



**JANUARY 31, 2010 ✕ 10:30 A.M.**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.*

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**Please turn off all cell phones and pagers** before the liturgy begins.

\* – those who are able may **stand**

**Bold** – all

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***To parents with small children:** We are glad your family is worshipping with us. We have a nursery available and it is open from 8:15 – 11:30 a.m. Please use the garden entrance (on Addison); the nursery is right inside the door. If you or your child need a break from the service, feel free to walk to the narthex/back of the church.*

## GATHERING

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

PRELUDE – *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*

Frederick Frahm

*At the end of the introduction to the hymn, turn to face the cross as it enters; you may bow as the cross passes, honoring the mystery of our salvation.*

\*GATHERING HYMN – #520 *Dearest Jesus, at Your Word*

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

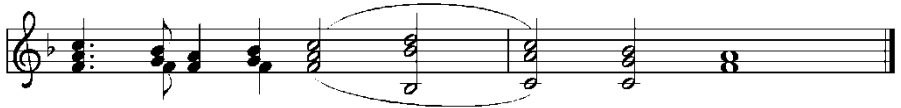
*The presiding minister bows toward the assembly which is the body of Christ and the primary symbol of God's presence in the liturgy.*

**And also with you.**

\*KYRIE



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**WORD**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4–10

*God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word in the midst of the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 71

*The refrain is sung by the cantors and repeated by the assembly. Verses are sung by the cantors.*

**Refrain:**

Hal H. Hopson



In you, O Lord, I put my trust;  
 Keep me from fear and shame.  
 You hear the prayers of all in need  
 Who call upon your name.

**Refrain**

Lord, from the moment of my birth  
Through my allotted days,  
I shall not waver in my trust,  
Or cease to sing your praise.

**Refrain**

O God, be never far away,  
Your favor I implore;  
I'll hope in you through all the years,  
And praise you evermore.

**Refrain**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1–13

*Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand to welcome the gospel and turn to face the book as the gospel is read in the midst of the assembly.*

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Ferguson

*Sung by the cantors then repeated by the assembly.*



You shall go to all to whom I send you.

Do not be afraid, for I am with you. (Jer. 1:7, 8)

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

\*GOSPEL: Luke 4:21–30

*People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.*

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

*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.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(sung as above) – Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

SERMON

SILENCE

HYMN OF THE DAY – #737 *He Comes to Us as One Unknown*

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

\*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

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

## MEAL

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GATHERING OF GIFTS AND SETTING THE TABLE

*Guests are invited to fill out the yellow slip and place it in the offering plate.*

OFFERTORY HYMN – #644 *Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue*

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The following acclamations are sung during the thanksgiving.

Hol - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Christ has died. Christ is ris'n. Christ will come a - gain.

A - men, a - men, a - men. A - men, a - men.

*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 LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,

your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we

for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al

and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,

and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

\*COMMUNION

\*LAMB OF GOD

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

The first system of musical notation for the 'Lamb of God' hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in the key of D major. The treble staff contains a vocal melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.'

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

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Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

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grant us peace, grant us peace.

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*Be seated.*

*All baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Others may come forward for a blessing. Communion will be by continuous line, and the bread will be placed in your hand (gluten-free wafers available from the pastor). The first (silver) chalice on each side is a common cup for drinking. The second chalice is for intinction (dipping the bread into the wine). Reception of the eucharist under one kind (bread or wine) is valid communion for those who must avoid either for health reasons.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM – *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Setting: Anonymous, arr. Christoph Dalitz

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, thou of God and man the son.  
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, my soul's glory, joy and crown.  
Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the flowers of the spring.  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes woeful hearts to sing.  
Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and the twinkling, starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.  
All fairest beauty heavenly and earthly, wondrously is found in thee.  
None can be nearer, fairer or dearer than thou, savior, art to me.

\*PRAYER

## SENDING

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\*BLESSING

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

\*SENDING HYMN – #665 *Rise, Shine, You People!*

\*SENDING

Go in peace. Serve the Lord  
**Thanks be God.**

POSTLUDE – *Solemn Procession*

Lloyd Webber

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## SERVING TODAY

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PRESIDING MINISTER: Pr. Craig M. Mueller

MINISTER OF MUSIC: David R. Brackley

ASSISTING MINISTER: Ryan LaHurd

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MEDITATION BELL: Joel Klaff

USHERS: Joseph Buschmann and Scott Hendrickson

GREETER: Jeff and Megan Whitaker

SACRISTAN: Jon Skogen

ALTAR PREPARATION: Mary Buschmann

NURSERY ASSISTANT: Chelsea Berdahl

COFFEE HOSPITALITY: Ryan and Carol LaHurd

## PARISH NOTES

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### R.I.C. SUNDAY TODAY

The ecumenical community which welcomes people of all sexual orientations and gender identities celebrates the last Sunday of January each year as “welcoming” Sunday. In the Lutheran tradition, we call this day RIC Sunday. This year, RIC Sunday will be more important than ever for our churches in the ELCA. The decisions and actions of the ELCA Churchwide Assembly have invited welcoming congregations to continue their ministry of reconciliation. This year’s worship focuses on the theme of reconciliation.

Begun in 1983, Reconciling in Christ (RIC) is a program for Lutheran communities of faith to answer the inclusive call of the Gospel by welcoming people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. Currently, there are over 445 Lutheran settings on the RIC roster, including congregations, campus ministries, synods of the ELCA and Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, camps, colleges, and other independent organizations. Additional information about the RIC program, including a complete listing of RIC settings and resources for personal and congregational use, are available on-line at the website [www.lcna.org](http://www.lcna.org).

### SUNDAY FORUM – Next Sunday, 9:30 a.m. in St. Mark’s Room

This Sunday: Reflecting on the Scriptures of the Day – Seminarian Crystal Solie

### EXPERIENCE THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Wednesday, February 3 at 6:30 p.m., experience the Gospel of Mark as you’ve never heard it before. Master storyteller and theologian Tracy Radosevic will share the Gospel of Mark the way the first believers heard it. Come to the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, 1100 East 55th Street, Chicago, to be inspired by the good news. Admission is free; freewill offering will be taken at the door. For more information, email Jason Chestnut at [jchesnut@lstc.edu](mailto:jchesnut@lstc.edu) or visit [www.lstc.edu/events](http://www.lstc.edu/events).

## **HOLY TRINITY'S ANNUAL MEETING**

Sunday, February 7, following the 10:30 a.m. Service Held in Passavant Hall, upstairs Potluck meal - bring a dish to share. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

If you can help with SET-UP FOR THE MEAL OR HELP WITH CLEAN-UP following the meeting, please sign-up at the back of the church, or e-mail Josh in the office.

**Booklet of Annual Reports:** if you are able, we ask you to read the reports online. They are now available at our website: [www.holytrinitychicago.org](http://www.holytrinitychicago.org). A limited number of booklets are available at the back of the church and a few copies will be on each table at the annual meeting.

## **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**

On February 7, the date of the Super Bowl, there will be a large soup pot at the back of the church to receive donations for the Northside Shelter and Supportive Services, the "Lakeview Shelter" housed at Lakeview Lutheran, 835 Addison. Holy Trinity members provide a meal at the shelter one Saturday evening a month. This special offering is part of the "Souper Bowl of Caring," a national movement to raise money for local charities on the day of the Super Bowl. Bring large bills or checks may be written to Holy Trinity, marked "souper bowl."

## **SECOND WEDNESDAY EVENT ON FEBRUARY 10: CENTERING PRAYER**

7:30 p.m. Centering Prayer - led by LSTC seminary student, David Webb. In our busy lives centering prayer is a practice that nurtures a sense of God's presence. Using prayers of simplicity, we shed the comings and goings of our daily lives and spend time in God's presence, allowing the silence and stillness to serve as the medium through which we experience God. This workshop will provide an introduction to this spiritual discipline.

## **DAYTIMERS IN FEBRUARY**

Daytimers will be meeting for lunch and conversation on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 11:30 a.m. here at church following the Bible study group. Please bring a main dish, salad, bread, or dessert. Coffee/tea will be available. Anyone free during the day is welcome.

## **GLBT WINTER GATHERING, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH**

Join us for a festive and fun evening celebrating Winter, Mardi Gras, and St. Valentine. Pete Hillman and Mike Thomson welcome all GLBT members and friends to their home on Sunday, February 14 from 4-7 p.m.. Please bring an appetizer, dessert, or beverage to share. RSVP helpful, but not necessary, so if you know you'll be there, please e-mail Josh in the office ([office@htchicago.org](mailto:office@htchicago.org)). Mike and Pete's address is 646 W. Bittersweet Pl #3.

## **EAT, DRINK, READ**

The book club will be meeting on Monday, February 15 at 7:30 PM at the home of Becky Sims, 1702 W. Barry, 773-388-3590. We will be discussing The Killing Tree by Rachel Keener. Please join us for some good food, drinks, and conversation!

## **food4thought RETURNS**

### February 21: Always Online: Blessing and Curse

Many hours a day most of us are "connected" to the internet, e-mail, Facebook, cell phones or even old-fashioned radio and television. As much as there are many gifts in these connections to one another and the world, it is often hard to disconnect and relax in nature or with loved ones. Come and share some of the challenges of always being online as well as some creative ways to go offline for spiritual refreshment. There will be a meal along with the discussion prepared by member Matthew Petersen, and free-will donations to cover the cost of food will be taken at that time.

## **CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE LUTHERAN MAGAZINE**

Holy Trinity is proud to make subscriptions of The Lutheran magazine available to Holy Trinity members. It is an important way that we keep connected to news, ministries, and stories within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. If you are able to make a donation to cover your own subscription (\$10.00) and/or those of others, please write a check to Holy Trinity or make a donation on our website at [www.holytrinitychicago.org](http://www.holytrinitychicago.org).

## **PROJECT WELCOME UPDATE**

Have you been wondering what is happening with Project Welcome and the Burmese refugee family that we have been slotted to co-sponsor? The answer is: we are still awaiting their arrival. IRIM has no ability to predict to when a particular family will arrive until they pass the security check phase. IRIM sent us the following information to help us understand the process better: "Once a family is done with the pre-requisites of their file and paperwork, they must then start the security-check process. The timing of this is dependent upon the timing of the FBI and any backlogs they may be dealing with. In addition, any family that has any young male members generally takes longer to get through the security check due to lengthier and tougher security checks that are now being done for anyone in this category (regardless of ethnicity)." So as we practiced hopeful waiting in Advent, we continue waiting in eager anticipation to welcome this Burmese family.

## **LAKEVIEW ACTION COALITION**

We are seeking another Holy Trinity member to be involved with the Lakeview Action Coalition. Check out information at LAC online <http://www.lakeviewaction.org/> and contact Carrie Egan at [clegan2005@yahoo.com](mailto:clegan2005@yahoo.com) to learn ways to help.

## **DIVERSITY MOMENTS – AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH**

In 1925, Harvard-trained historian, Carter G. Woodson, conceived of a week-long celebration to raise awareness of African American's contributions to this country. The first celebration took place in February 1926 between the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass and was expanded into a month-long celebration by 1976. And how do we celebrate this rich history today? Seminarian, Crystal Solie, will be sharing experiences and resources throughout February to help us explore various topics in African American History – past and present. Watch for announcements in the Sunday bulletin and the weekly e-newsletter

**FLOWER SPONSORS NEEDED FOR THE NEW YEAR!** See the flower signup sheet at the back of the church and write a check to Holy Trinity for \$32 with “flowers” in the memo line or give through our online giving found at our website.

**NEXT BAPTISM DATES:** April 25, May 23. See information brochure in the narthex.

**NEXT NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION DATES:** January 31, April 18, 2010. More info at our website: [www.holytrinitychicago.org](http://www.holytrinitychicago.org)

## CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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February 3 (Wed)	@ 7:00 p.m. – htVespers
February 4 (Thurs)	@ 10:00 a.m. – Bible Study: Luke (St. Mark’s Room)
February 7 (Sun)	@ 8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist @ 9:20 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal @ 9:30 a.m. – Sunday Forum: This Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist @ <b>11:45 a.m. – Annual Congregation Meeting</b>
February 10 (Wed)	@ 7:00 p.m. – Brief Eucharist @ 7:30 p.m. – Second Wednesday Event: Centering Prayer

## COMMEMORATIONS

### **Tuesday, February 2 - Presentation of Our Lord**

Forty days after the birth of Jesus we mark the day Mary and Joseph presented him in the temple in accordance with Jewish law. There they were greeted by Simeon, an aged priest who offered the song "Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace," as well as by the prophet Anna, who spoke of the redemption of Israel.

### **Wednesday, February 3 - Ansgar, Bishop of Hamburg, missionary to Denmark and Sweden, died 865**

A monk who helped bring Christianity to Scandinavia, Ansgar returned to Germany where he was named bishop of Hamburg. He is remembered for his love for poor people.

### **Friday, February 5 - The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597**

Christianity was brought to Japan in the sixteenth century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

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*The events of the past year have renewed our nation's focus on issues of race and class. Many have concluded that our country is now in a "post-racial" era. It is within this context that we invite you to ask:*

*The Myth of Post-Racial America*  
has the dream been achieved?  
a sacred conversation on racism

**Sunday, January 31, 2010**

**3:00 PM — 5:00 PM**

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago  
1100 East 55th Street, Chicago, Illinois

*A completely candid discussion regarding the role of race and racism in our Church and Society followed by a question and answer session.*

**JOIN THE CONVERSATION!**

**Metropolitan Chicago Synod Antiracism Team**  
**[www.anotherpebble.org](http://www.anotherpebble.org)**

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# ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE

## HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

JANUARY 2010

[www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster)

On Tuesday, January 12, a magnitude 7.0 earthquake rocked the island country of Haiti, primarily impacting the capital, Port-au-Prince.

Offices, hotels, houses and shops have collapsed. The presidential palace is in ruins and many churches have been destroyed. Hospitals are overflowing and the search for survivors is intense.

The streets of Haiti are filled with people in shock and searching for loved ones among the rubble.

**Your help is needed today to bring immediate relief and continued hope for our brothers and sisters in Haiti.** About 3 million lives, one-third of Haiti's population, are affected by this earthquake.

Already one of the poorest countries in the world (70 percent of Haiti's population lives in extreme poverty), this catastrophe will exacerbate the suffering felt by many already living with hunger and poverty.

ELCA Disaster Response is already working through long-standing partnerships on the ground to provide emergency food, water, shelter and medical supplies.

Financial gifts are urgently needed. **Your gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response, designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief, will be used entirely—100 percent—for immediate relief and ongoing recovery in Haiti.** Your prayers and generous gifts will make a life-saving difference. Please give today.

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**Yes, I want to help!**

- ELCA Disaster Response: *Haiti Earthquake Relief* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ IDG0059  
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To give by credit card, visit [www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster) or call 800-638-3522



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**Welcome to Holy Trinity!** Wherever you are in your spiritual life and/or in your process of being comfortable in church or finding a church home, you are welcome here!

**PARKING** is available at McDonald's, Clark and Addison, on Sunday mornings when you are unable to find street parking. Please use the spaces in the southwest corner (near Addison and the alley). Pick up a permit at the back of Holy Trinity that you can keep in your car. Please do not use the lot on days of Cubs home games or you will be towed. (383 neighborhood parking permits are only needed from 6 pm – 6 am.)

**Podcast** of last week's sermon is available on our website.

**Interested in membership?** We would be delighted to have you join our community of faith in worship and ministry. New member orientation sessions are held throughout the year. Watch the bulletin or see our website for more information.

**Silence.** In addition to words and music our liturgy has several periods of silence. The resonance of the meditation bell calls us to a time of reflection and centering.

**Holy Communion:** All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. Adults or children not communing may come forward for a blessing.

**The Spiritual Life Center** has offices at Holy Trinity, offering counseling and spiritual direction. Brochures are available at the back of the church.