



JANUARY 3, 2010 ✕ 10:30 A.M.

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Epiphany means "manifestation." On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles—that is, to all nations. Some Christian traditions celebrate three great epiphanies on this day: the magi's adoration of the Christ child, Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle, in which he changes water into wine. The word and sacraments are for us the great epiphany of God's grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst.

Please turn off all cell phones and pagers before the liturgy begins.
* – those who are able may **stand**
Bold – all
This bulletin is available in large print

To parents with small children: We are glad your family is worshipping with us. We have a nursery available and it is open from 8:15 – 11:30 a.m. Please use the garden entrance (on Addison); the nursery is right inside the door. If you or your child need a break from the service, feel free to walk to the narthex/back of the church.

GATHERING

The ringing of the meditation bowl calls us to silence, centering and reflection as we prepare for the liturgy.

PRELUDE – *Adagio* (from *Concerto for Oboe in F Major*)

Antonio Vivaldi

Face the cross as it enters; you may bow as the cross passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation. Incense, used in festive processions, adds the sense of smell in worship and shows the significance of our bodies and all of God's creation. The clouds of incense represent purification and the rising of our prayers. One of the gifts of the Magi was frankincense, making incense especially appropriate on Epiphany.

*GATHERING HYMN – #300 *The First Noel*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The presiding minister bows toward the assembly which is the body of Christ and the primary symbol of God's presence in the liturgy.

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

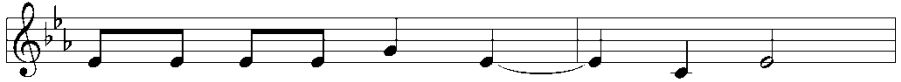
INTRODUCTION

CAROL - #627 – *O Day Full of Grace* (st. 1; st. 2 and 3 – alternate text to the right)

FIRST READING: Luke 2:15-21

After each reading:
 Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

CAROL – *Mary Had a Baby*



1 Mar - y had a ba - by, my Lord;
 2 Where did . . . she lay him, my Lord?
 3 Laid him in a man - ger, my Lord;
 4 What did . . . she name him, my Lord?
 5 Mar - y named him Je - sus, my Lord;



Mar - y had a ba - by, my Lord;
 Where did . . . she lay him, my Lord?
 laid him in a mang - er, my Lord;
 What did . . . she name him, my Lord?
 Mar - y named him Je - sus, my Lord;



Mar - y had a ba - by, Mar - y had a ba - by,
 Where did . . . she lay him, where did . . . she lay him,
 laid him in a man - ger, laid him in a man - ger,
 What did . . . she name him, what did . . . she name him,
 Mar - y named him Je - sus, Mar - y named him Je - sus,



Mar - y had a ba - by, my Lord.
 where did . . . she lay him, my Lord?
 laid him in a man - ger, my Lord.
 what did . . . she name him, my Lord?
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Text: African American spiritual
 Music: MARY HAD A BABY, African American spiritual

SECOND READING: John 1:10-18

CAROL – #291 *Let Our Gladness Have No End*

ANTHEM - *Lo, how a rose e'er blooming*
 (Text may be found at hymn 272)

Praetorius, arr. A. S. Houkom

THIRD READING: Luke 2:22-40

Stand to welcome the gospel and turn to face the book as the gospel is read in the midst of the assembly.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – *Angels From the Realms of Glory*

**Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
once you sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

**Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing,
yonder shines the infant light.
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

**Sages, leave your contemplations,
brighter visions beam afar;
seek the great desire of nations,
you have seen his natal star.
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

*GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew.

As the gospel is announced you may trace a small cross on your forehead, lips and breast, a prayer that the Word may dwell in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sung as above:

**All creation, join in praising
God, the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising
to the eternal Three in One.
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Following the gospel the children gather in the chancel.

Sung as the Magi process:

**We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.**

Refrain

**Oh, star of wonder, star of night,
star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light!**

CAROL – *Go Tell It On the Mountain*

Refrain

**Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!**

**While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. *Refrain***

**The shepherds feared and trembled
when, lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. *Refrain***

SILENCE

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another saying, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

MEAL

GATHERING OF GIFTS AND SETTING THE TABLE

Guests are invited to fill out the yellow slip and place it in the offering plate.

CAROL – **#303 *Brightest and Best of the Stars***

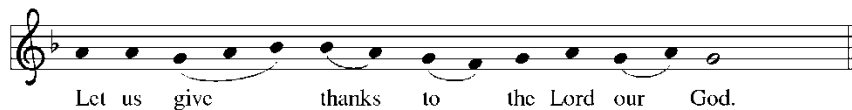
*GREAT THANKSGIVING



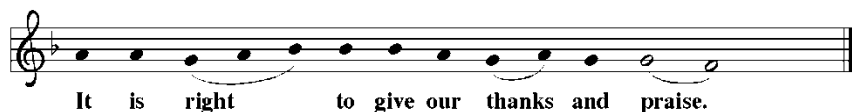
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

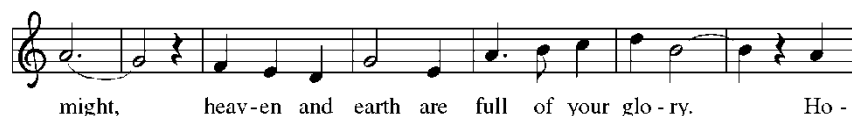


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The following acclamations are sung during the thanksgiving.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and



might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

As a sign of openness to the divine presence, you may join the presider in praying the Our Father with the ancient gesture of extended hands.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
 for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

***COMMUNION**

***MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!
 Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:
 O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him,
 O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!**

Be seated.

All baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Others may come forward for a blessing. Communion will be by continuous line, and the bread will be placed in your hand (gluten-free wafers available from the pastor). The first (silver) chalice on each side is a common cup for drinking. The second chalice is for intinction (dipping the bread into the wine). Reception of the eucharist under one kind (bread or wine) is valid communion for those who must avoid either for health reasons.

CHOIR - *In the Bleak Midwinter*, setting by Harold Darke

CAROL – **#278 *Away in a Manger***

*PRAYER

SENDING

*BLESSING

Turn to face the cross as it recesses, you may bow as it passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation

*SENDING HYMN – **#302 *As With Gladness Men of Old***

*SENDING

Go in peace. Christ is with you
Thanks be God.

POSTLUDE – *In dulci jubilo*

Norman Dello Joio

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Text for *Angels From the Realms of Glory*: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt., sts. 1-3; Salisbury Hymn Book, 1857, st. 4

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDING MINISTER: Pr. Craig M. Mueller

MINISTER OF MUSIC: David R. Brackley

ASSISTING MINISTER: Carol Schickel

CRUCIFER: Lydia Kanthak

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Megan Eichhorn

TORCHBEARERS: Justin and Forrest Stewart

INCENSE: Benjamin Nichols

READERS: Alison Strickler, Brian VonRueden, Dan McAdams, and Erica Robeck

MEDITATION BELL:

USHERS: Norm Kaiser and Britt Johnson

GREETER: Chris and Wendy Stelter

SACRISTAN: Jon Skogen

ALTAR PREPARATION: Julie Sevig

NURSERY ASSISTANT: Aana Vigen

COFFEE HOSPITALITY: Rick Boyum and Felisa Limon

OBOE: Ruth McAdams

PARISH NOTES

SUNDAY FORUM – Next Sunday, 9:30 a.m. in St. Mark’s Room

The Myths America Lives By II – Ryan LaHurd

Just as individuals create stories that make sense of their lives, so do nations have mythic narratives that create their imagined realities. America has a number of such myths, and better recognizing them can help us to make sense of how Americans and the American government respond to events and to understand our sometimes unconscious reactions. This session will carry on the discussion begun at a similar forum last year.

ANNOUNCING NEW SCRIPTURE STUDY

If you are free during the day you are invited to participate in a scripture study of Luke, the gospel read in worship this year. Pastor Mueller will be leading the sessions which will be held Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. beginning January 14, 2010. There will be approximately 14 sessions but the schedule is flexible and we will cancel on days with snow or extreme cold. An optional “resource book” is available for \$20. You can browse a copy and/or sign-up at the back of the church. Feel free to talk to Pastor Mueller if you have any questions or concerns.

HOLY TRINITY MUSIC SERIES

Music for Brass and Organ

Sunday, January 17, 4:00 p.m.

Featuring the Artemis Brass and David Brackley, organ

BACH FOR THE SEM – Benefit Concert for LSTC

Grace Lutheran Church (new location) 7300 West Division, River Forest, Ill., will host Bach for the Sem at 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 10, 2010. Choir, soloists, and orchestra, under the direction of Mark Bangert, present the first section of Bach's Christmas Oratorio and his Concerto for Oboe d'amour. The program includes a holiday favorite by Mendelssohn, carols of the season, a tribute to Paul Manz, and a world premier choral work, "Hodie coelesti," by composer Paul Weber. Chicago-area professional musicians and singers donate their talents for this benefit concert for LSTC. Advance tickets are \$18 or \$8 for students and seniors. Cost at the door: \$20/\$10. Your sponsorship of the concert is welcome. To make a gift or to order tickets, call 773-256-0712.

WITH ONE VOICE – Concert Celebrating Martin Luther King

With One Voice, a new community choir, will hold one of its two inaugural concerts at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Monday, January 18, at 7:30 pm. Led by Artistic Director Dana Brown, With One Voice is "making powerful, inspiring music and partnering with social justice organizations to bring awareness and support to their causes. We sing dynamic choral music from around the world that celebrates diversity and humanity." This one-hour concert is titled *Music & Love, Peace and Justice* and celebrates the work of Dr. Martin Luther King. Proceeds from this concert will directly benefit the Lakeview Shelter. For more information, see <http://with1voice.org>.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Maybe you've attended Holy Trinity a few times or many. Maybe you are looking for a church home. Maybe you have mixed feelings about church and whether it is for you. Whether you are on your spiritual journey you are welcome at Holy Trinity! Here is a special invitation to learn more about Holy Trinity, what makes Lutheranism unique, meet some other folks, and find out more about our mission and ministry. Orientation sessions are held five times a year. The next session is Sunday, January 31. We will meet from 9:30 - 10:20 a.m., followed by the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We continue upstairs in Passavant Hall over a light lunch, concluding by 1:00 p.m. Sign-up by emailing the office (office@htchicago.org), or on the yellow slip in your bulletin.

2010 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the narthex for those who requested them. We have more available if you would like a box. Contact Josh in the church office by making a note on your yellow slip, e-mailing office@htchicago.org or calling 773.248.1233.

FLOWER SPONSORS NEEDED FOR THE NEW YEAR! See the flower signup sheet at the back of the church and write a check to Holy Trinity for \$32 with "flowers" in the memo line or give through our online giving found at our website.

NEXT BAPTISM DATES: April 25, May 23. See information brochure in the narthex.

NEXT NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION DATES: January 31, April 18, 2010. More info at our website: www.holytrinitychicago.org

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

January 6 (Wed)	@ 7:00 p.m. – htVespers for Epiphany
January 10 (Sun)	@ 8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
	@ 9:20 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal
	@ 9:30 a.m. – Sunday Forum: <i>Myths</i> – Ryan LaHurd
	@ 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist with Baptism
January 17 (Sun)	@ 4:00 p.m. – Music for Brass and Organ

COMMEMORATIONS

Saturday, January 9, 2010 – *Adrian of Canterbury, teacher, died around 710 (TFF)*
African by birth, Adrian (or Hadrian) worked with Theodore, archbishop of Canterbury, in developing the church in England. He was director of a school at which church leaders were trained.

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A Concert of music for Brass and Organ

The Artemis Brass
David Brackley, organ
Sunday, January 17, 2010
4:00 p.m.



Music of Gabrieli, Bach, Händel, Vierne and others.
Admission is free. Freewill offering will be taken.

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Wed., 1 – 8 p.m.; Sun., 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity! Wherever you are in your spiritual life and/or in your process of being comfortable in church or finding a church home, you are welcome here!

PARKING is available at McDonald's, Clark and Addison, on Sunday mornings when you are unable to find street parking. Please use the spaces in the southwest corner (near Addison and the alley). Pick up a permit at the back of Holy Trinity that you can keep in your car. Please do not use the lot on days of Cubs home games or you will be towed. (383 neighborhood parking permits are only needed from 6 pm – 6 am.)

Podcast of last week's sermon is available on our website.

Interested in membership? We would be delighted to have you join our community of faith in worship and ministry. New member orientation sessions are held throughout the year. Watch the bulletin or see our website for more information.

Silence. In addition to words and music our liturgy has several periods of silence. The resonance of the meditation bell calls us to a time of reflection and centering.

Holy Communion: All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. Adults or children not communing may come forward for a blessing.

The Spiritual Life Center has offices at Holy Trinity, offering counseling and spiritual direction. Brochures are available at the back of the church.