



TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
February 14, 2021 - 10:30am

**Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to
love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God.**

∞ Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant continues

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.

People **Amen.**

Gloria, from the *Dorian Service*

THOMAS TALLIS

Glory be to God on high
And in earth peace, goodwill towards men,
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

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For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

∞ The Collect of the Day

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

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *People* **Amen.**

The Word of God

∞ The First Reading

2 KINGS 2:1-12

The People sit.

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it

will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

∞ The Gradual, *Psalm 50:1-6*

CHANT BY PAUL WEBER

**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.**

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

Alleluia, (Mark 9:7)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

A voice was heard from the cloud, and cried out, “

This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him.”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

∞ The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together

**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, Form IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or Spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal Kingdom. Lord, in your mercy . . .

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

∞ The Confession of Sin

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Celebrant and People

The People stand or kneel.

**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.**

∞ The Peace

∞ Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Motet, *O nata lux*

THOMAS TALLIS

O Light born of Light,
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
with loving-kindness deign to receive
suppliant praise and prayer.

Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh
for the sake of the lost,
grant us to be members
of thy blessed body.

∞ The Great Thanksgiving (PRAYER B)

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus, from the Dorian Service

THOMAS TALLIS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

The People stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

∞ The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

∞ The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

∞ A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Celebrant In communion with those who are participating online, and cannot physically receive the Sacrament, we pray:

O my Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

∞ The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

∞ The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As you approach the altar area, everyone must use the hand sanitizer station before receiving communion. The consecrated hosts will be in a paper cup on the altar. As you approach the altar, please take one paper cup. Once you have consumed the communion, you will place the paper cup in the receptacle located near the altar.

Communion Anthem, *As the Deer Panteth for the Water*

MARTIN NYSTROM, ARR. PAUL WEBER

As the deer panteth for the water,
so my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship Thee.
Refrain: You alone are my strength, my shield:
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship Thee.

You're my friend and You are my brother,
even though you are a King.
I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything.

I want You more than gold or silver,
only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver
and the apple of my eye.

∞ The Post Communion Prayer
All stand.

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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

∞ The Blessing

∞ The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude, *Praeludium in C Major, BWV 545*

J.S. BACH

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Sunday at Trinity

Faith and Fiction meets at 9:00am on Zoom each Sunday. Check member emails or contact Merry Touns at merryparis@yahoo.com to learn more.

12 Steps Are for Everyone meets at 9:15am on Zoom. Check member emails or contact Karen Taylor at taylorks@aol.com for Zoom access.

Godly Play meets at 10:30am on Zoom. Check member or emails or contact Ashley Bond at abond@trinitynola.com for Zoom access.

Confirmation Information Session today at 1:00pm on Zoom. Rev. Jane-Allison will answer all of your questions about Confirmation in the COVID-19 era: If you are interested in participating in the Spring Semester Episcopal 101 class to prepare for Confirmation or Reception in the Episcopal Church, please contact Rev. Jane-Allison immediately. Classes are intergenerational and will meet weekly. Any parishioner in the 8th-12th grade must attend with a sponsor, normally a parent or godparent. Check member emails or contact jwigginnettles@trinitynola.com for Zoom access.

EYC: The Chosen, meets from 4:00pm to 5:45pm in the Molly's House courtyard. Bring a festival chair for an outdoor screening of episode 6.

Beginning Sunday, February 24, Trinity will once again offer the **8:00am Rite I Eucharist**, with a venue change from the Chapel to the Church.

February is Black History Month

Black History Month Playlists are live! There are playlists for Adults, Children and Families, and Youth. Visit <https://trinitynola.com/formation/playlists/> to check them out. If you would like to facilitate a weekly small group to discuss, email us and we'll help you set it up!

Girl Trek's Black History Bootcamp: A 21-Day Walking Meditation - Lace up your shoes and walk in honor of our Black Foremothers! Every time you walk, listen and learn the *herstory* of a Black foremother. These stories are available through GirlTrek's playlist that you can access through Apple Podcasts or Spotify.

- Sign up online at <https://trinitynola.com/girl-trek-black-history-bootcamp/> or email aeastham@trinitynola.com to let us know you're ready to walk! By registering, you will receive a link to the day's episode by email, every morning at 5:00am, beginning February 7. If you would like to join the Trinity Walking Group, meet at the entrance of Audubon Park on Magazine Street, every Sunday in February (7, 14, 21, 28) at 4:00pm. Bring your earbuds! Bring your dogs! Bring your babies! Let's walk and learn!! Together.

The Season of Lent

Ash Wednesday services are scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 at 7:30am, 12:00pm and 6:00pm in the Church. Each service will offer Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes. Please pre-register via the church website or at www.trinitynola.com/registration3.

Stations in the Street - During this season of Lent, Trinity Episcopal Church invites all pilgrims to journey through the last days of Jesus' life as we reflect on how his journey impacts our own. A twelve-panel art installation by artist Scott Erickson will be featured along Jackson Avenue in front of our church for all to experience. While this walking meditation is available to everyone at any time, we will also offer clergy-led walking meditations on Sundays at 5:15pm during Lent (February 21, 28, March 7, 14 and 21).

Lenten Musical Offerings / Evening Prayer - On Wednesdays in Lent, at 6:00pm in the Church, a service of Evening Prayer with featured musical offerings.

- **Wednesday, February 24** features *Paul Weber, organ*, playing Bach's monumental variations on the Lenten chorale "Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig".
- **Wednesday, March 3** features *Kurt Münstedt, violin, with Paul Weber, piano* in a program of classical music.
- **Wednesday, March 10** features *Chip Wilson, guitar, and Paul Weber, piano*, in a program of original songs.
- **Wednesday, March 17** features *Matt Lemmler, jazz piano*, in a program for St. Patrick's Day.

'Lenten Learn' Speaker Series - On select Wednesdays in Lent, engage with the following speakers at 12:00pm on Zoom. Pre-register at link in member email, or contact abond@trinitynola.com.

The Historian

Wednesday, February 24 at 12:00pm on Zoom
Chris Dier, 2020 Louisiana State Teacher of the Year

The District Attorney

Wednesday, March 3 at 12:00pm on Zoom
Jason Williams, District Attorney of Orleans Parish

The Law Professor

Wednesday, March 10 at 12:00pm on Zoom
Tania Tetlow, President of Loyola University

The Hope House

Wednesday, March 17 at 12:00pm on Zoom
Don Everard, Executive Director of Hope House and Sr. Lillianne

Stewardship at Trinity Church

We are immensely grateful for all the pledges of support received to date. Please be sure to submit your 2021 pledge as soon as possible so that we may include it in the budget planning process. If you have not yet made your pledge, please do so today at <https://trinitynola.com/pledge-form/>. Please contact Raina O'Neil, Director of Stewardship with any questions about pledging. (504) 670-2537 or roneil@trinitynola.com.

Formation Opportunities

The Spiritual Seekers Discussion group explores some of the biggest questions of faith, informed by short readings from recent theologians. Presently, this group meets via Zoom with the next meeting scheduled for Sunday, February 21 at 7:00pm. Meeting dates include: March 14, April 11, and May 16. Contact Phyllis Raabe at praabe@tulane.edu with questions and to request Zoom access.

What is the Enneagram? The Enneagram is a map that helps us develop awareness of body, mind, and heart and offers us a guide to deepening spiritual awareness: particularly around the questions of “Will I have enough?”, “Will I be in control?”, “Will I find belonging?” The three fundamental questions that Jesus grapples with in the wilderness. The Enneagram offers us a way toward compassion and understanding of ourselves and others based on learning the strengths and habits of nine archetypes of human character structure. If you would like to schedule a typing interview or if you are interested in joining our ongoing Zoom Group Thursdays at 4:30pm, contact Maria Elliott at (504) 259-2098 or melliott@trinitynola.com.

Enneagram and Grief Workshop: Whether loss is related to health, shattered dreams, work, relationships, or COVID-19, our personality style moves into patterns that lessen anxiety in the moment, yet doesn't always allow our grieving to flow through. During this workshop, participants will learn

- Each Enneagram types' complexities that serve as barriers to healthy grieving
- The inner resources of the Enneagram types in times of loss
- Healthy strategies for leaning into and moving through loss

Join Sandra Smith for a zoom workshop March 19-20. This workshop will be co-sponsored by Christ Church Covington, and participants can register through their website at <https://christchurchcovington.com/enneagram-workshop>. Questions? Contact Maria Elliott at (504) 259-2098 or melliott@trinitynola.com.

Trinity Treasures

Get a jump on next year's “normal” Mardi Gras! All Mardi Gras items in Trinity Treasures are now 40% off!

We have sold out of India Stewart's gold sculptured crosses inspired by Tim Trapolin's Easter cross painting. If you would like us to order one or more for Easter 2021, please place this order on our website before February 15.



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