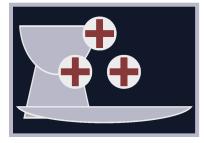
# THE EVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD



DECEMBER 24, 2020

7:30 PM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH THE BRONX, NEW YORK

#### In the Name of Jesus

P: In the Name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: Let us pray:

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

### Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness-- on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

#### Epistle (Letter) Reading: Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

**Verse** (Please stand and follow the holy cross.) P: Allelu – Allelu – Allelu – Alleluia! C: Praise We The LORD! (2X) P: Praise We The LORD! C: Alleluia! (4X)

Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 (*Please stand.*)
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.
C: Glory to You, O Lord!

(after the reading) P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

#### Sermon

Sermon Reflection: What is one thing I've learned from God's Word today and will TAKE with me into the world?

#### Hymn Of The Day: O Holy Night

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining It is the night of our dear Savior's birth Long lay the world in sin and error pining Til he appeared and the soul felt its worth

A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees, oh hear the angel voices
0 night divine,
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Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother; And in His name all oppression shall cease.

Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, Let all within us praise His holy name.

Christ is the Lord! O praise His Name forever, His power and glory evermore proclaim. His power and glory evermore proclaim.

#### The Apostles' Creed

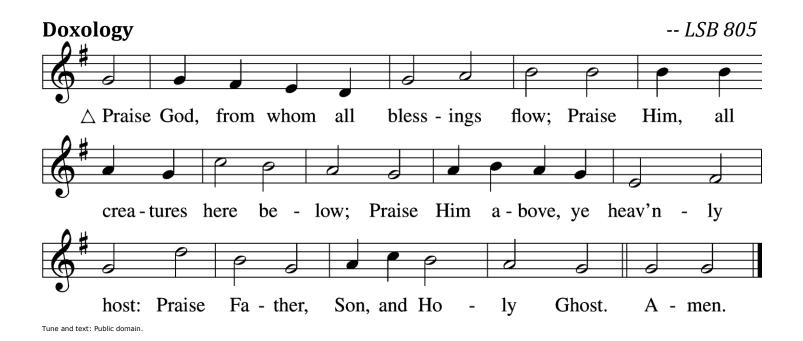
P: Together, let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, **C**: creator of heaven and earth. 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 into hell. 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, 

#### The Lord's Prayer

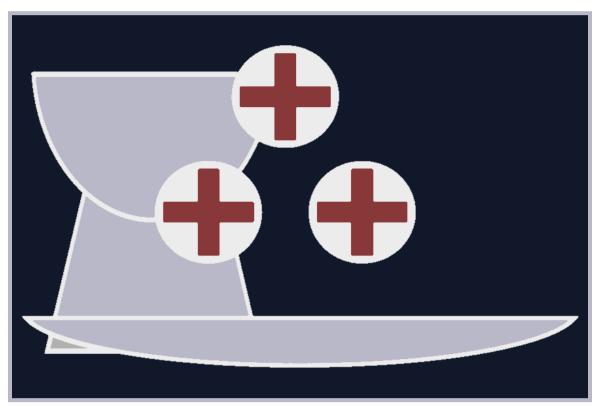
P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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



### IN-PERSON WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CONTINUE EACH SUNDAY AT 11:00AM!

#### ALL OTHER IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES ARE CURRENTLY SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE! AS WE CONTINUE WORKING THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF COVID-19, WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED. THANKS! PEACE & LOVE IN JESUS!!!



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