



**HOLY TRINITY**  
**ANGLICAN CHURCH**

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**The First Sunday in Lent**

**March 9, 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

*Bless the Lord, my soul,*  
John Bell (Taizé Community)

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless his holy name.*

*Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*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 - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering 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 - bide.  
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.

*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.

### CONFESSIOIN *(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 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*

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS *(please sit)*

**The Old Testament: Genesis 1:26-28**

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Red Bible, page 1*

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**The New Testament: 1 Timothy 4:6-10**

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Red Bible, page 992*

*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

*Lord, keep us steadfast in your word*

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your word; curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your power make known, for you are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, send peace and  
by de - ceit or sword would wrest the king - dom from your  
Lord of lords a - lone; de - fend your ho - ly church, that  
u - ni - ty on earth; sup - port us in our fi - nal  
Son and bring to naught all he has done.  
we may sing your praise tri - um - phant - ly.  
strife and lead us out of death to life.

## THE GOSPEL

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

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**John 15:1-11**

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Red Bible, page 901*

*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)*

*Reader:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty God, we praise you for your creation, and all you richly provide. Enable us to live in such a way that your majesty and mercy are seen by all.

Father hear our prayer,  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All governments rule under your authority. May those who work in our federal, state and local governments seek the good of those they serve, pursuing your justice and peace.

Father hear our prayer,  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Enable those who work in industry and commerce, the media and education, sport and the arts, to fulfill their responsibilities with integrity and an attitude of service.

Father hear our prayer,  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Inspire your church here on earth to proclaim the gospel of your love in the death and resurrection of your Son. May all people hear the call to trust in you.

Father hear our prayer,  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Help your people to display your compassion to those in need. May the poor and the lost of this world find in you their true wealth and sure destiny.

Father hear our prayer,  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**



Almighty and most merciful God, you have told us not to think of ourselves only, but to remember the needs of others. We pray for all in want or need, for all who have strayed from your way, for the sick in body or mind, for the poor and lonely, for those in distress and despair or any other adversity especially JP Archer; Denis Brickley; Larry Crumpler; Gay Eatman; Woody Eatman; Liz Holzner; Ann Johnson; Holland McPeake; Mary B. Raiford; Willard Ross; Brittany Swanger; Ed Weems; Don Whitworth and Warren Williamson. We thank you for the brief life of Margaret “Maggie” Isabel Griffin, daughter of Jefferson and Katye, and we pray for comfort and peace for their family.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for the birth of James Francis Carson to Erin and Jack Carson; and the birth of William “Bill” Nufer Dixon to Lane and William Dixon. We pray for all those expecting the birth of a child, especially Donna Lynn and Justin Barfield; Emily Best; Allie and Tripp Gordon; and Ethan and Claire Smith.

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.

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.**

**Refresh and equip us, O God, to be your faithful and obedient people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

*Psalm 27 (The Lord is my light)*

*(All sing, 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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## 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

*Yet I will rejoice, David Erb (sung by choir)*

*Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines;  
Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food;  
Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls  
Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.  
The LORD God is my strength; he will make my feet like deer's feet,  
And He will make me walk on my high hills.*

*Here is love (sung by all)*

**Here is love, vast as the ocean,  
Lovingkindness as the flood,  
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom,  
Shed for us His precious blood.  
Who His love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing His praise?  
He can never be forgotten,  
Throughout Heav'n's eternal days.**

**On the mount of crucifixion,  
Fountains opened deep and wide;  
Through the floodgates of God's mercy  
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.**

Grace and love, like mighty rivers,  
Poured incessant from above,  
Heaven's peace and perfect justice  
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me, all Your love accepting,  
Love You, ever, all my days;  
Let me seek Your kingdom only  
And my life be to Your praise;  
You alone will be my glory,  
Nothing in the world I see.  
You have paid the ransom for me,  
You Yourself have set me free.

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*This I believe (sung by all)*

Our Father everlasting, the all-creating One, God Almighty,  
Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

*Chorus: I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son,  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is Three in One.  
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again,  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.*

Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified,  
Forgiveness is in You.  
Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life,  
Forever seated high. *Chorus*

I believe in You, I believe You rose again,  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord. (Repeat)

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth,  
I believe in the saints' communion, and in Your holy Church.  
I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again

**For I believe in the Name of Jesus,  
I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son,  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is Three in One.  
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again,  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus!**

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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

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

Lord, I trust thy mighty power, wondrous are thy works of old;  
Thou deliver'st thine from thralldom, who for nought themselves had sold;  
Thou didst conquer, thou didst conquer,  
Sin and Satan and the grave; sin and Satan and the grave.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

## THE DISMISSAL

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

*People:* Thanks be to God!

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*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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