

☪ Trinity Episcopal Church



The Second Sunday in Lent
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II with Expansive Language
February 25, 2024 AT 10:00 AM

Welcome! We are glad you are worshiping with us.

*If the customs and worship of The Episcopal Church are new to you,
let the congregation carry you along in the liturgy and know that we welcome your conversation and questions.*

PRELUDE: *Wondrous Love: Variations on a Shape-note Hymn* (H439)

Samuel Barber
(1910–1981)

The Word of God

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able at the ringing of the bell.

OPENING HYMN: *The God of Abraham praise* (Blue book #401)

A Penitential Order

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures forever.**

The Decalogue

Presider Hear the commandments of God to his people:

Please kneel as you are able.

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

A Deacon or Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Said by all together.

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 our Savior 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.

The Presider says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

KYRIE ELEISON

<i>Bells (or Organ)</i>	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Chri - ste e - le - i - son.	Chri - ste e - le - i - son.
	<i>Cantor</i>	<i>People</i>
	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Setting: David Beyer (b. 1952).
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

<i>Presider</i>	God be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Presider</i>	Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Psalm 22:22-30

The refrain is sung first by the choir and then by the congregation. The choir sings the verses.

Refrain

Mode 1

All the ends of the earth shall re-mem-ber and turn to you.

22 May all who fear you, O God, give praise; *
may the offspring of Israel stand in awe,
and all of Jacob’s line give glory.

23 For you do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty,
neither do you hide your face from them, *
but when they cry to you, you hear them. **Refrain**

24 My praise is of you in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek you shall praise you: *

“May your heart live for ever!” *Refrain*

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.

27 For yours is the royal power, O God; *
you rule over the nations.

28 To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before you. *Refrain*

29 My soul shall live for you;
my descendants shall serve you; *
they shall be known as yours for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that you have done. *Refrain*

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able for the proclaiming of the Gospel.

TRACT

If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Sung by the choir.

GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.

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

The people sit.

TRACT

If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Sung by the choir.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Nora Boerner

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all together. Please stand as you are able.

**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

We are in awe of you and your promises. Help us set our minds on you.

Your world is aching for healing. Make us good stewards of your creation, Lord. Grant our president and our leaders in the courts and Congress compassion and wisdom.

Have mercy upon us. Set our minds on you.

Your church is reaching for you. Help us to extend our reach to all whom you love.

We give thanks with those celebrating anniversaries of birth, especially _____.

We give thanks with those celebrating anniversaries of marriage.

We pray for those preparing for holy orders, especially Kevin Edens.

We give thanks with those celebrating anniversaries of sobriety.

O God, who has blessed and sustained us through the years; we ask that you continue to lead us, stretch us, and direct us, in our search for a new rector. Raise for us, we pray, a priest and pastor who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion, that we may continue to grow in the likeness of Christ and be a beacon of love and hope to our community and the world. To the glory of your Holy Name.

Have mercy upon us. Set our minds on you.

Your people are being born, are ill, are both anxious and joyous. They are hungry and cold and don't know where to turn. They bend under the weight of their lives and rejoice in your life-giving love.

For all who are sick and in need of healing. We pray especially for Nancy, Tam, Ann, John, Charles, Peter, Helen, Robert, Ann, Kris, Phyllis, Sara, Art, Bill, Paul, Chris, Mary, Angie, Meg, and Ruth.
For those who are dying.
For those we name now, silently or aloud.

Silence.

Enable us to bring them your healing and fullness of life.

Have mercy upon us. Set our minds on you.

We pray for all those who have died, especially for John Cray and George Devine on the anniversaries of their deaths, and for all whose lives have been lost through natural disasters, acts of war, and acts of political violence.

Have mercy upon us. Set our minds on you.

The Presider concludes the prayers.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trinity Announcements can be found in the last pages of the service bulletin.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *What wondrous love is this*

The first two verses are sung by the choir:

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

*What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to lay aside his crown for my soul.*

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing.

*To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

The congregation joins on verse three:

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.**

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity, I'll sing on.**

American folk hymn, ca. 1835, arr. David N. Johnson and Peter Pindar Stearns

DOXOLOGY: *What we need is here*

*Please stand as you are able and sing,
What we need is here, What we need is here. (3x)*

Text from "The Wild Geese" in *Selected Poems of Wendell Berry*

Music: Amy McCreath

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A with Expansive Language

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

The Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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: *Holy, holy, holy Lord* (S121)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high-est.

Setting: Plainsong, Te Deum tone; adapt. James McGregor (b. 1930)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

EPICLESIS

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Presider

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM: *Lamb of God* (S160)

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.

Setting: Anaphora chant; Mass 18; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

INVITATION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion is available for those in our online congregation.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

This is Christ's table, and Christ invites all to share in communion. We believe Christ is fully present in the bread and the wine.

If you would like to receive communion, please come to the altar rail. Communion ministers will come to you, first with bread and then with wine.

If you wish to receive only bread, cross your arms over your chest when the wine comes to you. If you wish to receive wine, the method will be intinction – dipping the edge of your wafer in the wine. Please be careful to avoid putting your fingers in the wine.

Gluten-free bread is available.

When the priest comes to you, please say, "gluten free" to receive gluten-free consecrated bread.

COMMUNION HYMN: *Take up your cross, the Savior said* (Blue book #675)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Stand or kneel as you are able.

The Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

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 Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel or bow as they are able, and the Presider prays:

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: *O Love of God, how strong and true* (Blue book #456)

DISMISSAL

Priest or Deacon

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PRELUDE: *Wondrous Love: Variations on a Shape-note Hymn*, conclusion

Samuel Barber

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Presider: The Rev. Jim Harrison **Preacher:** The Rev. Nora Boerner **Greeter & Usher:** Chris Martin

First Reader: Sanda Ong **Second Reader:** Theodore B. **Intercessor:** Mo Jones

Acolytes: William B. **Altar Guild:** Cheryl Schmitt **Musicians:** Jean Littlejohn, choir director and organist; Sally Casto, organist; Barbara Eckstein and Spencer Jones, handbell ringers

TODAY AT TRINITY

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 and 10:00 am

Formation Hour at 9:00 am

EYC at 4:30 pm

Canterbury Compline at 6:30 pm

Nursery Care is available from 9:45-11:45 am for children ages 6 weeks to 3 years.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Please join on tonight, Sunday, Feb. 25, at 6:30 p.m. for a service of Choral Evensong for the Second Sunday of Lent, with music by Buxtehude, Phillips, Weelkes, and Brahms.

LENT OFFERINGS

Prayer on Weekdays:

Stations of the Cross Tuesdays at 12:00 pm

Morning Prayer M-F at 9:00 am on Facebook Live

Evening Prayer M-F at 4:30 pm on Facebook Live

Adult Groups

Prayer & Discernment - Mondays in Lent at 6:00 pm in the parlor

Book Discussion of Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day! – beginning Sunday Feb. 25 in Lent at 9:00 am in the parish hall

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year End 2023 Reserve Funds

Undesignated Reserves \$ 545,049

Designated Reserves \$ 545,728

Total Reserve Funds \$ 1,090,776

Trinity 2024 Year-to-Date Financial Results

YTD Total Income - 1/31/24 \$30,160.15

YTD Total Expenses - 1/31/24 -\$46,324.18

YTD Deficit -\$16,164.03

If anyone has financial questions or would like to attend a Budget & Finance meeting, the next meeting date will be held virtually on Saturday, February 27 at 9:00am. Please reach out to Donna Wong-Gibbons (wonggibbons@gmail.com) for a meeting link.

PRAYER LISTS

We invite you to pray for those listed below throughout the week.

Members in need of healing: Nancy, Tam, Ann, John, Charles, Peter, Helen, Robert, Ann, Kris, Phyllis, Sara, Art, Bill, Paul, Chris, Mary, Angie, Meg, Ruth.

Community Prayer List: For my daughter who is battling breast cancer; for my brother – so he is able to receive financial aid for High School; I pray that Gary, Ben, Megan, Mathias, Justin, and Leann find love; For my small family; For all wars to end; For my daughter who is battling BRCA; For peace in the middle east; That I receive money from the government; pray for my son and his current work situation; healing for Michael.



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Guided by the Holy Spirit, we are called to love God by living Christ's commandment to love one another as God loves us. Together with the Spirit, who has begun good work through us, may we be directed and upheld in the service of Christ and His kingdom. Amen.

Welcome! We're glad you are here worshipping with us today!

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Vestry Class of 2024: Jay Bowen, Laura Christensen, Marianne Jones, and John Loomis

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