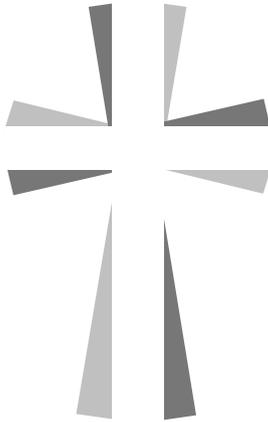


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PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) • MURFREESBORO



DECEMBER 27, 2020

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

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 27, 2020

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. Mitchell Carter

PASTOR: 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!

PEOPLE: **The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!**

PASTOR: But remember 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.**

Adapted from Exodus 20:1-17

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

"Trisagion"

*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!**

*The Congregation stands

***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 God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic¹ church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Apostles' Creed- 215 AD

Kingdom Reading

Psalm 148

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**

Galatians 4:4-7

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**

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

Common Prayer

PASTOR: Let us join our voices together praying:

ALL: **Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Offering

(There is a designated offering table in the main foyer. Tithes and offerings can also be mailed to the church or made online through the Trinity website at trinityboro.com under the “About Us” tab, “Giving to TPC” and clicking on the link.)

***Doxology**

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

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

"Veiled in Flesh the Godhead See"

Luke 2:1-20

Rev. Mitchell Carter

(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. The communion bread in the purple cups is gluten free.

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: Rev. Mitchell Carter

Director of Children's Christian Formation: Sherry Nowlin

Director of Hispanic Ministries: Carlos Sepúlveda

Director of Music Ministries: Kimberly Robertson

Nursery Coordinator: Rachel Ehleben

Director of A/V: David White

Director of Youth: Reilly Liner

Musician: Kimberly Robertson

SERMON NOTES

“Veiled in Flesh the Godhead See”

Luke 2:1-20

INTRODUCTION

PREFACE TO JESUS' BIRTH (v. 1-5)

JESUS' BIRTH (v. 6-7)

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF JESUS' BIRTH (v. 8-14)

THE RESPONSE TO JESUS' BIRTH (v. 15-20)

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 holy gifts of God for the holy 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 27, 2020

Today Worship 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.
Thursday New Year's Eve - church office closed.
Friday Happy New Year! - church office closed.

Upcoming Events/Announcements

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

End of Year Giving - Keep in mind that for your end of year gifts to count toward your 2020 tax deductions, we must receive your check by 12/27/20. You can also give online at trinitymboro.com under the About Us/Giving to TPC tab. If you opt to mail your check, it must be postmarked no later than 12/31. The church office will be closed Dec. 31.

Missionary of the Month: Please be in prayer for Bethany Ferguson as she serves with Serge ministries in Kijabe, Kenya to provide Biblical counseling to students at Rift Valley Academy. Pray that God would protect and provide for this ministry in such a way that his name is honored and many are able to hear and see the good news of Christ. Please visit the E-news for more info on our missionaries.

Ministry of the Week: Please pray for the work of Doors of Hope. Doors of Hope is a non-profit organization sharing the Gospel and providing soon-to-be released female inmates with group mentoring/life skill classes. opendoorsofhope.org

2020 Stewardship Giving	YTD	Budget	% of Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$444,255	\$525,000	84.6%
Designated Giving and Events	\$ 8,950	\$ 12,700	70.5%
Building Fund-Contributed & Pledged	\$124,925	\$215,000	58..1%
Operating Expenses	\$425,533	\$508,915	83.6%
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings	\$512,055		

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Lord's Day Worship

9:30 a.m.

Christian Education

No CE until January 10

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 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. Please help yourself to our brochures and other resources. There are also Bibles for use on the side table, next to the sofa, including giant print editions.

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 email the church office at office@trinitymboro.com.

Hearing Impaired Headsets: We have headsets for the hearing impaired at the sound booth in the Sanctuary.

Church Leadership

ELDERS

Brandon Eggar, Moderator

Jim Harris, Clerk

Eric Klumpe*

Rick Malone

Paul Pasarilla

Ron Phillips

Peter Robertson*

Paul Shearer, Treasurer

Kim Sokoya

Randy Thompson*

Pleun Troost*

DEACONS

Andy Englehart, Chair*

Monty Lee

Allen Pfingsten

Brent Pierce

Paul Vitolins*

Dan Widener

*Deacon on duty

*Not currently on the Session

Joy To The World

Words by Isaac Watts Music by G.F. Handel

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1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come; let earth re -
2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4. He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the

ceive her King! Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
songs em - ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
fest the ground; He comes to make His bless - ings
na - tions prove the glor - ies of His right - eous -

room, and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
ness and won - ders of His love, and won - ders of His
and heav'n and na - ture sing,
and

sing, and hea'vn and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
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love, and won - ders, won - ders of His love.
heav'n and na - ture sing.

Trisagion (Holy God)

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox liturgical text

Music by Fernando Ortega

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The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a range of approximately one octave. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Ho - - - ly - - - God,
ho - - ly and might - - - y,
ho - - - ly im - mort - al One, have
mer - - cy, have mer - - cy on us.

Holy God,
Holy and mighty,
Holy immortal One,
Have mercy,
Have mercy,
Have mercy...

Have mercy,
Have mercy on us.

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

Words from Traditional English Carol
Music from Sussex Carol, arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams
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Unison

1. On Christ - mas night all Christ - ians sing, To hear the news the
2. Then why should men on earth be sad, Since our Re - deem - er

Harmony

an - gels bring; On Christ - mas night all Christ - ians sing, To hear the news the
made us glad: Then why should men on earth be sad, Since our Re - deem - er

Unison

an - gels bring: News of great joy, news of great mirth,
made us glad: When from our sin He set us free,

Harmony

News of our mer - ci - ful King's birth.
All for to gain our lib - er - ty.

3. When sin departs before Your grace, then life and health come in its place;
When sin departs before Your grace, then life and health come in its place;
Angels and men with joy may sing,
All... for... to... see the newborn King.

4. All out of darkness we have light which made the angels sing this night;
All out of darkness we have light which made the angels sing this night:
"Glory to God and peace to men,
Now... and... for... evermore. Amen."

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child. Luke 2:17

Unison

(Ref.) Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev-ery-where;

go, tell it on the moun-tain that Je-sus Christ is born.

1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si-lent flocks by night, be-
 2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when, lo! a-bove the earth rang
 3. Down in a low-ly man-ger our hum-ble Christ was born, and

hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho-ly light.
 out the an-gel cho-rus that hailed our Sav-ior's birth.
 God sent us sal-va-tion that bless-ed Christ-mas morn.