



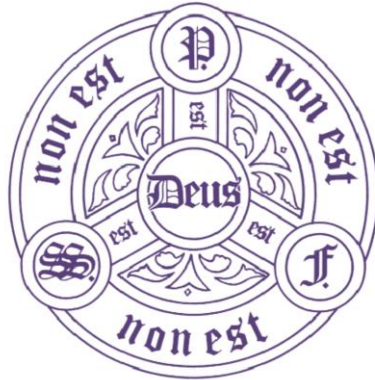
# Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

## December 20, 2015

### Third Sunday of Advent – Love



No symbol can adequately comprehend the richness of the reality and abundant life of our Triune God. This shield depicts something of the Unity in Trinity and Trinity in Unity that is the living and true God in whom we trust. At the center is *Deus* (Latin for "God"). Reading out from the center along the three spokes, the unity of the Godhead is represented: *Deus est Pater* = God is the Father and the Father is God; *Deus est Filius* = God is the Son and the Son is God; *Deus est Spiritus Sanctus* = God is the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is God. Reading around the circumference of the circle, the distinctions between the Persons are noted: *Pater non est Filius* = The Father is not the Son; *Filius non est Spiritus Sanctus* = The Son is not the Holy Spirit; *Spiritus Sanctus no est Pater* = The Holy Spirit is not the Father.

## Lord's Day Service – December 20, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Advent – Love

### Welcome & Announcements

### Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

### Silent Preparation

\* **Call to Worship** Romans 5:1-5; Song of Songs 2:8-14, 16

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

People: **Amen!** *Mt 28:19*

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!** *Ruth 2:4*

Pastor: My soul declares the greatness of the Lord,

People: **And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.**

Pastor: For the Almighty has done great things for me,

People: **And holy is His name.** *Lk 1:26,27,29*

Pastor: Behold, Your King is coming to you! *Zech 9:9*

People: **O come, let us worship Him!** *Ps 95:6*

\* **Hymn of Praise** Trinity Hymnal, #165  
*Savior of the Nations, Come*

### Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Almighty God, you sent your Son into the world to deliver your captive people; Surely you have done great things for us; Yet we continue to ignore what you have done, turn our backs on what you are doing, and forget about what you will do; Forgive us of our sinful apathy; grant to us the assurance of salvation; cause your Holy Spirit to work in us genuine repentance and wholehearted obedience.

*(Silent, personal confession of sin)*

**We ask this through him whose coming is certain, whose day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!**

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news from 1 John 3:1-3, 5! 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 you have proven your faithfulness in fulfilling the promise of the birth and ministry of Jesus, and because of this we anticipate the completion of your plan for us and your world in the future. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing.

\* **Hymn of Preparation** *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (See insert)

### \* **Prayer**

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us. Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, purify our conscience by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at His coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for Himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen!

### **Old Testament Lesson**

**Leviticus 23:9-22**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### \* **Gospel Lesson**

**Luke 1:26-56**

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

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

### **New Testament Lesson**

**Acts 2:1-4**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### **Sermon**

**"Christ's Gift of Power & the Holy Spirit to His Disciples"**

## Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

### \* **Hymn of Consecration**

**Psalter, #98A**

*O Sing a New Song to the LORD*

### \* **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**

**Mark 14:22-26**

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

**Creed** (inside hymnal cover)

### \* **Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Trinity Hymnal, #162  
*Hark, the Glad Sound!*

## Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

\* **The Lord's Commission of Us**

**1 Corinthians 13:8 – 14:1a**

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

**2 Corinthians 13:14**

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

**Doxology**

\* **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 – December 20, 2015

### "Christ's Gift of Power & the Holy Spirit to His Disciples"

Text: Acts 2:1-4

1. Christ gave power & the Holy Spirit to His disciples:
  - A. *When the Day of Pentecost* \_\_\_\_\_  
(1; Le 23:15; Ex 16:1 w 19:1,11)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - B. *When...they were all* \_\_\_\_\_ (1; cp 1:14)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Christ gave power & the Holy Spirit to His disciples,
  - A. With outward, sensible signs \_\_\_\_\_ (2-3; Jn 3:8; Lu 3:16-17)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - B. Filling them with His \_\_\_\_\_ to give them utterance  
(4; Lu 11:13; Acts 10:38)

## Announcements

### Sunday School

Sunday School meets today at 11:30. The lesson is Chpt 3 of *The Kingdom & the Power* (*Rediscovering the Centrality of the Church*). The next Sunday School will be Jan 3. (We will not have Sunday School next week.) Prepare by reading Chpt 4, "In the Heavens," p 65-83, and answer the questions that will be emailed.

### Caroling

Today after morning services we will be caroling at Manor Care in Waukesha at 1:15pm, then on to Tamarack Place in Menomonee Falls. The carolers will then proceed to the Hummel home for edible Christmas cheer (and the Packer game). See Kate Eternick with any questions.

### Christmas Eve

A candlelight Christmas Eve service will be held this Thursday at 3:30 pm.

### WIC Activities

- January 9<sup>th</sup> – Bridal shower for Leigh Ann Nader, 2 pm at the church.
- Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> study will reconvene at 7 pm to discuss Hebrews 4.

### Youth Snow Camp

"Assignment: Faithfulness" Snow Camp 2016, Jan 15-17, for 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> graders from WI OPC and PCA churches. Cost: \$100. Lake Lundgren Bible Camp. Activities: carpetball, tubing, broomball, praise worship, fellowship, ice skating, ping pong, cc skiing, Bible teaching, friends! Register by Dec 29 at [tinyurl.com/snowcamp2016](http://tinyurl.com/snowcamp2016).

### LAMP Seminary

LAMP Seminary will offer the courses, Global Evangelization and The Doctrine of the Word, beginning the week of Jan 17, 2016. The goal of these courses is that the student will gain a solid grasp of the basic questions, issues, and formulations found in these doctrines. Students will learn how to approach questions in these doctrines from a biblical, historical, and systematic theological perspective. In addition, it will allow the student to become familiar with the reformed views and to learn questions currently under discussion in the church today. For information about class schedule, fees, course materials, contact Bill Acker, LAMP facilitator, at [920-915-3991](tel:920-915-3991) or [billacker@jacobswellgb.org](mailto:billacker@jacobswellgb.org).

### Set-up Teams

#### Next Week

December 27 Team 1 Dykema\*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer, Zitzke

#### Following Weeks:

January 3 Team 2 Greenwald, D\*, Dietzel, B Dykema, Nagle, N Pennington  
January 10 Team 3 J Hummel,\* D Dykema, Nader, Seaman  
January 17 Team 4 J Pennington,\* Eternick, K Hummel, Jens, Kelling  
January 24 Team 5 Reich\*, D'Alessio, Leskinen, Piquette, Ruchti