
LITTLE TRINITY

SINCE 1842



Sunday, Dec 29, 2024

Lamplighters Worship &
Communion Service

6:30pm

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYER

READINGS: Revelation 5:9-14

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.”

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures
and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads
and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honour and glory and blessing!”

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth
and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever!”

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshipped.

Matthew 2:1-11

¹ Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, magi from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests

and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

⁶ "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod summoned the magi secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

SERMON

"Worthy is the Lamb

"

James Beck

REFLECTION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

STAND

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

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, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man.

Do you believe and trust in the saving work of Jesus Christ?

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.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.

OFFERTORY

In our offertory, we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God.

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OFFERTORY WORSHIP

PRAYERS

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in the United States

DIOCESE: Christ Church, Brampton, Christ Church, Deer Park &
Christ Church, Holland Landing

CLERICUS: Chaplain, Toronto General Hospital, University Health Network

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Brigden Place & Ontario Street

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Women's Group - Kim Begg, Kamesha Graham, Catherine Dirks,
Darlene Dempsey Gallé

PARISH

Benita Black, Adelaide and Tobias, Hilary Black & Stephen Scott, Meradith &
Sean Black-Fleming, Frances; Mebbie Black; Karlene Bloomfield, Jonathon;

MISSION PARTNERS

Drs Philip & Nancy Wood, (WEC) Bunia, DR Congo

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

All: Merciful God, you have called us to be your people, but we have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us and we have failed to look out for others' interests above our own. Conceit and pride have gripped us, and we have failed to associate with and care for those who are different from ourselves. Forgive us for these offenses against you and subdue within us everything that is contrary to your will. By the power of your Holy Spirit, transform us both individually and as a community. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Leader: Merciful and loving God, grant to each one of us forgiveness and peace; that we may start each day afresh, secure in the knowledge of your never failing love for us. Give us the strength to serve you this week, renewed in body, mind and spirit. We give you thanks through the name of Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you;

And also with you.

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be 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 him thanks and praise.

We praise and bless you,
loving Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts
that broken bread and wine out-poured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

On the night before your Son died, he had supper
with his friends, and taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, shared it with them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

When supper was ended he took a cup of wine.
Again your Son gave you thanks, shared it and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, and with confidence, place all
our hope on his sacrifice, made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught, we are bold to pray.

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

*All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord,
are welcome to the Lord's table.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the
communion administrant.*

MUSICAL WORSHIP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, we thank you that you fed us with your bread and wine. Open our hearts this week that we may be transformed by your free offer of grace, not trapped by the demands of religion. Set us free to experience the joy of being freely loved and forgiven by you through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. We ask these things in his name. Amen.

BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING WORSHIP

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



NEXT SUNDAY, JAN 5, 2025

6:30pm - Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service
Reading: Luke 2:22-40

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