

The Third Sunday in Lent



March 8, 2026
10 a.m.

Trinity Episcopal Parish

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. You will find that our worship blends the ancient mysteries of the church with a modern and vibrant faith. Located in the pew rack are Hymnals and the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), along with connection cards. Please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate so that we can connect you with the life of the church.

NURSERY: Kids of all ages are welcome to attend the service! However, parents may prefer to take infants and toddlers up to 3 years old to our staffed nursery, located downstairs in the Parish House next to the sanctuary. The ushers or greeters can accompany you to the nursery.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL: Children's Chapel is available for children ages 4-7 every Sunday (except the first Sunday Family Service). Participating families are asked to sign in using the check-in station as you enter. During the singing of the Kyrie, children will gather and process to Children's Chapel. Children are escorted back to their families at the Peace.

Please note that the Parish House doors are locked during the service. Should you need access to the Nursery or Children's Chapel during the service, please see an usher, or go to the breezeway door and the gatekeeper will assist you.

RESTROOM: A restroom is located to the right as you enter the church, to the left as you exit.

LIGHTING A VOTIVE: The Little Side Chapel, located in the alcove to the left as you enter the church, is available to anyone wishing to light a candle and have a few moments of reflection and prayer.

The Word of God

OPENING HYMN:

Hymn 518

Christ has made the sure foundation

Westminster Abbey

Hymnals are found in the pew racks.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures for ever.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence may be kept.

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.

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON: Hymnal S89

Hymn numbers with an S are at the beginning of the Hymnal.

The People sing:

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95

Cantor sings the versicle – congregation sings the response.

S 188

Henry Walford Davies
(1869-1941)



1. O come, let us | sing un•to the | Lord; ||
let us heartily re- | joice • in the | strength of • our sal- | vation. ||
2. Let us come before his | presence with | thanks•giving; ||
and show ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms. ||
3. For the | Lord • is a | great God; ||
and a | great | King a•bove | all gods. ||
4. In his hand are all the | corners • of the | earth; ||
and the | strength • of the | hills is • his | also. ||
5. The sea is | his, and • he | made it; ||
and | his • hands pre- | pared the • dry | land. ||
6. O come, let us | worship and • fall | down, ||
and | kneel be•fore the | Lord our | Maker. ||
7. For he is the | Lord our | God; ||
and we are the people of his | pasture, • and the | sheep of • his | hand. ||
8. To-day if ye will hear his voice, | harden • not your | hearts ||
as in the provocation, and as in the | day of • tempt- | ation • in the | wilder•ness; ||
9. When your | fathers | tempted • me, ||
proved | me, and | saw my | works. ||
10. Forty years long was I grieved with this gener- | ation, • and | said, ||
It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they | have not | known my | ways: ||
11. Unto whom I | swear in • my | wrath, ||
that they should not | enter | into my | rest. ||

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN:

Hymn 313

Let thy Blood in mercy poured

Jesu, meine Zuversicht

All stand

GOSPEL: John 4:5-42

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called

Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (From the New Zealand Prayer Book)

God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbours and our community, loving others as he loves us.

Silence

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress, and bless those who minister to them.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations, especially Donald, president of the United States, Bill, governor of Tennessee, and Wes and Joe, our mayors.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his Kingdom, especially Sean, our presiding bishop, John, bishop of Tennessee, and [____] our priest today. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for Trinity's search for our next priest, that we may be filled with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, patience, love and mutual respect.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all the men and women in the service of our nation, and their families, at home and abroad. Defend them, strengthen them, give them courage, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Concluding Collect

God of mercy, you have given us grace to pray with one heart and one voice; and have promised to hear the prayers of two or three who agree in your name; fulfil now, we pray, the prayers and longings of your people as may be best for us and for your kingdom. Grant us in this world to know your truth, and in the world to come to see your glory. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

You may leave your offering in the plates as they are passed, or visit <https://trinityparish.com/giving/> or scan the QR code using your phone's camera to give online.



You may also mail your offering or pledge to: 317 Franklin Street, Clarksville, TN 37040.

OFFERTORY HYMN:

Hymn 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettleton

DOXOLOGY

The People stand and sing while the offerings are brought forward.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer C, Book of Common Prayer, p. 369)

The People stand.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

...

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: Hymnal S130

The People sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

**Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM: Hymnal S158

The People sing:

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

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.

DISTRIBUTION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Here are the options at Trinity:

Communion is distributed in the same way on both sides.

Bread and wine: *You will receive bread in your hand, which you should immediately consume, and then you will drink from the chalice. You may assist in directing the wine to your lips, touching only the base of the chalice. Please do not touch the upper part of the chalice.*

Intinction: *You may very carefully dip the edge of the wafer in the wine. Please do not touch the upper part of the chalice.*

Bread only: *After receiving bread, cross both arms over your chest to indicate no wine.*

Blessing only: *If you or your child wish to receive a priest's blessing instead of bread and wine, please cross your arms over your chest.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 685

Rock of ages, cleft for me

alternate tune: Petra: Hymn 171

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand or kneel.

Let us pray.

**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.**

LENTEN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant:

Bow down before the Lord.

The People kneel.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN:

Hymn 690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY: Dignitate

Dom Andrew Moore (b. 1954)

Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately following today's service for coffee and a light meal.

Those serving today

1st reading: Shirley Woodham Hood

Psalm: Choir

2nd reading: Lucas Evan Smith

Prayers: Maryalice Telford

Verger: Chris Smith

LEM/Cross: Katie LeBeau Dean

Torch/server: Allison Lee Stroman

Torch/plates: Zeke Green

Ushers: Steven B. Stroman Jodi Stephens-Smith

Greeters: Christie Crawford Katy Potts

Livestream: Larry M Faust

Gatekeeper: Sheila Casey Foust

Children's Chapel: Allison Graham and Pluto,

Nichollette Cochran

Parish H. lockup: Chris Smith

Altar Guild: Luke

Celebrant

We are joined today by the Rev. Dan Gross.

Flower donations

Flowers given by Altar Guild.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

GRACE CHURCH, SPRING HILL

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Christian, Luna and Misty Ring-Ramirez

Anne Schwartzenberg

Peggy Seay

Parish Prayer List

Ben Kimbrough Sr.

Calendar

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

- **7:30 a.m.:** Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken
- **10 a.m.:** Holy Eucharist Rite II, with music, nursery available

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

9 a.m.

- **Children:** Godly Play for students pre-school through 5th grade.
- **Youth:** Students 6th through 12th grade.
- **Adults:** Walk in Love: "Episcopal Beliefs and Practices" by Scott Gunn

11:30 a.m. (following 10 a.m. service)

- **Adults:** The Old Testament Prophets in Context

Nursery is available starting at 9 a.m. through the 10 a.m. service for infants up to 3 years old.

FELLOWSHIP:

- **Wednesday Night Dinner** every week at 5:30 p.m. Donation of \$10 for ages 16 and up, \$5 for students, free for 15 and younger.
- **Small Groups** meet weekly or bi-weekly. To sign up, go to <https://trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/> or call the church office, 931-645-2458.
- **Women's Study**, "The Gift of Years," second Saturdays at 9 a.m., Parish Hall library.
- **Loaves & Fishes** Trinity volunteer Day, third Wednesdays at noon, 325 Crossland Ave.
- **Circuit Workit** low-impact exercise, Saturdays at 9:30 a.m., Parish Hall, first floor classroom.
- **Chair Yoga**, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m., Parish Hall, first floor classroom.
- **Fiber Arts Group**, third Saturdays at 10 a.m., Parish Hall library.

Announcements

Easter Memorial Flowers and Music: Anyone who would like to do so can make a memorial donation for Easter flowers, and new this year a memorial donation for Easter music. Please specify the memorial on a check or in an envelope in the offering plate or with the church office.

Holy Week Services

Be sure to join Trinity during Holy Week!

- **Palm Sunday**, 7:30 a.m. or 10 a.m. March 29 with the Procession of Palms, Passion Reading
- **Maundy Thursday**, 6 p.m. April 2 with the Washing of Feet, Stripping of the Altar
- **Good Friday**, 6 p.m. April 3 with Veneration of the Cross
- **Easter Sunday**, 7:30 a.m. or 10 a.m. April 4, with Flowering of the Cross, Incense, Bells and more, followed by the Easter Egg Hunt.

Flowers for the Altar: We have dates available if you would like to make flower donations. Please contact Laura Harpel by email at horsedoctor3@gmail.com or by cell at 931-206-4600. You can also contact the office.

Join the Choir: Interested in singing in the choir? There's a special place for you. See Daniel Copher or any choir member for more encouragement.

Every Wednesday join Trinity @5:30 p.m. for dinner.

Ages 15+ :\$10

Student admission \$5 with show of student ID

15 and under eat free.



We are called to discern how we can best support the growth of God's Kingdom. Stewardship isn't limited to one season—our gifts of time, talent, and treasure can be offered at any point throughout the year. Your pledge helps Trinity sustain our sacred space and expand our outreach and connection in the community. Thank you for sharing your commitment to Trinity.

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Scan here to submit your pledge online or contact the church office.

Small Groups

Group Leaders: Linda and David Aman

Every Tuesday from 9-11 a.m. in the Trinity Parish Library.

Contact information: 931-494-4351 or Lindaaman1983@gmail.com

Brunswick Stew- Saturday April 25. Cooking will begin at 10a.m. Will be a sign up genius coming very soon volunteers, prep, dinner when ready. Will be selling togo's as well.

Please scan the link below if you are interested in a baptism during Easter Sunday.



We also have a sign up for the Overnight Vigil link is below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044CACAF2BA2FACE9-62804044-overnight>

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To access **Trinity Guest WiFi** the password is: trinityparish

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Office Administrator: Kelsey Deboard
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Lead Verger: Chris Smith

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Thommy Barbeauld
Will Green
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