# Liturgy at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

February 17, 2019 + 9am & llam

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany



Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed ares" and the "woe tos" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him and the power to heal us all.

#### Prelude

Berceuse (from 24 Pieces in Free Style) Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

#### Help Us Create **SACRED SPACE** by powering down

Please do not use cell phones and other electronic devices.

The ringing of the *meditation bowl* calls us to silence, centering and reflection as we prepare for worship.

As you pass the *baptismal font* upon entering or leaving the church, and/or on the way to communion, you may *dip your hand in the water* and *make the sign of the cross*. This is an ancient body prayer to remember you are a baptized child of God. Simply touch your forehead, chest, left shoulder, then right shoulder.

# **GATHERING**

# Confession and Forgiveness

**Stand.** All may **make the sign of the cross**, the sign that is marked at baptism, where indicated by the **+**.

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**Kneel.** A period of silence is kept.

Most merciful God.

we confess that we are captive to sin

and cannot free ourselves.

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.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

**Stand. Turn** to face the baptismal font. The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness. The assembly responds, **"Amen."** 

**Turn to face the cross** as it enters; you may bow as the cross passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation.

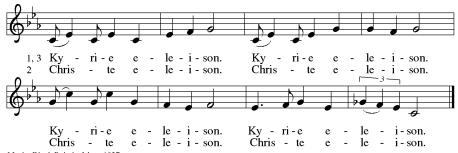
Our liturgy is multi-sensory and shows the significance of our bodies and all of God's creation. Used in many religions, the sweet smell of **incense** represents the rising of our prayers and the aroma of Christ spreading in procession throughout the world. We honor (cense) the primary symbols of the liturgy: the people, font, ambo (lectern), book of scriptures, cross, and table (altar).

#### #524 What Is This Place

During the greeting the presiding minister and assembly **bow toward one another**. We learn from Eastern cultures the deep significance of a bow as a sign of mutuality and the presence of Christ among us.

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

#### And also with you.



Music: Dinah Reindorf, b. c. 1927 Music © 1987 Dinah Reindorf, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

Let us pray... Amen.

~ be seated ~

# WORD

This passage is set next to Luke 6 as another biblical example of the rhetorical pattern of Yes and No. Christians understand that the water that nourishes us is baptism, and the tree is the cross. The passage is similar to much Christian ethics in that it focuses not only on deeds, but also on the intentions of the heart.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gathering Hymn

#### Greeting

#### Kyrie

The English translation of the Greek sung here is "Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy."

# Prayer of the Day

# First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

#### Psalm 1

This paraphrase of Psalm 1 is sung by the assembly.



Words: Psalter, 1912, alt. 1985.

Music: WINCHESTER OLD, attr. George Kirbye, 1592

#### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 We who are to bear fruit are empowered by our faith in Christ, who is the first fruit of God's recreation of the world that will come about in the final resurrection.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

**Stand** to welcome the gospel as Christ—the Word of God—as it is proclaimed among us in this place and time. Turn to face the book as the gospel is read in the midst of the assembly, a sign of Christ among us.



Verse: Rejoice, and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven.

Alleluia...

Usually Luke describes Jesus as the forgiving Savior of all and God as merciful without bounds, but in this passage Luke is uncharacteristically harsh: God brings healing and all the gifts of salvation to the poor, the hungry, the persecuted. Yet many of the people worshiping in our churches are not these dispossessed persons. The gospel is proclaimed within a service in which we confess our sins of disregard for the poor and at which we are offered food that fills us with Christ.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Alleluia...(sung as above)

~ be seated ~

Following the sermon there is a time of silence for reflection and quiet meditation. Our liturgy is not only made up of words, gestures and music, but also moments of silence.

~ stand~

#### #877 Praise the Almighty

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

~ be seated ~

#### Gospel Acclamation

Setting: John Ferguson

The cantor/choir sings the acclamation and the assembly repeats. The cantor/choir sings the verse.

#### Gospel

Luke 6:17-26
As the gospel is
announced, you may
trace a small cross on
your forehead, lips and
breast, a prayer that the
Word may dwell in our
minds, on our lips and in
our hearts.

#### Sermon

#### Silence

# Hymn of the Day

# Prayers of Intercession

#### Peace

The assembly is invited to share God's peace with one another saying, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

## **MEAL**

A special welcome to newcomers! We invite you to fill out the yellow slip in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate when you come up for communion or as you depart.

We thank you for your generous support of Holy Trinity. We seek to *do church differently* as we address racial justice, climate change, and take stands for the rights and dignity of all people created in the image of God. Most of our congregation gives online and you can set up one-time or recurring donations at *giving.htchicago.org*.

Today's loose offering will support **ONE Northside**. Checks and envelope offerings support Holy Trinity's overall ministry unless designated otherwise. Offerings may be put in the basket **on the way to communion**.

# Setting the Table

Offertory Hymn | You Are Holy

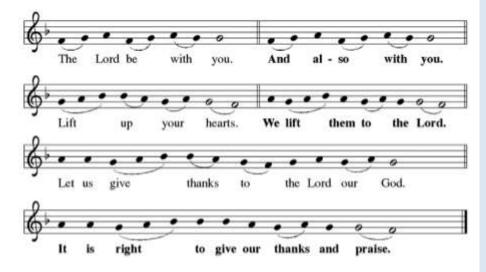


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<sup>\*</sup> May be sung in canon.

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Music: DU AR HELIG, Per Harfing
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#### Great Thanksgiving

The thanksgiving includes the following:

Dialogue

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;

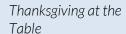
who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels,

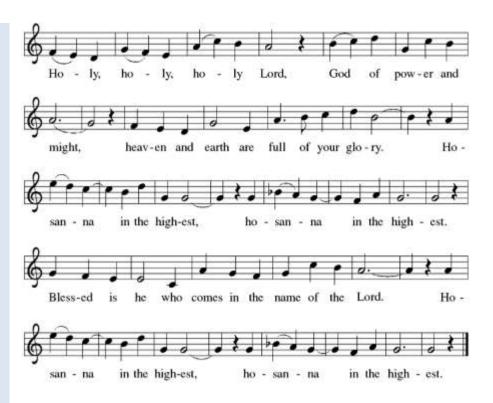
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Preface

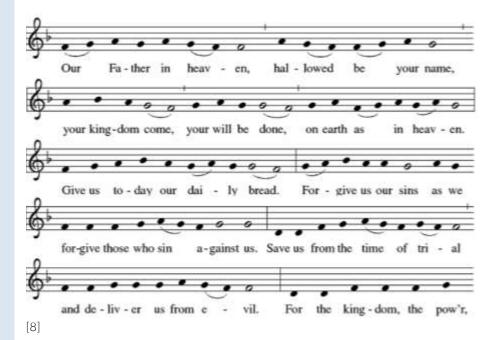
Holy, Holy
This ancient song is the
musical climax of the
liturgy and uses texts
from Isaiah and Jesus'
triumphal entry into
Jerusalem on Palm
Sunday. At the words
"blessed is he who
comes," some make the
sign of the cross as a
connection to our
baptism into Jesus' death
and resurrection.



The Lord's Prayer As a sign of openness to the divine presence, you may join the presider in praying the Our Father with the ancient gesture of extended hands.



The responses during the Thanksgiving at the Table echo the presiding minister.





Breaking of the Bread Please remain standing.

**All are welcome** at Christ's table, including children. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received either by drinking from the (silver) common cup, or by saving the bread and dipping it in the second (glass) cup. Gluten-free wafers are available from the presiding minister. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing, keeping your hands folded over your chest. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone.

Holy Trinity's radical welcome is also an **invitation to baptism** and a deeper connection to community. If you are not baptized, please speak to one of the pastors to learn more about the process of adult baptism.

Text may be found in Hymn 834.

#### Communion

#### Communion Anthem

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (9am) Fric H. Thiman (1900-1975)(11am)Robert A. Hobby (b.1962)

#### Silence

#### Canticle

Now, Lord, You Let Your Servant Go in Peace (Nunc Dimittis)



## Prayer Blessing

Let us pray. brief silence ... Amen.



# **SENDING**

Having heard the word and shared the eucharist, we are sent to live our baptism through words and deeds, making known the love of Christ, and working for justice and peace in our families, communities, and world.

**Turn** to face the cross as it recesses, you may **bow** as it passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation.

#### #723 Canticle of the Turning

God has shown you what is good. What does the Lord require of you? To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God. (Mic. 6:8) Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Following the liturgy, several things happen simultaneously: some folks **greet one another** and converse; others listen to the **organ postlude**; and others move to the front of the sanctuary for **refreshments and social time**.



There are many openings for flower sponsorships in 2019, including today. Please check the clipboard on the back table and sign up to sponsor the fresh flowers that adorn our altar each week.

#### Sending Hymn

Sending

#### Postlude

9am: | Fanfare Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881)

11am:
Canticle of the Turning
Nancy Raabe
(b.1954)



A community organization with a history of nearly 60 years of powerful and effective community organizing. ONE Northside organizes people from over 100 institutions, as well as individual community residents, from Rogers Park, Edgewater, Uptown, Ravenswood, North Center, Lake View, and Lincoln Park.

ONE Northside is a mixed-income, multi-ethnic, intergenerational organization that unites diverse communities and builds collective power to eliminate injustice through bold and innovative community organizing. They accomplish this through developing grassroots leaders and acting together to effect change. They envision a diverse, united North Side of Chicago acting powerfully for shared values of racial, social, and economic justice in communities where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

Our loose offering today will go to support ONE Northside.

SIMEON'S SONG: On the Sundays after Epiphany we will be singing the Song of Simeon to conclude communion. This canticle was a regular part of many historic Lutheran liturgies, and its place at the end of the service reflects gratitude for seeing the Lord's salvation in the eucharist, and departing in peace. Called the "Nunc Dimittis" in Latin, this biblical canticle from Luke 2 is also sung in Compline (Prayer at the Close of the Day) and sometimes at funerals, as it calls to mind Simeon who is able to die in peace having seen Jesus, the holy child and promised one.

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S LITURGIES

PRESIDING MINISTER	Pr. Michelle Sevig
	Pr. Craig Mueller
MINISTER OF MUSIC	David Brackley
ORGANIST (11am)	John Weit
CANTOR (11am)	Marji Shannon
	(9am) Ryan LaHurd; (11am) Ann Sanders
INCENSE	(9am) Megan White; (11am) Molly Beran
	(9am) Justin Stewart; (11am) Cassie Moran
SACRISTAN	(9am) Megan White (11am) Jonas Ellison
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	(9am) Drew Bradle, Katie Mineck
	(11am) Erik Friend, Julie Sevig
	(9am) Phyllis Geistlinger, (11am) Erik Friend
	(9am) Martin Modahl, Christian Cisneros; (11am) Alex Ellison, Jonas Ellison
	(9am) Carol LaHurd; (11am) Beau Surratt
	(9am) Colin Licklider, Jonas Licklider; (11am) Megan Moran, Molly Moran
	(9am) Rich Campbell (11am) Lila Fredenburg
WELCOME HOSPITALITY	(9am) Belle Craig, Bob and Lisa Reiff (11am) Kelly and Michael Johnson, Michael Schnell
	Ken Duckmann
COFFEE HOSPITALITY	Sign up to host coffee hospitality via the sheet on the refreshment table.

# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Coffee Hospitality Hosts and 2019 Flower Sponsorship Signups

Signup sheets for coffee hospitality hosts are on the refreshment table and for flower sponsorships, on the back table.

More information about each opportunity is available on the signup sheets.

#### Book Group February 25

The next book group meeting will be Monday, February 25 at 7:30pm at Whole Foods, 3201 N Ashland. Look for us at the large table on the first floor, next to the coffee bar. We'll be discussing the novel A Yellow Raft in Blue Water by Michael Norris.

#### Upcoming Service Opportunities

Serve with The Night Ministry Youth Outreach Bus + Thursday, February 28 + 6pm Holy Trinity assembles and distributes 'meals in a bag' with the Night Ministry about every other month. You can help out by sponsoring grocery items financially, assembling the meals, and serving them in the community. Sign up for the next opportunity at *serve.htchicago.org*. With

Serve At The Lakeview Pantry + Tuesday, February 26 + 5:30pm

questions, contact Ken Duckmann (justducky514@yahoo.com).

Holy Trinity volunteers assist with working the pantry counter, restocking food, repacking bulk foods, sorting clothing and other various jobs that may be needed on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm. *New Location*: 3945 N. Sheridan Rd. Sign up online at *serve.htchicago.org* or contact James Perez at *ord\_james@hotmail.com*.

#### Ash Wednesday March 6 + Liturgies at HTLakeview and HTLoop

Lent begins with a call to fasting and repentance as we begin our journey to the baptismal waters of Easter and receive the sign of ashes – a reminder of our human mortality and frailty.

9:30am and 7:15pm (with choir) HTLakeview, 1218 W. Addison

**Noon at HTLoop** (with Grace Episcopal) Perfect for those who work downtown.



#### Movie Night at HTLoop + Saturday, March 9 after 5pm Worship

#### Movie Night HT Loop + Three Identical Strangers

This documentary, told by Tim Wade, is the story of triplets, separated at birth, who reconnect with each other, as they head into adulthood. The emotional roller coaster of the film, and it's unfolding of the deeper issues of adoption, nature vs nurture, ethnicity, modern science and secrecy, make this documentary riveting to watch. This is currently showing on CNN in case you'd like to watch it in advance.

Please bring food to share for the potluck we'll enjoy during the movie.

Run time is 1 hour, 37 minutes, followed by the discussion.

#### Newcomer Orientation + Monday, March 18 + 7pm

For those new to Holy Trinity (or Chicago), those who have been attending while but would like to deepen their connection to the church, and those interested in affiliating as a member or associate member. There will an opportunity to get to know each other and learn a little about Holy Trinity and its mission and ministry. Enter at 3609 Magnolia. 383 parking permits provided. RSVP helpful: *office@htchicago.org*.

### A Podcast Conversation with Brené Brown Sunday, March 17 + Noon at HTLakeview Saturday, March 23 + 3pm at HTLoop



**What:** A Podcast conversation with Brene Brown

When: Sunday March 17 at HT Lakeview at 12:00 (includes a light lunch)

Saturday March 23 at HT Loop at 3pm (Brene and Beignets)

Who: Holy Trinity people who are interested in trying a new format for exploring

Spirituality, Vulnerability, Strength, and ways to access tools for Rising Strong

into the essence of who we are meant to be.

Why: Brene Brown is a popular social scientist who has written several books on

Wholehearted Living. She has discovered that we are each brave as we open ourselves to our emotions and use curiosity to sort out what we really know about

ourselves and each other. Her spirited thinking is explored in a podcast

conversation with Oprah Winfrey based on a recent book, *Rising Strong*. We will listen to excerpts of the podcast and enjoy a conversation about making sense of

our lived experience.

**Prep:** Those who sign up can watch Brene Brown's 2010 Ted Talk on vulnerability or

read any of her books. This conversation will focus on Rising Strong.

Sign Up: Register at brene.htchicago.org.

Sponsored by The Spiritual Life Center at Holy Trinity

#### Upcoming Commemorations

#### February 18 + Martin Luther, renewer of the church, died 1546

Though he began his adult church life as a simple Augustinian monk, Luther challenged the abuses he saw in the church, and his work eventually led to the Protestant Reformation. Luther's accomplishments included liturgical reform, translation of the Bible, and creation of the Small and Large Catechisms.

#### February 23 + Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr, died 156

Because he is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation, as well as the important early church fathers Irenaeus and Ignatius, Polycarp serves as a vital link in church history. He was burned at the stake at age 86 for refusing to renounce his faith.



Join us as we launch the Capital Campaign Mardi Gras Style!

Food Stations Choose Your Own Mardi Gras Adventure

Familiar Wait Staff HTLC Youth Group Helping Us Celebrate

Festive Beverages New Orleans Beignets and Coffee

Let The Lutheran Good Times Roll!

Laissez les bons temps rouler!)

You're Invited!
Sunday, March 3, 2019
Mardi Gras Celebration
5:30pm - 8:00pm
Passavant Hall at HTLakeview

Don't miss out on this special night.

RSVP Required by NEXT SUNDAY

Register at mardigras.htchicago.org or via the sheet on the back table.

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# NEWCOMER OR FIRST TIME? WELCOME!

- + Whoever you are, wherever you're from, whatever the color of your skin, whomever you love or marry, or whatever your feelings about religion or spirituality, you are welcome here.
- + Please fill out a **yellow slip in the pew rack** and place it in the offering plate.
- + More information on Holy Trinity, Lutheranism, worship practices, marriage and baptisms at the welcome table.
- + To families with small children: We are glad you are here! If your child needs a break from the service, feel free to walk to the narthex/back of the church. Nursery: open 8:45am 12:15pm Use the garden entrance on Addison; nursery is inside the door. Special children's materials are on a rack at the back of the church.
- + Sunday School for children ages 4-12: Children age 4-12 are invited to join us for Sunday school each week. We begin promptly at 10am. Children age 4 through grade 2 meet upstairs in Passavant Hall. Children grades 3-6 meet in the Spiritual Life Center. Contact Pastor Sevig (msevig@htchicago.org) if you have any questions.



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