SUNDAY, JANUARY, 2025 SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS





Preparation for Worship

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 welcome

in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

God Calls us to Worship | PSALM 67:1-5

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us,

That Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

Let all the peoples praise You!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

For You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

Let all the peoples praise You!

AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD (DIX)

Text: William C. Dix, 1860, Music: DIX; Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. William H. Monk, 1861

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious God, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly cradle-bed, there to bend the knee before him whom heav'n and earth adore; so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare; so may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day keep us in the narrow way; and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright need they no created light; thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down; there forever may we sing alleluias to our King.

Prayer of Adoration | concluding with:

Almighty Lord God,

You gave Your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the light of the world:

We praise and magnify Your holy name that in Him

You have revealed the wonder of Your saving love to all people.

With those of old who brought their tribute to His feet,

confessing Him as King of heaven and earth,

we now present the worship of our grateful hearts, asking You to give us grace to give ourselves to You,

through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We Listen to God's Word | NUMBERS 6:22-27

[22] The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, [23] "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

[24] The LORD bless you and keep you;

[25] the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

[26] the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

[27] "So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

We Confess Our Sins

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that our hearts are disordered. our loves misaligned, and our lives marked by sin -both in what we have done and in what we have left undone. Though the light of Christ has dawned upon us, we confess that we are drawn to shadows. choosing comfort in the dark rather than the brilliance of Your truth. Forgive us, gracious Father. Tear away the veil that clouds our vision and untangle our hearts from the idols to which we cling. Awaken us by the light of Your Word and the grace of Your table, that we might rise in the radiance of Christ's glory, living as Your redeemed people in a world longing for Your light. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION Please pause for a moment of silent confession.

We Hear Words of Assurance and Pardon | 1 JOHN 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ know that you're forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

WHAT CHILD IS THIS

Text: Traditional English carol; adapted by William C. Dix, ca. 1866, Music: GREENSLEEVES; English melody, 16th cent.

What child is this who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing: haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christians, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.

Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you: hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; come, peasant, king, to own him; the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby: joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary.

We Ask for God's Help

We Confess Our Faith | APOSTLES' CREED (4TH CENTURY)

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Greet Others With Peace | EPHESIANS 2:14

"For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you!

TrinityKids: During the Greeting of Peace, children 5 & under may be dismissed to walk to TrinityKids. They will lead by a teacher to return to worship with us before the Lord's Supper.

We Are Changed By God's Word | EPHESIANS 1:1-2

- [1] Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,
- To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus:
- [2] Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

"A BEAUTIFUL MESS" | REV. DR. BLAKE ALTMAN

Questions for Family Worship or Community Groups:

- 1. Paul identifies himself as an apostle "by the will of God." How does this reminder of God's sovereign grace shape the way you view your own calling and identity in Christ?
- 2. Are there areas in your life where you struggle to rest in God's grace rather than striving to "earn" your place in His kingdom?
- Pastor Blake described the Church as a "beautiful mess," redeemed by grace but still filled with imperfect people. How does this truth impact the way you approach relationships within Trinity?
- 4. How might you show more grace and patience toward others in the Church, knowing that God has extended the same grace to you?
- 5. Paul calls the Ephesians "saints," highlighting their holiness in Christ. How does knowing that you are already set apart in Christ

(not by your works but by His) encourage you to "walk in a manner worthy of the calling" (Eph 4:1)?

- 6. In what specific ways can you begin praying to live out your identity as a one "set apart" in your family, community, or workplace this week?
- 7. Paul declares that grace and peace come from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. How can these twin realities (grace received and peace lived) shape how you interact with others in your daily life?
- 8. Is there someone in your life—perhaps in your church, family, or community—with whom you need to pursue peace or extend grace? What steps can you take to reflect Christ's attitude in that relationship?

^{*} The word catholic (little "c") means universal and refers to the church throughout time and space; it is not referring to the Roman Catholic Church.

I. The History
II. The Mystery
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III. The Future of our Beautiful Mess

We Give Regularly, Joyfully and Sacrificially

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming (ES IST EIN ROS), arr. Patti Drennan

There are six ways to give at Trinity:

- 1. Online: give.trinityowasso.com
- 2. Trinity Owasso App
- **3.** Text "trinityowasso" to 77977

- 4. Offering basket during worship
- 5. Mail your gift to the church office
- **6.** Stock/cash gifts through a foundation like the PCA Foundation, pcafoundation.com

(Please take a moment to fill out the Trinity Connect Card & place it in the offering basket when it is passed down the aisle. If you miss the offering basket, please leave your Trinity Connect Card or tithe in a connect-card box in the lobby.)

We Celebrate Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name; evermore praising You, and singing:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Please feel free to join us in singing All Glory Be To Christ as you come forward for communion

ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

Text: Dustin Kensrue, 2012, Music: Traditional Scottish melody

Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive To you who boast tomorrow's gain Tell me what is your life A mist that vanishes at dawn

All glory be to Christ
All glory be to Christ our king
All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ

His will be done His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be
All glory be to Christ

JOY HAS DAWNED

Text and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2004

Joy has dawned upon the world Promised from creation God's salvation now unfurled Hope for ev'ry nation Not with fanfares from above Not with scenes of glory But a humble gift of love Jesus born of Mary

Sounds of wonder fill the sky With the songs of angels As the mighty Prince of Life Shelters in a stable Hands that set each star in place Shaped the earth in darkness Cling now to a mother's breast Vulnerable and helpless Shepherds bow before the Lamb Gazing at the glory Gifts of men from distant lands Prophesy the story Gold a King is born today Incense God is with us Myrrh His death will make a way By His blood He'll win us

Son of Adam Son of heaven Given as a ransom Reconciling God and man Christ our mighty Champion What a Savior what a Friend What a glorious mystery Once a babe in Bethlehem Now the Lord of history

God Sends Us Out With His Good Word | ZEPHANIAH 3:17

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

We Go Into The World For His Glory

Let us go forth in joyful service to the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we love our neighbors, our city and the world.

Thanks be to God!

How to Respond to Today's Service?

1. BE STILL. PRAY AND REFLECT TODAY.

You may want to pray something like this:

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads me to the life you promise. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Amen.

Prayer of Belief: Lord Jesus Christ, I confess that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dare imagine, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dare dream. Thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness and making me righteous before my Heavenly Father. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment: Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

2. READ SCRIPTURE. Read the sermon passage again and reflect on what the Holy Spirit called to mind. How might you apply it with God's help?

3. JOIN US AT A COMMUNITY GROUP or REGISTER FOR AN UPCOMING EVENT. We want you to be a part of us. Download Church Center to stay in the know!



4. FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD.

Let us know how to pray for you and get you the information you seek. Connect cards are in the back of the seat in front of you, or use this code.





TRINITY MEN | Bible Studies & Events

Tues | 6:15AM @The Grove - Trinity Office

Tues | Lunch study @SITG Ministry Office

Wed | 6:45PM @10517 N. Sheridan, Sperry OK Contact - Rev. Mark Kuiper, 314-960-1598

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

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TRINITY KIDS | Babies - 5th Grade

Sundays 9AM & Special Events Contact - Text Mishelle: 918-991-9860 *Resumes in January

TRINITY YOUTH | 6th Grade - Sr. High

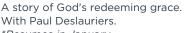
Sundays | 9AM & 10AM Wed | 6-8PM Youth Group @The Grove

Contact - Text Nathan: 314-662-6488 See *GroupMe* for special events throughout the week.

TRINITY WOMEN | Bible Studies, Events,

& Meetups throughout the year. For more information, text Jill Popp, 808-225-4424

or Courtney Nadig, 719-330-4472



*Resumes in January

WHERE WE MEET EACH WEEK

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Class for Winter/Spring: 1st Kings:

Note Trinity's new address: 7660 N Memorial Drive, Owasso, OK 74055 9AM Discipleship, 10AM Worship

The Grove - Trinity Offices: 7301 N Owasso Expw, Building M, Suite 120 Owasso OK 74055

- Houses our Staff Offices & Meeting Space
- Various Ministries Throughout the Week



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