



TRINITY  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**MARCH 23, 2025**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**10:00 A.M. – HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)**

**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL**

*At Trinity Church, we believe God's love is expansive and unconditional and that through Christ, God has called us to love one another as God loves us. We welcome all people regardless of gender, race, age, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, economic circumstances, family configuration, or difference of ability. We celebrate the worth, dignity, and gifts of every person as a child of God.*

## HYMN 401

## The God of Abraham praise

*Leoni*

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
 2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
 3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,  
 4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,  
 5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
 2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
 3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;  
 4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!  
 5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
 2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
 3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,  
 4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:  
 5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.  
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."  
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799), alt.

Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

## A PENITENTIAL ORDER

*all stand as able*

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;  
*People* **God's mercy endures for ever.**

*Celebrant* Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God  
 who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit murder.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not be a false witness.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Supper of the Lamb. Let us confess our sins confident in God's forgiveness.

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

## THE WORD OF GOD

### HYMNAL S 97

Lord, have mercy

Richard Felciano

*p*

Lord, have mer - cy.      Lord, have mer - cy.      Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy.      Christ, have mer - cy.      Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy.      Lord, have mer - cy.      Lord, have mer - cy.\_\_\_\_

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

*all sit*

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses,

“Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,  
and this my title for all generations.”

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

### PSALM 63:1-8

*Antiphon*

*Sung first by Cantor, then by all*

Robert Barney



O God, you are my God; ea-ger-ly I seek you.

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
my lips shall give you praise.

*Antiphon*

So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
and lift up my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, \*  
and meditate on you in the night watches.

*Antiphon*

For you have been my helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; \*  
your right hand holds me fast.

*Antiphon*

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

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

*all stand, as able*

**HYMN 387**

We sing of God, the mighty source of all things

*Magdalen College*

1 We sing of God, the might - y source of all things;  
\*2 Tell them I AM, the Lord God said, to Mo - ses  
3 Glo - rious the sun in mid ca - reer; glo - rious the as -  
4 Glo - rious, most glo - rious, is the crown of him that

the stu - pen - dous force on which all strength de - pends;  
while on earth in dread and smit - ten to the heart,  
sem - bled fires ap - pear; glo - rious the co - met's train:  
brought sal - va - tion down by meek - ness, Ma - ry's son;

from whose right arm, be - neath whose eyes, all pe - riod,  
at once, a - bove, be - neath, a - round, all na - ture  
glo - rious the trum - pet and a - larm; glo - rious the al -  
seers that stu - pen - dous truth be - lieved, and now the

power, and en - ter - prise com - men - ces, reigns, and ends.  
with - out voice or sound re - plied, O Lord, thou art.  
might - y stretched - out arm; glo - rious the en - rap - tured main:  
match - less deed's a - chieved, de - ter - mined, dared, and done.

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), alt.  
Music: *Magdalen College*, William Hayes (1706-1777)



*Gospeller*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*         **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

*Gospeller*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*         **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Nancy J. Hagner

## THE NICENE CREED

*all stand, as able*

*People*         **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor* We pray to the Lord for courage to give ourselves to God this Lent. Give your Church the courage to give up her preoccupation with herself and to give more time to your mission in the world.

*People* May the blood and water flowing from the side of Jesus bring forgiveness to your people and help us to face the cost of proclaiming salvation. Lord, meet us in the silence,  
**give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give your world the courage to give up war, bitterness and hatred, and to seek peace.

*People* May the shoulders of the risen Jesus, once scourged by soldiers, bear the burden of political and military conflict in our world. Lord, meet us in the silence,  
**give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give us the courage to give up self-seeking and complacency, and increase our faith. Bless all who are discerning for Baptism in the Church.

*People* May the heart of the risen Jesus, his body once broken and now made whole, guide us in the way of truth, engage our curiosity, and direct our path. Lord, meet us in the silence,  
**give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give us the courage to give up quarrels, strife and jealousy in our families, neighborhoods and communities.

May the presence of the risen Jesus, his body once broken and now made whole, bring peace and direction as we live with one another. Lord, meet us in the silence,

*People* **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give us the courage to give up our selfishness as we live for others, and to give time, care and comfort to the sick. We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Ellie, Barbara, Colby, Susie, Christine, Ryan & Kim, Peter, Caroline, Jinna, Barbara, Cameron, Irina, Andrew, Arthur, Frank, Jenny, Donald, Will, Spencer, David, John, Duncan, Paul, Michael, Chris, Andrew, Helen, Dan, Ben, Barbara, Michelle, Scott, John, Robert, Mart, Priscilla, Anne, Linda, Susan, Tassy & Tino, Jamie, Ellen, Kevin, Scott & Randall, Dawn, Jacoby, Linnea, Jim, Weyden & Angel, Gail, Mary, Amy, Bill, the Klein Family, Pat, Tommy, Liz, Walter, Josette, and Rose. May the wounded hands of Jesus bring his healing touch, and the light of his presence fill their rooms. Lord, meet us in the silence,

*People* **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give us the courage to give up our fear of death and to rejoice with those who have died in faith.

May the feet of the risen Lord Jesus, once nailed to the cross, walk alongside the dying and bereaved in their agony, and walk with us and all your Church through death to the gate of glory. Lord, meet us in the silence,

*People* **give us strength and hear our prayer, here and in eternity. Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM

*Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren*

Johannes Brahms

Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren,  
Sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, so sei vergnügt mein Wille.  
Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen,  
der Eine steht allem für, der gibt auch dir, das Deine.  
Sei nur in allem Handel ohn' Wandel, Steh' feste, was Gott beschleusst,  
das ist und heißt das Beste. Amen.

*Do not be sorrowful or regretful;  
Be still, as God has ordained, and thus my will shall be content.  
What do you want to worry about today, tomorrow, is everything,  
There is One who stands above all who gives you, also, what is yours.  
Only be steadfast in all you do, stand firm; what God has decided,  
that is, and must be the best. Amen.*

HYMN 761

All who gather

*Holy Manna*



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na

3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.

liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for

Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.

from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.



Taste and see that God is good.

Taste and see that God is good.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993) © 1991, GIA Publications, Inc.

Music: *Holy Manna*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

*Celebrant* Generous God, at your table we present bread and wine and this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

# EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*all stand as able*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

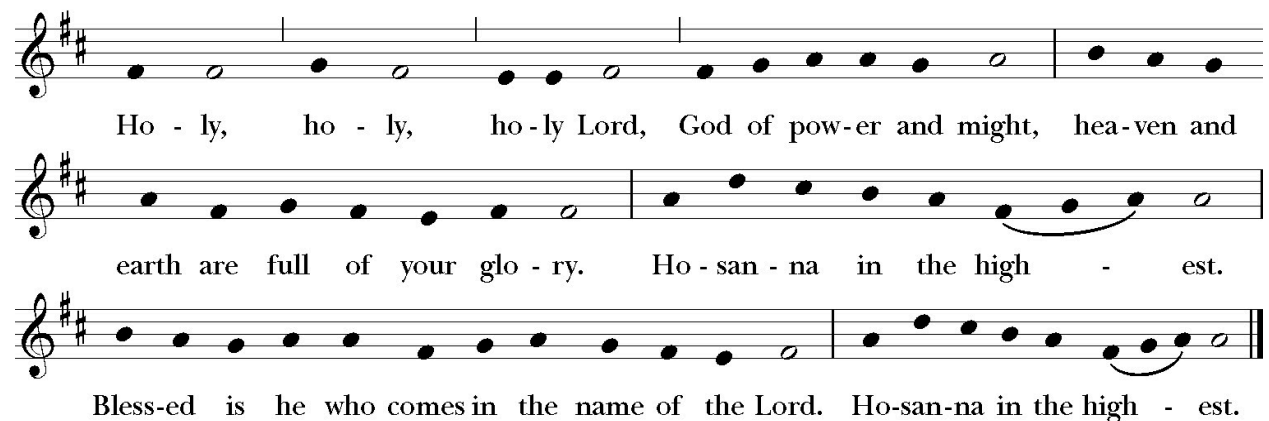
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*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. 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:

## HYMNAL S 124

Holy, holy, holy Lord

David Hurd



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* Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father 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.

*People* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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 Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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.

## INVITATION AND COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist as One Body in Christ. Please come forward as directed by the ushers. You are welcome to receive wine from the common cup, but **there is no intinction.** We are always ONE Body in Christ.*

## CHORALE:

Jesu, meine Freude

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

Jesu, meine Freude, meines Herzens Weide, Jesu, meine Zier,  
 Ach, sie lang, ach lange ist dem Herzen bangen, und verlangt nach dir!  
 Gottes Lamm, mein Bräutigam, ausser dir soll mir auf Erden nichts sonst Liebbers werden.

*Jesus priceless treasure, Source of purest pleasure, Jesus friend to me,  
 Long my heart hath panted, Till it well-nigh fainted, Thirsting after Thee!  
 Thine I am, O spotless Lamb! I will suffer naught to hide Thee, Ask for naught beside Thee.*





1 O God, un - seen yet ev - er near, thy pres - ence may we feel;  
 2 Here may thy faith - ful peo - ple know the bless - ings of thy love,  
 3 We come, o - be - dient to thy word, to feast on heaven - ly food:  
 4 Thus may we all thy word o - bey, for we, O God, are thine;



and thus in - spired with ho - ly fear, be - fore thine al - tar kneel.  
 the streams that through the des - ert flow, the man - na from a - bove.  
 our meat the Bo - dy of the Lord, our drink his pre - cious Blood.  
 and go re - joic - ing on our way, re - newed with strength di - vine.

*Words:* Edward Osler (1798-1863)

*Music:* *St. Flavian*, from *Day's Psalter*, 1562

### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*all stand as able*

*Officiant*

Let us pray.

*People*

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### THE SOLEMN LENTEN PRAYER

*Celebrant*

Bow down before the Lord. Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMNAL 688

A mighty fortress is our God

*Ein feste Burg*

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood  
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side,  
 do us; we will not fear, for God hath willed  
 bid - eth; the Spi - rit and the gifts are ours

of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing; for still our an - cient foe  
 the man of God's own choos - ing; dost ask who that may be?  
 his truth to tri - umph through us; the prince of dark - ness grim,  
 through him who with us sid - eth: let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,  
 Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his Name,  
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,  
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bo - dy they may kill:

and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
 for lo! his doom is sure, one lit - tle word shall fell him.  
 God's truth a - bid - eth still, his king - dom is for ev - er.

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546); tr. Frederick Henry Hedge (1805-1890); based on Psalm 46  
 Music: *Ein feste Burg*, melody Martin Luther (1483-1546); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Ein feste Burg*

Michael Praetorius



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Lent Adult Forum: Finding our way back to God**

9 a.m. Sundays through April 6 in Parish Hall. In this forum series, we will explore the tension, struggles, and joys of living in this in-betweenness of Lent, before Easter. We will examine the ways that we get stuck and how we rise to walk in love with God. You are most welcome and encouraged to come for any or all of this special time facilitated by Dr. Brian Litzenberger.

### **Lent Wednesdays**

**Noonday Prayer:** We gather at NOON via **ZOOM** for this 10 minute mid-day prayer service followed by a few minutes of fellowship. All are welcome.

### **12:30-1:30 pm Wednesday Lent Study “A Feast of Many Flavors”**

ALL are welcome. Feel free to bring your lunch and meet in Trinity’s Library. Wednesdays through April 9. Our Wednesday Lent study will feature a variety of spiritual writers reflecting upon grief, joy, hope, and faith. Short readings, excerpted from different books, are available to participants in the Parish Hall (green cover). Come to one session or come to all five, as we gather in community to listen for where the Spirit may touch our hearts in this season.

### **Mite Boxes for Maranyundo School for Girls in Rwanda**

Trinity has a long tradition, thanks to Debbie Scarff, Ministry Champion for the Maranyundo School for Girls in Rwanda, of creating and filling “Mite Boxes.” The puppet show during Stewardship reminded us of the Lenten practice of “giving alms.” These mite boxes make it easy for you and your family to fill your box with loose change throughout the season of Lent and then bring the box back on Easter Sunday. These gifts are combined and sent directly to our international ministry partner, Maranyundo, to assist with a current need at the school. So pick up your box in the Parish Hall, and live the season of alms giving with intention and love. Checks are fine too! To Trinity with Maranyundo in the memo line. For more information about this amazing school go here: <https://maranyundogirlsschool.org/>

### **Trinity hosts Concord Prison Outreach (CPO) Interfaith Event Sunday March 30 3-5pm**

CPO is having the third annual Interfaith Gathering. This event aims to unite diverse faith communities in reflection, connection, and finding meaning together in the midst of these uncertain times. During our event, we will have opportunities to engage in meaningful dialogue, share perspectives, and explore how faith can be a bridge to positive social change. Together, we can create a more inclusive and empathetic society where everyone’s voice is heard and valued. We know this to be true.

## Easter Memorial Flowers

Remember loved ones at Easter by making a special gift to Trinity's Flower Fund. The church will be decorated for Easter in the beautiful ways our Altar and Flower Guilds design each year. Questions? Please contact Beth Confrancisco in the church office 978-369-3715, ext. 110 or confrancisco@trinityconcord.org. Or fill out the form accessed by reading The Window, or find one outside the church office, and mail your check to Trinity Church, 81 Elm St. Concord MA 01742. Attn: Beth. Please write "Easter Memorial" in the memo line of your check. **Please return by April 15, 2025.**

### **PBS Airs 1974 Women's Ordination Film: "The Philadelphia Eleven"**

Women were first ordained to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church in the United States in 1974--a momentous occasion in the history of the church. In 2023--almost 50 years later--a film called "The Philadelphia Eleven" was made about the "irregular ordination" of those women, the momentum that led to the service and the struggles and developments that followed--all the way to the 1988 election of Barbara Harris as Bishop of Massachusetts. This 90-minute film will be aired on PBS Channel 2 WGBH on March 30 at 6 pm. It is also already available for viewing both on [pbs.org](https://www.pbs.org) and the PBS app until June 2, 2025:

<https://www.pbs.org/show/the-philadelphia-eleven/>

More than 50 years ago, this was the turning point for women's ordination to the priesthood. And there are **two Trinity connections** worthy of mention.

1) The fourth bishop involved in the laying on of hands was Rt. Rev. Tony Ramos, who had served as a seminary assistant here at Trinity in 1962 while studying at the Episcopal Theological Seminary in Cambridge and in 1974 was actively serving as Bishop of Costa Rica.

2) Charles V. Willie, who later became a member of Trinity Concord, delivered the sermon at the ordination service. And when the House of Bishops subsequently invalidated the ordination, Willie resigned his elected office of Vice President of the House of Deputies in protest.

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2025**

**Sunday, April 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday**

**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 - Chapel**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School - Undercroft

**10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II - Main Church**

**Tuesday, April 15, 2025**

**7:00 p.m. Women of the Passion - Main Church**

Women of the Passion offers the viewer a unique Lenten encounter. Women from scripture who were transformed by their encounters with Jesus narrate the story of Christ's Passion through the traditional 14 Stations of the Cross.

**Wednesday, April 16, 2025**

**7:00 p.m. Tenebrae - Main Church**

The service of Tenebrae contains some of the most ancient traditions and rituals of the Christian church. Light and darkness from the heart of the visual experience and the symbolic meaning of the service. at the center of the Liturgy are texts drawn from the Lamentations of Jeremiah. Each reading is followed by a musical response.

**Thursday, April 17, 2025**

**7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday, Main Church**

Maundy Thursday is the day that commemorates the Washing of the Feet (Maundy) and Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles, as described in the canonical gospels. This service includes The Holy Eucharist and The Stripping of the Altar.

**Friday, April 18, 2025**

**12:00 p.m. - Good Friday - Chapel**

Good Friday worship invites Christians to reflect on the suffering Christ went through for our sake by sacrificing his life for our sins. Reflecting on how much Christ suffered to pay for our sins deepens the joy and gratitude we feel for the gift of new life with Christ that we celebrate on Easter Sunday.

**Sunday, April 20, 2025**

**8:00 a.m. Easter Sunday, Holy Eucharist, Rite II - Main Church**

No Sunday School/There will be nursery coverage

**10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday, Holy Eucharist, Rite II - Main Church**

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt



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