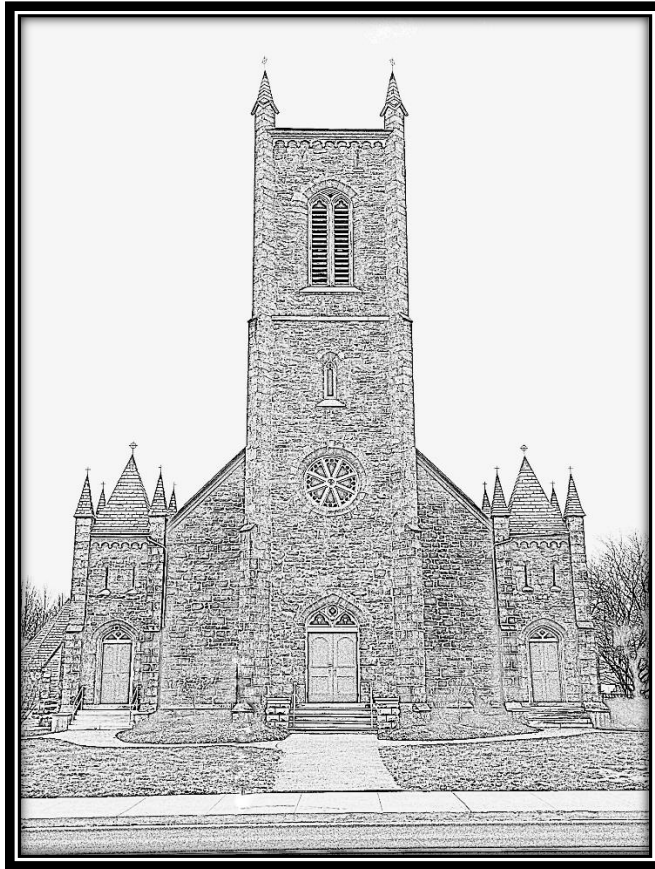


Trinity Church

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2022

9:30 a.m.



Welcome to our Trinity Church family!

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We are a vibrant Episcopal family united in following Christ.

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Announcements

Precautions Required for In-Person Worship—Late last week, we received notice that The Diocese of Vermont has loosened pandemic restrictions. The Vestry is in the process of determining our practices moving forward, and we will communicate that information as soon as we are able. Thank you for your patience and support throughout this time of transition. It is a blessing to dwell together in unity.

Lenten Series—Our Lenten study program called *Lenten 2022 Series: Faith Foundations* will continue for two more Tuesdays during lent, from 6:30-8:00pm. The series will be held via Zoom and a link will be emailed. Or you can visit the events tab on our website and click on the link in our calendar.

- March 22 Prayer Workshop
- March 29 Our Anglican Identity

Lectio Divina with Daughters of the King—Please join DOK for a contemplative form of Bible Study on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:30am. The next one will be March 24. Meetings will be held via Zoom. You can access the link by contacting the church office or by visiting the “events” tab on our website and clicking on the date for the link. This is open to everyone!

Easter Altar Flowers—It may seem like Easter is a long way off, but it’s really not! At least, not too soon to think about and request your memorials and honorariums for the Easter flowers. Please submit your names and donation for the flowers no later than April 8. (Please also indicate if it’s a memorial or an honorarium. I’ve made that mistake a few times. Got embarrassing. ~~W)

Our Staff: *Priest-in-Charge*, the Rev. Sarah Ginolfi; *treasurer*, Linda Fay; *Parish Administrator*, Wendy Grace; *Music Director*, John Riddle; *Sexton*, Jeff Zoesch

Our Vestry: *Senior Warden*, Fern Fryer; *Junior Warden*, Jay Slenker; *Members:* Melissa Alarie; Lisa F. Boerner; Elizabeth Bushey; Kathy Hall; Rich Jones; David Thurmer; Holly Webb

Today’s Liturgical Assistants: *Altar Guild*—Nancy Blosser, Jane Jones, Shannon Hill; *Chalice Assistant*—Fern Fryer; *Old Testament Reader*—Shannon Hill; *Epistle Reader*—Nancy Blosser; *Intercessor*—Marc Brierre; *Ushers*—Jay Slenker, Melissa Slenker; *Live Stream Tech*—Dana Peterson

9:30 a.m. Third Sunday of Lent – Holy Eucharist

The Invitatory

Prelude	<i>Meditation on "Wondrous Love"</i>	<i>Dale Wood</i>
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Processional Hymn #143	<i>The glory of these forty days</i>
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Opening Sentences

Officiant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: His mercy endures for ever.

Officiant: 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.*

Trisagion (*spoken three times*)

Officiant: Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,

People: Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Word of the Lord

Lessons of the Day

First Lesson:

Exodus 3:1-15

Reader: A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the

Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.”

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 63:1-8

Officiant: Please join me in reciting Psalm 63. The congregation will respond on the even numbered, italicized verses.

1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

*2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.*

3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.

*4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.*

5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

*6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.*

7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

*8 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Reader: A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as

examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The Word of Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #697

My God, accept my heart this day

Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord 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 and Confession

Reader: Dear God, we seek to follow your will. Guide us as we deepen in spirituality, grow in compassion, and be your courageous hope in the world. Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church. We pray for **The Anglican Church of Mexico; St. Andrew's Church, Colchester; the Rev. Bob Leopold.**

People: *That we all may be one.*

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

People: *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Reader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons. We pray especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Shannon, our Bishop; and Sarah, our priest.

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

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

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

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

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

Reader: We pray for all victims of violence; for those persecuted for race or gender; for all suffering financial hardship. We remember those commended to us, especially **Scott, Paige & Minerva, Ora, Kevin, Jason & Nastia, and the Koskiakova family, Lyssa & Andrew, Joan, Patricia, Gary and Elaine.** Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest, especially **Dorothy Mainolfi who died last week.**

People: *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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

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

Reader: Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. We pray for parishioners celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, especially **George Blosser, James Ruth, Sarah Gallagher, Alison McQuaig, Lowell Klock, Tanya Siliski, Abby Slenker, Courtney Creed, Sandy Cavacas, Joan Besson, Lynn Patrick, Frank Mainolfi.** Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence.

Celebrant: Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people of this world who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Confession and Absolution

Officiant: 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.*

Officiant: 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.

The Peace

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

Announcements

Thank you for your financial commitment to the life of Trinity Church. Your gift helps our church family spread God's love and joy in the world! Offering plates are located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar as well as near the center exit doors.

Offertory Anthem

Drop, drop, slow tears

Orlando Gibbons

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

Sanctus

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 D *(People stand or kneel as able.)*

Celebrant: We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*All: We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and 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

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

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant: Let us pray.
People: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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 may come up the center aisle to receive Communion. Alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat. The priest will distribute the bread and the wine in "kits" that we will consume together once all are served. Those wishing to receive a blessing instead of Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest. Also, for various reasons, some opt to receive communion in "one kind" i.e. only the bread or only the wine. Communion in "one kind" still constitutes the full receipt of Communion. Let those serving Communion know if this is your preference upon arrival to the railing.

Communion Hymn #439

What wondrous love is this?

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 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.*

Blessing

Celebrant: May the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.

Closing Hymn #594

God of grace and God of glory

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: *Thanks Be to God!*

Postlude

Prelude in G minor

J. S. Bach

Exiting: *Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift. There are waste bins at each exit for communion container disposal.*