



HOLY TRINITY
ANGLICAN CHURCH

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The Second Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2021
Morning Prayer

WELCOME

Dear Friends,

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Anglican Church! If this is your first time with us we are especially delighted to have you here.

We gather in the midst of a difficult season in the life of our country and the world. As the Coronavirus pandemic rages on we find ourselves trying to navigate wisely between our deep human need to gather as God's people for worship and our fundamental concern to keep each other safe from infection. This is tricky! In order to gather in person we have had to make a number of changes to the way we worship and congregate on Sunday mornings.

Our service of Morning Prayer will last about 55 minutes. It has been simplified from the Prayer Book service in order to reduce time and limit congregational speaking. We will no longer have acolytes or a processional. Several other elements of the service have been removed for the time being.

Here are some simple instructions for keeping everyone safe and healthy.

- Please wear a mask at all times when you are inside the building. We understand that especially young children may struggle with this, and we leave mask-wearing for them to the parents' discretion.
- Please note which rows of chairs may be used for seating and be sure to keep a distance of 3 chairs between yourself and the next individual/family group.
- We firmly believe that singing with masks will not increase the risk of infection in our space, and we have made this decision with the helpful input of trusted medical experts. So please, feel free to make a "joyful noise to the Lord!"
- If you need to leave the service for any reason please exit using whichever aisle is most expedient.
- At the conclusion of the service please exit the church via the side aisles. If you would like to catch up with others please find them outside!

This way of worshiping together is different from what we are used to, but the God we worship is the same yesterday, today and forever! So we gather with confidence and joy in him!

Yours in Christ,
John

A SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

PRELUDE

King of kings

*In the darkness we were waiting, without hope, without light
Till from heaven You came running, there was mercy in your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt*

CHORUS: *Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings*

*To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross
For even in your suffering You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus for our sake You died*

*And the morning that you rose, all of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come, to the Father are restored*

*And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in his Name, in his freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me*

WELCOME

INTROIT

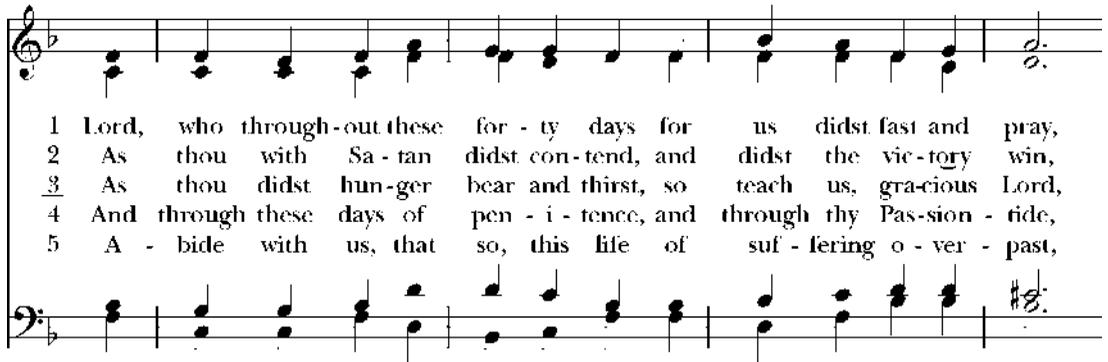
Christ, whose glory fills the skies

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise! Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.*

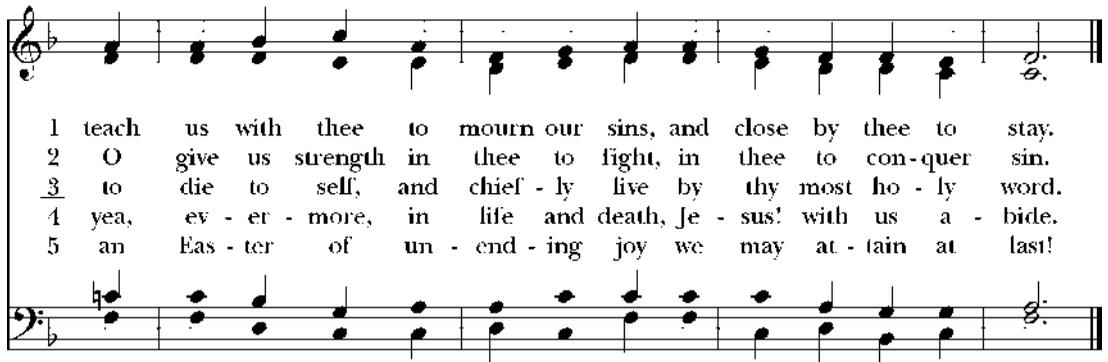
*Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.*

OPENING HYMN (all sing)

Lord, who throughout these forty days



1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,
3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
5 A - bid with us, that so, this life of suf - fer - ing o - ver - past,



1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bid.
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

A PENITENTIAL ORDER OF WORSHIP

Officiant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our 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 other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12: 29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1: 8,9*

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4: 14, 16*
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSION *(said by all, kneeling)*

Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, have mercy (sung by all, kneeling)

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.

ABSOLUTION

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 COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

INVITATORY *(standing)*

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

All: **O come, let us adore him.**

Psalm 65 *Te decet hymnus* *(read responsively)*

1 You, O God, are to be praised in Zion, *
and unto you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

2 You who hear our prayer, *
unto you shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me; *
O be merciful and blot out our sins.

- 4 Blessed is the man whom you choose and receive unto yourself; *
he shall dwell in your courts, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of your house, even of your holy temple.
- 5 You shall show us wonderful things in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, *
for you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the isles that are far away.
- 6 You in your strength set firm the mountains, *
and are girded about with power.
- 7 You still the raging of the seas, *
the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be in fear of your wonders; *
you make the morning and evening to shout with joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and bless it; *
you make it very plenteous.
- 10 The river of God is full of water; *
you prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You water its furrows; you send rain into the little valleys; *
you make it soft with the drops of rain and bless the increase of it.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 The fields of the wilderness are rich in pasture, *
and the little hills rejoice on every side.
- 14 The folds shall be full of sheep; *
the valleys also shall stand so thick with grain that they shall laugh and sing.
- All: Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

THE LESSONS

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:6-11

⁶ A voice says, "Cry!"
And I said, "What shall I cry?"
All flesh is grass,
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.
⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;
surely the people are grass.
⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.
⁹ Go on up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good news;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Behold your God!"
¹⁰ Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
¹¹ He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms;
he will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament: Hebrews 10:32-39

³² But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, ³³ sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. ³⁴ For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵ Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of

endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.³⁷ For,

“Yet a little while,
and the coming one will come and will not delay;
³⁸ but my righteous one shall live by faith,
and if he shrinks back,
my soul has no pleasure in him.”

³⁹ But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Worship (11:00 am service only)

Children grades K-5 are invited to a time of kid worship at this time. Please join Miss Beth at the front of the sanctuary and she will direct you. Please promptly pick up your son or daughter in the courtyard after the service.

GOSPEL SONG *(sung by all)*

Great are you Lord

You give life, you are love, you bring light to the darkness
You give hope, you restore ev’ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

CHORUS: *It’s your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It’s your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to you only*

BRIDGE: *And all the earth will shout your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are you Lord*

THE GOSPEL *(please stand)*

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 6:19-34

¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. ²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. ³⁴“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. John W. Yates III

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*all are invited to sit or kneel*)

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**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.

Officiant: Lord, give to your Church the spirit of truth, unity, and concord and to all its leaders wisdom and humility.

Please pray silently for our church staff and the Diocese of the Carolinas.

Officiant: Lord, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Lord, give wisdom and integrity to the leaders of our city, state and country.

Please pray silently for our elected officials.

Officiant: Lord, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Lord, give comfort and strength to those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus, and grant protection to all health care workers.

Please pray silently for anyone undergoing hardship of some kind.

Officiant: Lord, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Lord, make us mindful of the needs of those who live or work in the neighborhoods around our church.

Please pray silently for our witness as a church in our community.

Officiant: Lord, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Lord, work in us that which is pleasing in your sight during this season of Lent.

Please pray silently for growth in knowledge and love of the Lord.

Officiant: Lord, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the life of Lynda Blount and pray for peace and comfort for Betsy Gray Barrus and her family. Lord Jesus, we pray for all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially Lydia Aldridge; Stuart Allen; Richard Barefoot; Diana Barnhart; Judah Best; The Brickley Family; Mel Broughton; June Brown; Barbara Cooley; John Converse; Rob Dickinson; Bill Dixon; Carolyn Eskridge; Mabel Geoghegan; Thomas Golson; Susan Steele Grady; Sterling Kane; William Kane; Holland McPeake; Pat and Mary B. Raiford; Chloe Renken; Anne Roux; Lindsay Roux; Gabrielle Rowe; Wendy Shull; Mildred Whitmire; Sally Whitt; Randi Wood; and Judah Yonan.

We pray for all those expecting the birth of a child, especially Gracie and Clifford Humphrey; Michelle and Kevin Norris; Jennifer and Brian Stoker; Jamison and Steve Whitley. Grant comfort and peace to all who desire to conceive, or adopt, and in your time, we pray, give them the joy of children.

We pray for our loved ones serving in the military, especially Chase Duncan and Gabriel Rodriguez — keep them safe, enfold them with your protection and fill them with courage each day.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 that may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts that 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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *(please stand, said by all)*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

THE GRACE

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

All: “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.” Amen.

2 Corinthians 13:14

CLOSING HYMN *(all sing)*

Reckless love

*Before I spoke a word you were singing over me. You have been so so good to me.
Before I took a breath you breathed Your life in me. You have been so so kind to me.*

REFRAIN: *(And) O the overwhelming never-ending reckless love of God
O it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found. Leaves the ninety-nine.
I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still you give Yourself away.
O the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah.*

*When I was your foe still your love fought for me. You have been so so good to me.
When I felt no worth you paid it all for me. You have been so so kind to me.*

*BRIDGE: There's no shadow you won't light up, mountain you won't climb up
 Coming after me.
 There's no wall you won't kick down, lie You won't tear down
 Coming after me .*

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant: Let us go forth rejoicing in the good news of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
 and in celebration of the marriage of
Mary Virginia Broughton and John Derek Eason II*

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