Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2025

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 423

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith Music: St. Denio, Adapt. John Roberts

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 9:8-17

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant

that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

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

Psalm 25:1-9

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *

and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *

for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *

remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *

and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *

to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle I Peter 3:18-22

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this

prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

Gradual Hymn Hymnal 656

Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to dwell in lowliness with us, our pattern and our King;

he to the lowly soul will still himself impart and for his dwelling and his throne will choose the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be; give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for thee.

Words: Sts. 1 & 3 John Keble, alt sts. 2 & 4 William Hall, Music: melody Johann Balthasar Konig, adapt. &, harm. William Henry Havergal

The Holy Gospel Mark 1:9-15

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

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

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord! So lift up the prayers of your heart, saying, "Test our minds; search our hearts; hear our prayer."

Lord our God, bless your Church. Bless us with the boldness of the prophets. Give us the courage to proclaim your kingdom. Give us the courage to proclaim our allegiance to Christ alone.

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord our God, bless the people of this and every nation. Bless us with compassion for the poor, the hungry, and those who weep. Turn our hearts away from our selfish desires; turn our hearts to you

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord our God, bless this planet, your very footstool. Bless this planet with growth and health. Give food enough that the hungry might be filled.

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord our God, bless our city. Bless us with health. Heal our land and our water. Deliver us from violence and sorrow.

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord our God, bless the sick and the struggling. Send forth your healing power. Cause laughter to once again flow from the hearts of those who now weep. Test our minds; search our hearts.

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

Lord our God, bless the dying and the dead. Bless them with everlasting life. And at the last day raise them to new life with your Christ.

Test our minds; search our hearts;

People: Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and 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.

The Priest stands and says

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 Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Hymn Hymnal 665

All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew, me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true.

God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Mortal pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness e'er endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought: splendor, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught.

Evermore from his store newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ, his Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

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The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

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 he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;.

The Celebrant continues

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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, with [____and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Father, now and for ever. AMEN

The Celebrant then continues

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

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

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (*St. Alphonsus de Liguori*, 1696-1787)

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 475

My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests: and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless numbers let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread all men be blest who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: sts. 1-3 Philip Doddridge, st.4 Isaac Watts Music: *Rockingham*, adapt. Edward Miller, harm. Samuel Webbe

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together say

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.

Epiphany Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light in the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 544

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with loving zeal;
the poor and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with one accord;
with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

Words: Samuel Wolcott, Music: melody Felice de Giardini, harm Lowell Mason

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Notes and Announcements February 16, 2025

PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Church of Bangladesh...

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u> for The Rev. Canon Dr. Kevin J. Moroney...

Parish Calendar of Prayer for our Parish Treasurer...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenney, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie, Charley, Erin...

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Denise, Dan Sr., Stephen, Matt, Mark, Tanya, Joseph, Julia, Olivia, Lisa, Amanda, John, Sue, Bob, Dennis, Alex, Lisa, Ben, McKensie, Margie, David R, Bill, Virginia, Brigid, Sharon C, Kate, Megan, Lisa & Frank, Mindy, Carol, Michael, Douglas, Lois M, Christine, Al, Barbara, Maureen, Anna, Ella, Erin, Drew, Alec, Greg, Tina, Mark L., Frank D., Michael

<u>PRAYER LIST UPDATE</u> – Please let us know if your loved one, friend, or co-worker should be taken off the list due to their improvement through the power of prayer.

<u>PLEASE CONTIUE TO WELCOME</u> The Rev. Martin Gutwein whose ongoing care of our Holy Trinity family is deeply appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- TODAY, Sunday February 16 Sunday School and Youth Fellowship 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 22 Spiritual Gifts Workshop/Vestry Day Time tentatively set for 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. See the announcement below.
- Tuesday, February 25 Vestry Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 4 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (More info to come)
- Wednesday, March 5 Ash Wednesday, services at 12:10 and 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 8 International Women's Day Brunch, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Look for more information coming soon.
- Four Saturday Mornings, running March 15 through April 5 Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Jeff Kirk. See the announcement below.
- Outdoor Clean-up Day Saturday, March 29 beginning at 10:30 a.m. (rain date 4/5)

<u>SOUPER-BOWL SUNDAY REPORT -</u> Not only did the Eagles win, but we had a wonderful outpouring of support for St. Paul's in Camden. Total donations from our soup pot voting have reached over \$250!! No surprise that first place went to the "Fly! Eagles, Fly" pot, followed by the "They'll lose if I watch" pot. Further down in the rankings came "It's too darned cold, bring on baseball season". And bringing up the rear was that other team the eagles were playing. What was their name again? Many thanks to everyone who contributed.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS WORKSHOP - THIS SATURDAY!

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Ever wonder what gifts you have been blessed with? Have we got the workshop for you! Plan to be with us this Saturday, February 22nd from 10:30 a.m. to about 2:00 p.m. as we explore the possibilities together. The informal workshop will consist of completing two fun and interesting self-assessments that can lead to interesting results. (Lunch will be included). Please sign up at the back of the church or let Theresa know you're coming. This workshop is highly recommended for vestry members, but everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

<u>ALL YARN LOVERS - KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS</u> will now be meeting on the 2nd Sunday of each month during or after coffee hour in the Parish Hall. If you are a novice or never tried using knitting needles or a crochet hook, we have quite a few people in our group who would help you get started on your first project. Any questions call Sharon Wolfgang at 856-854-2643 or leave a message at the Church 856-858-0491.

WELCOME VISITORS & FRIENDS to Holy Trinity Church. We strive to be a welcoming faith community that celebrates God's presence and activity through worship, education, and fellowship, and by seeking and serving Christ in all persons. We pray that you will feel at home and be refreshed and uplifted by this morning's celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not an Episcopalian, please know that you are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church if you have been baptized and believe that our Savior Jesus Christ is present in the sacrament. If you'd like more information about our parish, please speak to the ushers or clergy following the Liturgy.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH FELLOWSHIP</u> meets the first and third Sundays of each month, from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Activities include a children's chapel service, followed by age-appropriate activities for children and youth from pre-K through high school. If you have children or grandchildren who might be interested in attending, contact Theresa Hoyt-Chattin (609) 941-1651 for more information.

<u>UPCYCLING GREETING CARD PROGRAM</u> - Please bring in no longer wanted greeting cards. They will be given to St. John of God Community Services in Westville. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Services group will remove the front of each card to create a new greeting. You may leave your cards in the box at the back of the Church. For further information contact Craig Burgess at 856-667-2003.

<u>ONLINE GIVING</u>— To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering, just follow the link on the Holy Trinity website to send your contribution electronically through Vanco. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you all for your continued financial support of the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity Church.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH INVITES YOU TO Celebrate International Women's Day

As women, we work hard and face many challenges.

Refresh, Relax and Recharge!

Invite your friends,

mother, sisters, daughters and
join us for a fun, uplifting brunch
honoring our strengths,
resilience and achievements.

Catered Brunch

Parish Hall

Prizes

839 Haddon Ave., Collingswood

Selfie Station

Saturday, March 8, 2025

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Reserve your seat by Sunday, March 2nd

At the Vanco Website, QR Code

https://www.vancoevents.com/us/CXRW

OR Sign-up Sheet at church

OR call 856-858-0491



Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Jeff Kirk

Mark your calendars now and plan to be with us for a Lenten Bible Study led by Fr. Jeff. Come to one, two, or all four of the sessions which will be held on consecutive Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. beginning on March 15th and running through April 5th.

The readings to be discussed are the Lenten Old Testament readings from The Revised Common Lectionary, Year C (listed below).

Date	Passage	Subject(s)
3/15	Genesis 15:1-2, 17-18,	God calls Abram into Covenant, promising heirs and the gift of land.
3/22	Exodus 3:1-15	God reveals the divine name of Yahweh to Moses on Mount Horeb at the Burning bush.
3/29	Joshua 5:9-12	The Israelites camp at Gilgal and celebrate The Passover on the 14the day of the month.
4/5	Isaiah 43:16-21	God promises "a new thing," waters in the desert so that the chosen people will declare God's praise.

For more information chat with Theresa, or you may give Fr. Kirk a call at 609-605-6245.

See the signup sheet at the back of the church.