

# TRINITY CHURCH

*Third Sunday of Lent*

*March 3, 2024*

*9:30 a.m.*



## WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

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**The Rev. Sarah C. Ginolfi, Rector**

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## The Invitatory

Prelude	<i>To thee alone, Lord Jesus Christ</i>	<i>Johann Pachelbel</i>
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* Processional Hymn #409	<i>The spacious firmament on high</i>
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### Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Bless the One who forgives all our sins;

People: *God's mercy endures for ever.*

Celebrant: 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 S 102 (sung 3x)

All: *Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy upon us.*

## The Word of the Lord

### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: 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.*

### Lessons of the Day

First Lesson

Exodus 20:1-17

Reader: A reading from the book of Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your

father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** (verses chanted by choir; congregation joins on the refrain)

**Psalm 19**

Refrain



Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing life.

1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows forth the works of God's hands.

2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,

4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.

**REFRAIN**

5 In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

**REFRAIN**

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

**REFRAIN**

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often one offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**REFRAIN**

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

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn #471

*We sing the praise of him who died*

Gospel

John 2:13-22

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

People: *Glory to you, O Christ.*

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Sarah Ginolfi

The Nicene Creed (Congregation)

All: *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

Form 2

Reader: The intercessions today are Form 2 found in the red prayer book.  
I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for **The Church of the Province of Uganda; Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington; the Very Rev. Greta Getlein; the Rev. Bob Leopold; the Ven. Archdeacon Stan Baker; the Ven. Archdeacon Catherine Cooke**, for our Bishop Shannon MacVean-Brown, and our priest, Sarah Ginolfi; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. 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. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray especially for **Kyle, Jackie, Nanci, Jane, Elaine, Mary Ann, Hawa, Tom, Barbara, Ryah**. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of the Holy One. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially **Patty Searles, Alena Hayes, Maryanne Billings, Emily Kirbach, Jim Panarello, Lois Castonguay, Kathy Crocker** who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries this week. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

Celebrant: O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Confession and Absolution

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

*(Silence for private confession.)*

All: *God of all mercy, 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 Christ 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 us dare to dream alongside God's mission of Love. The offering plate is located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar.*

## Offertory Anthem

*Be still before the Lord*

*Christopher Betts*

## The Holy Communion

### 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 truly right to glorify you, O God, 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 sing,

### Sanctus S 122

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 God, 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, we might guard and serve all your creatures. When our actions 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.

O God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. 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, 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, 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 all 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.

O God, 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. 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.*

**Agnus Dei S 160**

*All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.*

**The Invitation**

*from Iona Abbey Worship Book*

*Celebrant: Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and, and you who have failed. Come! It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.*

*You are welcome at God's table! To join in this sacred meal, proceed up the center aisle and either stand or kneel along the railing. The inside rows go first up the center aisle and then the outside rows dismiss to the back of the church and then up the center aisle. If that's too far a walk, please come to the railing in whatever way you are most able, or alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat. There are two options to receive the wine: by sharing from the common chalice (cup) or by intinction (dipping the wafer) into the Communion Bowl. Please do not use the common cup for dipping. Gluten free wafers and/or grape juice are available upon request. Finally, those wishing to receive a blessing instead of Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest.*

**Communion Anthem**

*There's a wideness in God's mercy*

*Calvin Hampton*

**Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant: Let us pray.*

*All: Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Blessing**

*Celebrant: God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you now and always. Amen.*

**Closing Hymn #341**

*For the bread which you have broken*

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.*

*People: Thanks Be to God!*

**Postlude**

*Fugue in F major*

*the circle of J. S. Bach*

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

*\* Please note: 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.*