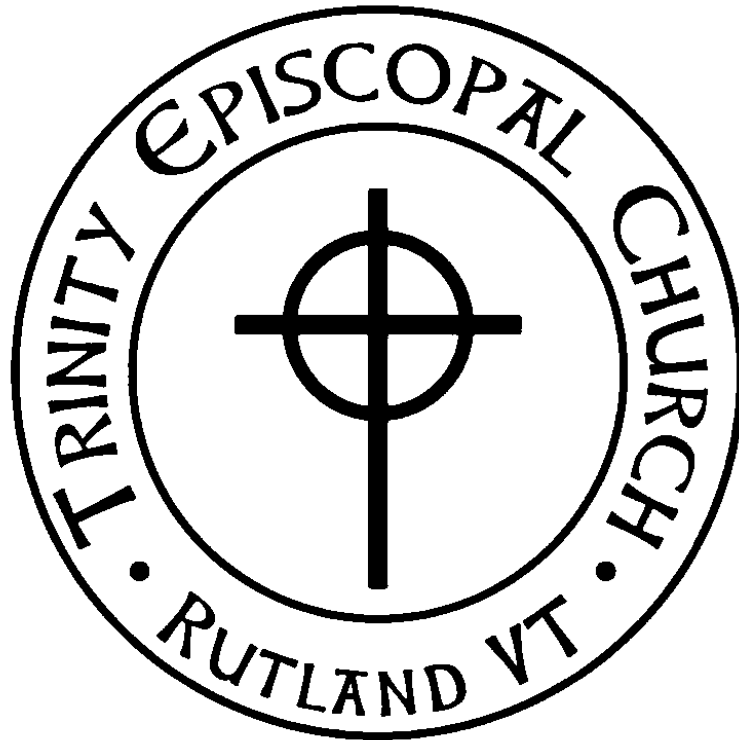


TRINITY CHURCH

First Sunday of Epiphany

January 12, 2025

9:30 a.m.



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

FOLLOWING JESUS. BUILDING COMMUNITY. LOVE THROUGH SERVICE.

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9:30a.m. 26 Pentecost – Morning Prayer

The Invitatory and Psalter

Prelude

Prelude on the Introit for the Epiphany

Maurice Duruflé

Opening Hymn #616

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Es flog ein kleins Waldvogelein

Opening Sentences

Officiant: From the rising of the sun to its setting my Name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering; for my Name shall be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.

Confession and Absolution

Officiant: 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.*

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

Invitatory

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

All: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Officiant: The Lord has shown forth his glory:

People: *Come let us adore him.*

The Jubilate

Officiant: Let us rejoice together reciting:

*Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; **

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

*Know this: The Lord himself is God; **

he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; **

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

*For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; **

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Collect of the Day

Officiant: Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may

keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Word of the Lord

Lessons of the Day

First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm *(chanted by the choir)*

Psalm 29

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 Reading

Acts 8:14-17

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Hymn #121

Christ, when for us you were baptized

Caithness

A Lesson from the Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

When a Gospel lesson is read during daily offices, the congregation remains seated as with the other readings.

Responses are those of other lessons, rather than the Holy Eucharist Gospel response.

Officiant: A Lesson from the Holy Gospel of Luke.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Officiant: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Homily Deacon Liz Skaleski

Announcements

Choral Anthem *Jesu, lead my footsteps ever (Christmas Oratorio)* J. S. Bach

Apostles' Creed (Congregation)

Officiant: Please join me in saying the Apostles' Creed.

All: *I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.*

*He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
Officiant: Let us pray.
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 Suffrages A and Intercession Prayers

Intercessor: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People: *And grant us your salvation.*
Intercessor: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People: *Let your people sing with joy.*
Intercessor: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People: *For only in you can we live in safety.*
Intercessor: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People: *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
Intercessor: Let your way be known upon earth;
People: *Your saving health among all nations.*
Intercessor: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People: *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
Intercessor: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People: *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*
Intercessor: In our cycle of prayers, we pray for **The Church of the Province of West Africa; Ministry and work of the Vermont Interfaith Action, Joint Urban Ministry Project, and Cathedral Square Corporation.** For the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Shannon, our Bishop; Thomas and Rob, our companion Bishops of Maine and New Hampshire; Sarah, our priest; Liz, our Deacon; and all bishops and other ministers; through the church we worship God this day,
People: *May Christ empower us.*
Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for: **Mary Ann, Deborah, Jackie, Leah, Ed.** We pray that the children under the protection of Orphan Care Volunteers Association in Uganda receive those blessings necessary to sustain their physical and spiritual well-being. For all the friends and family we care for this day,
People: *May Christ sustain us.*
Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray especially for those parishioners celebrating birthdays and anniversaries: **Hannah Coburn, , Matthew Creed, Jane Jones, JoAnna Ray, Bill Reitz, Catherine Williamson.** In the celebrations we share this day,

People: May Christ bless us.

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, especially **Mabel Gleason for whom the altar flowers have been given.**

People: May Christ console us.

Intercessor: Creator God, revive our dreams of justice and truth, and restore our passion for what is good and right. Establish your just and gentle rule throughout the world especially where there is conflict; where peace seems so far away and so many have lost everything, even the faint hope of a peaceful future. Govern the hearts and minds of all world leaders and those in authority that they may act justly, honestly and according to your will.

People: May Christ strengthen us.

Officiant: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission

Officiant: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant: Let us give thanks to God.

All: *Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

The Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Let us pray together.

All: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

The Blessings

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Closing Hymn #135

Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

Dismissal

Officiant: Dismissal

People: Thanks Be to God!

Postlude

Salvation now is come to earth

Heinrich Scheidemann

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Trinity Youth Group

A welcoming space for youth in grades 6-12 to explore, grow, and live out their faith.

2nd and 4th Mondays
from 6:30-8PM

Contact Mother Sarah to learn more.
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Trinity Presents

Ampersand
Sunday March 9 at 4pm
Six voice *a cappella* ensemble performs Renaissance polyphony

Bruce Griffin, piano
Sunday May 11 at 3pm
An all Beethoven piano recital

Reginald Mobley, countertenor
Saturday October 11, 2025
Grammy-nominated singer performs a solo recital

Announcements
1st Sunday after Epiphany, January 12, 2025

Many thanks to Deacon Liz Skaleski for leading us in Morning Prayer this morning!

Women of Trinity and Friends—WOTF meets *today* in the library following our worship and fellowship.

Parish Annual Meeting and Reports—Our parish annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26 after our worship. Annual Report books will be available to pick up next Sunday or viewed on our website in the “About Us” dropdown menu.

Companions in Wholeness Winter Coat Drive – Urgent—Companions in Wholeness is experiencing a huge shortage of winter coats and jackets for the homeless. We will continue collecting gently used and new winter coats through the month of January. We are also accepting donations as we are planning on purchasing coats from Costco. Coats are selling at Costco for approximately \$35-\$40 each. If you are able to donate toward the purchase of a new coat, please make out your check to Trinity Church with coat drive written in the memo. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated! Donations can be left in the collection plate on Sunday or dropped off at the office. Any questions, please contact Deacon Liz - deacon.liz@trinitychurchrutland.org or Judy Hall - judyhall1670@gmail.com.

Ways of Giving— We are humbled by the generosity of people who support our church and its mission and there are a number of ways to make your offering.

- Use the “Donate” button on our website.
- Text “TrinityRutland” to 73256 to give using your mobile device.
- Scan this QR code and follow the instructions.
- As always, if you prefer giving envelopes, we have those, too!



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Treasurer - Linda Fay; *Parish Administrator* - Wendy Grace; *Music Director* - John Riddle; *Sexton* - Gil Nell

Our Vestry: *Senior Warden*, Holly Webb; *Junior Warden*, Melissa Alarie; *Members:* Brandy Blosser, Fern Fryer, Judy Hall; David Rugger, Jay Slenker; David Thurmer; Cassi Whitcomb

Today’s Liturgical Assistants: *Altar Guild*— Sue Patrick, Frank Mainolfi, Brenda Rubach-Thurmer, David Thurmer; *Chalice Assistant*—Maria Cruise; *Old Testament Reader*— Marc Brierre; *Epistle Reader*— Sarah Danner; *Intercessor*— JoAnn O’Hagen; *Ushers*— Larry Patrick, Rich Carlson; *Live Stream Tech*— Marc Brierre; *Fellowship Hosts*— Ernie Hathaway, Melissa Slenker