



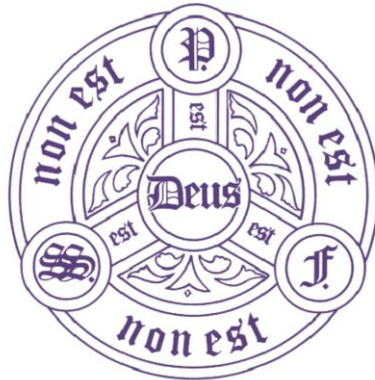
Trinity Presbyterian Church

Gathering in the Name of the Triune God

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

December 27, 2015

Christmastide



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 non est Pater* = The Holy Spirit is not the Father.

Lord's Day Service – December 27, 2015 Christmastide

Welcome & Announcements

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

Silent Preparation

* *Call to Worship*

1 Timothy 3:16; Luke 2:10-14

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: Unto us the Christ is born!

Is 9:6

People: **O come, let us worship Him!**

Ps 95:6

Pastor: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with
God.

People: **And the Word was God!**

Jn 1:1

Pastor: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,

People: **And we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only
begotten of the Father,**

Pastor: Full of grace and truth.

Jn 1:14

People: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the
Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Ruth 2:4

* *Hymn of Praise*

Trinity Hymnal, #160
God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

Merciful God, our heavenly Father, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. I humbly confess my sins and ask for your mercy. Have mercy on me, O God, because of your lovingkindness. In your great compassion, cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. Amen!

(Silent, personal confession of sin)

Now lift up your heads, arise, and hear the good news from Matthew 1:21! 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!**

Psalm 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, 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*

Trinity Hymnal, #151
O Come, All Ye Faithful

* *Prayer*

God of grace, through long generations you prepared a way for the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you still bring light to illumine our paths. Renew us in faith and hope that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love, as Lord of lords and King of kings, to whom be glory always. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson

Deut 15:12-17; Psalm 40:4-8; Psalm 123

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Lesson

Philippians 1:1-11

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

* *Gospel Lesson*

Luke 2:40-50

Pastor: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

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

Sermon

"The Salutations of Paul"

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

* *Hymn of Consecration*

Trinity Hymnal, #149
Joy to the World!

* *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

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

Creed (See insert)

* *Hymn of Thanksgiving*

Trinity Hymnal, #168
Hark, the Herald Angels Sing!

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

* *The Lord's Commission of Us*

Matthew 28:18-20

* *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*

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.

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 27, 2015

The Salutations of Paul

1. Note a favorite verse of the Bible, one that reminds you of who you are.
2. So, who are you?
3. The Apostle Paul chose to _____ himself as the _____ of Christ.
4. As _____ of Christ we are His _____.
5. The believer's confidence is expressed in verse 6. Where _____ has _____ a work in me He will _____ it until the Day of Jesus Christ.
6. Well fed, rich Christians tend to go soft, to rest on their supposed laurels. We need to yearn for _____ and _____.
7. From slavery to _____ we are rescued and _____ to become the _____ of Christ, _____ and _____ by Him.
8. In the consummation all the _____ of Christ will be dressed in _____ and brought to the _____ of the _____.
Rev.19:5

Announcements

Worship Service

Rev. Dale Dykema will be preaching the Word & administering the sacrament this morning.

Sunday School

No Sunday School today. Prepare for next week by reading Chapter 4, "In the Heavens," p 65-83, and answer the questions that will be emailed.

Prayer Meeting

There will be no prayer meeting this Thursday due to New Year's Eve.

WIC Activities

- January 9th – Bridal shower for Leigh Ann Nader, 2 pm at the church. RSVP to Sarah Greenwald. Refreshment sign-up sheet is downstairs.
- Monday, January 11th study will reconvene at 7 pm to discuss Hebrews 4.

Youth Snow Camp

"Assignment: Faithfulness" Snow Camp 2016, Jan 15-17, for 6th -12th 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.

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.

Set-up Teams

Next Week

January 3 Team 2 Greenwald, D*, Dietzel, B Dykema, Nagle, N Pennington

Following Weeks:

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

January 31 Team 1 Dykema*, Burie, N Greenwald, Hammer, Zitzke