

## Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 15, 2026

8AM Low Mass | 10AM Holy Mass with Hymns

# TRINITY CHURCH

*Worship in the Beauty of Holiness ✠ Service and Hospitality in the Name of Christ*

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

✠ Please stand and join us in singing the hymns, prayers which reflect on the theological themes of the day and season, and can be found in the blue hymnal in your pew, ordered by the numbers listed in the bulletin below. Service music can be found in the paper booklet in your pew.

#### OPENING HYMN

*O wondrous type! O vision fair*

Hymn 137

INTROIT—Be unto me a protecting God and a house of refuge, to save me; for you are my support and my refuge; and for the sake of your name you will lead me and nourish me. Ps. In you, O LORD, I take refuge, let me never be put to shame.

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

**People:** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

**GLORIA** (*found in service music booklet*).

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All may be seated.*

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* ***Thanks be to God.***

### PSALM 99 *Dominus regnavit*

1 The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; \*

***he is enthroned upon the cherubim;***

***let the earth shake.***

2 The LORD is great in Zion; \*

***he is high above all peoples.***

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*

***he is the Holy One.***

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; \*

***you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."***

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and fall down before his footstool; \*

***he is the Holy One.***

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*

***they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.***

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*

***they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.***

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
*you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.*

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
*for the LORD our God is the Holy One.*

## SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

A reading from the second letter of St. Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

SEQUENCE HYMN *Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor*

Hymn 307 (1,4,5)

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

**Celebrant:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**People:** *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**Celebrant:** ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

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

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*All may be seated.*

## HOMILY

Fr. Raul, Rector


*All stand.*

## 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.*

## PRAYER BIDDINGS

- ✠ **The Church:** Pray for *Sarah*, Archbishop of Canterbury, for *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop, and *Carlye*, our Bishop, and for all the Anglican Communion. Pray for *Leo*, Bishop of Rome, and our siblings in the Roman Church. Pray for *Bartholomew*, Patriarch of Constantinople, and our siblings in the Orthodox Churches. Pray for all of Christ's Holy Catholic Church. Pray for our Parish, our Wardens and Vestry, for *Gia*, our Director of Music, *Karen*, our Treasurer, *Lana*, our Administrator, and *Laura*, our Sexton, for all who serve and minister here and for all who come to this place to seek God. Pray for God's help as we seek to spread his Gospel, grow his Church, and serve him in our various ministries. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for Holy Trinity Church in Hillsdale. In a special way, let us hold in prayer the Diocese of Jerusalem & the Middle East and our Christian siblings in the Holy Land, Nigeria, and in every place where Christ's Church is persecuted.
- ✠ **The Nation & the World:** Pray for *Donald*, President of the United States, for the Congress, and for the Supreme Court, for *Mikie* our Governor, and *Amy* our Mayor. Pray for peace and justice in our Nation, and for the relief of all who are vulnerable and afraid, for the hungry, the poor, and the captive. Pray for all who have died by State violence or in detention. Pray for the peoples and nations of the world, especially for peace in Ukraine, Nigeria, Iran, and the Middle East. Pray for the people of Palestine and for an end to this and all genocide. Pray for an end to all violence and war, that all peoples and nations may be gathered together under the banner of the Prince of Peace.
- ✠ **The Departed:** Of your charity, pray for the departed, especially *Salim Dallal* (2/16/24), whose year's mind is this week.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM III)

Father, we pray for your Holy Catholic Church;

*That we all may be one.*

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

*That your name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

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

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

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

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

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially *Nicole*, *Martie*, *Michael*, *Jim*, *Bridget*, *Ed*, *Joanne*, *Lynette*, *Jana*, *Margie*, *Russ*, *Ed*, *Carol*, *Nancy*, *Bob*, *Debby*, *Michael*, *Deirdre*, *Mandy*, *Jacqui*, *Braden*, *Lydia*, *Tom*, *Rich*, *Bruce*, *Marilyn*, *Wayne*, *Joe*, *Nancy*, *Maria*, and *Donna*;

*That they may be delivered from their distress.*


We pray for all service members, including Nick, Jason, Elizabeth, Quintin and Matt, and canines that are serving in this country's armed services.

*That they may be shielded and guided, and safely brought home.*

We lift up in prayer Sam Ayres who will celebrate his birthday February 16 and Bill Schneberger who will celebrate his birthday February 18.

*Crown their years with your goodness and fill their life with your joy.*

We offer our prayers of thanksgiving and supplication to you, lifting up our petitions and praises either silently or aloud. *A brief pause is held for the offering of prayers.*

Give to the departed eternal rest ;

*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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

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

*The Celebrant concludes:*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, and especially on this parish community. As we prepare for a time of change, remind us that you are the Shepherd who ever watches over his flock. Bless our Vestry and Leadership with clarity of mind and unity of spirit as they discern the path ahead. Quiet our anxieties, strengthen our faith, and help us to trust that you are already at work among us. May we walk this next leg of our journey not with trepidation, but in the certainty of your abiding love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All kneel for the confession.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: 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*

Celebrant: ✠ Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our 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.**

*All stand after the absolution.*

## THE PEACE

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

People: ***And also with you.***

*All may share with one another a sign of peace.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*All may be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*All stand.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*Ye holy angels bright*

Hymn 625 (1-3,7)

*During the offertory hymn, you are invited to bring forward your offering for the support of Christ's Holy Church and place it in the plate in front of the altar.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Prayer A*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

*The Celebrant continues,*

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:

## **SANCTUS** (*found in service music booklet*).

*All kneel as the Celebrant continues,*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 LORD'S PRAYER

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

*People & Celebrant:*      *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 Host and, after a moment of silence, continues,*

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:*      *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

## AGNUS DEI (*found in service music booklet*).

*The Celebrant says the following invitation:*

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

☞ *All baptized Christians, regardless of their church affiliation, status, or standing, are invited to come forward to receive the Blessed Sacrament of Our Lord's Body and Blood.*

☞ *If you do not wish to or are not able to receive the Blessed Sacrament, you are welcome and invited to participate, regardless of denomination or religion, by coming forward with your arms crossed over your chest in order to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing from the Priest.*

*You are always very welcome to inquire about receiving the Sacrament of Baptism.*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The people may kneel.*

Let us pray.

***Celebrant & People:***      ***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 your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And***  
***now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,***  
***to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To***  
***him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and***  
***for ever. Amen.***

## THE FINAL BLESSING

## THE DISMISSAL

***Celebrant:***                ***Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!***  
***People:***                 ***Thanks be to God!***

*All stand.*

## CLOSING HYMN

*Christ upon the mountain peak*

Hymn 129

## POSTLUDE

*After the closing hymn, our Director of Music will offer a musical voluntary for the congregation.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Annual Meeting

The 2026 Annual Meeting will take place Sunday March 1 after the 10am service.

## Compassionate Outreach

**St. Paul's Men's Shelter**- The 2026 schedule for providing meals for the St. Paul's Men's Shelter is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider signing up to help with this important part of our outreach ministry, on the 3rd Thursday of each month. You can also call and leave a message or email Lana with your requested date, or contact Donna Speizer.

## Joyful Fellowship

**Coffee Hour** - The signup sheet for February is on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex! We would love some new people to join our Coffee Hour Hosts for 2026. Anyone needing guidance or just a refresher, let me know and I'll be happy to help you. Thank you.....Janet Zacco

## The Community Thrift Shop

The Shop continues to be open for shopping on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Merchandise is accepted on Mondays only, from 9:00 am to 12: noon. Donations should be in two large, white kitchen bags or two boxes marked with Trinity's acct. #66. Any questions, contact Janet Zacco

## Save the Date

Spring Tea – Saturday May 9



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