

THE
GLORY
OF
Christ



First Sunday of Christmas
December 29, 2019

Visiting with us today?

We are glad you are here! We would love to reach out to you (not in a nagging way) this week. Please fill out a card in the seat pockets and place in the offering basket or hand to an usher or pastor, or text your name to: **314-384-2444**.

We are happy your little ones are here too. They are welcome throughout the worship service, but if you prefer we offer:

- Nursery care for children 6 weeks through pre-school age.
- Children's Church gathers in the 1st & 2nd gr. classroom (room 111) during the offering for ages 4yrs through 2nd grade (and stays there for the remainder of the service).
- The worship service is streamed to the Fireplace Room for nursing moms.

If you are not able to find seats in the sanctuary, overflow is set up in the Youth Room.

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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO IS FULL OF GLORY!

Liturgist: Rev. Nate Polski

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Steve O'Neal

Scripture Reader: Mickie Schmidt

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflections

"Jesus Christ is the center of everything and the object of everything, and he who does not know him knows nothing of the order of nature and nothing of himself." — Blaise Pascal

"Christ has outlasted the empire that crucified him 20 centuries ago and he will outlast the dictators who defy him now." — Ralph W. Sockham

Join all the glorious names
of wisdom, love and power,
that mortals knew,
that angels ever bore;
All are too mean to speak his worth,
Too mean to set my Savior forth. — Isaac Watts

WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

Reflect quietly and prayerfully on these words as we prepare to enter into worship.

Today, the season in the church calendar turns from Advent to Christmas! Christmas is the celebration of the coming of Christ and looks forward to that day when he will finally be revealed in all his glory!

Our closing hymn today is well known to most, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." The text was composed by Edward Perronet but the tune came from Oliver Holden.

In their book of hymn stories, *Hosannas, Loud Hosannas*, Keith and Kristin Getty write this about the composition of this wonderful hymn:

"In 1793 Holden, a carpenter, realtor, music educator, legislator, and pastor in Charlestown, Massachusetts, composed this melody and called it CORONATION. A coronation is the occasion for placing a crown upon the head of a king or queen.

As you sing this hymn, picture in your mind's eye a coronation attended by every Christian believer who has ever lived. Add all the angels and heavenly beings to the picture. They all join in this great cry of acclamation to Jesus as each lays crowns before Him."

***Call to Worship—Psalm 148 (selected)**

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining
stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters
above the heavens!

**People: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name
alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and
heaven.**

Leader: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his
saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him.

All: Praise the Lord!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

***Songs of Adoration**

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come
Trinity Hymnal #195

All Glory Be to Christ

Dustin Kensrue | Kings Kaleidoscope

D **A** D D^(add9) (omit3) B min G



Should noth-ing of our ef - forts stand no leg - a - cy sur - vive Un -
(His) will be done His king - dom come on earth as is a - bove Who

D D^(add9) (omit3) G D



6 less the Lord does raise this house in vain its build - ers strive to
is Him - self our dail - y bread praise Him the Lord of love Let

D D^(add9) (omit3) B min G



10 you who boast tom - or - row's gain tell me what is your life A
liv - ing wa - ter sat - is - fy the thirst - y with - out price We'll

D D^(add9) (omit3) G D



14 mist that van - i - shes at dawn All glor - y be to Christ! All
take this cup of kind - ness yet

D E min D/F# G

B



glor - y be to Christ our King! All glor - y be to Christ! His

D D^(add9) (omit3) G 1. D G D 2. D



22 rule and reign we'll ev - er sing, all glor - y be to Christ! His Christ!



C E E E (add9 omit 3) C#min A

29

When on the day the great I AM the faith - ful and the true the

E E (add9 omit 3) A E

33

Lamb who was for sin - ners slain is mak - ing all things new Be -

E E (add9 omit 3) C#min A

37

hold our God shall live with us and be our stead - fast light And

E E (add9 omit 3) A E

41

we shall ere his peo - ple be All glor - y be to Christ! All

E F#min E/G# A

D

glor - y be to Christ our King! All glor - y be to Christ! His

E E (add9 omit 3) A

49

rule and reign we'll ev - er sing, all glor - y be to Christ All Christ!

1. E 2.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Hebrews 2:10-18

Jesus is the merciful and faithful High Priest for his people

For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

And again, “I will put my trust in him.”

And again, “Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

People: Amen!

WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

Call to Confession—Isaiah 49:14-15

Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands far away; for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. The Lord saw it, and it displeased him that there was no justice.

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Isaiah 63:7

I will recount the steadfast love of the Lord, the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for His goodness and love.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you!

There is never a sinner half as big as Christ is as a Savior!

*Song of Rejoicing

Jesus, My Great High Priest

Words by Isaac Watts. Music by Kirk Ward

Rock ♩ = 144

verse

1. Je - sus, my great High Priest Of - fered his blood and
 (2.To) this dear Sure - ty's hand Will I com - mit my
 (3.My) Ad - vo - cate ap - pears For my de - fense on
 (4.Should) all the hosts of death And pow'r's of hell un -

died cause; My guilt - ty con - science seeks No
 high; He an - swers and ful - fills His
 known Put their most dread - ful ears And
 Of

sa - cri - fice be - side. His pow'r - ful blood did
 Fa - ther's bro - ken laws. Be - hold my soul at
 lays his thun - der by. Not all that hell or
 rage and mis - chief on, I shall be safe, for

once a - tone, And now it pleads be - fore the throne; And
 free - dom set, My Sure - ty paid the dread - ful debt; My
 sin can say, Shall turn his heart, his love, a - way Shall
 Christ dis - plays His con - qu'ring pow'r and guard - ian grace; His

now Sure - ty paid be - fore the throne.
 turn his heart, the dread - ful debt.
 con - qu'ring pow'r and guard - ian a - way, grace.




16 E Chorus B A



2.To Now I ap - proach the

19 E B A E B A C#m7



throne, and I have con - fi - dence for Je - sus my great High Priest of - fered His

24 F#m7 B E B A E



blood and died Now I ap - proach the throne, and I have

28 B A E B A C#m7



con - fi - dence for Je - sus my great High Priest of - fered His

32 F#m7 B E A/E E *Fine* *D.C. al Fine*



blood and died for me.

3.My
4.Should

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church in the 1st/2nd grade classroom.)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

To You Be The Glory

Matt Maher and Kari Jobe

Sermon

"The Glory of Christ"

John 1:14b-15

Ruling Elder, Fielding Poe

*Song of Response

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Trinity Hymnal #296

*Benediction

These are just announcement highlights. If you'd like to know more about Trinity, connect with us in one of the following ways...

• 314/821-7311 • www.trinitychurchkirkwood.org • Facebook: Trinity Church Kirkwood

Worship and General Church Information

- **No Sunday school today.** Classes for all ages will resume next Sunday.
- **Volunteers next week:** Nursery: Please check your email this week. Ushers: Schlitt, Kwong, Schaffer.
- **No Men's Night or Bible Study this week.** Bible study will resume on Jan. 10.
- **No Women's Bible Study** this week. The Wed. morning group will begin on Jan. 15th. Sign up and pick up the Galatians study on the hall table.
- **Ladies, you are all invited to a baby shower** for Addie Akin (and baby girl Akin) on Sat., Jan. 11th at the Polski's home from 10am to noon. Please RSVP to Amy Mitchell.
- Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office if you need help setting it up.
- Our annual **giving tree** is in the entrance to the sanctuary. If you would like to donate to one of the ministries on the tree, you may drop off your contribution in the basket near the tree or donate on the Church Center app. Thank you for your generosity. More information regarding the ministries can be found on the flyer on the table in the hallway.
- **No Ladies Connect** in December.
- The **deadline to sign up for the UK mission trip is extended** to Jan. 19, 2020. Please see Pastor Nate if you have any questions.
- **Scripture Readers** needed for Sunday mornings in January and February. Please see the sign up sheet in the hallway.
- If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.

Year End Giving

As you prayerfully consider your year-end giving to Trinity, you might want to explore a donation of marketable stock. With the prolonged rise in the stock markets, a gift of appreciated stock might not only benefit Trinity but also give you a favorable tax treatment. Stock gifts can be directed to the Capital Campaign, the General Fund or both.

If you have any questions about this type of giving or are ready to start the process of gifting stock, please contact Bill Kling or Duncan Highmark. They will be happy to assist you in this simple process. May God richly bless you as contribute your tithes and offerings to His church.

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.

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