



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

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**The Last Sunday of Epiphany**

**“World Missions Sunday”**

**February 15, 2026**

**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? Please complete one of the welcome cards in your seat, 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

## WELCOME

### INTROIT

*Let all the earth with loud rejoicing*

*All peoples, bowing down before Thee, Sing praise to thy glorious Name;  
To thee, O God, they all pay homage, With hymns of joy declare thy fame.  
O come and see with reverent wonder The awesome deeds which God has done,  
His mighty works among the nations, The victories His hand has won.*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Songs of thankfulness and praise*

**Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,  
Manifested by the star to the sages from afar;  
Branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem;  
Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest in making whole palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
Manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might;  
Manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill;  
Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light,  
Where disciples filled with awe thy transfigured glory saw.  
When from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem,  
Cross and Easter Day attest God in man made manifest.**

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*Officiant:* Blessed be God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

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

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY *(prayed together)*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN *(sung by all)*

*Only a Holy God*

*Chorus: Come and behold Him, the One and the Only,  
Cry out, sing, "Holy! Forever a Holy God!  
Come and worship the Holy God!"*

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?  
Who else could make every king bow down?  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?  
Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

What other beauty demands such praises?  
What other splendor outshines the sun?  
What other majesty rules with justice?  
Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE LESSONS *(please sit)*

**The Old Testament: Genesis 12:1-3**  
*Reader: The Word of the Lord*

*Red Bible, page 8*  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The New Testament: Acts 14:19-23**  
*Reader: The Word of the Lord*

*Red Bible, page 923*  
**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**

*Christ for the world we sing*

**Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with loving zeal;  
The poor, and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,  
Sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.**

**Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with fervent prayer;  
The wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed,  
Redeemed at countless cost from dark despair.**

**Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with one accord;  
With us the work to share, with us reproach to dare,  
With us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.**

**Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with joyful song;  
The newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,  
Inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.**

## **THE GOSPEL**

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

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

**Matthew 24:9-14**

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Red Bible, page 829*

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

## **THE SERMON**

*Rev. Tripp Gordon*

## 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)*

*Leader:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Leader:* Let us pray.

*Leader:* For the growth of God's Kingdom throughout the world, We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For the ministry of the Holy Church of God to make disciples of all nations,  
We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For all baptized Christians, that they may discern their vocation to spread the  
Gospel at all times and in all places, We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For all who have not yet heard or believed in the Gospel, and those who may  
have the opportunity to declare it to them, We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For all whose ministry it is to respond to human need and suffering and for all  
who preach the Gospel and teach the truth, We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For an increase in evangelism and ministries of mercy in our local community  
and abroad, that all people may come to know and enjoy your blessings,  
We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* For greater awareness and advocacy on behalf of the persecuted churches,  
We pray to you, O God.

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you commanded us to make disciples of all nations: Bless all those who  
work together for the spread of the Gospel especially our Holy Trinity global ministry  
partners:

127 Worldwide

Anglican Frontier Missions

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Anglican Diocese of North West Australia

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Make these partners faithful and true witnesses to proclaim your glorious Name. Send down the grace of the Holy Spirit upon all your people, that we may give cheerfully of our substance for the evangelization of the world, and that the light of your truth may shine brightly in every place. **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*(Silent Confession)*

## **CONFESSION** *(said by all, kneeling)*

**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.**

## **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 PEACE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE OFFERTORY

*Ephesians 5:2*

*Officiant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

### OFFERTORY MUSIC

*All glory be to thee, most high, Rachel Aarons*

*All glory be to thee, Most High, to thee all adoration!  
In grace and truth thou drawest nigh to offer us salvation.  
We bless and worship thee and raise our voices in unending praise;  
we praise thy name forever.*

*O Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, Son of the heavenly Father,  
O thou, who hast our peace restored, the straying sheep dost gather.  
Thou Lamb of God, to thee on high out of the depths we sinners cry;  
have mercy on us, O Jesus!*

*O Holy Ghost, thou precious gift, thou Comforter unfailing.  
From Satan's snares our souls uplift, and let thy pow'r availing,  
Avert our woes and calm our dread; for us the Savior's blood was shed.  
We trust in thee to save us.*

### 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.**

*(please 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 or sit)*

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

*There's a wideness in God's mercy (sung by choir)*

*There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.  
There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed;  
there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.*

*For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind,  
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more simple we should take him at his word,  
and our lives would all be resting in the goodness of our Lord.*

*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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*Living Hope (sung by all)*

How great the chasm that lay between us,  
How high the mountain I could not climb.  
In desperation, I turned to heaven,  
And spoke Your name into the night.  
Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul.  
The work is finished, the end is written:  
Jesus Christ my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame.

The cross has spoken; I am forgiven!  
The King of kings calls me His own.  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever,  
Jesus Christ my living hope!

*Chorus: Hallelujah! Praise the One who set me free!  
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name,  
Jesus Christ my living hope! (repeat chorus)*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise,  
Your buried body began to breathe.  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me;  
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Your buried body began to breathe.  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me,  
Jesus, Yours is the victory! Chorus x 2

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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

*Lift high the cross*

*Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore his sacred name.*

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. *Refrain*

Each newborn servant of the Crucified  
Bears on the brow the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

O Lord once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. *Refrain*

So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory. *Refrain*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Officiant:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth rejoicing in the good news of Christ!  
*People:* Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## POSTLUDE

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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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