

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT

March 16, 2025

9:00 a.m.

The Second Sunday in Lent

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist



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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.

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Sunday, March 16, 2025
The Second Sunday in Lent
Celebration of The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
The Rev. Salin Low

Prelude

Procession in Silence

Welcome

Opening Hymn **The God of Abraham Praise #401**

Words: Thomas Oliver, Music: Hymns Ancient and Modern

1 The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love;
the Lord, the great I AM,
by earth and heaven confessed:
we bow and bless
the sacred Name for ever blest.

2 He by himself hath sworn:
we on his oath depend;
we shall, on eagles-wings upborne,
to heaven ascend:

we shall behold his face,
we shall his power adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.

3 There dwells the Lord, our King,
the Lord, our Righteousness,
triumphant o'er the world and sin,
the Prince of Peace;
on Zion's sacred height
his kingdom he maintains,
and, glorious with his saints in light,
for ever reigns.

4 The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy," cry,
"Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same,
and evermore shall be:
eternal Father, great I AM,
we worship thee."

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People: **His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

The Decalogue: (Please kneel as you are able.)

Celebrant: Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not commit murder.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not be a false witness.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People: **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Confession: (continue kneeling as you are able) BCP 352

**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.**

Kyrie

S96

Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Christ, have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy.
Lord, have mercy, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"

And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 27

Reader: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

People: When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.

Reader: Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;

People: **And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.**

Reader: One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

People: **To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.**

Reader: For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

People: **Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.**

Reader: Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

People: **Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.**

Reader: You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face". Your face, LORD, will I seek.

People: **Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.**

Reader: You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

People: **Though my father and my mother forsake me, the LORD will sustain me.**

Reader "Show me your way, O LORD; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

People: **Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.**

Reader: What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

People: **O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; wait patiently for the LORD.**

The Second Reading

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go

and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Salin Low

Choir Anthem

God So Loved the World

Music: St. John Stainer

The Nicene Creed (in unison) (all stand) BCP p. 358

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: Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People Form IV BCP p. 388

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray especially for all those on our intercession list _____, and for those we name here. (pause for the congregation to add their intercessions)

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for our congregation and our Vestry as we seek a new priest for our faith community.

Dear God, You are the God of creativity. You created the world out of nothing. We ask for that same creativity to flow through us. As we discuss and brainstorm ideas, may your Spirit inspire us with fresh perspectives and innovative solutions. Help us to think outside the box and see things in new ways. May your creativity ignite a fire within us to guide each of us to use our own unique gifts and talents in your name...we pray. Amen.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Let us pray for the churches in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints', Ivoryton; St. Andrew's, Kent; Emmanuel, Killingworth; Trinity, Lime Rock and Bishops, ECCT Staff, parish employees and their families. We also pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: 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 the Middle East, in Ukraine and Russia, and in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. 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.

Celebrant: 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 forever. Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Offering

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his
Name; bring offerings and come into this
Courts.

Offertory **And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love #337**

Hymn: **Words: William Bright, Music: William Henry Monk**

1 And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
and having with us him that pleads above,
we here present, we here spread forth to thee,
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

2 Look Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
for lo! between our sins and their reward,
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

3 And then for those, our dearest and our best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast!

O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal!
From tainting mischief keep them pure and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

4 And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Savior, who canst love us still!
And by this food, so awesome and so sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill:
in thine own service make us glad and free,
and grant us nevermore to part from thee.

The Doxology Old 100th #380, stanza 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.

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord,

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.
Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S129

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power
and might,**

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

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

(The people kneel or stand.)

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 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,

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

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.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

S164

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.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ
died for you, and feed on him in your
hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn **My Jesus, I Love Thee #89**

Words: William R. Featherstone,

Music: Adoniram J. Gordon

1 My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine,
For thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior are thou:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

2 I love thee because thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree,
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow:
I ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

3 I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death,
And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow,
"If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

4 In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
"If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**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. The Blessing**

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus #495

Words: Martin Madan, Music: Roy Kehl

1 Hail, thou once despised Jesus!
Hail, thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, thou universal Savior,
bearer of our sin and shame!
By thy merit we find favor:
life is given through thy Name.

2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
all our sins on thee were laid:
by almighty love anointed,
thou hast full atonement made.
All thy people are forgiven
through the virtue of thy blood:
opened is the gate of heaven,
reconciled are we with God.

3 Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory,
there for ever to abide;
all the heavenly hosts adore thee,
seated at thy Father's side.
There for sinners thou art pleading:
there thou dost our place prepare;
ever for us interceding,
till in glory we appear.

4 Worship, honor, power, and blessing
thou art worthy to receive;
highest praises, without ceasing,
right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
all your noblest anthems raise;
help to sing our Savior's merits,
help to chant Emmanuel's praise!

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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The Sanctuary Lamp is Given to the Glory of God Celebrating the Worship Service

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home

Priest: The Rev. Salin Low

Minister of

Communion: Jim Stapleton

Crucifer: Jonathan Eno

Reader: Sandra Thibault

Ushers: Sharon Corthouts

Altar Guild: Deb Asaro, Nell Bonett

Music: Francesco Blackmore, Director
and the Trinity Choir

The Special Offering today is for the Improvement Fund.

March and April Events Calendar

- Mon, Mar 17** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00-7:00 p.m. Miriam's Closet Open Betsy Jahne attending
- Tues, Mar 18** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00-11:00 a.m. Miriam's Closet Open Deb Asaro & Linda Burgess attending
- Wed, Mar 19** Vestry Meeting
7:00-8:00 p.m.
- Thurs, Mar 20** Worship Committee Meeting
10:00-11:00 1.m.
- Fri, Mar 21** Lenten Leaps Soup Supper
6:00 p.m.
- Mon, Mar 24** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00-7:00 p.m.
- Tues, Mar 25** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00-11:00 a.m.
- Fri, Mar 28** Lenten Leaps Soup Supper
6:00 p.m.
- Mon, Mar 31** Canton Food Bank Open
6:00-7:00 p.m.
- Tues, April 1** Canton Food Bank Open
8:00-11:00 a.m. Miriam's Closet Open Betsy Jahne Attending

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