

**THE SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

JANUARY 16, 2022

TRINITY CHURCH — 8:00 AM



THE SEASON IS...

Epiphany. The season of Epiphany is both a festive season and ordinary time. During this season we celebrate Jesus' manifestation to the world as the incarnate Son of God. It begins with the visit of the magi, wise men from the East, and concludes with the Transfiguration on the mountain top. We are invited to behold the miracle of the incarnation in the world around us. In ordinary time we seek to behold the extraordinary love of God.

STEWARDSHIP—Psalm 36 details some of the gifts for which we need to be ever grateful: *“How priceless is your love, O god! Your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. Continue your loving kindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.”* Lord, make us ever true of heart.

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Please check out our website (trinityoldswedes.church). Follow us on Facebook and Instagram by searching for @TrinityParishDE; and please tag us in your pictures using #TrinityParishDE.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Prayer requests for the bulletin should be sent to the parish office by Wednesday to appear in the Sunday bulletin. Please let us know if you have any additions or updates. The clergy and members of our church are happy to pray with you on the phone if you would like. **NOTE: Because our services are live streamed, we felt it prudent for security not to publish the last names of people on our prayer list.** If you would like a copy of those listed with their full names, please contact the parish office.

IN PERSON WORSHIP

Masks are required in the church buildings. Also, please silence your cellphones. Please take your bulletin home with you.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Reverend Patricia Downing—Rector
The Reverend Charles Lane Cowen—Associate Rector
David Simmons—Director of Music
Jim Phillips—Reader/Intercessor
Team 2: Toni Spille, Rachel Berninger, Sarah Berninger—Altar Guild

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

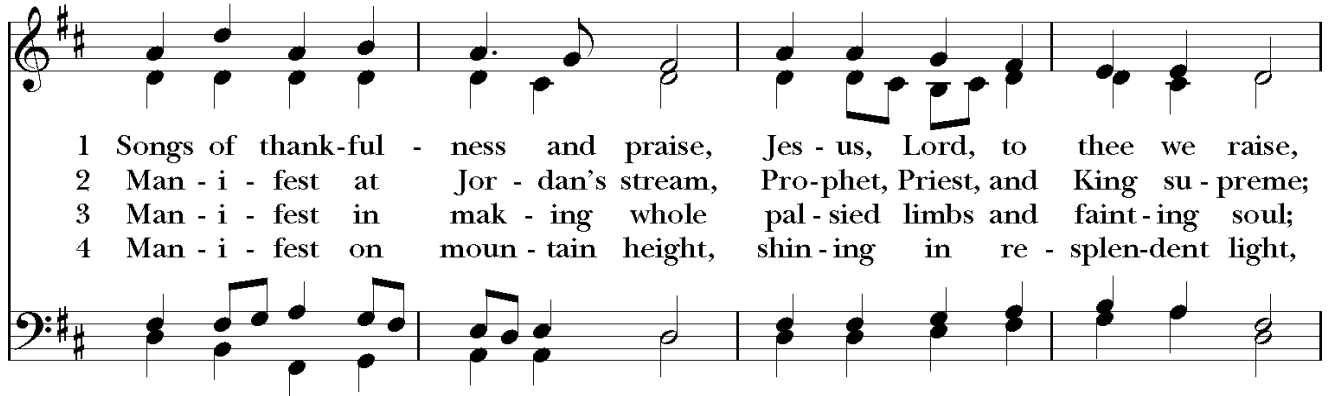
Prelude

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

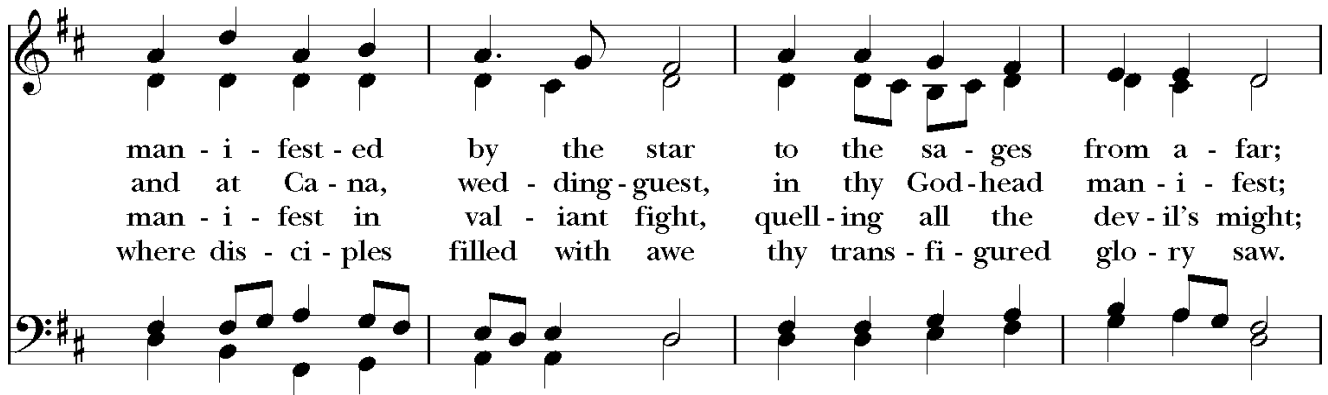
Thomas A. Dorsey

Entrance Hymn 135

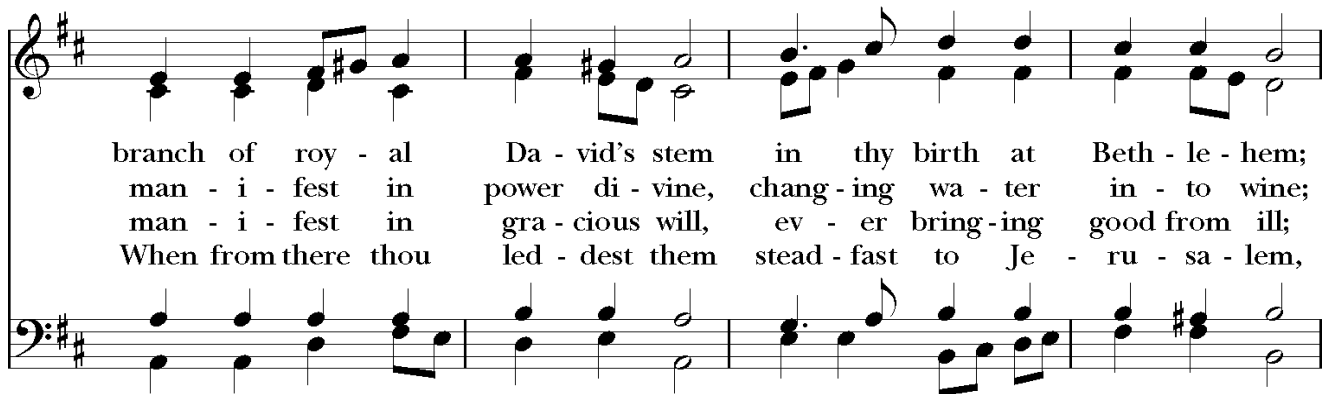
Songs Of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
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The Word of God

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

The Collect for Purity *Celebrant and People*

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.

Gloria *Spoken in unison.*

*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.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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. 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. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. 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. 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.

At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said:
The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 36:5-10 *Prayed in unison*

***Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.***

***Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.***

***How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.***

***They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.***

***For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.***

***Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.***

The Epistle An excerpt of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Letter from a Birmingham Jail

In 1963, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was sent to jail in Birmingham, Alabama, for his civil rights activities. He received a letter of condemnation from the local clergy, and wrote a lengthy letter in response to their criticisms. While King's attorneys argued in court for the right to give him pencil and paper, this letter was initially written on scraps of writing paper secretly provided by a friendly African American prison guard.

“I am in Birmingham because injustice is here. Just as the prophets of the eighth century B.C. left their villages and carried their ‘thus saith the Lord’ far beyond the boundaries of their home towns, and just as the Apostle Paul left his village of Tarsus and carried the gospel of Jesus Christ to the far corners of the Greco-Roman world, so

am I compelled to carry the gospel of freedom beyond my own home town. Like Paul, I must constantly respond to the Macedonian call for aid.

“Moreover, I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities and states. I cannot sit idly by in Atlanta and not be concerned about what happens in Birmingham. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. Never again can we afford to live with the narrow, provincial ‘outside agitator’ idea. Anyone who lives inside the United States can never be considered an outsider anywhere within its bounds.

“... If I have said anything in this letter that overstates the truth and indicates an unreasonable impatience, I beg you to forgive me. If I have said anything that understates the truth and indicates my having a patience that allows me to settle for anything less than brotherhood, I beg God to forgive me.”

At the conclusion of the reading, the following is said.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel *People stand as they are able.*

John 2:1-11

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. 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 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." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

At the conclusion of the reading of the Gospel, the following is said.

The Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Sermon

The Reverend Charles Lane Cowen

The Nicene Creed

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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Michael, our presiding bishop, Kevin, our bishop, and Patty and Charles, our priests.
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially, Ed, Susan, Ann, Joe, Kim, Kevin, Steve, Sherri, Greyson, Bertie, Darlene, Keith, Cruz, and Luis, and all those suffering from the coronavirus
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Mike Kelly;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others; especially those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, Susan, Kennard, Don, Matt, Luz, Fred, Betsy, Mason, Sergio, Jerry, and Nick.
Silence.

The people may add their own petitions.

Concluding Collect

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Celebrant 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

Celebrant

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

The Holy Communion

All are invited to join us in receiving Communion.

Offertory

Let us with gladness present the offering and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus

***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.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

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

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.**

Recessional Hymn 227

We Shall Overcome

We shall o - ver - come, We shall o - ver - come,

We shall o - ver - come some - day; Oh,

deep in my heart, I do be - lieve, (Oh)

We shall o - ver - come some - day. day.

- 2. We'll walk hand in hand
- 3. God is on our side

- 4. We are not afraid
- 5. We shall live in peace

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory”

William Steffe

The flowers today are given in memory of Irving and Marian Tallman Warner, Anne Warner West, Steven A. and Emalea Warner Trentman, Irving Warner Jr., and John Warner.

Altar flowers arranged by Susan Fullerton.

Announcements

Due to the COVID surge, we are suspending coffee hour through the end of January and the choir for this week.

Tonight at 7 pm, join Bishop Brown and Christian leaders across the state for an ecumenical service for Racial Reconciliation and Healing. The service will be held online via a webinar at <https://bit.ly/healing-service2022> Webinar ID: 895 8582 7959 Passcode: 668171. The Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis will be preaching during the service. For more information please go to <https://Delaware.church/healing-service>.

Encore Creativity for Older Adults—On New Year's Day, Trinity's Director of Music, David Simmons, was the first 2022 guest on the weekly *Delaware State of The Arts Podcast*. He was invited to speak about the new Encore Chorale of Wilmington, which is the latest edition to the Encore Creativity for Older Adults family of choruses across the nation. David will be conducting this new ensemble, which will be based here at Trinity. Do you have friends or family (55+) that would be interested in singing choral music on Thursday mornings? If so, could you help us spread the word by sharing this podcast with them? The initial start date is Thursday, February 10 at 10:00 am, due to the rise in Omicron COVID cases. In order to attend rehearsals, all singers must be vaccinated and have a booster shot. In addition, all singers must remain masked during rehearsals and are socially distanced. By following these protocols during last fall's semester, Encore had no COVID incidents among its 1,500 singers in its 21 ensembles nationwide. You can find a link to the podcast and a link for more information about Encore Creativity on our website under the Music link.

SIMPLE GIFTS comes to Trinity! The Arts At Trinity (TAAT) presents versatile folk duo on February 27. Two women plus twelve musical instruments equals one rollicking afternoon of fun when the folk duo Simple Gifts takes the stage at Trinity. Drawing on a variety of ethnic folk styles, this award-winning duo plays everything from lively Irish jigs and down-home American reels to hard-driving Klezmer frailachs and haunting Gypsy melodies, spicing the mix with the distinctive rhythms of Balkan dance music, the lush sounds of Scandinavian twin fiddling, and original compositions written in a traditional style. The Simple Gifts concert is at 4:00 pm with the duo will presenting a free pre-concert lecture-presentation at 3:00 pm that explores the essence of folk music, how folk music differs from other styles, and how folk music develops and evolves over time.