

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Offering Companionship along the Way*

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 14, 2024

**Prelude** Organ improvisation on tune *Cum Rhondda*

**Opening Hymn 690** Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

*Cum Rhondda*

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

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

*Pastor* 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:** Glory to God in the highest - Canticle 20

Gevert 2023-06

1 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2 Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-  
might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
3 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4 you take a - way the  
21  
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, 5 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,  
re-ceive our prayer. 6 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus  
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Pastor* The Lord be with you.

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

*Pastor* Let us pray together our collect.

**Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **A Reading from the First Book of Samuel 3:1-10**

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17**

*Gevert-1*

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

## **A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 6:12-20**

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

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

**Gradual Hymn 676** There is a balm in Gilead

*Balm in Gilead*

**Gospel Acclamation** “Alleluia”

Gevert 2018

*Pastor*         The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to John 1:43-51

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

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man

*Pastor*         The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Heidi Truax

**Moment of silence for reflection**

**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**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Jeffrey and Laura our Bishops, for all lay and ordained ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, especially in all the countries where there are great conflicts, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those on our parish cycle of prayer, Matthew and Eleanore Boyse, Geoff and Judy Brown, for Mary Anne Carley, and for their families; for all who live and work in our communities, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, all who suffer and those who have asked for our prayers (*we read from the book and leave time for people to add names;*) for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church (*we read from the book and leave time for people to add names,*) and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all the blessings of our lives especially all we lift up in prayer at this time (*we leave time to lift up our thanksgivings.*) Give us grateful hearts, O Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord our God.**

### **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.**

### **The Absolution**

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.**

*Pastor*        The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

### **Announcements**

**Offertory Anthem** “Deep River”

Trad., arranged by Philip Le Bas

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

*Old 100th*

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Priest*        The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest*        Lift up your hearts.

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

*Priest*        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

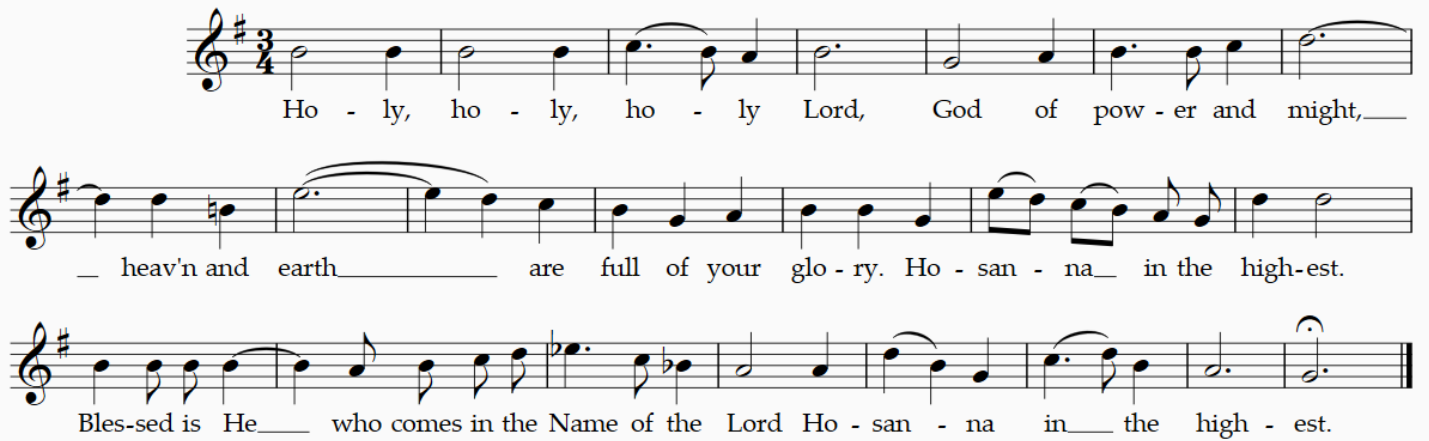
*People*        **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing

## Holy, holy, holy

Gevert 2021



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, \_\_\_  
\_ heav'n and earth \_\_\_ are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na \_\_\_ in the high - est.  
Bles - sed is He \_\_\_ who comes in the Name of the Lord Ho - san - na \_\_\_ in \_\_\_ the high - est.

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Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our  
 Pass - ov - er is sa - cri - ficed for us. There - fore  
 let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

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*Here at Trinity we welcome you to take communion with us if you seek a relationship with Jesus. You may drink from the chalice, or you may intinct your wafer. Or, if you prefer, you may receive communion in one kind only, the wafer. We offer wheat and gluten free wafers, wine and grape juice. If you do not care to take communion but would like a blessing, please also come forward and ask Pastor Heidi for a blessing.*

**Communion Hymn 302** Father, we thank thee who hast planted

*Rendez a Dieu*

### Postcommunion Prayer

**Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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### Blessing

The peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God's son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn 685** Rock of ages, cleft for me

*Toplady*

### The Dismissal

*Pastor* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Organ improvisation on tune *Toplady*

*The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God  
 and in loving memory of Joan B. Riley and Elizabeth Layton  
 by their sister, Diane Walters.*

## Serving Today

*Rector:* The Rev. Heidi Truax  
*Music Director:* Christine Gevert  
*Minister of Communion:* Theresa Kenny  
*Lector:* Roy Bickley  
*Epistoler:* Libby Abelow  
*Intercessor:* Linda Lloyd  
*Altar Guild:* Mike Cuoco  
*Flowers:* Tom Schindler  
*Counter:* Cheryl Duntz  
*Greeter/Usher:* Roy Bickley/Alessandra Griffin  
*Verger:* Geoff Brown

## Announcements

**Today** ALL REPORTS FOR ANNUAL MEETING DUE TO GEOFF BROWN

**Sunday, Jan. 21** 12 Noon—Annual Meeting with potluck lunch: Snow date is Jan. 28

**Sat., Jan. 27** 12 Noon—Misa en Español with Rev. Felix Rivera and Sin Fronteras

**Wed., Feb. 14** Ash Wednesday services

## Weekly Schedule

**Mondays** 6:30 PM Crescendo rehearsal in Walker Hall

**Tuesdays** 9:00 AM to 12 Noon Taichi Chuan with Christopher Kiely in Walker Hall

**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 Explorers: The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah

**Saturdays** 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office every other Sat.

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and wait to have private conversations until after you have left the nave.*

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