

The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

The First Sunday *after*
The Epiphany
The Baptism of Our Lord

11:00 am
Holy Eucharist, Rite II



WIDE OPEN DOORS
WIDE OPEN HEARTS

January 8, 2023

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, January 8	9:30 am	Family Service – <i>Baptism</i>	Church
	10:30	Refreshments	Narthex
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist – <i>The Baptism of our Lord</i>	Church
	12:00	Refreshments	Narthex
	12:30	Chorister Rehearsal	Church
	12:30	Formation/Education	Parish House
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Monday, January 9	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	7-9:30 pm	Choral Arts Society Rehearsal	Church
Tuesday, January 10 William Laud, <i>Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645</i>	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Wednesday, January 11	10:00 am	Staff Meeting	Parish House
	11:00-2:00	Church Open for Prayer	
Thursday, January 12	10:00-2:00	Church Open for Prayer	
Friday, January 13 <i>Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367</i>			
Sunday, January 15	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - <i>The 2nd Sun after the Epiphany</i>	Church
	12:30	Refreshments	Narthex
	12:30	Chorister Rehearsal	Church
	12:30	Formation/Education	Parish House
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.

Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today!

A few reminders and information for your time with us today

Masks: Masks are welcomed, encouraged and optional at this time. If you need a mask, please let us know and we will be happy to get one for you.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags (you can even decorate your own) in the back near the service bulletins for those who wish to stay with their families during the service. Parents, if you want a little quiet time to yourself, your children can join Madison and Laura, our wonderful Child Care Team, in the Parish House for activities. They will meet you in the Narthex and show you where to go. All children will return to the church for communion during the Peace.

During **The Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist/elbow bumps. Please be sure your neighbor is comfortable with physical contact before shaking hands.

Offering: You can give a financial gift to the church in three ways: by placing it in the plate that we pass in church today, by texting **CHT DONATE to 73256** or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM (www.htrit.org/give).



Communion Those who are baptized in any tradition are welcome to join us for communion. If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew and keep social distance, we will bring communion to you.

More Information? Please visit our website www.htrit.org for more information about services and activities at The Church of the Holy Trinity and to sign up for the weekly E-News. If you prefer a printed version, please fill out a slip in the Narthex.

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you!

Welcome & Parish Notices

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Hymn 135

Salzburg

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and for ever. Amen

Collect for Purity

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

Gloria S-277



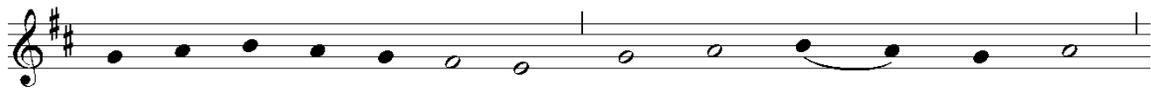
1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Jc - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29 *Afferte Domino*

- ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- ⁹ And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"

- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Andy Gutknecht

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

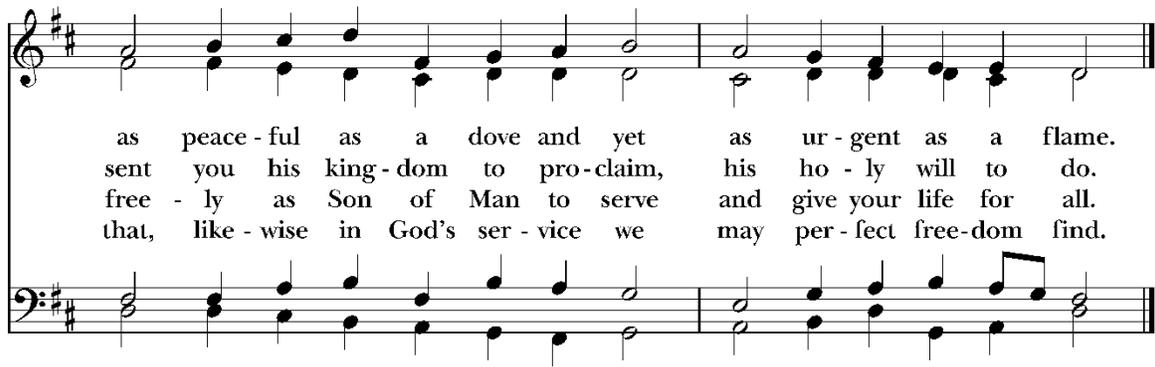
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

Sequence Hymn 121

Caithness

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
 2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
 3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,



The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel procession, the people are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner

After a period of silence, please stand for the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

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

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Prayers of the People Form IV

Peter Ryker

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

The people gathered offer their prayers for the church.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; for our neighbors who do not have a place to sleep and those living in deep poverty, and for those who have been affected by or live in fear of gun violence, especially in our city. that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

The people gathered offer their prayers for the world, the city, and our neighbors.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

The people gathered offer their prayers for the earth and all of creation.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
The people gathered offer prayers for those they love.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, especially, Wendy, Emily, Judge, Ron, William & Nancy, The Hicks family, Romeo, Dan, Jan, Jack & Lynn, Charlie, Kardos, Yueh-Han, Joanie, Celine, Will, Becky, Joe, Lanie, Michelle, David & Sam, Nancy, Louise, Laurie, Richard, Shannon, and Frank and bring them the joy of your salvation.

The people gathered offer their prayers for those who are sick or in need.

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

The people gathered offer their prayers for those who have died

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

All Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

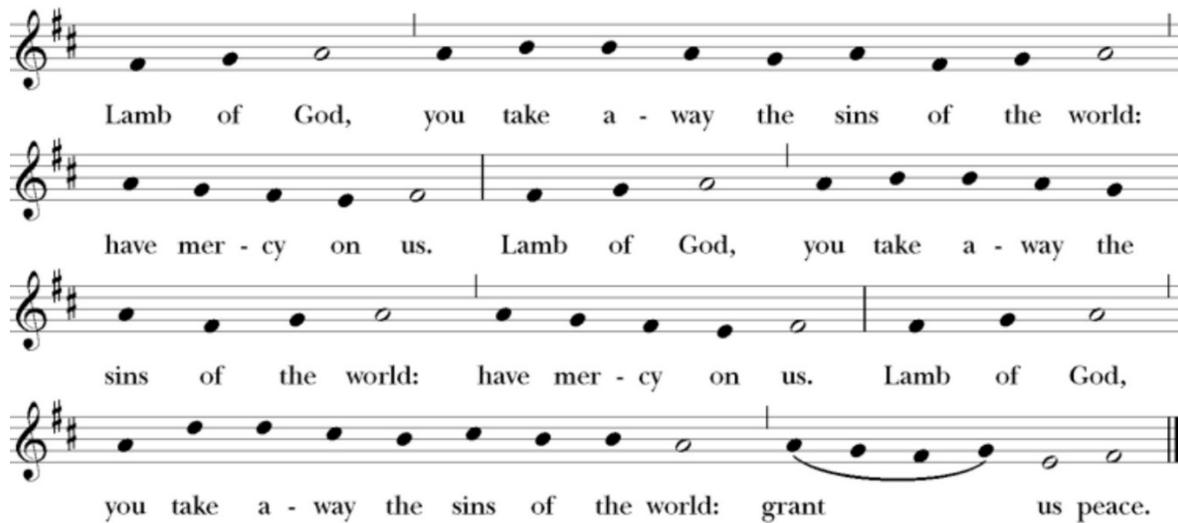
The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All **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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei S-161



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please be seated.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion *for those not taking communion or joining online today*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

by St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787),

Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and come to the station at the front of the church. We will bring communion to those unable to come to a standing station or those who are more comfortable staying in their pew. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. Our healing team will be available in the prayer chapel to pray for you or someone you love during communion.

Stanzas 1 – 3 are sung by the choir.

Stanzas 4 & 5 are sung by all.

1 "I come," the great Re - deem - er cries, "to do thy will, O Lord!"
 2 "Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness," he said.
 3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven's ex - alt - ed height:
 4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,
 5 No more we'll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.

1 At Jor - dan's stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.
 2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord's com - mands, through Jor - dan's flood was led.
 3 "This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light."
 4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God's will in right - eous - ness.
 5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

Please stand as able.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
 And now, Father, send us out
 to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and mind in the knowledge and love of Christ, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen

Dismissal Hymn 132

Erhalt uns, Herr



1 When Christ's ap - pear - ing was made known, King He - rod
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far and fol - lowed
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood the heaven - ly
4 Oh, what a mir - a - cle di - vine, when wa - ter
5 All glo - ry, Je - sus, be to thee for this thy



1 trem - bled for his thronc; but he who of - fers
2 on his guid - ing star; by light their way to
3 Lamb in meek - ness stood, that he, to whom no
4 red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and
5 glad e - piph - a - ny: whom with the Fa - ther



1 heaven - ly birth sought not the king - doms of this earth.
2 Light they trod, and by their gifts con - fessed their God.
3 sin was known, might cleanse his peo - ple from their own.
4 forth it flowed in streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er - more.

The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Margaret Dowling & Andy Gutknecht, *Lectors*
Peter Ryker, *Intercessor*
Martha Lipscomb & David Otwell, *Usher Team*
Gretchen Ekeland, *Virtual Greeter*

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Nancy Rasmussen, *Clerk*;
Gail Caruso, Sally Griffith, Susan Leidy, Martha Lipscomb, & Emily Stromberg, *Vestry*

A Survey for Families

The Church of the Holy Trinity is applying for a grant from the Lily Foundation to support Christian parenting and caregiving of children. While the grant is focused on children under three, we would like to understand the needs of families with children of all ages. When you are finished with this survey, please place in basket in the back of church. Thank you!!

1. How many children are in your household? *Circle one.*

- 1
- 2
- 3 or more

2. What are the ages of the children in your household? _____

3. Are you the sole caregiver to child(ren) under three? *Circle one.*

- Yes
- No

4. What Christian activities do you engage in with your child(ren)? *Circle all that apply.*

on a daily basis?

- Bible reading
- Discussing religious questions or thoughts
- Prayer
- Other (*please specify*): _____

on a weekly basis?

- Attending church
- Bible reading
- Discussing religious questions or thoughts
- Prayer
- Volunteering through a faith-based organization
- Other (*please specify*): _____

on a monthly basis?

- Attending church
- Bible reading
- Discussing religious questions or thoughts
- Prayer
- Volunteering through a faith-based organization
- Other (*please specify*): _____

5. If you do not engage in Christian activities, what kinds of activities do you do you're your child(ren) – please specify if you do these **daily, weekly or monthly.** *over →*

6. What additional activities could the Church of the Holy Trinity offer to you and your child(ren)?

7. If you are interested in participating in a focus group to discuss opportunities for parenting and caregiving support, please include your name and best contact information below.

Thank you!

**THE CHURCH OF
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RITTENHOUSE SQUARE

