



Holy Trinity Geneva

## THE EPIPHANY

Eucharist following the rite of the Book of  
Common Prayer

9.00am Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025



Arise, shine;  
for your light  
has come,  
and the glory  
of  
the LORD has  
risen upon  
you.

*Isaiah 60.1*

Photograph by Patrick Comerfield : 'The Adoration of the Magi - an  
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### LORD'S PRAYER

*Said by the priest alone*

Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;  
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,  
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind,  
and with all thy strength.

This is the first commandment.

And the second is like, namely this:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these  
thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

### COLLECT

*Let us pray,*

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### FIRST LESSON

**Isaiah 60.1-6**

*We sit*

*The reader says*

The First Lesson is taken from the 60th chapter of the book of the Book of the prophet Isaiah, starting at the 1st verse.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,

and his glory will appear over you.  
 Nations shall come to your light,  
 and kings to the brightness of your dawn.  
 Lift up your eyes and look around;  
 they all gather together, they come to you;  
 your sons shall come from far away,  
 and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.  
 Then you shall see and be radiant;  
 your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
 because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
 the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
 A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
 the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
 all those from Sheba shall come.  
 They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
 and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

## HYMN

## NEH 47 (omit v4)

1 As with gladness men of old  
 Did the guiding star behold,  
 As with joy they hailed its light,  
 Leading onward, beaming bright,  
 So, most gracious God, may we  
 Evermore be led to thee.

3 As they offered gifts most rare  
 At that manger rude and bare,  
 So may we with holy joy,  
 Pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
 All our costliest treasures bring,  
 Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

2 As with joyful steps they sped,  
 To that lowly manger-bed,  
 There to bend the knee before  
 Him whom heaven and earth adore,  
 So may we with willing feet  
 Ever seek thy mercy-seat.

5 In the heavenly country bright  
 Need they no created light;  
 Thou it Light, its Joy, its Crown,  
 Thou its Sun which goes not down:  
 There for ever may we sing  
 Alleluyas to our King.

## PSALM 72.10-15

*We sit to say the psalm antiphonally*

10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles ' shall pay ' tribute;  
 the kings of Sheba and Seba ' shall bring ' gifts.

11 All kings shall fall ' down be'fore him;  
 all ' nations shall ' do him ' service.

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 W.H. Monk (1823-89)  
 W Chatterton (1837-1898)

- 12 For he shall deliver the ' poor that cry ' out,  
the needy and ' those who ' have no ' helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the ' weak and ' poor;  
he shall pre'serve the ' lives of the ' needy.**
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from op'pression and ' violence,  
and dear shall their ' blood be ' in his ' sight.
- 15 Long may he live;  
unto him may be given ' gold from ' Sheba;  
may prayer be made for him continually  
and may they ' bless him ' all the day ' long.**

## **EPISTLE**

**Ephesians 3.1-12**

*The reader says*

The Epistle is taken from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter of St Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the 1st verse.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Here endeth the Epistle.

## **GOSPEL READING**

**Matthew 2.1-12**

*We stand*

*The reader says*

The holy Gospel is written in the 2nd chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew beginning at the 1st verse.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

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

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **Sermon - Canon Daphne Green**

*We sit*

## **NICENE CREED**

*We stand*

**I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible:**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten  
of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God**

of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## OFFERTORY

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

*The priest places the bread and wine upon the table.*

*Reflective music is played.*

## INTERCESSIONS

*We sit or kneel*

*Brief biddings may be given.*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth. Almighty and ever-living God, who by thy holy apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity and concord: and grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian kings, princes and governors; and specially thy servant Charles our King, that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, priests and deacons, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. **Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort and make your humble confession to almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

## **CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE COMFORTABLE WORDS**

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

*Matthew 11.28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

*John 3. 16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

*1 Timothy 1.15*

Hear also what Saint John saith:

If anyone sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

*I John 2. 1,2*

## **PREFACE**

*We stand*

The Lord be with you

**And with thy spirit**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up unto the Lord**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**



Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### **PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

### **PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood:

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread;

*Here the priest is to take the paten.*

and, when he had given thanks, he brake it,

*Here the priest shall break the bread.*

and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat;

*Here the priest is to lay a hand on all the bread.*

this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the cup;

*Here the priest is to take the cup.*

and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, Drink ye all of this;

*Here the priest is to lay a hand on every vessel in which there is wine to be consecrated.*

for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins: do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present to thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

## **GIVING OF COMMUNION**

*We invite you to come and to receive Communion, receiving the host from the priest and, if you wish, the wine from the chalice bearer. Please consume the host before you receive the wine and do not dip it in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms. If you are accustomed to receiving Communion in any church, you are welcome to do so with us today.*

Draw near with faith. Receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you and his Blood which he shed for you. Remember that he died for you and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*We kneel or sit*

**Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done,  
in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that 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.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty and ever-living God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

## **GLORIA**

*Except during the seasons of Lent and Advent, we stand to say*  
**Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.**

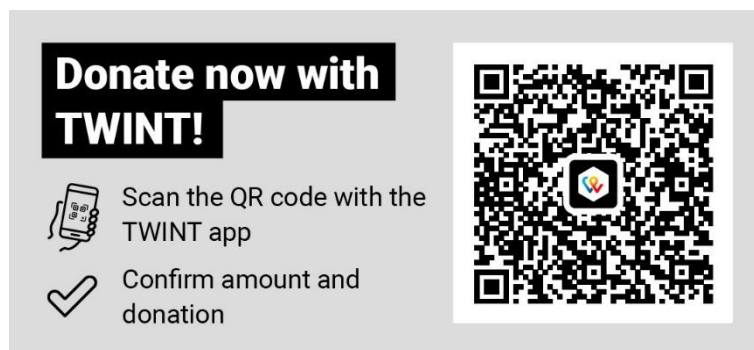
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only are the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## HYMN

NEH 55

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1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed!  
Great David's greater Son;  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
His reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
To set the captive free;  
To take away transgression,  
And rule in equity.

2 He comes with succour speedy  
To those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy,  
And bid the weak be strong;  
To give them songs for sighing,  
Their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
Were precious in his sight.

3 He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth,  
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,  
Spring in his path to birth:  
Before him on the mountains  
Shall peace the herald go;  
And righteousness in fountains  
From hill to valley flow.

4 Kings shall fall down before him,  
And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore him,  
His praise all people sing;  
To him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend;  
His kingdom still increasing,  
A kingdom without end. .. / ..

5 O'er every foe victorious,  
He on his throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All-blessing and all-blest:  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand for ever;  
That name to us is Love.

*Crüger*  
*Ad. WH Monk (1823-1889) from*  
*a chorale by Crüger (1598-1662)*  
*J Montgomery (1771-1854)*  
*Based on Psalm 72*

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Music after the service**

#### **Prayer Requests**

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Liz Kernen, Jonathan Bezzola, David Omumbwa, Sybil Sheppard, Chris Talbot, Joan Tye, Annemarie Hester, Louise Cellier, André Vivas, Timothy Creffield, Tianna Dagher, Edith Tanner, Livia Varju, Brenda Hand, Valerie Offord, Phil Thomas, Diana Mason, Robin Bailey, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Samuel Kalibala, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Diana Dickinson, Denise Muhlethaler, Maya Mortimer, Rosabelle de Silva, Silvio -Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Jenny Syratchev, George Thomasz, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Among the faithful departed we pray at this time for Chris Baron. May he rest in peace and rise in glory with the saints.

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## SERVICES in JANUARY 2025

Wednesday	1 Jan	10h CW Eucharist Online
Thursday	2 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday Epiphany	5 Jan	9h BCP Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Epiphany Carol Service
Wednesday	8 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist Online
Thursday	9 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	12 Jan	9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Choral Eucharist
Wednesday	15 Jan	10h CW Eucharist Online
Thursday	16 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	19 Jan	9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist in Church & Online 15h00 Christingle Service 18h00 CW Eucharist with prayers for healing, laying-on of hands and anointing.
Wednesday	22 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist Online
Thursday	23 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist in Church
Sunday	26 Jan	9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 All Age CW Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Choral Evensong
Wednesday	29 Jan	BCP Eucharist Online
Thursday	30 Jan	10h BCP Eucharist in Church