



JANUARY 28, 2024 9:30 AM

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY & HOLY BAPTISM

A warm welcome to all worshipping at Trinity this morning! If this is your first time to worship with us, we are especially glad you are here and hope you will come again. Please know whatever your tradition, we want you to make yourself at home and participate in the service as you are moved. We also invite you to complete the “Hey There” Card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate so we may greet you personally.

Children are always welcome in worship here. However, we do have a staffed nursery directly below the sanctuary if that feels like a better fit for your family. An activity cart is located at the back for older children, as well as a Worship Guide. If you are curious about any part of our service, please feel free to ask questions! We enjoy sharing the meaning of what we are doing in our worship.

In this worship booklet, the congregation responds with the words in **bold print**. Please stand as you are able (indicated by the *). Unless otherwise indicated, we sing from the blue Hymnal.

Organ Prelude

Welcome

****Entrance Hymn 686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

Opening Acclamation

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit.

There is one hope in God’s call to us.

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.

One God and Father of all.

Gloria S277

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Thanks be to God.

The Collect of the Day

Please stand as you are able.

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.**

First Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

A reading from Deuteronomy.

Moses summoned all Israel and said to them, ¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: ‘If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.’ ¹⁷Then the LORD replied to me: ‘They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.’”

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

Psalm 111 (Spoken)

¹Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

³His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

⁸They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant forever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures forever.

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

A reading from First Corinthians.

¹Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. ²Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; ³but anyone who loves God is known by him.

⁴Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸“Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 691 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

The Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²¹Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation of the Candidate

Priest The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents **I present Hailey Rose to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents **I will, with God's help.**

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents **I will, with God's help.**

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

I do.

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

I do.

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

I do.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in her life in Christ?

We will.

Let us join with Hailey, being committed to Christ, and renew our own baptismal covenant.

***Baptismal Covenant**

Please stand as you are able.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

****Prayers for the Candidate***

Let us now pray for Hailey who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open her heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send her into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray today for those known to us and beloved, and for those we entrust to your care, especially Arlene, Maureen, Janet, Rick, Marie, Jennifer, Joyce, Jacky, Gail, Alveta, Bode, Gracie, Martha, Daniel, Elaine, Judy, Nancy, Cheryl, Leon, Shirley, Dan, Brian, Donald, Susan, Cindy, Barbara, Lucille, JM, Diane, Gordon, Marie, Erin.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We give thanks today for the life of Elaine Marie Clark, and we pray for her daughter Cheryl and all the family as they mourn her loss. Rest eternal grant to Elaine, Holy God, and let light perpetual shine upon her. May Elaine's soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Please be seated.

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Baptism

Hailey Rose, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hailey Rose, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Hailey Rose, receive the Light of Christ, a sign of new life enkindled within you. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

*Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

***The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Walk in love, as Christ loves us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Music

Down to the River

Gospel Hymn arr. by Robert Lee

***Presentation of the Gifts**

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, money and food bank donations to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented.

***Doxology 380**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

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 our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus S130

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S155

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,
therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Behold what you are.

May we become what we receive.

Communion

If you prefer not to receive communion and would like a blessing, please come to the altar rail with your arms crossed over your chest. If you need communion brought to your seat, please tell an usher. Please indicate at the rail, if you require a gluten-free wafer.

Communion Music

Communion Hymn Gift of Finest Wheat

You sat-is - fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat. Come
give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the
2. With joy - ful
3. Is not the

1. shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So
2. lips we sing to you Our praise and grat - i- tude. That
3. cup we bless and share The blood of Christ out- poured? Do*

1. when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, We fol- low and re- joice.
2. you should count us wor- thy, Lord, To share this heav'n-ly food.
3. hot one cup, one loaf, de- clare Our one- ness in the Lord?

Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

***Recessional Hymn 493 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

As the cross passes your pew, please turn to face the back of the church as we are sent out into the world to love and serve.

***Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Our service of worship is now over. Our worship through service now begins.

Today at Trinity

Presider:	The Rev. Andrea Castner Wyatt
Crucifer:	Tom Swetts
Lectors:	Cindy Anderau, Rebecca Merrick
Intercessor:	Ashley Erickson
Minister of Communion:	Laura Main, Theodora Jameson
Ushers:	Joe Bojnowski, Martha Dayton
Trinity Driving:	Carol Bigman
Coffee Hour:	Patrick DeBrock
Tech Guild:	Cherie Swetts, Chuck Wyatt
Altar Guild:	Ruth Garrett, Susan Cragin
Organist:	Jennifer Sisco
Nursery Assistant:	Nathaniel Grummons

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For those celebrating a birthday this week:

Pernille Traczyk, John Melville, Carter Ready



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