

Lord's Day Service
January 8, 2012
Epiphany Sunday

Prelude: We silently prepare our hearts to worship our Lord

We appreciate the sounds of friends greeting each other and the words of welcome that are exchanged. They are evidence of the love and care we have for one another. However, when the musical prelude begins, we ask that our conversations be brought to a close and our attention turned to some quiet meditation in preparation to worship our Lord.

Entrance – God Calls Us to Worship

*** Call to Worship**

Isaiah 60

*** Hymn of Praise**

Trinity Hymnal, #56
O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

*** Salutation & Responsive Scripture**

Minister: He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Luke 24:6, 34

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Ruth 2:4

Minister: Our help is in the name of Yahweh,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 124:8

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit!

People: Amen!

Matthew 28:19

Purification – We Confess Our Sins to God

O most holy, righteous, and gracious God, we acknowledge that You have appointed death to be the wages of sin. We confess that we are sinners, being conceived in sin and by nature children of wrath. In sinful pride we have displeased and dishonored You. You are the King of all the world and Your laws are holy, just and good. But we have denied You our due subjection and obedience, being unruly and self-willed, serving the things of the flesh, and making provision for its lusts. We have sinned secretly and openly, in thought and in deed, ignorantly and presumptuously; and all of our sin we have committed in Your sight. But for the glory of Your mercy You have sent Your Son to save us from our sin. You have promised us forgiveness of sin through His blood, if we believe in Him, and by true repentance turn unto You. Lord have mercy upon us. Amen.

(Silent prayers of confession are offered.)

Minister: Now lift up your heads 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.

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

Ascension – God Consecrates Us by His Word

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Psalms 86:4

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Lam 3:41

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

People: It is proper and right so to do!

Psalms 92:1

Minister: Truly, it is proper, right, and our duty that we should at all times, and in all places, give praise to You O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting King. 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, #154
As with Gladness Men of Old

*** Prayer**

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.

*** Lesson from the Old Testament**

Ezekiel 37

*** Lesson from the New Testament**

Matthew 2

Sermon

“The Gospel According to the Book of Kings”
~ an introduction, Part 2

Tribute – We Offer Ourselves through Tithes

*** Hymn of Consecration**

We Three Kings (see insert)

***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

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God **Creed** (inside hymnal cover)

*** Hymn of Thanksgiving** Trinity Hymnal, #129
Fairest Lord Jesus

Benediction – God Commissions & Blesses Us

*** The Lord's Commission of Us** **Ephesians 4:1-6**

*** We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us** **Ephesians 3:20-21**

*** 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 Lakeside.

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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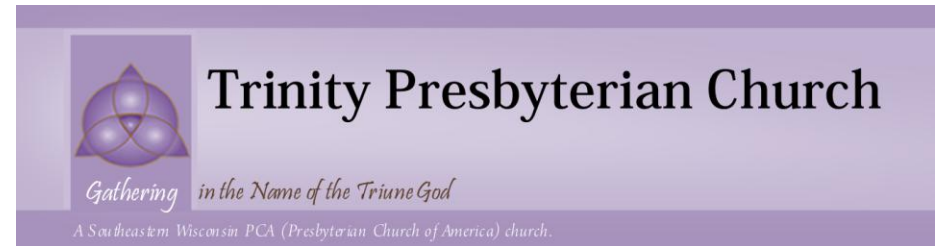
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JESUS IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN INDEED!

In the name of the risen and reigning Lord Jesus Christ welcome: to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; to all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; and to whomever will come.

We assemble together each Lord's Day as a gathering of God's children with each other, but primarily, as a meeting of the triune God with His chosen people. God is present with us by His omnipresence but, much more intimately, as the faithful covenant Savior. Christ is the Mediator by whom alone we can come unto God. He is the head of the church. He rules over public worship. In corporate worship – when God meets with His people, Christ with His bride, the Spirit with His temple – we receive God's grace through the Word and sacrament, and we respond to Him with thanksgiving, faith, and love.

Sermon Notes – January 8, 2012

"The Gospel According to the Book of *Kings*" (an introduction, Part 2)

1. The Book of *Kings* is a historical narrative, but not primarily. It is prophetic.
 - A. *Kings* is focused on the words and works of Yahweh's prophets.
 - B. The prophets did not preach a legalistic message of moral reformation, but an evangelical message of faith in the God who raises the dead.
 - Israel has sinned. Israel is dead. Israel must cling by faith to God who raises the dead.
 - Wisdom, Torah, and the Temple cannot save Israel.

2. The Book of Kings is prophetic, but it is primarily a _____ text.
 - A. Vindictive God or evangelical, _____ God: how is He revealed in Kings?

 - B. Kings is also an ecclesiastical text, a history of the Church, the people of God. Israel and Judah's division and _____ are written for our admonition.

Announcements

Sunday School

Sunday School will be held after our fellowship break. Dale will teach a lesson in the series on church history.

Fellowship Meal

Please join us for a Fellowship Meal downstairs after our morning services.

Ladies Study

Ladies Study will meet downstairs this Tuesday January 9th. We will discuss Part 1 of Chapter 14 (pages 155-165) of Martha Peace's, "*The Excellent Wife*."

Men's Forum

Men's forum will be held Sunday evening, January 29.

Scripture Memory

Our Scripture memory text is Colossians 1:13-23. This week memorize v 14:

in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Notes:

- 1) "in whom" refers back to the *Son of His love* in v 13, the One by whom the Father has "delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into his kingdom..."
- 2) "Redemption" is a "buy-back." The term was used of buying slaves at the slave market, in order to give them their freedom. In v 14 our "redemption" is understood as "the forgiveness of sins." This aspect of our freedom we already enjoy now, but our redemption in Christ is broad. It includes the redemption of our body, our future resurrection (Rom 8:23). The price that Jesus had to pay to redeem us, was "through His blood" -- His death in our place, as our substitute, because "the soul that sins must die."

Directory

A draft of the directory update will be available downstairs for review. Please add any other changes not already noted.

Set-up Teams

Set-up teams should arrive at 9:00 am Sunday mornings. If unavailable on your assigned week, please swap with another family and notify both team leaders (*).

Changes are indicated in bold print.

NEXT WEEK:

Team 4 January 15 J Pennington*, **Dietzel**, Nader, Nagle, N Pennington

FOLLOWING WEEKS:

Team 5 January 22 S Reich*, Burie, **Gerth**, King, Reynoso

Team 1 January 29 Kingsley*, Cotey, K Hummel, Markert, Santarelli

Team 2 February 5 K Dykema*, Greenwald, Jens, Kelling, Ruchti

Team 3 February 12 J Hummel*, Cox, B Dykema, D Dykema, Zitzke