his Son. The star in the center is the star of Bethlehem. It shines to the four corners of the earth to manifest the cross of Christ to all the nations. The Epiphany of our Lord is the Christian festival that celebrates how Jesus Christ manifests himself to the world as God Incarnate and King of kings – as the crucified and risen Lord.

## Lord's Day Service – January 18, 2015

### *Welcome & Announcements*

### Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

### *Silent Preparation*

#### \* *Call to Worship*

**Psalm 95:1-11**

Pastor: Let us rise and worship God, in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen!**

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

*Ruth 2:4*

Pastor: Our help is in the Name of the LORD,

People: **Who made heaven and earth.**

*Ps 124:8*

#### \* *Hymn of Praise*

**Psalter, #5B**

*O Jehovah, Hear My Words*

#### *Old Testament Lesson*

**Exodus 32**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Dearly beloved brethren, let us draw near to God our Father with a honest heart and confess our sins, asking him to forgive us for Christ's sake [kneeling]:

**My dear God, teach me not to begin faith by my own efforts, nor to attempt to destroy my sin with my own repentance. I might do this before the world and its judges, but with you, O God, there is an eternal wrath which I cannot satisfy, and before it I would despair. Therefore I thank you that Another has seized and carried my sins and has made atonement for them. With joy I wish to believe this. It seems so very right and comforting to me. But I cannot believe it by myself; Lord, help me. Give me the power and gift to believe. I cannot create the sun and moon, or make them shine brightly in the heavens, any more than I can make my heart clean or give myself a right spirit, a strong and firm frame of mind that is unbending and unwavering and that will not doubt or mistrust your Word. Though the world should topple and all conspire against me, by your divine help let me remain in the Gospel.**

*(Luther's Prayers, ed by Herbert Brokering)*

*(Silent, personal confession of sin) Amen!*

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news! God, our heavenly Father,

has had mercy on us. He has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us of all our sins!

**Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### Ascension – God Consecrates Us by His Word

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

*Ps 86:4, Lam 3:41*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**People: It is proper and right to do so!**

*Psalms 92:1*

Pastor: Truly it is fitting and our greatest joy to give thanks to you at all times and in every place, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. For in the mystery of the Word made flesh you have given us a new revelation of your glory so that knowing you in the Person of your Son, we may be drawn to love you and your people. Therefore, we praise you by joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your Name...

\* *Hymn of Preparation*

Trinity Hymnal, #427

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul (2<sup>nd</sup> tune)*

\* *Prayer*

**Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

\* *Gospel Lesson*

Mark 9:14-29

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ!**

*New Testament Lesson*

James 5:13-20; 1 Peter 4:7-11

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*Sermon*

**"O Faithless Generation"**

### Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

\* *Hymn of Consecration*

Trinity Hymnal, #428

*Lord, I Believe*

\* *Presentation & Dedication of Tithes & Offerings*

*Prayers of the Church*

Requests & Lord's Prayer

### Peace – We Commune with God

*Words of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*

John 6:53-69

*We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God*

Creed (inside hymnal cover)

\* *Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Trinity Hymnal, #403

*Not What My Hands Have Done*

### Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

\* *The Lord's Commission of Us*

Hebrews 10:36-39

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

Numbers 6:24-26

\* *We Bless the Lord, Lifting Our Hands and Voices to Him*

*Gloria Patri*

\* *Threefold Amen & Postlude*

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#### LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

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*Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)*

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## Sermon Notes – January 18, 2015

**“O Faithless Generation”**  
**Text: Mark 9:14-29**

1. The scribes \_\_\_\_\_ another faithless and perverse generation (14-17a; Ps 95; Ex 32).
  
2. The father lacks faith but makes a \_\_\_\_\_ (17b-24)
  
3. The disciples lack faith and \_\_\_\_\_ (25-29)
  - A. What is different this time that the disciples can't cast out the demon?
  
  - B. What lessons do the disciples need to learn but don't?

## Announcements

### Sanctity of Life

Today is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday marking the 42nd anniversary of Roe v Wade (1/22/1973), the SCOTUS decision legalizing abortion in our nation. Since 1973, some 54 million abortions have been performed in the United States. Shame on us! We *dwell in the midst of a perverse and faithless generation*. Christ's Church is a family of adopted orphans (Rom 8:15-17). It is our privileged duty: to cry out to our *Abba Father* that He *slay the wicked* (Ps 139:19); and to practice *pure, undefiled religion* of adopting *orphans* and caring for *widows indeed*.

### Sunday School

Sunday School this morning 11:30 am. We will be studying WCF Ch 3, "Of God's, Eternal Decree."

### Westminster Shorter Catechism

Questions 7 & 8 on page 666 of the Trinity Hymnal.

### Scripture Memory

This week review Mark 8:34-35 and memorize verse 36-37,

34, *Whoever desires to save come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.*

35, *For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.*

36, *For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?*

37, *Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?*

### WIC Activities

- Women's Bible study on Monday, January 26, 7pm. Be prepared to discuss Chapter 2 of the study book.
- Dinner Around 2015 starts in February. Once a month host families provide the main course for dinner; participants bring something to share; and the fellowship begins. Host families within the group change each month. Non-hosting participants are blended in. Contact Chery Greenwald to join a group.

### Set-up Teams

#### **Next Week**

Jan 25 Team 3 J Hummel\*, D Dykema, Nader, Seaman

#### **Following Weeks:**

Feb 1 Team 4 J Pennington\*, Cox, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling

Feb 8 Team 5 Reich\*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti

Feb 15 Team 1 Dykema\*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer, Zitzke

Feb 22 Team 2 D Greenwald\*, Dietzel, B Dykema, Nagle, N Pennington