# CHURCH OF THE TRINITY Coatesville in the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.



"...we have observed his star at its rising."

**January 5, 2024** 

9:30 AM

The Feast of the Epiphany

## **Entrance Rite**



#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

God of Light, Light of Light, true God of true God.

People

WE BLESS YOU!

Celebrant

Object of the Magi's search, subject of an old man's song, fulfillment

of the Baptist's preaching.

People

WE BLESS YOU!

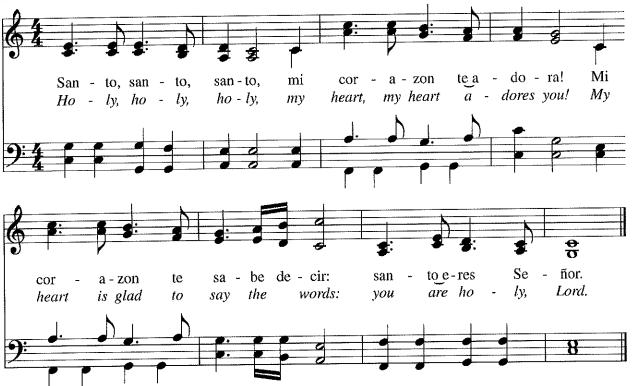
Celebrant

Mary's son, Joseph's son, God's only son.

People

WE BLESS YOU!

## SONG OF PRAISE Santo, santo, santo [Holy, holy, holy] (WLP 785)



#### THE 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*.

#### The Lessons

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

<sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>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.

Silence may follow.

#### PSALM: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Remain seated.

<sup>1</sup>Give the King your justice, O God, \*
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

<sup>2</sup>That he may rule your people righteously \* and the poor with justice;

<sup>3</sup>That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \* and the little hills bring righteousness.

<sup>4</sup>He shall defend the needy among the people; \*
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

- <sup>5</sup>He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \* from one generation to another.
- <sup>6</sup>He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \* like showers that water the earth.
- In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*
  there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 10The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \* and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- "All kings shall bow down before him, \* and all the nations do him service.
- <sup>12</sup>For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \* and the oppressed who has no helper.
- <sup>13</sup>He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \*
  he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- <sup>14</sup>He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \* and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION The Lord Is My Light All stand.



#### GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

All stand.

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>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." <sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

6 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.

#### THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

#### THE CREED

All rise as you are able

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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

God of Love, arise, and shine in our hearts as we offer our prayers and praises to you saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant to the church wisdom to discern the presence of God in our midst and the courage to follow wherever it leads us. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Bestow your blessing upon our nation, give our leaders loving hearts and concern for the least among us and embolden us to act out our faith in our common life. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Be with us today and every day that your glory might show forth in our lives. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

We give thanks for the glories and abundance of creation, help us to cultivate gratitude in our hearts and souls that we might harvest generosity and love. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Be present for all who suffer, give courage to the fearful, hope to the despairing, healing to the sick, wholeness to the injured and comfort to the dying. Especially we pray for those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we now name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Zella Anderson, Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Bob Beckershoff, Bill Besecker, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Lola Clarke, Julius Coker, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Pat Hendricks, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Jennifer Jenkins, Diane Kitson, Nina Larkin, John and Lindsay, Lisa, David Kirkner, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Joseph Manni, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloon, Mercedes, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Terry Oxenreider, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Cathy Shaffer, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Colby Stackhouse, Debra Stackwicz, Stephanie, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Catherine Thompson, Tom, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams

## Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed who are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Police: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello

Military: PO1 Andrew Combs, MAJ Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, PO William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MC, and MSgt Rewa Price

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week - Robert Baynard, Jr., Donna Anderson and Mildred Bruce. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

For the saints who have gone before us in the faith and are now at rest, especially for XXXXXXXXXX, for whom the altar flowers are given, and for all the saints on earth who surround us in a great fellowship of love. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Manifest God, may the example of Christ be our guide and His love the beacon of hope that ever draws us forward towards becoming the people you created us to be. **Amen.** 

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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*.

#### THE 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.

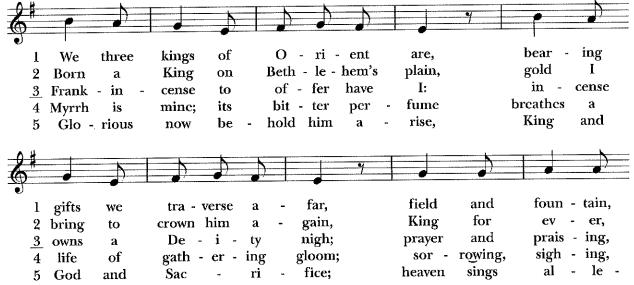
## The Holy Communion

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

## OFFERTORY HYMN We three kings of Orient are (Three Kings of Orient) (H 128)





## The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

#### THE HYMNAL 1982 SERVICE MUSIC #S125

Presider and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

"Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

"Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

#### The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Cyril, our Patron Saint, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER LEVAS #264

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing.

People and Celebrant

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia! Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the Bread.

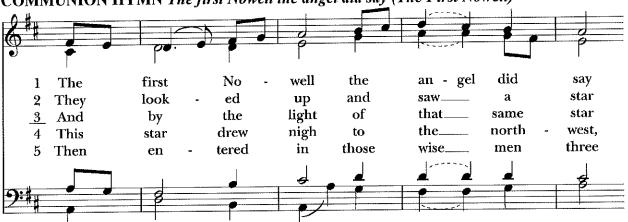
Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the Bread. Alleluia!

#### INVITATION

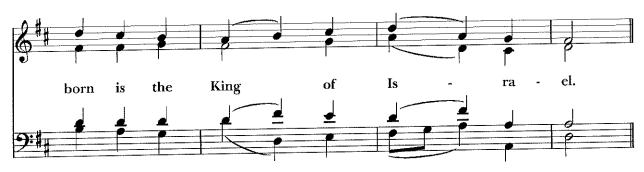
The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### COMMUNION HYMN The first Nowell the angel did say (The First Nowell)







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



#### ANTHEM BY CHOIR

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN What star is this, with beams so bright (Puer nobis) (H 124)



#### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

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#### **TODAY**

The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of



by

#### **Announcements:**

Brown Bag Bible Study on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> - 11:30 a..m. to 1 p.m. Dan Hinkle, Facilitator

**Thursday, January 9 - Noon Healing Service** commemorating Julia Chester Emery, Missionary, 1922

Gospels Series continues on Sunday, January 26 at 11 a.m. in Stone Hall.

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