

Celebrating 150 Years



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Trinity Episcopal Church
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Offering Companionship along the Way

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *St. Cecilia*

Opening Hymn 613 Thy kingdom come, O God

St. Cecilia

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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: Hymnal S 279 Gloria in excelsis

Gerald R. Near b. 1942

**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.**

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray together our collect:

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from The First Book of Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these."

Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 20 *(see insert for music)*

Gevert-Antiphonal-1

- 1 May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble, *
the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2 Send you help from his holy place *
and strengthen you out of Zion;
- 3 Remember all your offerings *
and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4 Grant you your heart's desire *
and prosper all your plans.
- 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God; *
may the LORD grant all your requests.
- 6 Now I know that the LORD gives victory to his anointed; *
he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
with the victorious strength of his right hand.

- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *
but we will call upon the Name of the LORD our God.
- 8 They collapse and fall down, *
but we will arise and stand upright.
- 9 O LORD, give victory to the king *
and answer us when we call.

A Reading from Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 589 Almighty God, your word is cast

Walden

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia! Holy Lord God Almighty”

by George Alexander MacFarren (1813-1877)

Al - le - lu - ia! Ho - ly, Lord God Al - migh - ty, Ho - ly, Ho - ly,
Ho - ly Lord God Al - migh - ty, which was, _____ and is _____ and
is _____ to come. _____ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia!

Pastor The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Mark 4:26-34

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

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Heidi Truax

Minute 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

I Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world. May people who suffer, and are caught up in the midst of natural disaster, disease or poverty, find peace through you;

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 and we pray for the

upcoming celebration of Juneteenth. May all people in our world be freed from enslavement;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks at all times for the blessings of our lives. We especially give thanks for our fathers today. And 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, Barry and the Rev. Marilyn Anderson, Fred Baldwin and Barabara 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 book 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 book 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.

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

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

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 531 O Spirit of the living God *Melcombe*

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.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy: Hymnal S 124 Sanctus

David Hurd, b. 1950

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *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: Hymnal S 151 Christ our Passover

David Hurd

Here at Trinity we welcome you to take communion with us. 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 649 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

Dickinson College

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 625 Ye holy angels bright

Darwall's 148th

The Dismissal

Pastor Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Organ improvisation on tune *Darwall's 148th*

The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Maureen and Michael Tesoro's family reunion.

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax

Music Director: Christine Gevert

Minister of Communion: Brian Cheney

Lector: Tom Ragan

Epistoler: Diane Walters

Intercessor: Tom Schindler

Altar Guild: Mike Cuoco

Flowers: Marilyn Anderson

Counter: Cheryl Duntz

Greeter/Usher: Brian Cheney/Diane Walters

Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

- Today** 12:00 Noon Vestry Meeting (*no meeting in July*)
- Thurs., June 20** 6:30 PM Confirmation classes begin (See Pastor Heidi for schedule if interested)
- June 23-28** Episcopal Church 81st General Convention in Louisville, Kentucky
- July 8—31** Pastor Heidi will be on vacation

The Sunday School will take a break for the month of July.

Weekly Schedule

- 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 Women's AA in Walker Hall (in person and online every week)
- Thursdays** 1:00 PM Bible Explorers: *Genesis*
- Fridays** 6:00 PM Bible Study at Trinity Glen
- Saturdays** 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office every other Sat.

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