

*CLOSING HYMN #464 *Our Father*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *We are Marching in the Light of God; Zulu melody arr. John Carter*

Congregation remains seated

Liturgist
Ushers
Communion Servers
Choir Director
Co Pastor

Davis McKinney
Rev. Tom Dunlap

Bolded words are read by the congregation.

Welcome: to all who worship with us this morning, especially our visitors! If you have a joy or concern that you would like to share with the congregation, please use the yellow card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate. These will be shared with the congregation during our “Joys and Concerns.” Please fill out the worship registration pad found in the pew, and pass it to the person next to you. Once the form is completed the last person to receive the form places the form in the offering plate.

We hope you feel at home at Trinity, and that you will join us again. We invite you to consider becoming part of our church family.

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Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2025 10:15 AM

Worship leaders in plain type/ Congregation in bold type

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC *Crown Him with Many Crowns
by George Elvey arr. Roger House*

*THE PEACE
The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you!

INTROIT #110 Love Has Come

CALL TO WORSHIP
From the north and south we come;
from the east and west God calls us.
Over the mighty waters, the Lord speaks:
I have called you by name; you are mine.
Let us worship God.

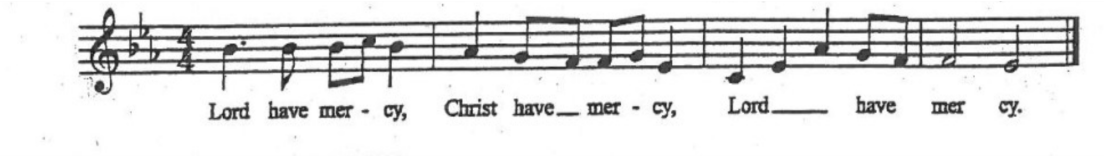
*OPENING HYMN #151 *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

CALL TO CONFESSION
In the light of Christ, we see the shadows of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God our Savior, we confess that we are not people of peace. You shine upon us with your glory, yet we hide our faces from the light. You speak to us a holy mystery, yet we do not listen to your word. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us, the least of all the saints, the wisdom to know and proclaim the gospel of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Minute of Silent Personal Confession *Let us sing to the Lord...*

KYRIE—All Sing



DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

This is the good news: Christ is the light of the world, who grants forgiveness and healing of our sins. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Great Our Joy!
German melody arr. Cindy Berry

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PROCESSIONAL *(Sing the Faith #2026)*

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Children’s Sermon
(The children will be dismissed to Children’s Church after the Children’s Moment.)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Loves the Little Children
Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world.
Red, and yellow, black, and white, They are precious in His sight,
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of God, in the proclamation of your Word, reveal to us the hidden mystery of your love in Christ, and strengthen our faith that we may approach you with boldness. **Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Matthew 2:1-12

New Jerusalem Bible used by Rev. Dunlap

Pew Bible p. 2

SERMON

The Journey

Rev. Tom Dunlap

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall 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 life everlasting. Amen

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God intends to unite all creation, so that all may share in the promises of God’s new reign. Therefore with gratitude and joy, let us render tributes and bring gifts, for we have access to God in boldness and confidence though faith in Christ.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

Here I Am to Worship by Tim Hughes

*DOXOLOGY Hymn #609

<i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.</i>	<i>Praise God, in Jesus fully known:</i>
<i>Praise God, all creatures high and low.</i>	<i>Creator, Word, and Spirit one.</i>
<i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i>	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia</i>

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Glorious God, you led three men of wisdom to seek Jesus, your Holy Child, born of Mary. Overjoyed in the presence of his radiant light, the men knelt down at the infant’s crib and offered him precious gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. We, too, offer our gifts in gratitude, reverence, and thanksgiving. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SEALING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORDS’ SUPPER (see insert)

The Lord’s Table is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ.
Baptized children are invited to partake with their parents’ blessing.
Please eat the bread when you receive it, symbolizing your personal relationship with Christ. Hold the cup until all have been served, symbolizing our unity in Christ.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
[Clergy expressions; Congregation response]

HYMN OF PREPARATION #500

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us open our hearts.

We open them to our God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to lift up thanks and praise.

BREAKING THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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