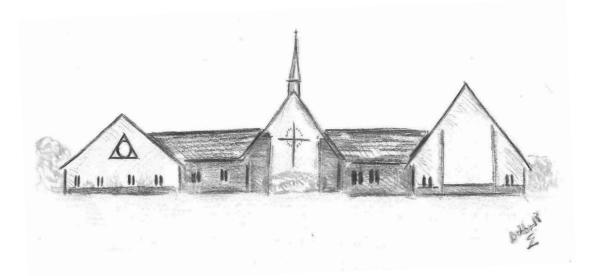
# Second Sunday after Epiphany January 19, 2025



<u>OUR MISSION:</u> To make disciples for Jesus Christ, to baptize and to teach the faith, that all may know the hope of Jesus Christ and become responsible members of His church.

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#### **INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

#### **PRELUDE MUSIC**

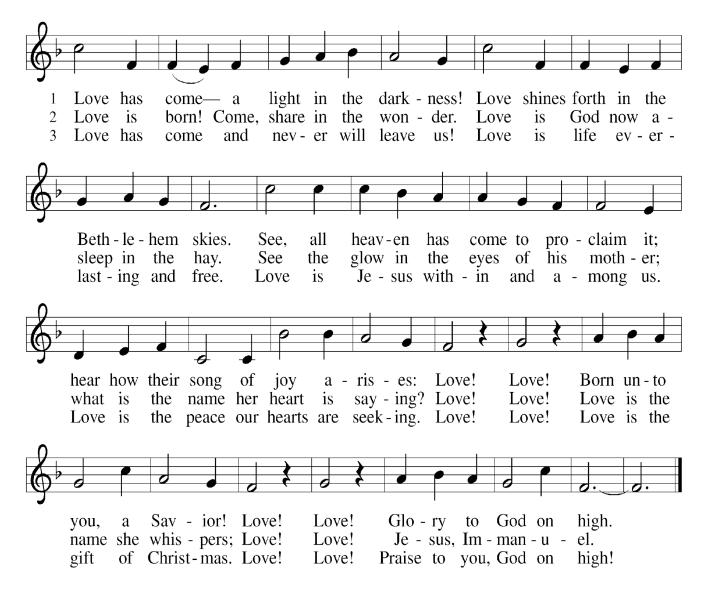
#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**



P Now, let our singing help us clear our hearts and minds for worship.

## WELCOME SONG ELW 292 – Verse 1

Love Has Come



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#### GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

P Please rise.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

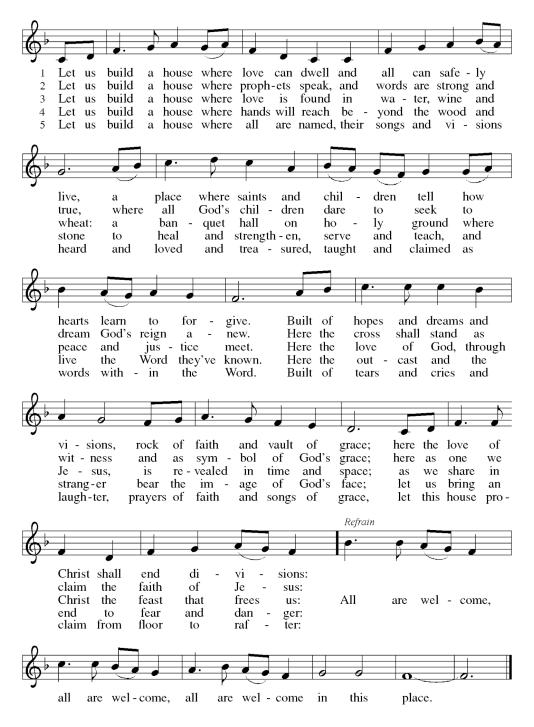
- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.
- C Amen.
- P Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.
   Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Merciful God,

C you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

- P God proclaims these words of assurance:
  "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
  I have called you by name. You are mine."
  In 
  <sup>+</sup> Christ, you are forgiven.
  In the Spirit, you are made free.
  Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
  live anew as beloved children of God.
- C Amen.

## **OPENING HYMN ELW 641**

All Are Welcome



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## GREETING

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

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P Let us pray.
- C Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

#### First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

<sup>1</sup> For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. <sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

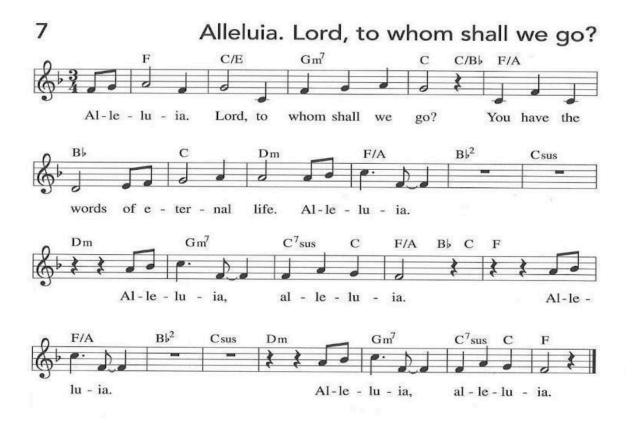
- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### Psalm 36: 5-10

- L <sup>5</sup> Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- C <sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O LORD.
- L <sup>7</sup>How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- C <sup>8</sup> They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- L <sup>9</sup> For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.
- C <sup>10</sup> Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

- P The holy gospel according to John, the second chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

- P The gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Please be seated.

#### **SERMON** The Reverend Karen Nelson, Pastor

P Please rise.

#### **SERMON HYMN ELW 460**

Now the Silence



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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

С I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

- L Let us pray.
- With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.
   *A brief silence*.
- L Giver of gifts, you form each member of the church to serve. Inspire us to boldly use gifts of welcome and healing, service and teaching, leading and preaching, for the sake of your work in the world. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Refuge of creatures, you place all the living under the shadow of your wings. Lead us in ways that tend to the needs of wild and domestic animals, creatures threatened by extinction, and the environment we share. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Voice of the oppressed, you call prophets throughout time. We remember the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a voice for racial and economic justice and for peace. Guide our nation in continuing to heed your prophetic call. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L God of steadfast love, as Jesus celebrated at Cana, nurture marriages and relationships in mutual care; in times of separation or divorce hold tenderly broken hearts and broken dreams. Be present to all who are sick, grieving or in any need.

We especially pray for those who are unable to be with us today: Sandy, Dot, Nancy, Joe & Diane.

For those in need of God's healing love and strength: Megan, Jed, Vince, Susan, Christine, Edward, Alex, Ed, Tim, Sherry, Julia, Leslie, Mary, Steve, Rick, Mike, Brandon, Michael, Juan, Jane, Peggy, Anna, Marita, Tilly, Heather, Charles, Bob & Kylar. For those in need of God's guidance, protection and strength: Meg

In gratitude for God's abundance.

For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

For those who serve and protect our nation: Jordan, Brian, Craig & Eve.

And for those who we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known only to you God.

God of Grace,

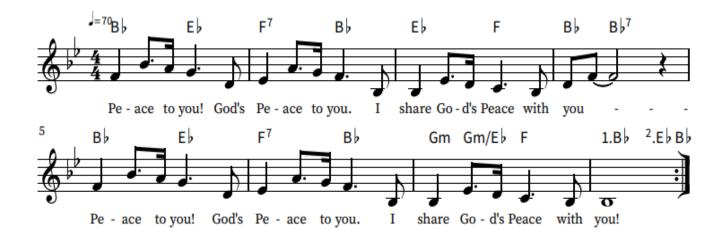
#### C hear our prayer.

- L Spirit of peace, celebrating this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray for neighboring congregations and ministry sites. Nurture our shared commitment to embody Jesus' love, justice, and healing. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.
- C Amen.

#### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P Please rise.
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

While we sing, you may turn to those sitting closest to you to offer, and receive, the peace and reconciliation which is possible only through Christ.



#### Peace

**P** Please be seated.

#### **OFFERTORY MEDITATION MUSIC**

## OFFERING

God has blessed us in so many ways. We offer our gifts as a demonstration of our gratitude. And we pray God will use these resources to help us address the needs of our neighbors.

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P Please rise.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

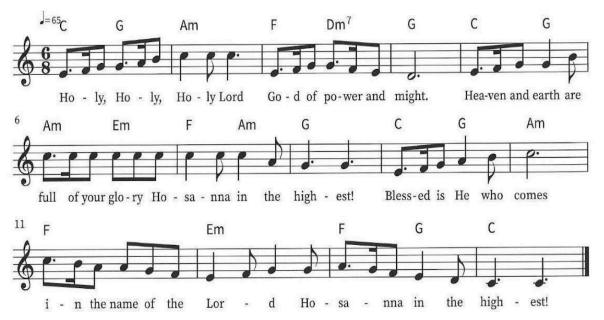
- P God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.
  Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.
  Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.
- C Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### SANCTUS

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

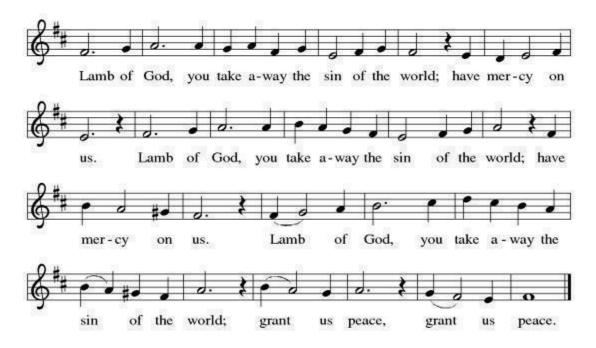
P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C 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, forever and ever. Amen.
- P Please be seated until the invitation.

#### LAMB OF GOD



#### COMMUNION

- P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- C Amen.

To receive Holy Communion please come by the center aisle to the pastor to receive the bread (wafer) and then proceed to the communion assistant for intinction (dipping your wafer in the wine) and then eat, then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Non alcoholic wine is used at all services. A gluten free wafer is available, simply tell the Pastor when you approach.

If you are not communing and desire a personal blessing please come to Pastor with your hands at your sides. P Please rise.

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you forever in his grace.
- C Amen.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- P Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.
  Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,
- C Amen.

#### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### BLESSING

C Amen.

#### SENDING SONG ACS 914

Jesus, the Light of the World



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, stanzas; George D. Elderkin, 1845–1928, refrain Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, Traditional; arr. George D. Elderkin

## DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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#### Announcements:

- Welcome to all who are visiting us today. Please complete a purple visitor's card (found on the clipboard in the pew chair in front of you) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for taking the time to worship with us today.
- Adult Faith Formation: All are welcome to join us after worship and coffee in Room 129. Nancy Klein will lead our discussion of John 2: 1-11.
- A big thank you to everyone who has sponsored the flowers that enhance our worship space every Sunday! If you do not wish to continue, please contact Linda Stone at lgstone74@gmail.com ASAP.
- Save the Date! The Annual Pancake Supper will be held on Tues., March 4th. Always a fun and tasty event. Hope to see you there! Please see Lynn Chialastri if you are interested in selling tickets, cooking, serving or helping with clean-up.
- The community sends you a huge THANK YOU!! In 2024 you donated 6907 lbs of food & personal care items to the Daily Bread Food pantry & St. James Outreach House through our weekly food drive. You also made a total of 5512 PB & J sandwiches which were distributed in Norristown & Kensington by the Sisters Of Mercy in Norristown. With your help we also were able to deliver to Daily Bread a total of 68 new blankets! Our neighbors in the community were fed a bit better and kept a little warmer due to your generosity! The food drive continues on Sundays in 2025 from 1 -3 or you can easily drop off your donations on the way into church on Sundays on the food drive cart outside the narthex. Happy New Year!
- SOUPER BOWL OF CARING!! That's right 'SOUPER" not Super, though it is both! Help us to join with other community organizations to fight hunger during this time of year. When you are shopping for your playoff and super bowl snacks, please pick up some additional items for the local food banks and drop them off to the food drive on Sundays. The food banks always need staples like soup in easy open cans, but they also take snack foods that families cannot afford to buy, especially snack bags of chips or cookies for kids. Please help us make this a SUPER donation period for our community.
- The Trinity Book Club will meet on Tuesday February 4th at 11 am in the narthex. Please join us as we discuss the Pulitzer Prize winning book, "Olive Kitteridge". Olive is a unique character and our chat should be fun.
- For Pastoral emergencies please call 610-584-8411 extension 2 and leave a message for Pastor Nelson. This voicemail is being monitored for emergencies.



Serving Today 1/19	
Lector	Francesca Burnett
Greeter	Jenny Anderson
Communion Assistants	Ann Dungan & Judy Flanigan
Ushers	Lynn Chialastri & Jim Sorom
No Coffee Hour	
Building Opener	Meg Smith
Altar Guild	Brenda Aslin
Counting Team	JoAnn Sorom, Betty Kratz, Trish
	Graves
Serving Sunday 1/26	
Lector	Alma Nowmos
Greeter	Lynne Schell
Communion Assistants	Marilou Doughty & Judy Flanigan
Ushers	Brenda Aslin & Linda Stone
Coffee Hour	Meg Smith & Anne Meibohm
Building Opener	Jeff Shadle
Altar Guild	Priscilla Myers
Counting Team	JoAnn Sorom, Betty Kratz, Trish
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## This Week at Trinity

Sunday, January 19

10:00 AM – Worship

11:15 AM – Adult Faith Formation – Room 129

1:00-3:00 PM - Food Drive

#### Monday, January 20 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School Conferences 6:30 PM -Aerobic Rhythmics - Hall

#### Tuesday, January 21

8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School Conferences
Wednesday, January 22
8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School
6:30 PM – Aerobic Rhythmics - Hall
7:00 PM – Prayer Group - Zoom
Thursday, January 23
8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School
Soup Kitchen at St. John's Church
1:00 PM -TAG Cards & Games - Narthex
7:00 PM -Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
Friday, January 24
8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School

#### <u>Saturday, January 25</u>

8:00 AM – Car Club – Narthex

#### Upcoming Events at Trinity January 26th

<u>January 26th</u> Annual Congregational Meeting following Worship