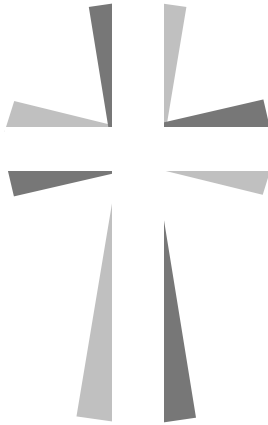


TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) • MURFREESBORO



DECEMBER 30, 2018

Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 30, 2018

First Sunday of Christmas

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Rev. Monty Hershberger

PASTOR: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD!

PEOPLE: **Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised!**

PASTOR: The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens! But he also dwells with the lowly and contrite of heart for our God has come near, for Christ has been born and in him Heaven and earth have become one.

PEOPLE: **Praise Jesus our King, our Emmanuel, God with us, for he is our Light, our love and our life!**

PASTOR: He is your life; therefore come and praise him! Give your hearts to him, for he is your God who graciously saves! Christ is born!

PEOPLE: **Glorify him!**

*Hymn of Adoration

“Joy to the World”

*Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin

PASTOR: The Lord passed before Moses and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty. I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.”

ALL: **You shall have no other gods before me.
You shall not make for yourself an idol.
You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
Honor your father and mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet.**

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

“Jesus, I Come”

***Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

PASTOR: I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.

PEOPLE: Christ our God has come in the flesh! Hallelujah! Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation! The old has passed away, behold, the new has come!

***Extending God's Welcome of Peace**

PASTOR: The peace of Christ be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

***Song of Renewal**

“On Christmas Night All Christians Sing”

COMMITTING TO GOD'S KINGDOM

Confession of Faith

PASTOR: Christian, in whom do we believe?

PEOPLE: We believe in one God, Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father, through whom all things came into being, who for us human beings and for our salvation came down from the Heavens and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became human, and was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate and suffered and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures and ascended into the Heavens and is seated at the right hand of God the Father and is coming again with Glory to judge the living and the dead, of whose kingship there will be no end; and we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Life-giver, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who is co-worshipped and co-glorified with the Father and the Son, who has spoken through the prophets; and we believe in one holy, catholic,¹ and apostolic Church. We confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; we wait for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the age to come. Amen.

The Nicene Creed - 381 AD

Prayer of Intercession *(followed by a season of silent prayer)*

Common Prayer

PASTOR: Let us join our voices together praying:

ALL: O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Kingdom Giving and Song of Meditation

“Immanuel”

***Doxology**

¹The term “catholic” refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

"Christmas: Christ has come to unite us"

Colossians 3:12-17

Rev. Monty Hershberger

(See insert for Sermon Notes)

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Holy Communion (see insert)

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Christ for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from receiving communion until they are received as communing members by the session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The **clear** cups contain wine and the **purple** cups contain grape juice. Gluten free communion bread is in the glass dish in the serving basket.

GOING OUT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Song of Sending

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

*The Sending

PASTOR: Therefore, my dear family, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown,
stand firm thus in the Lord!

Philippians 4:1

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

*Benediction

PASTOR: Peace be to you, and love with faith, from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ. Christ our God is born for our redemption!
Therefore, glorify him with your lives!

PEOPLE: **We will glorify him! Amen and Amen!**

*Postlude

Senior Pastor: Rev. Brandon Eggar

Assistant Pastor: Monty Hershberger

Director of Music Ministries: Kimberly Robertson

Director of Children's Christian Formation: Neeceia Eggar

Musicians: Barbara Ehresman, Michael Cardel, Anna Robertson

Song Leaders: Kimberly Robertson, Rachel & Trinity Swander, Emily Cardel

*The Congregation stands

SERMON NOTES

“CHRISTMAS: CHRIST HAS COME TO UNITE US”

COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

INTRODUCTION

I. THE PEACE OF CHRIST UNITES US.

II. THE WORD OF CHRIST UNITES US.

III. THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS UNITES US.

MEMBER/GUEST INFO

Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email* _____

I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.

*I want to receive the weekly E-news.

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Celebration of Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PASTOR: It is indeed good, right and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

ALL: **Holy, Holy, Holy...**

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

PASTOR: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

PEOPLE: **Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

ALL: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say:

ALL: **Our Father...**

PASTOR: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Prayer Request

This Week at TPC...December 30, 2018

Today No CE today.

Christmas Decorations - We will reset the church for the new season after service today for those who are able to stay and help.

Monday The church office will be closed.

Tuesday Happy New Year!

The church office will be closed.

Upcoming Events/Announcements

Christmas Decorations - We will reset the church for the Epiphany season today after worship for those who are able to stay after to help.

Church Office Closed - We will be closed December 31 & January 1 for the New Year holiday.

Men's Ministry - We meet every Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for prayer and Bible study. On January 15, we are beginning a study in the Gospel of John: "Looking at Jesus Through the eyes of John." The first Tuesday of each month we meet for fellowship at Station Grill from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

2018 Stewardship Giving

Tithes & Offerings YTD	\$453,900	89.7% of Annual Budget
Designated Giving & Events	\$38,494	83.8 % of Annual Budget
Operating Expenses	\$506,334	98.8% of Annual Budget
Budget Tithes & Offerings	\$500,227	

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Lord's Day Worship

9:30 a.m.

Christian Education

No CE until January 13

Trinity Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a member of the Nashville Presbytery. For more information about Trinity Presbyterian, visit www.trinitymboro.com. For more information about the Presbyterian Church in America, visit www.pcanet.org.

Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Please take time to fill out the Guest Info Slip on the insert and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer.

Welcome Center: Located in the front foyer, our Welcome Center is designed to assist you in understanding the ministry of Trinity and includes an area to sign up for upcoming events. Please help yourself to our brochures and other resources.

Community Groups are small fellowships of people meeting at the church or in homes around Murfreesboro. They are primary places where we share life together in pursuit of Jesus as we learn to apply the gospel to our lives. For more information, please contact Monty Hershberger at monty@trinitymboro.com.

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