



# Trinity Episcopal Church

*The First Sunday of Advent*

Holy Eucharist

1 December 2024 at 10:30 AM

Welcome to Trinity Church! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.

We invite you to observe a period of silent contemplation before the service begins. Please refrain from cell phone use before and during the service.

Page numbers marked **BCP** are from the Book of Common Prayer in your pew rack. The music for our service can be found in the red *Hymnal 1982*. Numbers marked with an **S** are found in the front section of the Hymnal. If you need any assistance, please feel free to ask a neighbor.

#### PRIVATE PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### COVER ART

*The Prophets Zechariah and John the Baptist*  
Unknown artist; medieval Georgian Fresco from  
the Monastery of the Cross, Jerusalem

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## RITE II

*The Liturgy begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer.*

PRELUDE

*Please stand for the Processional Hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 640

Watchman, Tell Us Of the Night

TUNE: *Aberystwyth*

THE GREAT LITANY – Hymnal S76

TEXT: BCP 148

*The Congregation stands or kneels, as able.*

*Officiant* *People*  
O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* *People*  
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

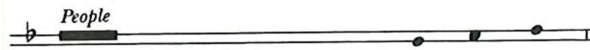
*Officiant* *People*  
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant* *People*  
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Officiant*  
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

*People*  
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,



We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

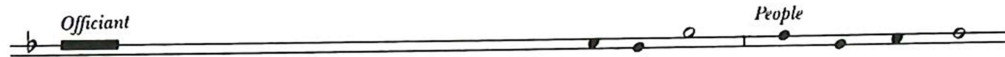
*(This same response is sung after the petitions that follow)*



*Officiant* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.  
*People* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.



*Officiant* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.  
*People* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



*Officiant* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.  
*People*



*Officiant* O Christ, hear us. *People* O Christ, hear us.

KYRIE ELEISON

SETTING: Betty Pulkingham (1928-2019)

*Freedom Mass*

Cantor All *mp*

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*            **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*Please be seated for the Lessons.*

## FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 14.4-9

On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives, which lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the mount shall withdraw northward and the other half southward. And you shall flee by the valley of the Lord's mountain, for the valley between the mountains shall reach to Azal, and you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of King Uzziah of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come and all the holy ones with him. On that day there shall not be either cold or frost. And there shall be continuous day (it is known to the Lord), not day and not night, for at evening time there shall be light. On that day living water shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of it to the eastern sea and half of it to the western sea; it shall continue in summer as in winter. And the Lord will become king over all the earth; on that day the Lord will be one and his name one.

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

GRADUAL – Psalm 50.1-6

*Deus deorum*

The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken;  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,  
God reveals himself in glory.**

Our God will come and will not keep silence;  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.

**He calls the heavens and the earth from above  
to witness the judgment of his people.**

“Gather before me my loyal followers,  
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

**Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;  
for God himself is judge.**

SECOND LESSON

I Thessalonians 3.9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

*Please stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel*



1. Signs of end-ings all a - round us dark-ness, death, and win - ter days  
 2. Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?  
 3. Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us, Bar - ren, lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad-ness, numb-ing mouths that long to praise.  
 Life from death, and from our rend-ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?  
 Swell our hearts with songs of glad-ness, ter - rors calm fore-bod - ings still.



Come, O Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.  
 Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:  
 Let your prom - ised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad-ness. Show us what there yet can be.  
 Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.  
 your do - min - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.



THE GOSPEL

St. Luke 21.25-31

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Luke.

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

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near.”

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

Fr. Geoffrey Mackey

*Please stand.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

THE PEACE

BCP 360

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Announcements may be made at this time.*

THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

*During the Offertory Anthem, a collection is taken.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM – *Bring Us Hope*

TEXT & MUSIC: Ruth Elaine Schram

Bring us hope, bring us love,  
bring us peace from above.  
Bring us hope, bring us love,  
peace and joy from above;  
bring us hope.

Bring us light, take our darkness away.  
Bring us light, turn our night into day.  
Bring us hope, bring us love,

peace and joy from above;  
bring us hope.

Hope to replace our hopelessness,  
love to refill our emptiness,  
peace in the midst of our distress;  
oh, how we need Your Joy!

Bring us hope, bring us love,  
bring us peace and joy from above.  
Bring us hope, bring us love,  
peace and joy from above.  
Bring us hope.

*Please stand for the Doxology as the Offerings are brought forward.*

DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL 380

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

SURSUM CORDA

The image shows a musical score for the 'Sursum Corda' (Lift up your hearts) section. It consists of four staves of music, each with a vocal line and lyrics below it. The first staff is for the 'Celebrant' and the 'People', with the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff is also for 'Celebrant' and 'People', with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is for the 'Celebrant', with the lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff is for the 'People', with the lyrics 'It is right to give him thanks and praise.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C).

THE PREFACE FOR ADVENT

BCP 380

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

SETTING: Betty Pulkingham (1928-2019)

*Freedom Mass*

With a strong pulse

Cantor All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The People may remain standing or kneel after the Sanctus*

THE CONSECRATION

BCP 368

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Traditional*)

BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AGNUS DEI

SETTING: Betty Pulkingham (1928-2019)

*Freedom Mass*

**Smoothly**

**Cantor** **All** *mp*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have  
mer - cy on us. you take a - way the sins of the  
world: grant us, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 57

Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending

TUNE: *Helmsley*



**Serving This Week**  
**Nov. 30 - Dec. 1, 2024**

Presider: Fr. Geoffrey Mackey (5:30p, 8a & 10:30a)

Lectors: Tim Northrup (5:30p); Everett Orem (8a); Dennis Ramsay (10:30a)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Northrup (5:30p); Everett Orem (8a); Jennifer Currey, Michael McKibben (10:30a)

Crucifer: Finn Warren (10:30a)

Altar Guild: Jennifer Currey (8a); Julie Matheny, Edith Newman (10:30a); Paul Miller (Tuesday); Susie Fitcher (Wednesday); Joan Ramsay, Marjorie Thomas (Friday); Sherry Smith (5:30p)

Ushers: Mark Edwards (5:30p); J.T. Thomas (8a); Mike Matheny, Kevin Oliphant, Jr. (10:30a)

Musicians: Lori Clark (guitarist, vocalist), Bob Harris (vocalist) (5:30p); Marie Mallory (organist, pianist) (10:30a)

Coffee Hour: Olivia Mezick (10:30a)

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Peter Benjamin Thomas (**S**), Caroline Peters, Michael Hensley (**M**), Jamie Couch, Linda Tucker (**T**), Susie Fitcher (**W**), Richard Adams (**TH**), Jeff Stump (**F**), Isabelle Grace Deem (**SA**).

The Altar Flowers this week are given by Joe Handlan to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of his wife, Terry Jane Handlan, and in Thanksgiving for their children, Jody and Julie.

### Advent Words

On the four Sundays of Advent, at 9:30 am (between the two services), we will gather in the Conference Room for a study of four words often associated with Advent: **Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love**. We will look at these words in Scripture and discuss their context, application, and more!

### **This Week at Trinity Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**

MONDAY	11:00 a.m.	Monday Feeding Ministry (Trinity Hall)
TUESDAY	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast (Bob Evans, Traffic Circle)
	10:00 a.m.	Clergy Bible Study (Conference Room)
	5:00 p.m.	Smoot Girls Ensemble (Trinity Hall)
WEDNESDAY	12:15 p.m.	Healing Eucharist (Adams Chapel)
THURSDAY	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Conference Room)
SATURDAY	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	7:00 p.m.	A.A. Meeting (Trinity Hall)
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (Youth)
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Trinity Hall)

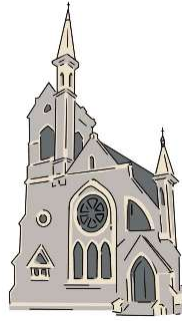
### Smoke Alarms

The Ohio River Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross has a campaign to make at least 100 homes safer by installing smoke alarms, free of charge, by the end of the year. If you know of anyone who would benefit by installing new or replacing old/non-functioning smoke alarms, please contact Tom Gyongyosi (304-422-4121) or leave your name with Julie in the office to be contacted.

### Learning the Christian Way: Adult/Teen Religious Education

In September and October, we gathered for the first part of this year's adult/teen religious education which focused on **The Christian Faith**. We discussed Scripture and interpretation, the creeds and major doctrines of the faith, and the Christian hope. We have three more sections coming up in the new year: **The Christian Community** (on the Church and its practices), **The Christian Way** (on Christian life and mission), and **The Anglican Heritage** (on what makes us, as Anglicans/Episcopalians, different from our Christian brothers and sisters). The dates for these are:

- The Christian Community: Saturday, January 25, 10am - 2pm
- The Christian Way: Saturday, February 15, 10am - 2pm
- The Anglican Heritage: Tuesdays, March 11 - April 1, 5:30pm - 7:30pm



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