

Trinity Episcopal Church



The Third Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 23, 2019

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Sermon

Sunday, March 24, 2019

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Sermon

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Sermon

Childcare is provided

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Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Please maintain a time of silence, stillness and centering upon entering our worship space.

Entrance Rites

Prelude

Trinity Bells

*When I survey the wondrous cross
What wondrous love is this
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus
Humbly I adore you*

arr. Ronald Kauffman
arr. Douglas Wagner
arr. Linda R. Lamb
arr. Shawn Gingrich

The people stand as they are able.

Hymn in Procession:

We sing the praise of him who died

Hymn 471
Breslau

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God who forgives all our sins;
People ***His mercy endures forever.***

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

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 Trisagion

Hymnal S100

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

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.**

First Reading

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."

The Response

Psalm

Psalm 63: 1-8

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.

Antiphon

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.

So will I bless you as long as I live *

and lift up my hands in your Name.

Antiphon

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

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

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.

Sequence Hymn

O bless the Lord, my soul

Hymn 411

St. Thomas

Gospel

Luke 13: 1-9

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.'"

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector

The Nicene Creed

***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.*

The Prayers of the People

In this holy fast of Lent, let us pray to the Lord who knows the needs of all, saying: Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For the Church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that we may take to heart the gospel's call to repentance and bear the fruit which the Master of the vineyard expects. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For this Parish family, that, like Moses, we may turn away from our daily pursuits and find God's presence and invitation in the midst of our busy lives. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For those areas of our lives that do not produce fruit, that God will prune us, nurture us and continue to give us opportunities to bring forth a harvest of faith, hope, and love. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For the gift of peace, that God will calm the pride and turn the anger of those prone to violence, terror and injustice. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For the hungry and the homeless, those in doubt and distress, and for the sick and the suffering, remembering especially..... (pause) that they may find confidence and strength in God's love. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, remembering especially....., that they may be brought to the good and broad land of life eternal. Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, God of Israel, who reveals your mercy to every generation. Receive the prayers we offer this day and nurture us with your love that we may bear the abundant fruit of conversion and glorify your Name forever, in the power of your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem *Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks* Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God; yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, Where, where is now thy God?

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal S124

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

***Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

The Celebrant continues

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lord's Prayer

***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 Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S161

Communion

All are welcome to come to the table of our Lord. You may receive communion, or you may come for a blessing.

You may request a gluten free wafer if you are allergic to wheat or its byproducts.

At the 10:00 a.m. Service, Pastor Jane will offer Anointing for Healing. If you desire to receive this sacramental rite, please go to the back of the nave, after you have received communion.

Communion Anthem:

Sing, my soul, His wondrous love

Ned Rorem

Sing, my soul, His wondrous love, Who, from yon bright throne above, ever watchful o'er our race, still to man extends His grace. Heav'n and earth by Him were made, all is by His scepter sway'd; what are we that He should show so much love to us below? God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior's blood, and, to make our safety sure, guides us by His spirit pure. Sing, my soul, adore His name; let His glory be thy theme: praise Him till He calls thee home, trust His love for all to come.

The people stand as they are able.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

Hymn 344

Sicilian Mariners

Blessing

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude Vesper Voluntaries Op. 14, No. 8: Allegretto, Coda Edward Elgar
Jonathan Boksen, guest organist

Announcements

There is light at the end of the tunnel, and it appears to be getting nearer. We hope to have a final publication of the 2019 Parish Directory the first week of Easter, but to do so we need your help. During the next several Sundays, please visit the Parish Hall, between or after services, to view your entry as it currently exists in our database. Any changes may be made at that time. If we missed you, our apologies in advance. There's still plenty of time to add in your information correctly. Once the editing process is done – expecting that to be by April 7 – we will attempt to contact those from whom we have not heard.

Another opportunity to support the Soup Kitchen is here. Dick Ditterline is organizing a group sales program to benefit the outreach program. The Neshaminy Valley Musical Theater will be performing “My Fair Lady” in late March and early April. See the recently published March Tidings from Trinity for further details.

Our Card Shower for the month of March is for The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril. Please use the cards located in the back of the church if you need one. Please bring them to the Parish Office to be collected and mailed (you may leave them in the drop box in the door). Please use your own words to let Mother Gwendolyn-Jane know that you are thinking of her and wishing her well. Many thanks!

The Pastoral Care Committee is providing Lenten literature, available on the back table of the church, for your devotions during this holy season. Please take one for yourself and/or your family.



Please remember in prayer this week
March 24, 2019

Our Partner-Parish:

St. Margaret of Scotland in Emmaus

In the Diocese of Bethlehem:

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop
St. Gabriel's, Douglassville
Trinity, West Pittston

In the Anglican Communion:

The Church of Hong Kong
(Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui)

Please Pray for those in Need:

Loretta Brobst, Twila Evans, Kim Frey, Josh Fridman, Mary Jane and John Fridman, Pastor Jane Gaeta, Bernice Gardiner, Doodie Genthner, Charles Gianguzi, Nicolina Gianguzi, Jason Gray, David and Linda Haines, Charles Johns, Andrew Lane, Tony Macri, Jim McCandless, Stewart McCandless, Merrie McHose, Alex MacMillan, Louise Neilson, Edgar Northcote, Ruby Northcote, Patti Pasda, Carol Propsner, Juan Rodriguez, George Romeril, Mother Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Robert Romeril, Angeline Ruch, Ed Ruppert, Mary Schatkowski, Earl Stover, Barbara Subber, Victoria Sweet, Stanton and Audrey Sykes, Carol and Jack Vickrey, Roger Walter, Christa Warda, Peter and Walter Warda, Stephanie Wethered, and Thelma Wilson.

Pray for those in our Military Service:

Sgt. Kevin Connors, Erin Kloss, Tristin Lascelle, Alex J. McCandless, MACS Cristin Miller, and Robert Wilkin

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please speak with the Rector. Names will remain on the list for a month. To submit a name, please send an email to communications@trinitybeth.org. Names may also be submitted to the Daughters of the King by using one of the blue cards in your pew rack.

Birthdays

March 26 Bob Romeril
March 28 Karen Ernst
March 30 Roleen Schmyer
Bill Winterburn

Anniversaries

March 28 Frederick and Margie Segaline



Some participants in the service:

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Sunday, 8:00 AM

Theresa Kunda	Greeter/Announcer
Theresa Kunda	Altar Guild
Francis Frey	Reader 1
Jane Frey	Reader 2
Robert Baser	Intercessor
Joanne Gulya	Eucharistic Minister
Ann Szmania	Eucharistic Minister
Gretchen Tarby	Usher

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Bill Hontz	Greeter/Announcer
Jeanne Deets	Altar Guild
Sara Klingner	Verger
Sandy Mesics	Crucifer
Joyce Meinke	Reader 1
Rick Weaver	Reader 2
Charles Johns	Intercessor
Virginia Hontz	Eucharistic Minister
Ross Mangina	Eucharistic Minister
Robert Lawrence	Usher
	Usher
	Pastoral Care Visitor
The Hospitality Committee and you	Hospitality
John Jastrzemski	Counter
Ann Szmania	Counter

Upcoming events

April 13: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Church cleaning and polishing

Palm Sunday, April 14
Sunday of the Passion

Maundy Thursday, April 18
Maundy Thursday Service
with Footwashing and Eucharist
Dinner 5:30 p.m.
Service 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 19
Good Friday Service
12:00 noon
Stations of the Cross immediately following

Holy Saturday, April 20
Easter Vigil 7:00 p.m.
Easter Feast afterwards

Easter Sunday, April 21
The Day of Resurrection
Festal Services 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Parish Breakfast between services hosted by Trinity Vestry

Next Week

Monday, March 25, 2019

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

*The Annunciation of Our Lord Jesus Christ
to the Blessed Virgin Mary
(transferred from March 25th)*

11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Thursday, March 28, 2019

3:30 p.m. Crafting Our Prayers (at The Knitter's Edge)

Friday, March 29, 2019

John Keble, Priest, 1866

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop and Missionary of Armenia, c.332

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Appointments: Flexible scheduling available. Please contact the Rector to schedule an appointment.

Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector -pam@trinitybeth.org

The Rev. Elizabeth Miller, Deacon and Soup Kitchen Coordinator

The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Carr, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Ditterline, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Gerard R. Gaeta, Obl.S.B., Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Jane S. Gaeta, Assoc. OSH, Priest Associate

The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Priest Associate

Staff

Aram Basmadjian, Artist in Residence

Karen Ernst-Reiner, Treasurer

Millard S. Cook, Parish Administrator and Pastoral Assistant

James Propst, Sexton

Ministers: All Baptized Members

Vestry

Robert Baser

Lisa Collier

Joanne Gulya (Junior Warden)

Bill Hontz

Theresa Kunda

Ken Magee

Lynn Norman

Ross Mangina (Senior Warden)

Pat Sisson

Stephanie Stover (Vestry Chaplain)

Rick Weaver (Clerk of the Vestry)