

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two January 29, 2023 - 10:30am

Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God.

Hymn in Procession, Rejoice! The Lord Is King



∞ Opening Acclamation

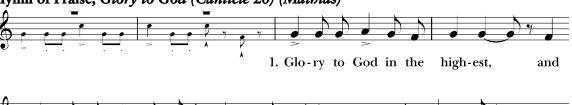
Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

∞ Collect for Purity

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise, Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Mathias)











∞ The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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 God

∞ The First Reading *The People sit.*

Місан 6:1-8

ear what the Lord says: "Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel."

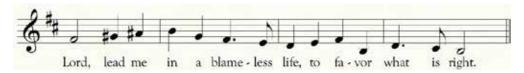
"O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord."

"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

∞ The Gradual: Psalm 15
Antiphon, sung by the Choir then All

CHANT BY DAVID HURD



Choir

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? * who may abide upon your holy hill? Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, * who speaks the truth from his heart.

Antiphon, sung by all

Choir

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; * he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor. In his sight the wicked is rejected, * but he honors those who fear the Lord.

Antiphon

Choir

He has sworn to do no wrong * and does not take back his word. He does not give his money in hope of gain, * nor does he take a bribe against the innocent. Whoever does these things * shall never be overthrown.

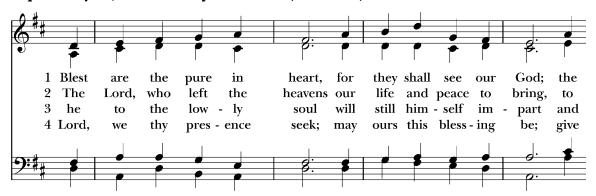
Antiphon

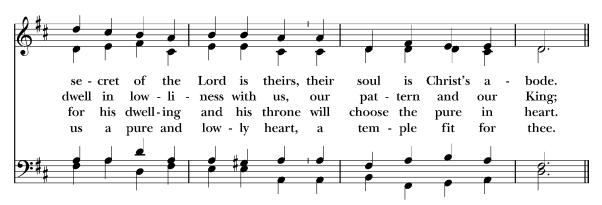
he message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the 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.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn, Blest are the pure in heart (Franconia)





∞ The Holy Gospel

MATTHEW 5:1-12

Deacon People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

∞ The Nicene Creed *All stand and say together*

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.

∞ The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor Let us pray for the church and the world, saying: hear our prayer.

Intercessor Holy God, we pray for all your people, baptized in the name of Christ.

Heal our divisions, and give us one mind in Christ.

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor Stir up your church to make the power of the cross known to all,

that people everywhere may see your great light.

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lift from all people the burdens of poverty, war and injustice.

Break every rod of oppression throughout the earth.

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor Guide those who make and execute our laws, and those who maintain

our safety, that all people may know their worth as your creation.

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor Strengthen us to care for the poor, the imprisoned, and all who suffer

(especially . . .)

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for the special intentions of this congregation (especially . . .)

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor We remember before you those (especially . . .) and all whom we love but

see no more. Give them eternal rest.

O God, most worthy of praise,

People hear our prayer.

Intercessor O God, you revealed your will to prophets and sages. By your Holy Spirit,

show us how to serve you today, that all nations may know you in our

love, through Jesus Christ.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

∞ The Confession

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

All God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant 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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

∞ Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem, Blest Are the Pure in Heart

H. WALFORD DAVIES

Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God: the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.

Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart, and for his dwelling and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.

∞ The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ve heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

∞ The Great Thanksgiving The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you. And also with you. People Lift up vour hearts. Celebrant We lift them to the Lord. People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Celebrant

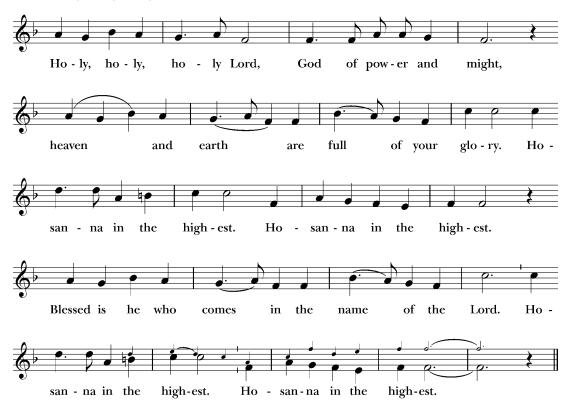
It is right to give God thanks and praise. People

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.

The Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface.

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, Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx)



The Celebrant continues

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.

Celebrant and People

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

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.

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

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



∞ The Invitation

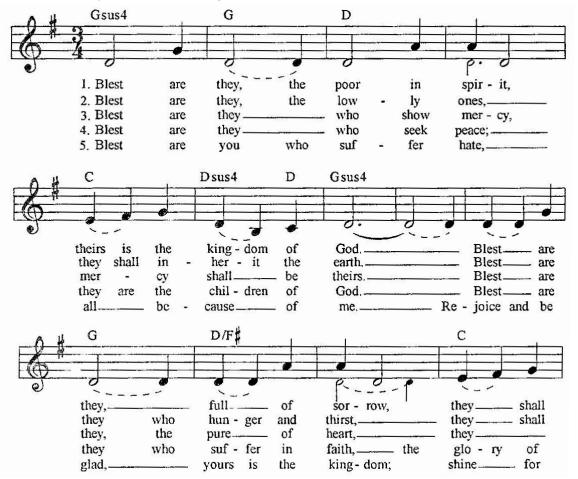
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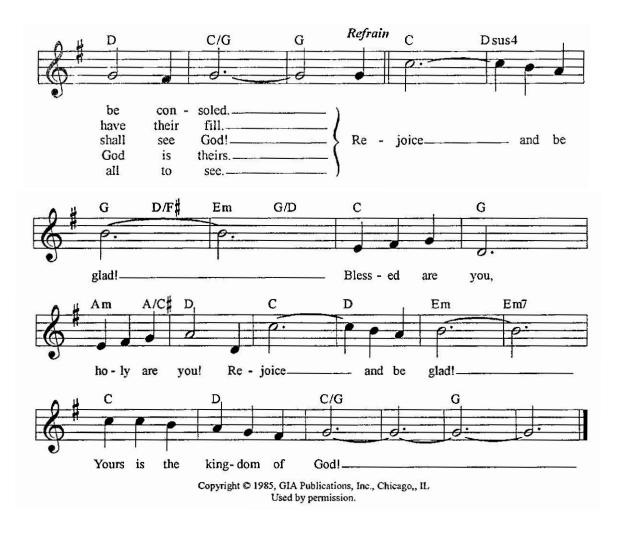
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your thoughts by faith, with thanksgiving.

∞ The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest. At this time, the wine may only be received by drinking from the cup, and not by intinction (dipping the wafer in wine).

Communion Hymn, Blest Are They





Communion Hymn, One Bread, One Body



∞ Sending Out Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Those who will visit the sick, home bound, and hospital bound are called forward.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy

gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the sacrament of

Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, for we all share one Bread, one Cup.

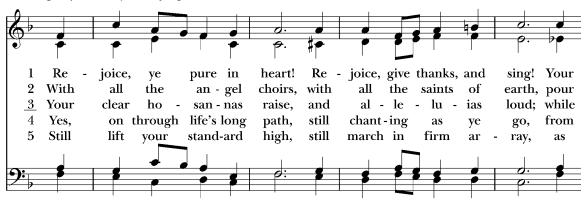
∞ The Post Communion Prayer

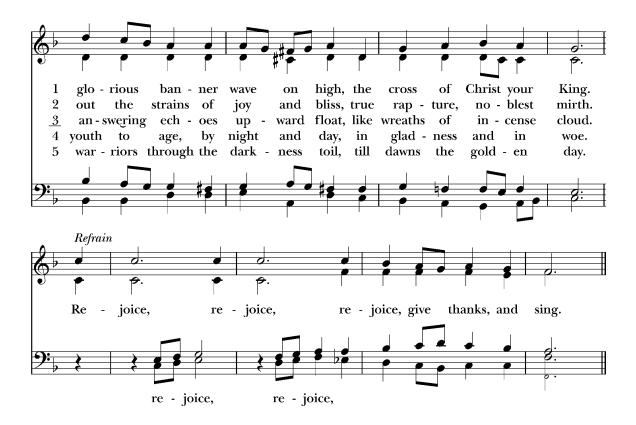
All stand.

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.

∞ The Blessing

Closing Hymn, Rejoice, ye pure in heart, verses 1-5 (Marion)





∞ The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Altar Memorials

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of H. Merritt Lane, Jr.

Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice, and walk humbly with God.

All are welcome.

You are invited to stay following worship for coffee and snacks, and to **connect with other parishioners, staff and clergy.** You will find a coffee bar and other refreshments setup in the kitchen.

If you are a guest today, welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Please help us to connect by signing our online guestbook (scan the QR code) or visit with one of our greeters and clergy.



For more information, visit us online or call the church office at (504) 522-0276.



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Children in Church

Changing tables are located in the handicap stalls of both bathrooms in the Bishop Polk Hall fover.

Nursery Care - Trinity's nursery is available from 8:30am - 12:00pm for children age 3 and under, including infants. At this time the nursery remains located in the original nursery location in the church undercroft. Email abond@trinitynola.com with questions.

Spirit Bags for children are located at the entrance to worship and available for children. Help yourself and please return as you exit.

To Parents: Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.

To the Members of our Parish: The presence of children is a gift to the Church! They are members of our community and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to the parents.

Mardi Gras Service Times / Hours

Mardi Gras Hours - Please note, there will be no 6:00pm service on Sunday, February 12. On Sunday, February 19, Trinity will hold only the 8:00am service (no 10:30am or 6:00pm service). The 7:30am Eucharist on Tuesday, February 21 is cancelled. Church offices are closed Friday, February 17 - Tuesday, February 21. Have a fun and safe Mardi Gras celebration!

Featured Events

Choral Evensong for Candlemas (February 2) - The Trinity Choir will sing Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord (Candlemas) on Thursday, February 2 at 6:30pm in the Trinity Chapel. Taking advantage of the new set-up in Trinity's chapel, the choir will mark this special day on which the baby Jesus was presented in the temple with hymns, canticles, psalms and anthems. Join us in the intimate setting of our beautiful chapel, adorned with candles on the day Simeon exclaimed that this baby is "a light to lighten the gentiles, and the glory of his people Israel."

Serve to Celebrate: Renewing the Altar Guild (February 5) - A Training and Dinner on Sunday, February 5 from 4:00pm - 5:30pm in Bishop Polk Hallwith special keynote by Lay Minister Leader, Elaine Estefan, from St. James Episcopal in Fairhope, Alabama. All are welcome to explore a holy invitation to serve our Trinity worship experience through preparing the altar. Training will be offered, and all levels of experience and availability are welcome! Contact Rev. Annie Jung to RSVP at ajung@trinitynola.com.

Mardi Gras Parade Tailgate (February 12) - On Sunday, February 12, gather on the route at St. Charles and Jackson with your church family! There will be a reserved area with tents on the neutral ground, and lunch/bathrooms in Molly's House by wristband restricted access. Wristbands will be available at all church services on January 29, February 5 and 12, or at the Trinity School front desk during office hours. Please BYOB and snacks to share!

Silent Retreat at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center (February 24 - 26, 2023) - Renew and discover the inner peace that is found in silence. SECC Parable Retreat will include reflection on gospel parables during morning prayer, Holy Eucharist, and evening prayer. This will all be entwined with contemplative silence. The retreat will be led by The Rev. John M. Pitzer of Trinity Episcopal Church, New Orleans.

Participants arrive between 4:00pm - 6:00pm on Friday, February 24 and depart at 9:30am on Sunday, February 26 after the Eucharist. The Registration fee is \$375 per person which includes 2 nights of private lodging and 5 chef prepared meals. To book your spot, visit www.seccla.org or call (985)748-6634.

Walking the Mourner's Path (begins March 3) is a Christ-centered, non-denominational grief support program. We believe grieving is not a lack of faith but a natural part of living. The next Walking the Mourner's Path workshops will begin on Thursdays, March 3 - April 27th (excluding April 6) at 4:30pm. We ask that you commit to all of the program sessions. Please contact Ninette Eastman at nmceastman@gmail.com or Maria Elliott at (504) 670-2535 if you would like more information.

Hey Girl, Hey! (March 3) - On Friday, March 3 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm, come and join other spiritually-minded women in a casual evening of prayer, reflection, and nourishment- to enrich your body, mind, & spirit. Hosted by Kirsten Breckinridge, this alcohol-free evening will create a lovely space to unwind, center, and breathe wholeness into your weekend. Contact Rev. Annie Jung to RSVP at ajung@trinitynola.com.

The Season of Lent

Ash Wednesday Services (February 22) - Ash Wednesday is the first of the forty days of Lent, with the custom of placing blessed ashes on the foreheads of worshipers at services. The ashes are a sign of penitence and a reminder of mortality, imposed with the sign of the cross and the words, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (BCP, p. 265). Please join us for Ash Wednesday at 7:30am in the chapel, 12:00pm in the chapel, or 6:00pm in Bishop Polk Hall.

Ash Wednesday Simple Supper (February 22) - Following the 6:00pm service, all are invited to stay for a simple supper of soup and bread.

Listening through Lent (begins February 26) - Lent is a time to listen--to God, self, others, community, and the world. Join us for a 5-week lenten journey where we will learn, practice, discuss, and apply active and holy listening in our daily lives. Sundays at 9:15am beginning February 26. Email Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com for more info and register at https://bit.ly/listeningthroughlent.

Rest & Recharge High School Retreat (March 3-5) for grades 9th-12th graders will be March 3-5 at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center in Loranger, LA. Teens will explore different kinds of rest–spiritual, creative, and emotional. This event is hosted by the Diocesan Youth Leadership Committee (DYLC). Contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com or register at bit.ly/restandrechargeretreat.

Faces of Easter Lenten Journey for 5th graders (begins March 5) - Using the Godly Play Faces of Easter story as our guide, 5th graders will gather five Sundays in Lent to create an object box that will, in the end, tell the story of their lives. Because we value the circle of children so much and want to help them build relationships with their church peers as they prepare to enter the world of youth ministry, a commitment to bring your child to all classes is super important. Ashley Bond will lead the class. Please register your child today by contacting abond@trinitynola.com. Classes are 10:30am in the School Library: March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2.

Special Evening Listening Session (March 9) - The community is invited to practice Holy listening as Trinity will facilitate both a panel discussion and listening circles on Thursday, March 9 at 5:30pm in Bishop Polk Hall. This panel will include stories about the common impact of crime in our community, especially around the juvenile justice system. The Restorative justice Committee is sponsoring this night of listening to better impact our efforts on being a part of solutions in our community. Contact cspencer@trinitynola.com with questions or to RSVP.

Lent Home Eucharist (March 1 and March 15) - On two Wednesdays in the season of Lent, Trinity will offer an in-home Eucharist hosted by Trinity parishioners. It is a wonderful opportunity to gather and worship with a small group of church family - a chance to connect with familiar faces and meet someone new. Attendees are asked to bring an hors d'oeuvres to share. Attendees are asked to pre-register. Hosts to be announced! Questions? Contact The Reverend John Pitzer at <u>ipitzer@trinitynola.com</u>.

Evening Agenda:

6:00pm - 6:30pm, Gathering with your Trinity family

6:30pm - 7:00pm, Eucharist

7:00pm - 8:00pm, Sharing a meal of heavy hors d'oeuvres.

Making a Palm Cross (April 2) - After each Palm Sunday service, all ages are welcome to learn how to turn their palm into a cross. After the 8:00am and 10:30am services, gather in the school courtyard off of Bishop Polk Hall (weather permitting), or after the 6:00pm service, gather in the Moore Library.

Unique Worship Experiences

YogaMass (February 4) - On Saturday, February 4 from 10:30am - 12:00pm, join us for yoga, eucharist, and a little post-worship fun at the Namaste Cafe in Bishop Polk Hall. This month's theme is "You are the Light of the World." Register at bit.ly.com/TrinityYogaMassRegistration.

Evening Prayer with Healing (February 14) - We pray together for healing from violence in our city, depletion from stress, care for our creation, exhaustion from economic uncertainty, hunger in any form, and the healing of our bodies and souls. Praying and singing together in community is a way of expanding our intentions and desires for wholeness with God's help. Your voice is an important one! Please join us at 6:00pm in the Chapel on the second Tuesday of the month. Questions? Contact Maria Elliott at melliott@trinitynola.com.

Adult Formation

Dream Workshop - Our Dreams are considered sacred and can help fill in the gaps of self-knowledge to bring healing and wholeness. Sister Mary Ann Culotta will offer a dream workshop beginning on Tuesdays at 2:45, February 7- April 4 (excluding Mardi Gras). If you'd like to have more information, please contact Sister Mary Ann at MaryAnn.Culotta@oppeace.org or Maria Elliott at melliott@tirnitynola.com.

Daily Meditations emails are offered each morning on Monday-Saturday so that you can begin your day with a reminder that you are Christ's Beloved! These meditations are written by clergy and parishioners using a bit of scripture from the Daily Office as a starting point, a brief reflection accompanied by art/music. If you wish to subscribe or if you'd like to try writing occasionally, please contact Maria Elliott at melliott@trinitynola.com.

Confirmation and Reception 2023 - Adults curious about being confirmed in or received by the Episcopal Church, please contact Ashley Bond at <u>abond@trinitynola.com</u>.

Bible Studies and Small Groups - If you are interested in being a part of a bible study or small group, please email Ashley Bond at <u>abond@trinitynola.com</u>. A minimum of 8 committed participants is necessary to launch a new group. **Sundays**

12 Steps Are for Everyone meets 9:15am - 10:15am in the Church Board Room and on Zoom. All are welcome to come and learn more about the 12 steps. No prior knowledge necessary! For more information contact Karen Taylor at taylorks@aol.com or (203) 526-3590.

Faith and Fiction Class meets Sundays at 9:15am in the classroom just off the Trinity School Library or on Zoom. Our talented group of facilitators chooses mostly secular short stories to discuss from a Christian perspective. We look for glimmers of the divine, illustrations of God's grace, and insights about how to live our lives in accord with the teachings of Jesus. Contact Merry Toups at merryparis@yahoo.com.

Weekdays

The Men's Prayer Breakfast gathers for a home-cooked breakfast and Bible study with the rector, The Reverend Andrew R. Thayer, from 6:30am - 8:00am on Wednesdays. Ouestions? Contact athayer@trinitynola.com.

Wednesday Morning Moms Group - If you would like to meet some amazing women who want to grow spiritually, please come! We meet in the Parish House after morning carpools and usually get started around 8:15am. All are welcome. Contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com.

Children, Youth and Families

Guild of the Christ Child (GOTCC) - Is your family growing? Please let us know! If you are expecting, adopting, fostering, and anything in between, please email Maria Elliott at melliott@trinitynola.com so that we can pray for you and your family. Upon the arrival of a new family member, our Guild of the Christ Child ministry team delivers a basket of love to your front porch.

The Pray Ground at the 10:30am worship service is a designated area where children can experience worship while being physically comfortable. Spirit bags, books, and Godly Play materials are available to help children stay engaged. Parents are encouraged to sit close to the Pray Ground.

Godly Play invites children ages PK3-5th grade to enter into a deeper and more playful relationship with God. Based on the Montessori method, Godly Play uses storytelling, creativity, and wonder to help children better understand themselves, their faith, and God. The children meet in the School Library and are led to their respective classrooms at 10:25am. Godly Play starts at 10:30am. Afterward children are led back to worship to join their families for communion. Contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com.

Confirmation 2023 - Youth curious about being confirmed, received, or baptized in the Episcopal Church, please contact Ashley Bond at <u>abond@trinitynola.com</u>.

Called to Serve

The Vestry Nominating Committee invites our congregation to nominate future church leaders. A Vestry term is four years and begins on June 1st. Candidates must have been a member of the church for one year, be over age 21, and have been confirmed or received into the EpiscopalChurch by a bishop of the church. Nominees must also have provided financial support, as confirmed by the Church's stewardship records, within six months prior to the Annual Meeting to be held in the Spring. Among expectations and responsibilities of Vestry members, these include:

- Regular Sunday worship
- Attendance at forums, special events, and programs of the church
- Active involvement in committees and programs of the church
- Service on Vestry committees (such as finance\budget, stewardship, endowment, buildings and grounds, youth/adult education and community ministry)
- Providing leadership in stewardship activities, including an annual personal pledge
- Participation in annual budget development and review
- Support of the ministry of the Rector and staff in carrying out the mission of the church
- Attendance at monthly Vestry meetings and annual Vestry retreat
- Participate (or have participated in) anti-racism training
- Active involvement in hospitality and welcoming activities

The Vestry nominating committee includes Michelle Cox and Melissa Fanning, Co Chairs, Will French, Tricia Aucoin, Skipper Bond, Bill Kearney, and Tim Trapolin. The committee will review all nominations and recommend a slate of four candidates for a vote at the annual meeting in the Spring. Please share your nomination(s) with Michelle Cox at michelle@chenault.net, Melissa Fanning at mlsfanning@gmail.com, or any of our committee members. We welcome your input in identifying parishioners who are ready, willing, and able to serve and who are committed to advancing Trinity's mission: Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God. Thank you.

Rummage Drop-Off Days and Hours: Wednesdays, 7:30am - 10:30am, and Fridays, 10:00am - 2:00pm. Call (504) 670-2526 for assistance, and deliver items to back loading dock on Josephine Street.

Altar Guild and Acolyte Teams - Rev. Annie & Verger Mary Sutton are gathering names of people looking to become active in serving in these liturgical ministries. Please email Rev. Annie Jung ajung@trinitynola.com or Verger Mary Sutton at msutton@trinitynola.com to learn more.

Altar Guild: For services in the Chapel (8:00am Sunday, 7:30am Tuesday), and in Bishop Polk Hall (10:30am and 6:00pm on Sundays). Volunteers will be trained to set up (vest) the altar, take down (divest) the altar, and care for the very special pieces used on the altar. Volunteers will serve on a monthly basis.

Acolytes: For services in Bishop Polk Hall (10:30am and 6:00pm on Sundays). Youth from grades 4th- 12th will carry the cross and torches, light and extinguish candles, lead the procession, and have small duties within the service.

Trinity Treasures volunteers are needed to staff the shop. Please contact Tina Grant at tgrant@trinitynola.com or (504) 237-5419 for more details.

Trinity Restorative Justice Committee - Inspired by Christ, the Trinity Restorative Justice Committee was formed to support Trinity's mission to "do justice" with a focus on the needs of at-risk youth and young adults in the city of New Orleans, supporting them and their families to avoid entry or re-entry into the Louisiana criminal legal system. To learn more about related volunteer opportunities visit www.trinitynola.com/restorative-justice/ or contact Rev. Carol Spencer at cspencer@trinitynola.com.

Preservation and Rebirth: Stewardship for 2023

2023 Boxed Sets of Offering Envelopes are available for pickup, located on a table in the hallway between the Chapel and the BPH Foyer. Please contact Raina at 504-670-2537 with any questions or if you'd like to request a box. Thanks!

Stewardship Update (as of January 12, 2023) We are at 78% of our \$1.6 million budgetary goal. Thank you to all who have made their pledge for 2023, and if you haven't done so yet, you still can! Pledge online at https://trinitynola.com/pledge-form/ (scan the QR code), or grab a pledge card in the Chapel or BPH. Thank you!



Together We Build: Capital Campaign

Trinity is proud to present the culmination of the Church and School's three - year strategic planning efforts with a joint \$13 million Capital Campaign, *Trinity 2024: Together We Build*. The Campaign goal and projects have been designed to create a more functional and attractive campus for Trinity that will ultimately build a more vital community for the future. For more information, please visit the Campaign website at www.Trinity2024.org or scan the QR code.



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The Reverend Andrew R. Thayer Rector

The Reverend John M. Pitzer Associate Rector for Administration and Outreach

The Reverend Annie Knazs Jung
The Reverend E. Gary Taylor

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The Reverend Carol Borne Spencer Deacon Mary Sutton Verger

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PREACHER: The Reverend E. Gary Taylor
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Deacon: The Reverend Carol Borne Spencer

VERGER: Mary Sutton
ORGANIST: Paul Weber

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