

TRINITY CHURCH

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 14, 2024

9:30 a.m.



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Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Sarah C. Ginolfi

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The Word of the Lord

Prelude	How brightly shines the Morning Star (BWV 739)	J. S. Bach
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* Opening Hymn #497	<i>How bright appears the Morning Star</i>
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Opening Sentences

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

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Celebrant: Eternal God, who created all things out of love, we thank you for the gifts of grace and mercy; open our hearts to receive your love so that we might become like Jesus, loving ourselves and our neighbors just as you love us. In Your name we pray. *Amen.*

Glory to God S 277 service music, marked by S is found in the front of the blue hymnal
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.*

Lessons of the Day

First Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-20

Reader: A reading from the first book of Samuel.

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.' Then the Lord said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to

punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.' Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, 'Here I am.' Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, 'It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.' As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm *(chanted by the choir)*

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

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.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Reader: A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.
 "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.

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People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #125

<i>The people who in darkness walked</i>
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Gospel

John 1:43-51

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *Glory to you, O Christ.*

Celebrant: 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."

The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

the Rev. Sarah Ginolfi

The Nicene Creed (Congregation)

Officiant: Please join me in saying the Nicene Creed.

People: *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.

Intercession Prayers

Reader: Let us raise our prayers to our Ever-loving God.

*All: Lift ev'ry voice and sing,
till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
high as the list'ning skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.*

Reader: We pray for your holy Catholic Church; Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you—especially our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, our Bishop, Shannon MacVean-Brown, and our priest, Sarah Ginolfi, and all the lay leaders of our parish.

*All: Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun
of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.*

Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Dot, Tom, Barbara, John, Scott, John, Dick, Ryah, The Right Rev. Thomas Ely, and Patty. Give to the departed eternal rest. Especially, we pray for Peter Eitapence and Jamie Stacy who died last week, and for James Ruth for whom the altar flowers have been given.

*All: God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way,
thou who hast by thy might
led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.*

Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, that there may be justice and peace in the world. We pray that the children under the protection of Orphan Care Volunteers Association in Uganda receive those blessing's necessary to sustain their physical and spiritual well being. We pray for all victims of violence; for those persecuted for race or gender; for all suffering financial hardship.

*All: Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand,
may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.*

Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake so that our works may find favor in your sight. God, celebrate with us as we commend those in our congregation with birthdays and anniversaries this week: Malakai Blair, Emily Patrick, Nicole Brierre, Meg Howard, Richard Sweet, Catherine Williamson.

*All: Out from the gloomy past,
till now we stand at last
where the bright gleam of our bright star is cast.*

Celebrant: Almighty God, who created us in your image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confession and Absolution

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

People: *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 the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of God be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Announcements

Thank you for your financial commitment to the life of Trinity Church. Your faithful stewardship helps our mission to be God's courageous hope for the world. The Offering plate is located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem	<i>Jesu, lead my footsteps ever (Christmas Oratorio)</i>	<i>J. S. Bach</i>
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The Great Thanksgiving S 120

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 God thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 S 128

All: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Eucharistic Prayer B (*People stand or kneel as able.*)

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People: *We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;*

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, 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 God, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All: *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 Fraction *S 152*

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

The Invitation

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.

All are welcome to God's table! To receive communion, proceed up the center aisle and either stand or kneel along the railing to receive Communion. The priest will distribute the bread (or gluten free wafer upon request) and the Chalice Assistant the wine (or grape juice upon request). Those wishing to receive a blessing instead of Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest. Please alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat.

Communion Hymn #324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

Blessing

(Saint Clare)

Celebrant: Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of the Holy Trinity, One God, be with you always. Amen

Closing Hymn #535

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks Be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

All praise to thee, Lord Jesus Christ (BWV 723)

J. S. Bach

Exiting: Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift.

** Please note: we save paper by using the blue hymnal book rather than printing hymns in the bulletin. The Hymnal 1982 uses masculine pronouns for God since that was customary at the time of its printing. Those worshipping, however, are welcome to substitute gender neutral pronouns for God when singing or speaking if that better honors your practice.*