



HOLY TRINITY
ANGLICAN CHURCH

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The Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025

Holy Communion

WELCOME

Welcome!

We're so glad you've joined us this morning. Whether you've been following Christ for years or are investigating the Christian faith for the first time you are welcome at Holy Trinity.

As an Anglican church our time together in worship is shaped by ancient liturgies accompanied by old hymns, new choruses and the preaching of God's word. On most Sunday mornings we share Holy Communion together, but on the final Sunday of each month we worship following the service of Morning Prayer. Our services come from the Anglican Church in North America's 2019 Book of Common Prayer. Everything you need to know for our service—like when to sit or stand, song lyrics, corporate prayers and readings can be found here in your bulletin.

Our nursery is open during the whole service for children up to 5 years old. There is a "Little Sanctuary" for nursing moms and young children in between the exit doors on the side closest to the nursery. Kids grades K-5 will be invited to their own time of bible teaching before the sermon. All leaders are vetted and trained folks who will love your kids well! Please make sure you have checked in your son or daughter at the check-in station near the young children's wing.

Want to know more about us? Fill out the connection card found in the lobby or speak with a member of our clergy in the lobby after worship. Thanks again for visiting with us this morning. I look forward to meeting you!

Yours in Christ,



Rev. Dr. John Yates III

A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

Lenten Introit, Iain Quinn

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy; come, let us adore him.
Glory to the Father...

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

I heard the voice of Jesus say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
And in your weariness lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad;
I found in him a resting pace, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live.
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that lifegiving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk till pilgrim days are done.

A PENITENTIAL ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Officiant 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 and judge of us all:**

**We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses,
which we have committed by thought, word, and deed
against your divine majesty,
provoking most justly your righteous anger against us.**

**We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions;
the burden of them is more than we can bear.**

Have mercy upon us,

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may evermore serve
and please you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your 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 to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LESSONS *(please sit)*

The Old Testament: Isaiah 30:15-18

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Red Bible, page 591

People: Thanks be to God.

The New Testament: Romans 5:1-11

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Red Bible, page 942

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Worship

Children grades K-5 are invited to join the teachers and follow the cross at the front of the sanctuary for their own time of kid's worship. They will return to the sanctuary during the announcements.

THE GOSPEL HYMN

Come unto Jesus

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary,
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy.
Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, Light for the straying,
Hope of the penitent, Peace in our strife.
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
“My yoke is easy, My burden is light,”

*Chorus: Come unto Jesus, Come unto Jesus
Lay down your burdens; He is enough.
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love.*

Come taste the Bread of Life broken for sinners.
Drink from the cup of His promise made sure.
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters.
Grace overflowing is yours evermore. *Chorus*

Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking
All that was gain count as nothing but loss.
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading.
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross. *Chorus*

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THE GOSPEL

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 11:25-30

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Red Bible, page 816

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. John W. Yates III

THE 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.

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: O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

People: And grant us your salvation.

Officiant: O Lord, guide those who govern us;

People: And lead us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People: And let your people sing with joy.

Officiant: O Lord, save your people;

People: And bless your inheritance.

Officiant: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People: And defend us by your mighty power.

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People: And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

Heavenly Father, we pray for all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially JP Archer; Denis Brickley; Larry Crumpler; Gay Eatman; Woody Eatman; Mari Fitz-Wynn on the death of her son, Andrew; Liz Holzner; Ann Johnson; Holland McPeake; Mary B. Raiford; Brittany Swanger; Ed Weems; Mike Weddington; Don Whitworth and Warren Williamson.

We pray for all those expecting the birth of a child, especially Donna Lynn and Justin Barfield; Emily Best; Allie and Tripp Gordon; Margaret and Grey Gordon; and Ethan and Claire Smith. 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 Jeb Baker, Samuel Bedor, Chase Duncan, Derek Eason and Brennan Hodges.— keep them safe, enfold them with your protection and fill them with courage each day.

Please add your own petitions or thanksgivings silently.

Almighty God, we give you thanks for this congregation. Over the past 20 years you have rooted us in the gospel and grown us in grace. As we look to the future, and seek to expand our facility, would you please provide all the resources necessary for us to move forward. Lead us to give generously, equip us to live faithfully, and use us in this city to bring you glory; for our deepest desire is to honor and serve our Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

THE PEACE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Psalm 50:14

Offer unto God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay your vows unto the Most High.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

My days are gone like a shadow (Ps. 102.11-13)

My days are gone like a shadow:

and I am withered like grass.

But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever:

and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

Arise, O Lord, and have mercy upon Sion:

for it is time that thou have mercy upon her,

yea, the time is come. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND GIFTS (*Doxology*)

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. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

(The people remain standing.)

Heavenly Father, we lift our hearts to you as we gather at your table. You are worthy at all times and in all places to receive glory, honor, thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord: For He is Your living Word from before time and for all ages; by Him you created all things, and by Him you make all things new.

When we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death you, in your tender mercy, gave Your Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, offered once and for all time, for the sins of the whole world. By His death He reconciled us to you, satisfying your just demands. By His rising to new life He has secured eternal deliverance for His people.

We thank You Father, that on the night before He died, Jesus took bread; and when He had given You thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." After the meal, He took the cup, and again giving You thanks He gave it to His disciples, saying, "Drink from 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore Father, we thank You for these gifts of bread and wine. By the power of your Holy Spirit we pray that all who eat and drink them, believing our Savior's word, may share His body and blood. **Amen.**

(please kneel)

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

**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.**

Friends, at just the right time, when we were weak and unable to help ourselves Christ Jesus died for the ungodly. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Jesus Christ died for you and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Receiving Communion: The ushers will guide your row either to the front of the church or to the rear via the center aisle. Please extend your hands to receive the wafer, which you will then dip in the chalice. Once you have received Holy Communion, please return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available.

During Communion two prayer ministers will be available to pray with anyone who would like prayer for any reason. They will be stationed in the Prayer Corner, which is in the left transept.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Jesus I am resting, resting

*(sung by octet) Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee, as thy beauty fills my soul.
for by thy transforming power, thou hast made me whole.*

*Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art:
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.*

(sung by all) **O how great thy loving-kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous thy goodness lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is thine,
Know thy certainty of promise and have made it mine.**

**Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art:
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.**

Psalm 27 (sung by all, remaining seated)

The Lord is my light and my salvation,
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life,
Of whom shall I be afraid?

*Chorus: Lord, You are my shelter,
God of my salvation, I am not forsaken,
Lord, my shield and protector,
Waiting on Your promise,
I will see Your goodness, O Lord.*

When troubles arise no foe can harm me,
You are my peace, You are my peace.
You lift me above the raging storm,
You conquer my enemies. *Chorus*

One thing I have asked: to see Your beauty.
This I will seek, this I will seek,
To dwell in Your house, to walk in Your ways,
Your presence is all I need. *Chorus x 2*

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I'll not be shaken (sung by all)

For God alone, I wait in silence,
My soul is still before the Lord.
He is my rock and my salvation,
My fortress strong, I trust in Him!

*Chorus: I'll not be shaken, I'll not be shaken,
For all my hope is in His love,
From God alone comes my salvation,
I'll wait and trust His steadfast love.*

Put not your hope in gain of riches,
Seek not your rest in empty wealth.

**The rich are weak, the poor are mighty,
Who turn to God alone for help. *Chorus***

**Pour out your heart to God our refuge,
And trust in Him to hear your cry
No other hope will never fail you,
No other love will not run dry *Chorus***

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Heavenly Father,
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

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you,
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus, what a friend for sinners

Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he my Savior, makes me whole.

*Refrain: Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.*

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins. *Refrain*

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. *Refrain*

THE DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*Immediately following the service we invite any who
desire confidential prayer for any reason to come to the left transept area
to pray with a member of our healing prayer team.*

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