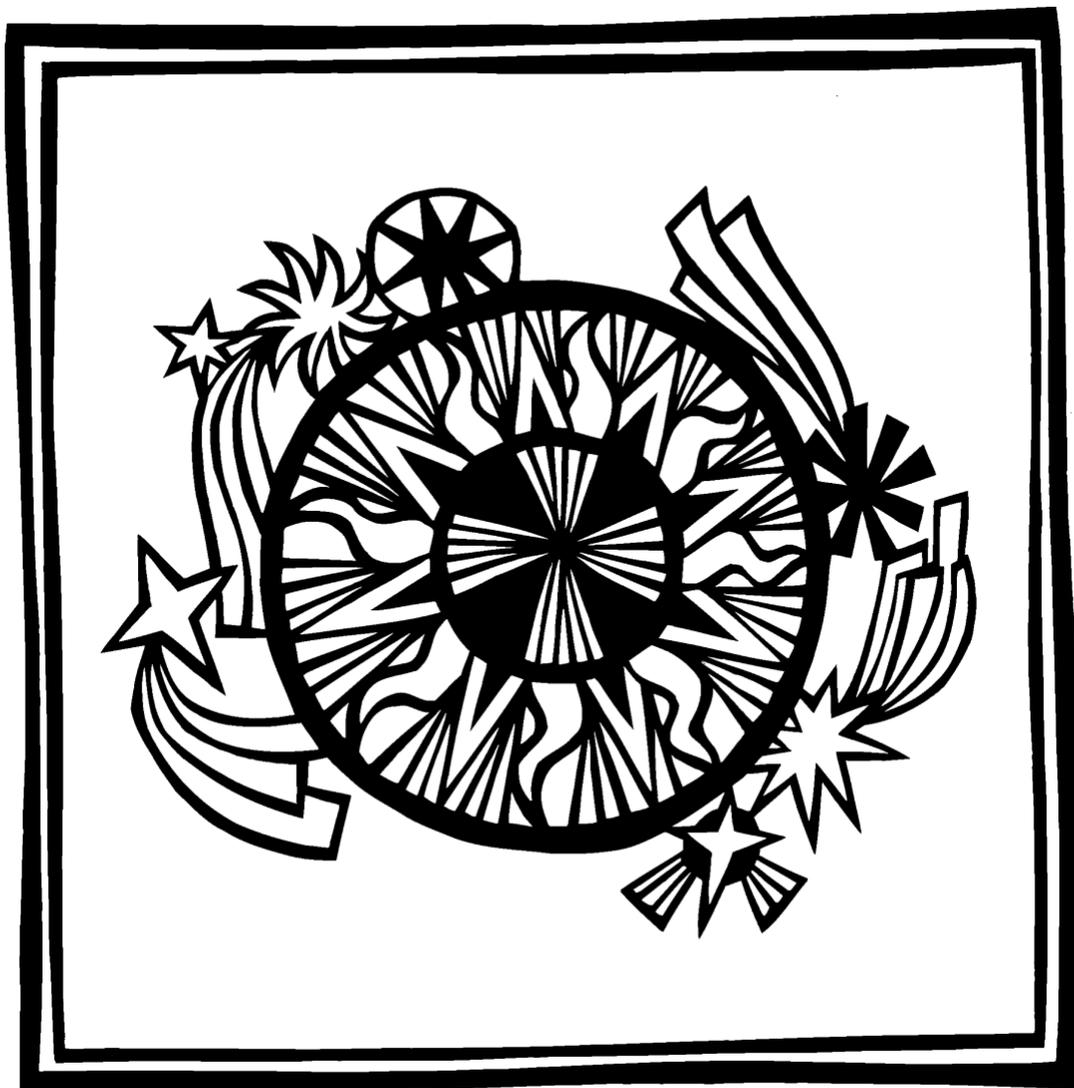


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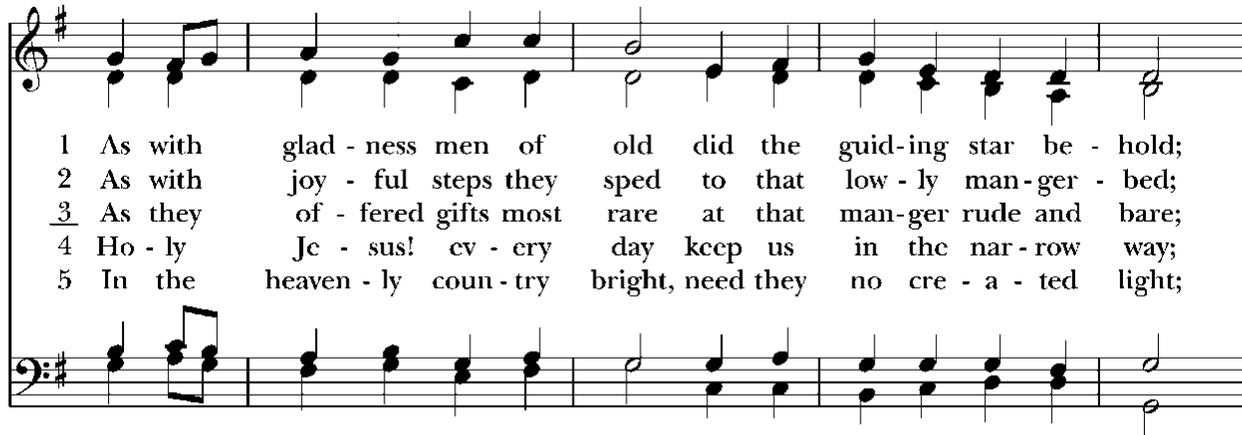


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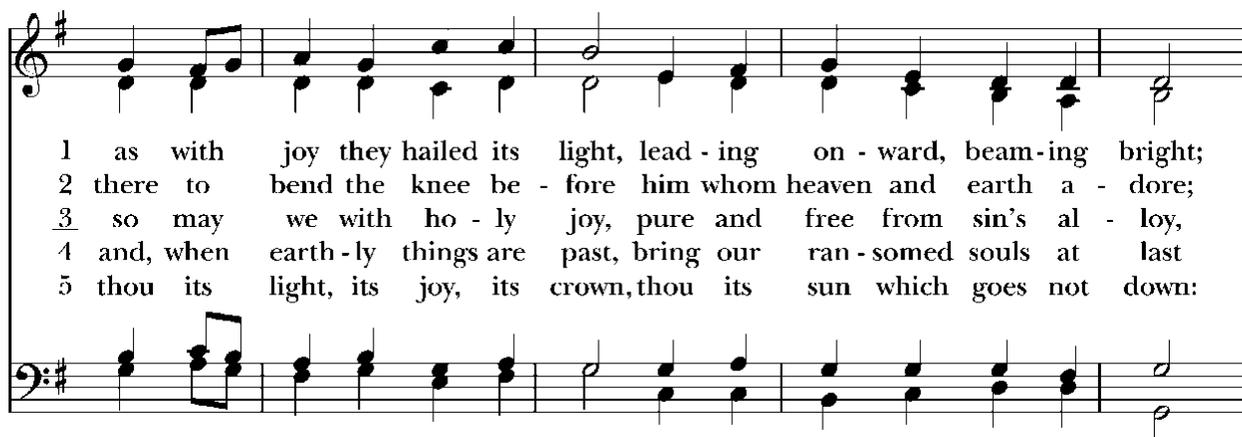
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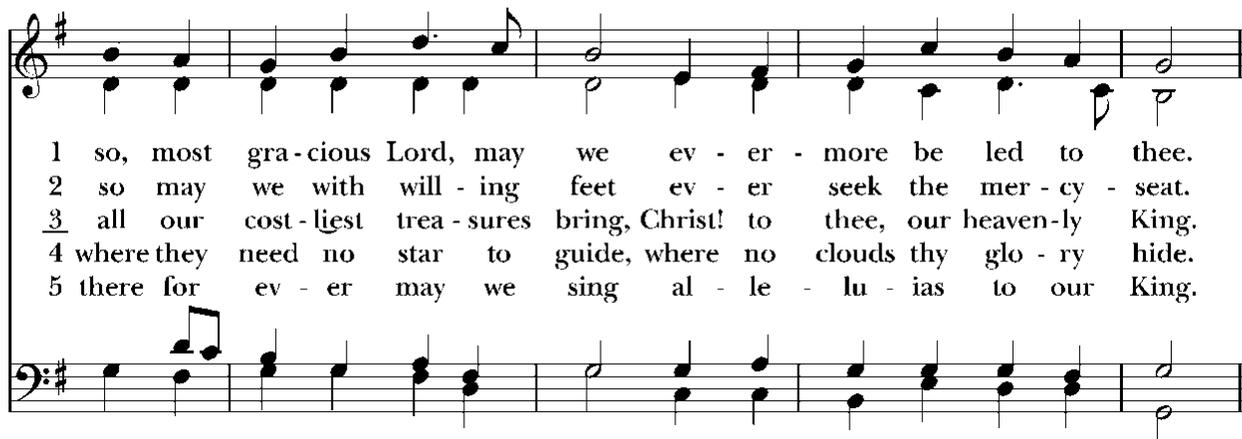
ENTRANCE HYMN *As with gladness men of old* (Dix) (H 119)



1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger - bed;
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man - ger rude and bare;
4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;
5 In the heav - en - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;



1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;
2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;
3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:



1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.
3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heav - en - ly King.
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

The following is sung, all standing

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-14

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

⁷Thus says the LORD:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
‘Save, O LORD, your people,
the remnant of Israel.’

⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

¹⁰Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,
and declare it in the coastlands far away;
say, ‘He who scattered Israel will gather him,
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.’

¹¹For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

¹²They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,
and over the young of the flock and the herd;
their life shall become like a watered garden,
and they shall never languish again.

¹³Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy,
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
¹⁴I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,"
says the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 84

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

²The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
**by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.**

³Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

⁴Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁵Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁶They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

⁷LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

⁸Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

⁹For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
**and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

¹⁰For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;

¹¹No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.

¹²O LORD of hosts, *

happy are they who put their trust in you!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ^{19a}and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand.

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the

child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON BY THE REV. KRISTEN OSTENDORF

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

All stand.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 359)

All remain standing.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (adapted from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Father, your Son our Savior was born in human flesh. Renew your Church as the Body of Christ.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

There was no room for your Son in the inn. Protect with your love those who have no home and all who live in poverty.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort to those on our parish prayer list. Look after those who work while others celebrate this season, including first responders, people who work in essential services, and the military. We pray for all who suffer in the sadness of our world.

The parish prayer list:

Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Bill Besecker, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Millie Connor, Andrea Dudle, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Diane Evans, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Phillip Geliebter, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Sam Haak, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Pat Hendricks, Matt Hess, Danyell Jackson, Jennifer Jenkins, Diane Kitson, John and Lindsay, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Joseph Manni, Paige McLean, Kevin McGloon, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Gail Ostendorf, Barbara Oxenreider, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Cathy Shaffer, Thomas Shanley, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, John Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Colby Stackhouse, Stephanie, Becky Swaggart, Sean, Dihona Talton and children, Catherine Thompson, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams

Our first responders:

Police: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello Military: PO1 Andrew Combs, MAJ Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, PO William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MD, and MSgt Rewa.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

When Christ was born, the angels sang, "Peace to God's people on earth." Strengthen those who work for peace and justice in the Middle East, Ukraine, the Sudan, Haiti and in all the world.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

Shepherds in the field heard good tidings of joy. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, including members of our Trinity family who are celebrating birthdays, including Kristina Cole, Donna Anderson, Robert Baynard Jr., Diane Izzo, and Liz Hulse.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

Strangers found the Holy Family, and saw the baby lying in the manger. Bless our homes and all whom we love.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

At Christmas, heaven came down to earth, and was raised to heaven. Hold in your hand all for whom memorials of Christmas flowers and greens have been given, and all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom. We remember especially Joyce Burgess-Lee, who died last week, and Joseph P. Kirkner, Jr., for whom the altar flowers are given.

Holy God, Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Father, angels, shepherds and wise men worshipped at the manger throne. Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph, and the saints, through him who is your Word made flesh, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements and a moment of remembrance will follow the passing of the peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)

The Celebrant says

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. *Psalm 96:8*

OFFERTORY HYMN *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning (Morning Star) (H 117)*

1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
2 Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
3 Shall we then yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple o - bla - tion,
5 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,

1 dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;
2 low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
3 o - dors of E - dom, and of - ferings di - vine,
4 vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure,
5 dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;

1 star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,
2 an - gels a - dore him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
3 gems of the moun - tain, and pearls of the o - cean,
4 rich - er by far is the heart's a - dor - a - tion,
5 star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,

1 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
2 Ma - ker and Mon - arch and Sa - vior of all.
3 myrrh from the for - est, and gold from the mine?
4 dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
5 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS: 1982 Hymnal #S125

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Joseph, St. Cyril, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER LEVAS #264

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing:

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM (BCP p. 364)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

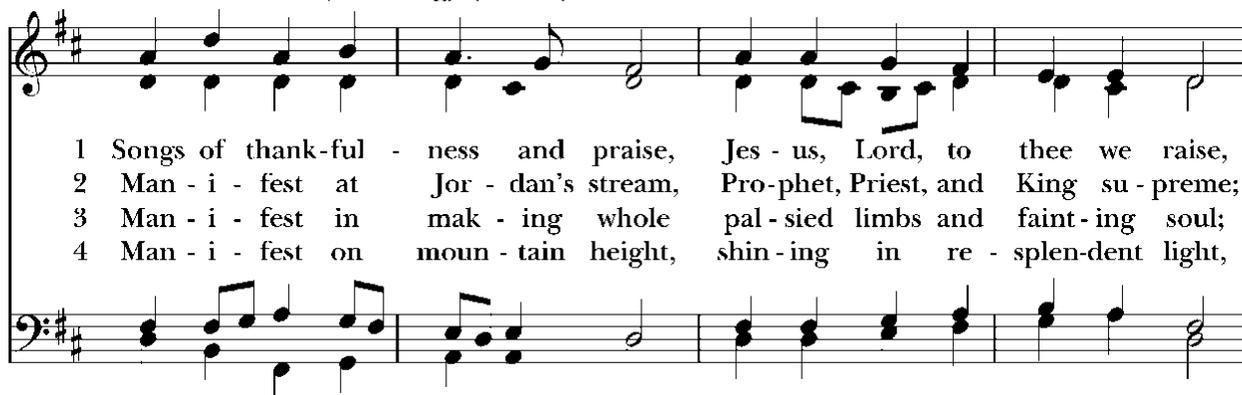
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

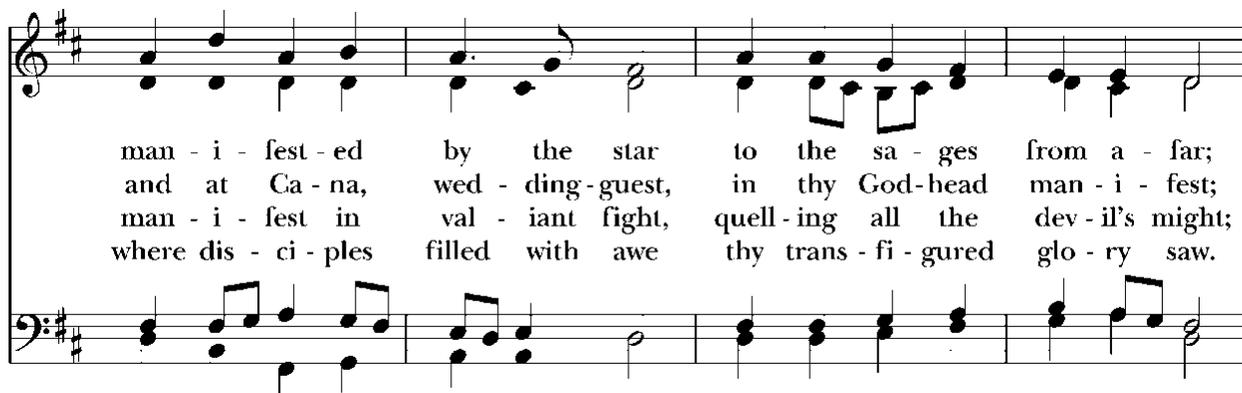
The Celebrant says

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, with thanksgiving.

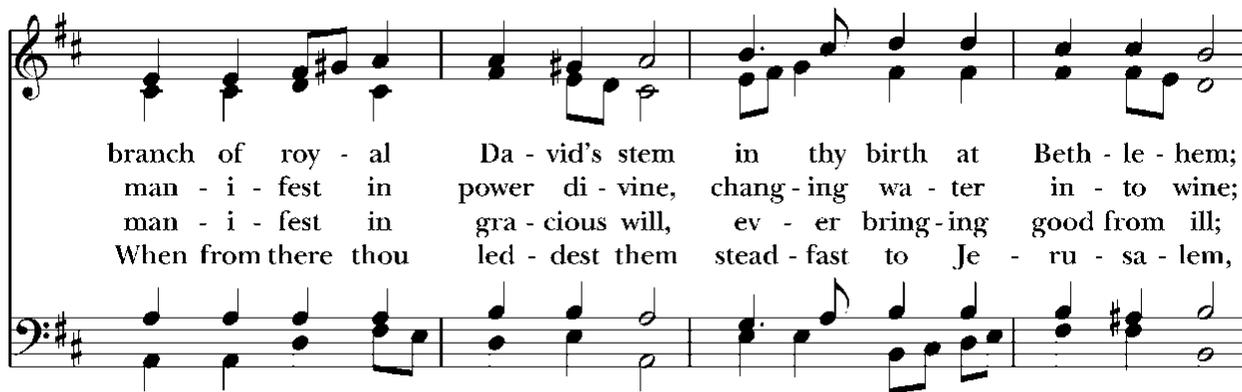
COMMUNION HYMN (Salzburg) (H 135)



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
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cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

POST COMMUNION ANTHEM

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *We're Marching to Zion* (LEVAS 12)



1. Come, we that love— the Lord, And let our joys— be known;— Join
2. Let those re - fuse— to sing Who nev - er knew— our God;— But
3. The hill of Zi - on yields A thou-sand sa - cred sweets— Be -
4. Then let our songs— a - bound, And ev - 'ry tear— be dry;— We're



1. in a song with sweet ac - cord, Join in a song with sweet ac -
2. chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly
3. fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly
4. march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, We're march - ing thro' Im - man - uel's

1. cord, And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne. —
 2. King, May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad. —
 3. fields, Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets. —
 4. ground, To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high. —

We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti-ful, beau - ti-ful
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on,
 Zi - on, Zi - on,

The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

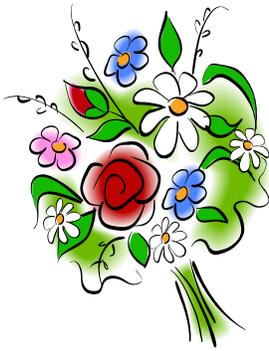
People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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**The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of**

In Memory of Joseph P. Kirkner, Jr.

By Joe and Pat Kirkner

Make a new years' resolution – fill out a pledge card! We are still missing a few pledge cards from regular contributors and always welcome new pledgers! A pledge is a commitment to give a certain amount of money during 2026 to Trinity. It can be any amount – in a small church, every dollar counts, and knowing ahead of time helps us budget! See Minnie, Joe, Violet or Kristen if you'd like a form!

Can you help after the service? We need some help making the sanctuary ready for our next season of the church year: Epiphanytide! Can you stay after for a few minutes and assist with putting away decorations?

Today after service: Meeting of the building committee. This group will meet as-needed to advise and discuss building concerns. Interested in joining? Stay for this 15-minute discussion.

Brown Bag Bible study, from 11:30-1 on Mondays, will resume on Jan. 12.

Healing Service on Zoom, at noon on Thursdays, will resume on Jan. 15.

We need your leadership! Are you interested in being on a re-booted building/property committee, fundraising committee, or new spirituality committee? These groups will help advise the vestry and clergy on important issues in the life of our community. We are building up our lay leadership at Trinity. Could this be part of your New Year's resolution? Let Kristen know!

We're giving it another try! We are having a community meal on Jan. 25, 4 p.m. in Stone Hall. Come help cook and meet our neighbors. Brief prayer service will begin the meal. We need help cooking the day before and help cooking and serving the day of.

Step Sit and Tide Over Pantry: Can you help re-stock or sit with Kristen to meet the neighbors! It's easy, and a great way to serve our community.

Veterans ministry: Stay tuned for our February bingo date at the VA!

Upcoming Trinity Dates: Mark your calendars!

TODAY – Interest meeting immediately after service for building committee/help take down decorations

Jan. 18 – Vestry meeting to follow services

Jan. 25 – Interest meeting immediately after service for the spirituality and worship committee

Jan. 25 – Community meal, 4 p.m.

TBD – February BINGO game at the VA

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