



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CORNERSTONE DAY

JULY 9, 2023

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *Foundation*

Our service today begins outside at the cornerstone of the Church

Litany for the Church

God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,
Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,
Have mercy on us.

O Christ the Rock, on which your people, as living stones joined together,
grow into a spiritual house;
Defend your Church we pray.

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:19-22

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord: in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

Bishop Mello prays:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, you are the brightness of the Father's glory and the express image of his person, the one foundation and the chief cornerstone: Bless what has been done 150 years ago in the laying of this stone. Be with us now, Lord, as you were in the beginning when this stone was laid, to continue the work undertaken to the glory of your Name, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Praise the Lord, because the foundation of this house of the Lord has been laid!

The litany for the church is continued as we process into the church. Then please have a seat until we are ready to begin our processional hymn.

O Christ the Vine, of which your people are the branches;
Defend your Church, we pray.

O Christ the Head of the Body, of which your people are the members;
Defend your Church, we pray.

O Christ our Prophet, you teach the way of God in truth;
Defend your Church, we pray.

O Christ our Priest, you offered yourself upon the Cross,
and now make intercession for us to the Father;
Defend your Church, we pray.

O Christ our King, you reign over all the earth, and make us citizens of your heavenly kingdom;
Defend your Church, we pray.

Processional Hymn 636 How firm a foundation

Foundation

Pastor Blessed be God; Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Gloria: Hymnal S 280

Robert Powell

**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.**

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

“I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also” —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master’s son.’

“Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.”

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, “Will you go with this man?” She said, “I will.” So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, “May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.” Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, “Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It is my master.” So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah’s tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

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

Psalm 45:11-18 (*sung by the choir*)

Trinity-1

- 11 "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *
forget your people and your father's house.
- 12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *
he is your master; therefore do him honor.
- 13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *
the rich among the people seek your favor."
- 14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; *
her gown is cloth-of-gold.
- 15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.
- 16 With joy and gladness they are brought, *
and enter into the palace of the king.

17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *
 you shall make them princes over all the earth.

18 I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; *
 therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

Gradual Hymn

Round the Lord in Glory

Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848)

Christine Gevert

[Trinity Sunday]

For Trinity Lime Rock, April 5, 2016
 Harmony: June 2017, Descant: June 2022

Trumpet

Round the Lord in glo - ry, Round the Lord in
 Heavens still with glo - ry, Heaven is still with
 "Lord, thy glo - ry, Lord, thy glo - ry

9
 glo - ry, seat-ed cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim
 glo - ry, ring-ing earth takes up the an - gels' cry,
 fills the hea-ven earth is with thy full - ness stored;

16
 filled his tem - ple, and re - peat - ed each to each the al - ter - nate hymn:
 "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," sing - ing "Lord of hosts, the Lord Most High."
 un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."

21
 "Lord thy glo - ry
 With his ser - aph
 Thus thy glo - rious

26
 fills the heav' - en, earth is with thy full - ness stored;
 train be - fore him, with his ho - ly church be - low,
 Name con - fess - ing with thine an - gel hosts we cry:

32
 un - to thee, un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord."
 thus u - nite, thus u - nite we to a - dore him, bid we thus our an - them flow:
 "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly bless - ing thee, the Lord of hosts Most High!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia



Christine Gevert
For Trinity Church, 10-2017

Rev. Félix Rivera
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Rev. Félix
People

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

Sermon

The Right Rev. Jeffrey Mello

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.

Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world;
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 those in religious orders, for lay and ordained ministers, and all the holy people of God;
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.

We give thanks at all times for the blessings of our lives. We lift up our thanksgivings (*we leave time for people to say silently or aloud the things for which they are grateful.*) Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Chris and Libby Abeel, The Rev. Marilyn and Barry Anderson, for Fred Baldwin and Barbara Commeford, and for their families;
That we may serve and love them, and one another, as Christ loves us.

Have compassion on those who suffer, especially (*we read from the list and leave time for other names to be added.*) We pray for all who are afflicted with any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those who we name (*we read from the list and leave time for other names to be added.*) Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all the saints, those we love in this world, and in the next;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession

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.

Bishop Mello 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.**

Bishop Mello The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Blessing of the Mary Chapel

We resume the Litany for the Church as we gather at the chapel.

O Christ, you sent the Holy Spirit upon the Church, clothing it with power from on high;
Defend your Church, we pray.

We pray to you Lord Christ
Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may be devoted to the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread and the prayers,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That you will fulfill your promise to be with us always, even to the ages of ages,
Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop blesses the Chapel to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we dedicate our use of this space, now our Mary Chapel, to your praise and honor. As often as we worship you here, precede us and abide with us. Be known to us in the Word spoken and heard, in fellowship with one another and in the breaking of bread. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that this space may be a place where your will is done and your name is glorified; through Jesus Christ our Savior, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. **Amen.**

The Litany for the church now concludes with the following as we return to our seats and continue with offertory.

That you will sustain all members of your holy Church, that in our vocation and ministry we may truly and devoutly serve you,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That you will bless the clergy of your Church, here in this place, especially Heidi and Félix, that they may diligently preach the Gospel and faithfully celebrate the holy Sacraments,
Lord, hear our prayer.

That you will heal the divisions of your Church, that all may be one even as you and the Father are one,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Arise, O God, maintain your cause;

Do not forget the lives of the poor.

Look down from heaven, behold and tend this vine;

Preserve what your right hand has planted.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;

Let your faithful people sing with joy.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Rector Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem “Ave Maria”

by Charles Gounod on Johann Sebastian Bach’s
Prelude in C BWV 846, arr. Christine Gevert

Latin text

Ave Maria gratia plena
Dominus tecum benedicta tu
in mulieribus et benedictus
fructus ventris tui Jesus.
Sancta Maria Mater Dei
ora pro nobis peccatoribus
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

English translation

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

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

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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 great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight. You made us in your image and called us to new life in 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:

Holy - Santo (Bilingual *Sanctus*)

Christine Gevert, 2021/02

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. San - to, san - to, san - to es el Se - ñor. God of pow - er
 — and might. Dios del u - ni - ver - so. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Lle - nos es - tán los cie - los y la tier - ra de tu glo - ria. Hos - san - na in the high - est. Hos - san - na
 en los cie - los. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ben - di - to es el que
 vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na en los cie - los.

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.**

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

Fraction Anthem Christ our Passover / Cristo, nuestra Pascua

Gevert 2023

Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia. Christ our Pas - ov - er is sa-cri-ficed for us; there-fore let us
 keep_ the_ feast. Cris - to, nues-tra Pas-cua, se_ha sa-cri-fi - ca - do_ por nos - o - tros. There-fore let us
 keep the_ feast. ¡Ce - le - bre - mos la fies - ta! ¡Al - le - lu - ya, al - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!

Bishop Mello These are 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 will be offered at floor level. We have both wine and grape juice and it is our current practice to instinct the wafer in the wine or grape juice.

Communion Anthem “Sanctificavit Dominus tabernaculum suum”

for double choir by Christian Erbach (c. 1568-1636)

Latin text

Sanctificavit Dominus tabernaculum suum:
Quia haec est domus Dei
in qua invocabitur nomen eius de qua scriptum est:
et erit nomen meum ibi: dicit Dominus. Alleluia.

English translation

The Lord hath sanctified his tabernacle:
For this is the house of God,
in which his name shall be invoked of which it is written:
"And my name shall be there" sayeth the Lord. Alleluia.

Communion Hymn 339 (*sung by all*) Deck thyself, my soul with gladness

Schmücke dich

Anthem “Alta Trinita Beata”

Anon. Italian, 16th cent.

Italian text

Alta Trinità beata,
da noi sempre adorata,
Trinità gloriosa
unità maravigliosa,
Tu sei manna saporosa
e tutta desiderosa.

English translation

High and blessed Trinity,
us always adored,
Glorious Trinity,
Marvelous unity,
You are savory manna
and all that we can desire.

Postcommunion Prayer

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 Bishop's Blessing

Sevenfold Amen (*sung by the choir*)

Gevert-2017

Recessional Hymn 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee (*vs. 2: melody is sung by low voices*) *Hymn to Joy*

The Dismissal

Rev. Félix Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

Postlude Organ improvisation on tune *Hymn to Joy*

*The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Edna Travis Rice, born July 9, 1883.
The flowers are given by her Bradley granddaughters.*

Serving Today

The Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut: The Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Mello

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax

Hispanic Missioner: The Rev. Félix Rivera, Deacon

Music Director: Christine Gevert

Minister of Communion: Pari Forood

Bishop's Chaplain: Mike Cuoco

Acolyte: Julius Truax

Reader of Epistle at the Cornerstone: Barry Anderson

Lector: Mary Anne Carley

Intercessor: Diane Walters

Altar Guild: Mike Cuoco

Flowers: Judith Sherman, Marilyn Anderson and Susanna Schindler

Counter: John Lloyd

Greeters/Ushers: Jim Conzo and Alan Swide

Verger: Geoff Brown

Trinity Choir with Guests from Crescendo*

Sopranos: Kathy Drake, DeeAnne Hunstein*, Jordan Rose Lee*, Linda Lloyd, Margie O'Brien*

Altos: Pat Barton, Sarah Bleasdale*, Lauren Paul*, Susan Pettee*, Mary Sullivan

Tenors: Michael Chamberlin*, Gordon Gustafson, Peter Perkins*, Randy Orzano

Basses: Jim Barrett*, John Lloyd, Tom Schindler

Announcements

- Sunday, July 16** 12 Noon next vestry meeting (no meeting in August)
Sunday, July 30 4:00 PM next Misa en español
Thursday, Aug. 3 5:00 PM Crescendo Concert: Flute Music by J. S. Bach
Friday, Sept. 15 5—7 PM—Save the date! Opening reception for the Trinity Juried Art Show

Weekly Schedule

- Wednesdays** Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge
6:00 PM on first and last Wednesday of the month, Women's AA in Walker Hall
- Thursdays** 1:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom New Book! Come study Proverbs with us.
- Saturdays** 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office every other Sat.

Trinity Vestry

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