LITTLE TRINITY

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Sunday, Nov 29, 2026

Advent 1 | EPB Worship &
Communion Service

9am & 10:45am

Welcome to Little T!

A Liturgical Style of Worship

This booklet will hopefully help make you feel more comfortable, especially if this is new to you.

Liturgical worship simply means we follow a particular order of service that is grounded in liturgy or "the work of the people". We use a liturgical form of service for our gatherings because we are not putting on a show for people to watch. Rather, the liturgy walks us through the wonderful story of Jesus Christ in a sequence that brings home the good news of God's grace to us. Each week we are brought back to the strange and amazing story of God with us. Today, our service is from the Book of Alternative Services (BAS) developed in 1985.

If this is new to you please join in only where you are comfortable. You'll get the hang of it after a few goes. Look out for ***STAND*** and ***SIT*** and ***SIT/KNEEL*** (whichever is your preference) instructions or just follow what your neighbour is doing (assuming they have been here before). In general, we stand to praise, sit to learn and sit/kneel to pray. **Bold** print directs you to join in unison.

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WELCOME

MUSICAL WORSHIP ***STAND***

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

We light this first candle to pray for hope. We pray that the world would know the hope that Jesus brings, both in his coming as a child and the hope of his coming again to make all things new. We pray for all those who feel that their hope has gone. May they find their hope renewed this season.
Lord Jesus Christ, hope of our hearts and hope for the world, come close to us this Advent. Amen.

O*PENING PRAYERS** ***SIT/KNEEL

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.
Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these your laws in our hearts.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you;
And also with you.
Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

All: Shepherd of Israel, who by a dream guided your servant Joseph to embrace your promise of salvation: lead us in the way of grace and peace, so that we may bear your promise into the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

LESSON Psalm 130
9am: Denise Hutchinson
10:45am: Graham Chernoff

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
2 O Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
4 But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.
5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
6 my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.
7 O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.
8 And he will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL **Matthew 1:18-25** ***STAND***

9am: Cliff Roach
10:45am: Jacob Winter

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
The Holy Gospel is from the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning in the first chapter at the eighteenth verse.
Glory be to you, O Christ.

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his
mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came to-
gether she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. 19 And
her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to
shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. 20 But as he considered
these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a
dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as
your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.
21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will
save his people from their sins.” 22 All this took place to fulfill what
the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

23 “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall call his name Immanuel”
(which means, God with us).

24 When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord
commanded him: he took his wife, 25 but knew her not until she had
given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON ***STAND*** *for prayer, then* ***SIT***

"Joseph: The Shape of a Disciple"
The Rev. Canon Timothy Haughton, Senior Pastor
Sermon Series: The Wonder of God-With-Us

REFLECTION

CONFESSION OF FAITH **S*TAND***

Do you believe in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father Almighty creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ***SIT/KNEEL***

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

WEEKLY PRAYER CYCLE

Ministries of the Wider Church
WORLDWIDE: The Church in Hong Kong
DIOCESE: All Saints, Collingwood, All Saints, King City & All Saints, Kingsway
CLERICUS: Mission to Seafarers

Neighbourhood
Those working at Gilead Place & Trinity Street

Little Trinity Community Leaders
Lay Reader Coordinators - Peter & Sara Austin

Parish
Alex & Jessica Sinclair, Henry & Hazel; Mike & Louanne Smalley; Jackie Smith; Rob & Justine Smith, Jacob & Henry; Trevor & Peggy Smith

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

OFFERTORY

In our offertory, we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God. If you wish to financially support the ongoing gospel ministry of Little Trinity, you can scan the QR code attached to a pew for options or visit our website at littletrinity.org/give. If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering in the offering boxes in the church sanctuary.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY ***STAND***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION ***SIT/KNEEL***

You then, who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from this day forward in God's holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all, we acknowledge and confess our many sins, which we have committed, by thought, word and deed, against your divine majesty. We earnestly repent, and are truly sorry for all our misdoings. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all

that is past, and grant that from now on we may always serve and please you in lives wholly renewed by your Spirit, to the honour and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who turn to him with heartfelt repentance and true faith: have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

STAND

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

COMMUNION

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Hear now these words of assurance for all who truly turn to Christ.

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest'.

(Matthew 11:28)

'God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.'

(John 3:16)

The apostle Paul said: 'Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners'.

(1 Timothy 1:15)

The apostle John said: 'If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.'

(1 John 2:1-2)

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts;
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, forever praising you, and singing:

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.

SIT/KNEEL

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in your tender mercy you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his once and for all offering of himself, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He instituted, and in his holy gospel, commands us to continue a perpetual memorial of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that we who receive this bread and wine according to your Son Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood.

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper, Jesus took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: 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.

Accept through Jesus Christ, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of your life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him: Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.**

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord who delights in showing mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat this bread and to drink this wine, that our bodies and souls may be cleansed by Christ's body and blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us 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.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION ***STAND***

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE 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 ***STAND***

THE DISMISSAL
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Next Sunday, Dec 6, 2026

9am & 10:45am - Advent 2 Lessons & Carols Services
(With concurrent Children & Youth Ministry - Ages 0-Gr. 8)
6:30pm- Advent 2 Lamplighters Lessons & Carols Service
Reading: Luke 1:26-38

(Please note that we endeavour to keep the Lamplighters service scent-free. We appreciate your help in keeping this space welcoming for all.)

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