LORD's Day Service - February 4, 2024

Preparation for Worship: *Psalm 37:7*

Entrance - God Calls Us into His presence; we respond with praise

* Entrance Hymn Songbook, # 16

Blessed City Heavenly Salem

* Call to Worship

Minister: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Congregation: Amen!

Minister: Our help is in the Name of the Lord!

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: And our mouth shall show forth Your praise.

* Hymn Trinity Hymnal, #587 Like a River Glorious

Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him

Call to Confession Ten Commandments

Trinity Hymnal, p ix

Hymn of Confession Trinity Hymnal, #409

Before Thee, God, Who Knowest All

Let us kneel before the Lord our God and corporately confess our sins unto Him.

Eternal God and our heavenly Father, in You we live and move and have our being; Do not hide Your face from us because of our sins, but have compassion on us, and subdue our iniquities. Cleanse us from all our offenses; deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that we may draw near to You, in lowliness and meekness. Confessing our sins, we confide in Your grace and mercy through Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Savior. Amen! (Silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Almighty and merciful Lord forgive you of all your sins, and grant you true repentance, amendment of life, with grace and comfort of His Holy Spirit.

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

Ascension - God Consecrates us by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord!

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

Congregation: It is proper and right to do so!

Minister: Truly it is proper, right and our bound duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the host of heaven and with Your

Church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, singing:

* Sanctus Songbook, #79

*Hymn Psalter, #34B

O Come, My Sons, Give Heed to Me

Let us pray: Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which You have made known to us in Your Son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson Hosea 1:1-3; 3:1-3

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Epistle Lesson James 3:14 – 4:5

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

* Hymn Songbook, #14

Be Thou My Vision

* Gospel Lesson Matthew 7:7-12; 14:22-33

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "The Outcome of Living by the Wisdom from Beneath"

Hymn Songbook, #49

The Lord Is My Light and Salvation

* Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Prayers of the Church Petitions & the Lord's Prayer

Peace - God Communes with us; we eat with joy at His Table

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Luke 22:19-22

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune. Incarnate God

* Hymn

Songbook, front pocket The Day Is Past and Gone

Dismissal - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we go out to serve Him

* The Lord's Commission of Us

Psalm 27:12-14

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

Numbers 6:24-26

* We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him

Psalter, #72D

Announcements

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);
- 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 wood box on the rear wall of the sanctuary.

(2 Corinthians 9:6-11)



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To the Four Corners of the Earth

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.

Today our table paraments are white and gold, symbolizing joy, celebration, gladness, light, and the shining forth of God's glory through Jesus Christ.