TRINITY CHURCH

Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 26, 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. Third Sunday after the Epiphany – Holy Eucharist

The Word of the Lord

Prelude Praeludium Circulaire from Symphonie II Charles-Marie Widor

Opening Hymn #525 The Church's One Foundation Aurelia

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

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

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly

love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God S 277 service music, marked by S is found in the front of the blue hymnal

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and

ever. Amen.

Lessons of the Day

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the book of Nehemiah.

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions

of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm (chanted by the choir)

Psalm 19

I The heavens declare the glory of God, *

and the firmament shows forth the works of God's hand.

2 One day tells its tale to another, *

and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, *

and their voices are not heard,

4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *

and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun; *

it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;

it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens

and runs about to the end of it again; *

nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *

the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *

the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

o The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *

the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, *

sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *

and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often one offends? *

cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;

let them not get dominion over me; *

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my

heart be acceptable in your sight, *

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12/31a

Reader: A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a

part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #440

Blessed Jesus, at thy Word

Liebster Jesu

Gospel Luke 4:14·21

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

Deacon: Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread

through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to

say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon the Rev. Sarah Ginolfi

The Nicene Creed (Congregation)

Officiant: Together, let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

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: 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.

Intercession Prayers

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who

are alone.

Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world; especially 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.

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the

needy.

Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God; for the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury;

Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Shannon, our Bishop; Thomas and Rob, our companion Bishops of Maine and New Hampshire; for Sarah, our priest; and for Liz, our Deacon; and for all our

lay leaders and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor: For The Episcopal Anglican Province of Alexandria; Ministries of lay leaders and their

families throughout the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont.

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially Kathy, Deborah, Leah, Ed.

Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For those in our congregation celebrating

birthdays and anniversaries this week, we pray for joyful blessings upon Ashley Blair, Donna Ryan, David Searles, John Cassarino, Bernice Denehen, Senan Pol. We will exalt you, O God

our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, especially John Hartman, who died last week, that they may

have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

The Confession and Absolution

Deacon: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and

unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our

Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with

compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our

Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of God be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Thank you for your financial commitment to the life of Trinity Church. Your faithful stewardship helps our mission to follow Jesus, build community and provide love through service. The Offering plate is located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem Sing to the Lord a new song Robert Lau

The Great Thanksgiving S 120

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, Almighty

God, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 S 128

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Eucharistic Prayer B (People stand or kneel as able.)

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People:

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction S 152

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Invitation

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome to God's table! To receive communion, proceed up the center aisle and either stand or kneel along the railing to receive Communion. The priest will distribute the bread (or gluten free wafer upon request) and the Chalice Assistant the wine (or grape juice upon request). Those wishing to receive a blessing instead of

Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest. Please alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat.

Communion Hymn #577

God is Love, and where true love is

Ubi Caritas (Murray)

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant:

Let us pray.

A11:

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.

Blessing

Celebrant: Holy eternal Majesty,

Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit,

Bless you for evermore. Amen

Closing Hymn #544

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Duke Street

Dismissal

Deacon:

Dismissal

People:

Thanks Be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Finale from Symphonie II

Widor

Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift.