

Trinity Episcopal Church
Collinsville, CT

February 4, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Service of Antecomunion Rite II



The Fifth Sunday
after the Epiphany

MISSION STATEMENT: "With God's love, we joyfully welcome and nourish all; with God's help, we serve our community and beyond."

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Welcome to Trinity

We welcome all who worship with us at Trinity Episcopal Church in Collinsville, CT -- those here in our sanctuary and those who join us by live-streaming.

Please know that your presence and your prayers are a beloved gift to this faith community. We pray that you sense the love of Christ, the stirring of the Holy Spirit, and God's presence here.

Note: We continue to set aside pews on the right side of the church for those who prefer to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

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www.TrinityCollinsville.org

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From "Join us on Sundays", you can also access the Bulletins and Readings for the service and the Book of Common Prayer.

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Antecommunion Rite II

Welcome

Opening Hymn- Praise to the Lord #390

Words: Joachim Neander, Music: Craig Sellar Lang

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise Him, for he is thy health and salvation:
Join the great throng,
Psaltery, organ, and song,
Sounding in glad adoration.

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend
thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
Who with his love doth befriend thee.

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before
him!
Let the "Amen"
Sound from his people again
Gladly forever adore him.

Opening Acclamation

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

People: And Blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

Collect for Purity (in unison)

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.

The Gloria *(in unison)*

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

Presider: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Presider: Let us pray

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever
Amen.

The Old Testament

Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;
who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and they wither,
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see:

Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by my God"?
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

Reader: Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

People: The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.

Reader: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

People: He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.

Reader: Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to his wisdom.

People: The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.

Reader: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the harp.

People: He covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth;

Reader: He makes grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve mankind.

People: He provides food for flocks and herds and for the young ravens when they cry

Reader: He is not impressed by the might of a horse; he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

People: But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, in those who await his gracious favor. Hallelujah!

The New Testament 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the

law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Alleluia verse



The Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city

was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Laurie Barnhart

A period of silence is kept

Choir Anthem: O Bless The Lord, My Soul!

Words: James Montgomery Music: Lowell Mason

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.**

Choral Call to Prayer

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Words and Music by Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People

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Reader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: **That we all may be one.**

Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Reader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Reader: We pray especially for those on our intercession list _____, and for those named here (pause for the congregation to add their intercessions).
Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: Let us pray for our congregation and our Vestry as we seek a new priest for our faith community.
Guide us and give us wisdom and patience, that we may discern your will for us, and that we will call a priest who will inspire us, care for us and bring us closer to you.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray for Christ and the Epiphany, East Haven; St. John's, East Windsor; Christ's Church, Easton; Holy Trinity, Enfield and Comite Hispano, Spanish-language Cursillo and Latino-Hispanic ministries in Connecticut.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for peace in the world:
God of peace and justice, we pray for peace in the world, especially in Ukraine and the Middle East. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for all in these wars who have died, are wounded or missing. We pray for all who grieve, live in fear, and wait anxiously for the return of their loved ones. We pray for those who protect and defend our country. May your kingdom of justice and peace reign throughout the world.
Amen.

Presider: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to

you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now
and for ever. **Amen.**

The Offering

Presider: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave of himself
for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #423

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith, Music: John Roberts

1 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.

3 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.

4 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.

The Doxology

Hymn 380 Verse 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Presider: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: 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 Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Grace

Presider: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn Songs of Thankfulness and Praise #135

Words: Bland Tucker, Music: Johann Sebastian Bach

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to you we raise,
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar,
branch of royal David's stem,
in thy birth at Bethlehem.
Anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man-made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme,
and at Cana, wedding guest,
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in pow'r divine,
changing water into wine.

Anthems be to you addressed,
God in man-made manifest.

3 Manifest in making whole
palsied limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might;
manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill:
Anthems be to you addressed,
God in man-made manifest.

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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Celebrating the Worship Service:

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home

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