

Christ ✕ Church



The Epiphany
January 6, 2019
5:30 PM & 10:00 AM

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Welcome to Christ Church! We are delighted that you are worshipping with us. All baptized persons of every denomination are welcome to receive communion at our altar. Please introduce yourself to one of our greeters. Please let an usher know if you are unable to come to the railing for Communion and the clergy will come to you.

We would love to meet with you at coffee hour after the 10:00 AM service. We meet in the Deppich Room. Go through the Red Doors in the right rear of the sanctuary, through the small lobby and turn left at the first door.

Out of respect for neighbors wishing for quiet time to pray before the liturgy begins, please use your “inside voice” in the nave.

The altar flowers: The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Henry Ternove, by Christina Ternove; Florence & William Conner, by Mrs. Floss Rhine; Charles Martz, by Gerry Martz; and Peggy Hammond, by Chuck Cloud.

This week Koffee Klatch, Regular Sunday School
Next week JRR Tolkien: Master of the Rings (80/40)

Meetings this Week: Sunday 11:30 AM Youth Choir, 11:30 AM Pastoral Care, 4:00 PM Youth Group; Monday 7:00 PM Christian Ed; Tuesday 7:30 PM Youth Summer Service Information Meeting; Wednesday 3:30 PM Wardens/Rev. Judy Meeting; Thursday 7:00 PM Finance Committee, 7:30 PM Adult Choir.

Youth Group Youth Group- Tonight from 4-6PM (dinner provided). We will be setting new year’s goals for ourselves, our spiritual lives, the Youth Group, and Church. All 7th-12th graders are welcome, even if you have not joined us before!

The Martin Luther King Volunteer Day is coming up on Monday, January 21 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM! Please plan to come and help cook for a ship full of sailors from Seaman’s Church Institute. Package toiletries for the homeless and make Valentine’s for the homebound members of the parish. This is a great way for kids to use the holiday to serve others. Pizza lunch for all!

The January Newsletter is available at the back of church.

Please Note: The dates for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service were incorrectly listed in the first printing of the January Newsletter. The correct date is Monday, January 21st.

Money Counters needed for Sundays! Please help out if you can. It is about an hour of time once a month. Please contact Gerry Martz for more information or leave a message with the church office at 610-521-1626.

Ruth Pottier has been the Chair of the Flower Guild here at Christ Church for many years. She has been the creative and inspirational force behind many beautiful and whimsical flower and window displays at Easter and Christmas. The Flower Guild will never forget the weeks of “painting sheep” under Ruth’s loving tutelage for the Easter windows. Many of us have meditated in her beautiful gardens on Maundy Thursday through Good Friday. Who can forget some outstanding recent Christmas windows: the manger scenes from church members and the family Bible windows. With this Christmas season featuring angels and a Christmas tree decorated with angels and stars, Ruth will be stepping down as Chair of the Flower Guild. We are so grateful for Ruth and her creative talents and feel privileged to work alongside her each holiday. She shouldn’t be surprised that we will continue to consult with her for inspiration. Please join us in thanking Ruth for the many years of adding beauty and joy to Christ Church. Thank you Ruth...We love you! Many Thanks again from Elizabeth Rasnake and the Flower Guild.

Interested in running for the Vestry? Please speak to Judy Yorke or any current Vestry member. To be eligible to run for Vestry, you will need to have been a financially contributing member of Christ Church for at least two years.

Epiphany Items Needed The youth are in need of items for the auction on January 27th. We need new or as good as new items, including items for children, antique or collectible items, or sports memorabilia. We also welcome: handicrafts such as knit items, quilts, spreads, jewelry, woodworking, etc, special baked goods (as

opposed to donated desserts for the luncheon), gift certificates from area businesses, tickets for sporting or other events, offer of services, etc. (This is also good way to let people in the parish know about your business or service.) Please mark “Epiphany Dinner” or “Auction “on any donations and either leave them with the office or with Rev. Judy. We request that we have all donations by Sunday January 20 at the very latest, because we need time to create the auction booklet.

Our Every Member Canvass continues. Please return your pledge card as soon as possible. Thank you!

Life Center: Our next night to serve is Wednesday, February 13, 2019.

If you would like a loved one memorialized with Altar flowers, please contact Janice Kordowski at 610-731-5252 for information.

Transition update from Reverend Judy: Our thanks to the Reverend David Laquintano for serving at the 5:30 service today. He will return on January 19 and more dates to be announced in 2019.

It is an Exciting time to join Pastoral Care! Pastoral care at CCRP includes : LEM’s, Casserole Crew, Visitors/ Drivers, Flower and Birthday Card ministry. Any questions, please contact Amy Lovenguth 610-804-6838.

Winter Coat and Jacket Collection for Seaman’s Church Institute: Because of space limitations in their new quarters, SCI can no long accept men’s clothing donations except for WINTER COATS. It is difficult to work outdoors in the North Atlantic in winter without proper coats or jackets. Many of the sailors are Filipino, and unable to buy coats in their homeland, and unable to go ashore to purchase them when in northern ports. They tend to be small men, so we are would like to collect smaller-sized coats. We need coats for older boys—sizes 16, 18, and 20—and men’s Small and Medium ONLY. Please attach a tag securely to any donated coat or to the hanger. Hang only in the designated section of the coat rack.

The Christ Church Directory is available at the back of church on the table near the wall of light switches.

In case of severe weather, such as blizzards, ice storms, or hurricanes, church will be cancelled. You can find out about a cancellation if we have your current email address or you can check the facebook page or call the church office to check the recording. You can go online to update it yourself, or let the office know. Email, phone numbers added or dropped, new address- we need it all! Thank you.

Adult and Youth Choir - The Youth Choir's official rehearsal time is 11:30-12:15, but we are often able to start earlier, just about 10 minutes after the 10AM service lets out, for an earlier end time. Please contact Janet Kaido in person or at janetskeyboard@gmail.com if you would like to participate in either group. The adult choir rehearses on Thursday nights at 7:30 PM, and warms up at 9:00 AM Sunday.

Our ChildFund donations are way down, with fewer children enrolled in Sunday School. We have an ongoing commitment to Clara from Guatemala and Mac-Mac, from the Philippines, who are only 9 and 10. If you wish to help the Sunday School with their support of these two children, you can use the CHILDREN'S pew envelope, or write a check to the church and put "ChildFund" in the memo.

If you travel, your unused hotel toiletries (soap, shampoo, creams, deodorant, toothbrush, dental floss, etc...) can be donated to the homeless. There is a bin by the green doors for donations. We pack them up every year on the MLK Volunteer Day to take to the Salvation Army for distribution to their homeless clients.

Would you like to establish a fund for Christ Church through your estate planning? Your restricted gift will ensure the continuation of the ministry of Christ Church and will benefit your parish friends and family for generations to come. Please leave your name and contact information with the office and Bob McLaughlin will contact you to assist in establishing the fund.

Thank you for generously donating children's items to Cradles to Crayons! This agency serves homeless and low-income children in the Southeastern Pennsylvania counties of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia, and Camden, NJ. There is a bin for

children's clothing (infant to size 14), books and school supplies under the coat rack at the top of the steps nearest the church entrance doors.

Are you looking for a church home? You are welcome to fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. On it you can indicate that you would like the clergy to call on you.

Military Service:

U.S. Army	Richard W., Eric C., Michael S., Chris W., Mark R., Michael B.
U.S. Navy	Marshal N., Nicole G.
U.S. Air Force	David B., Tony G.
U.S. Marine Corps	Timothy N., Jerome S., William S., Austin
U.S.M.C. Reserve	Neil S.
National Guard	Evan H., James R., Robert W.

First Responders: Tom H., Joan H., David III, Michael D.,
Marianna, Aaron K., Josh P., Doug C., Art R., Lee E., Jesse F.,
Wayne M., Mitchell H

This Week's Prayers Requested For: Harry Hoyt, Kay Twesten,
Jane B.

Continuing Prayers Requested For: Jessica Davenport, Megan,
Cameron, Rita, Shawna, Austin, Antonella, Sharon M., Russ, Gerald
Quinn, Frank, Baby Vincent, for the reunification of separated
families, Amy H., Michael D., Trevor, Danny and Lou Ann E., Curt
F., Dianne L., Les T., Michael R., Joyce, John E., Fran J., Catherine
M., Charlotte, Katharyn Hawke, Lisa Noble White, George and
Donna, Mary Schlegel, Mary Geiser, Jeff S., Betty Vogt, Steve, Kate,
Elizabeth and Anna Mary Miller, Shirley McGahan, Baby Mary K.,
Carmen Z.

Flower Memorials: Henry Ternove; Florence & William Conner;
Charles Martz; and Peggy Hammond.

Names will remain on the continuing prayer list for a four week period. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that prayers have been answered and the name(s) will be removed from the list.

Participants Today

Altar Guild	Ushers	Acolytes	Lay Readers
Team I Carol Pindar	8:00 AM Ed Riffert Backup as available 10:00 AM Ollie Rhine Bill Nickerson Paul King General Backup	8:00 AM Jason Tustin (C/S) 10:00 AM S: Katie Mason T: Erin Moran T: Delanie Hollar C: Jack Kellett Banner: Johnny Modesti	8:00 AM Bill Graham 10:00 AM Michelle Mason Harry Cotter
Chalice Bearers	Counters		LEMS
8:00 AM Bill Graham Ed Riffert 10:00 AM Betsy Kirkpatrick Michelle Mason	Team Three Carole McManus Captain		KM, B&MW, RH

A Note on Today's Readings

The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ—Years A, B, C

The title “Epiphany” is from the Greek word for “showing forth” or “manifestation.” This day, and the season which follows, celebrate the events by which Jesus was shown forth as the Son of God. The coming of the wise men at his birth reflects the recognition of him by the Gentiles. Thus, he is the savior of all people, not only his own people, the Jews.

In the first reading, Isaiah rejoices in the return of Israel to Jerusalem and foresees the time when all races and nations will stream to the Holy City and to the God of Israel, bringing gifts to God. This passage has long been read on this festival because of its striking resemblance to the coming of the wise men.

The second reading today expresses Paul’s belief that in the unity of Jews and Gentiles in the Church, the fulfillment of God’s plan of redemption is revealed.

We celebrate not only an event in Jesus’ life today, but also (and more importantly) the manifestation of Christ in our lives. He is shown forth in Word and Sacrament in our liturgical celebrations, and through our lives, he is shown forth to the world as the savior of all people.

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Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Rite

The first Nowell the angel did say

Hymnal 109

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star
3 And by the light of that same star
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5 full re - verent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
2 and to the earth it gave great light,
3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,
4 and there it did both stop and stay
5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

1 on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.
 2 and so it con- tin- ued both day and night.
 3 and to fol- low the star wher- ev- er it went.
 4 right o- ver the place where Je- sus lay.
 5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank- in- cense.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6 Then let us all with one accord
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

Alternative Refrain
Descant (others unison)

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,
 born is the King of Is - ra - el.

The Celebrant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The following is said or sung, all standing

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated.

Psalm 72:1-7,10-14

Deus, iudicium

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall
be no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:1-12

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

I Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—assume that you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Sequence

All stand.

1 Earth has man - ya no - ble ci - ty; Beth - le - hem, thou dost all ex - cel:
 2 Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing was the star that told his birth,
 3 East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle make ob - la - tions rich and rare;
 4 Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean - ing: in - cense doth their God dis - close,
 5 Je - sus, whom the Gen - tiles wor - shiped at thy glad e - piph - a - ny,

1 out of thee the Lord from hea - ven came to rule his Is - ra - el.
 2 to the world its God an - nounc - ing seen in flesh - ly form on earth.
 3 see them give, in deep de - vo - tion, gold and frank - in - cense and myrrh.
 4 gold the King of kings pro - claim - eth, myrrh his sep - ul - cher fore - shows.
 5 un - to thee, with God the Fa - ther and the Spi - rit, glo - ry be.

All stand.

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

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "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." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: '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.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then 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." When 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. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Nicene Creed

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.*

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, this community accepts that transition is upon us. We welcome eagerly the opportunity of growth even as we recognize the need to foster such growth. Keep our hearts ever open to the possibilities of the new without forgetting the foundations of our past.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Here the names of those serving in the military and first responders are remembered

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Here the names of those on the parish prayer list are remembered

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Here the names of the departed are remembered

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

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/Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

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

Offertory Anthem

There Shall a Star From Jacob Come Forth Felix Mendelssohn
Julie Wickland, narrator; Terrance Hart, Robert Hand, Dan Rosen, kings

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow / praise him, all creatures here below / praise him above, ye heavenly host / praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. _____

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;

The Celebrant continues

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 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 for ever.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

All baptized persons, whatever your denominational affiliation, are welcome to receive Holy Communion at our altar. You may stand at the altar rail if your knees do not permit kneeling. Please assist the chalice bearer by gently holding the base of the chalice. Please do not hold the top of the chalice. If you wish, you may intinct (dip) the host (consecrated bread) in the chalice. If you do not wish to receive the wine, fold your arms over your chest. Baptized children may receive with parent's permission, otherwise they will receive a blessing.

Communion Hymn

Arise and shine

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1 A - rise and shine, the pro - phet sang;
2 God's ris - ing sun, will light the way,
3 You will not need the sun by day

your light has come, the mes - sage rang.
as peo - ple stream to dawn - ing's ray.
nor moon by night, to light your way;

The shroud of dark - ness stripped a - way,
Your o - pen gates will nev - er close,
God's glo - ry and e - ter - nal might

God's glo - ry brings a bright new day.
in bus' - ling day or night's re - pose.
will be your ev - er - last - ing light.

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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

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Postcommunion Hymn

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning

Hymnal 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.

Deacon
People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude: Earth Has Many a Noble City

Malcolm Archer

...did you know?....

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In 1950, the weekly parish bulletin was again revived to keep us informed of church happenings. Also, the work done by Earle Deppich to keep the church insurance up to date was proven a wise decision, as the garage suffered damage in November of that year. Further storm damage was to occur when, in 1954, a hurricane inflicted about \$900 in damage to the church steeple and roof. Once again, our insurance proved invaluable.

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