The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 4, 2024 10:30 am

Trinity Episcopal Church



Invite, Include, Inspire

A Christian community for the realization of God's presence through worship, relationship, and outreach.

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Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho Deep River

Celebrant: How good it is to sing praises to God!

How pleasant it is to honor him with praise.

Please stand.



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The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the holy and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Song of Praise Sing Alleluia 1. Sing al - le lu ia forth in du teous praise, Ye pow'rs who stand be - fore the e ter nal Light, ci - ti of heav'n, zens 0 sweet - iy raise an end-less let all your choirs re - ech -0 to the height an end-less al le lu ia.

5. Your songs of triumph shall forever ring. the hymns which tell the honor of your King, an endless alleluia.

7. Almighty Christ, to thee our voices sing All laud forevermore; to thee we bring an endless alleluia.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES:

Isaiah 40:21-31

Lector: A reading from Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm: 147:1-12, 21c

- Hallelujah!
 How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
 how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; * he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted * and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars * and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; * there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, * but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; * make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds * and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains * and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds * and for the young ravens when they cry.
- He is not impressed by the might of a horse; * he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, * in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!

THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Lector: A reading from the first book of Corinthians.

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

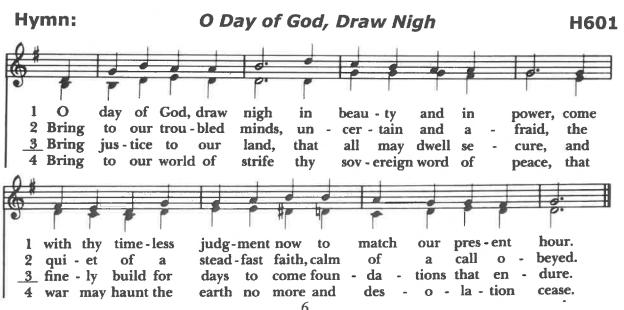
For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law.

To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law.

To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.



Please remain standing.

THE GOSPEL: Mark 1:29-39

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Response after the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

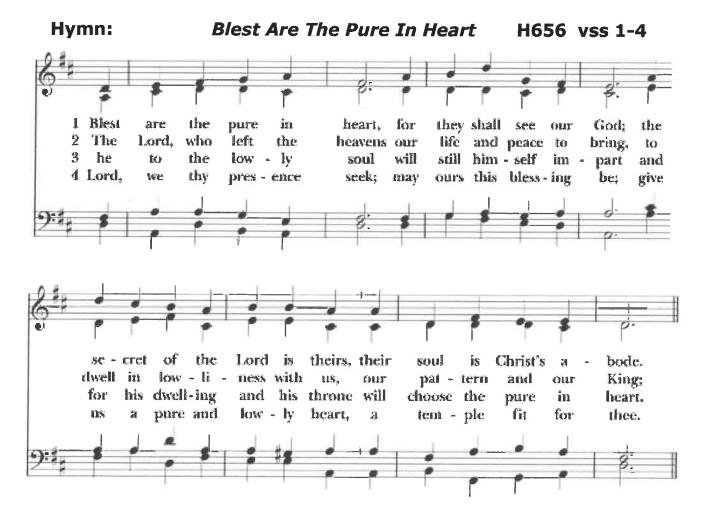
Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Homily: The Rev. Eileen C. O'Reilly

Please stand.



Please remain standing

THE NICENE CREED

Lector: Let us stand and affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: To whom will we compare you, Holy One, the everlasting God, Creator of the end of the earth, which stretches out the heavens like a curtain: Be near to us in our weakness and uphold us with your might, as we pray Great is our God and mighty in power there is no limit to God's wisdom.

Lector: Holy One, who never faints or grow's weary: Heal and empower your Church entrusted with the commission to bear Good News to all the earth, that we may be all things, to all people, serving as slaves to all for the sake of the gospel.

Great is our God and mighty in power;

People: there is no limit to God's wisdom

Lector: Holy One, who gives power to the faint and strength to the powerless: Reach out your hand and lift up all of suffer from illness or fear, violence or threat, that those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, mount up with wings like eagles, run and not be weary, walk and not faint.

Great is our God and mighty in power;

People: there is no limit to God's wisdom

Lector: Holy One, who lifts up the holy and makes grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve humankind: Bless this community with compassion and grace, that we may serve one another with deference and respect.

Great is our God and mighty in power;

People: there is no limit to God's wisdom

Lector: Holy One, whose understanding is unsearchable: Touch with your healing compassion those for whom we pray, especially **Becky**, **Diana**, **Priscilla**, **Jo**, **and Jessica**.

Lector: Enfold into your eternal love those who have died, especially **William Thornburg, Eric Ulmes, Mary Jane Arnold, and Kathryn Olive Casparis**, Great is our good and mighty in power; **People: there is no limit to God's wisdom**

Celebrant: We look toward your eternal glory, O Holy One, and raise our voices to you in prayer: Enter our homes and towns, our solitudes and cities; cast out all that oppresses and threatens your people, heal all who are weak and bring peace in our time, that your whole creation may sing out in praise to proclaim your message of love and hope, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **People: Amen.**

You may stand or kneel as you are able.

The Confession

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor. Celebrant and people

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant: May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins; heal and strengthen you by his Spirit; and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please be seated.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Offertory Sentence

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

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Music: This Little Light of Mine arr. John Behnke

Please stand.

Presentation Hymn: Guide Me O Though Great Jehovah H690 vs 1



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

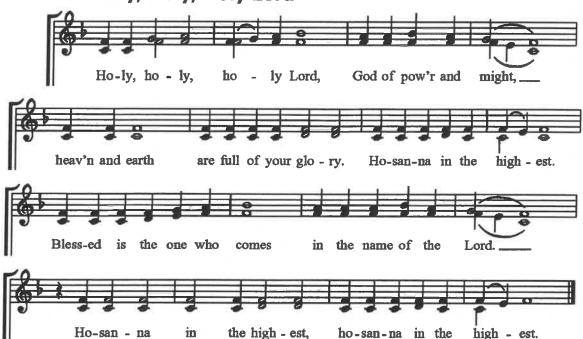
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you:this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People: Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

People: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, Celebrant and People

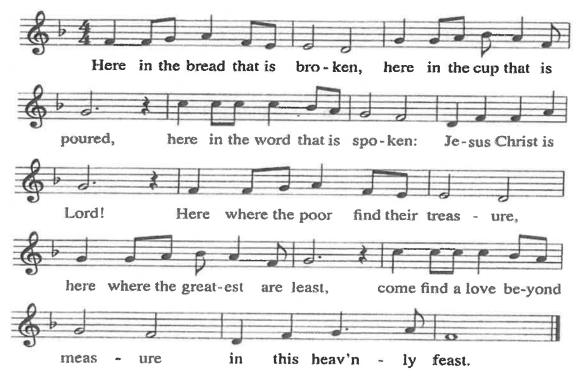
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: Here in the Bread That is Broken



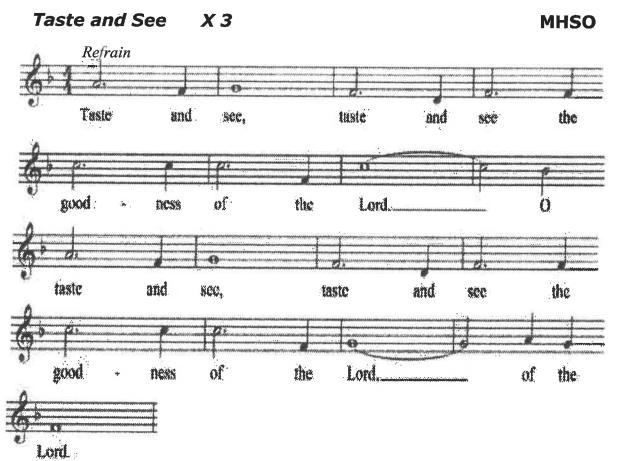
Invitation to Communion

Celebrant:

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



Music During Communion



Hymn: As We Gather at Your Table WLP 763 vss 1-2



Remain seated.

Last Communion Hymn



Please stand.

Prayers After Communion

Let us pray together, as we say:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy,

has protected you, and loves you.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: Go in peace to follow the good road;

and may God's blessing be with you always.

People: Amen.



Recessional Hymn: This Little Light of Mine LEVAS 221 vss 1-3



The Dismissal:

Celebrant: Christ has no body now, but yours. No hands, no feet on earth, but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks compassion into the world. Yours are the feet with which Christ walks to do good. Yours are the hands with which Christ blesses the world.

Saint Teresa of Avila

Celebrant: So let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power

of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Postludes on Traditional Spirituals arr. Charles Callahan Go down, Moses

I Want to be Ready

Today's organ music is chosen for the celebration of the beginning of Black History Month.

Please join us today in the Parish Hall following the service. for coffee and fellowship

Those Serving Today

Celebrant:

The Rev. Eileen O'Reilly

Organist:

Percy Jones

Lectors:

David Cobb, Millie Woryk

Usher:

George Gutermuth

Camera:

Carole Cobb

Altar Guild:

Mary Siegel, Kathleen Kirsch

Next Sunday, Feb. 11, Shrove Sunday:
The men of the church will be
serving pancakes and sausage.
All are Welcome

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Mon. Feb. 5: 9:15 am - 9:45 am: Contemplative Prayer

via zoom:

Zoom Meeting ID: 818 9854 4534

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Mon. Feb. 5: No Building and Grounds Meeting

Wed., Feb. 7 7:00 pm Celtic Prayer Service in the

Workman Lounge

BOOK STUDY BEGINS FEBRUARY 22:

We will meet in the Workman Lounge.

Caste: The Origins of Our Discontent by Isabel Wilkerson, available from your favorite bookseller or Amazon. It is available in Audio, Kindle, Paperback, or Hardcover. All but the Hardcover is under \$20.

Meeting Schedule: Thursdays, 11:00 am – 12:30 (12 meetings)

First Meeting: February, 22

Meeting Dates: Februrary 29; March 7, 14, 21, No meeting 3/28

April 4,22,18,25, May 2,9,16 (Last Meeting).

Please join us for this informative and challenging look at the world through a lens which offers a different perspective, a different filter, and, an underlying history of the world that can help us to more fully see the world as Jesus did giving us light to see all humanity as Jesus does.

Ordination and Consecration of the Tenth Bishop of The Dioceses of Southern Ohio

Is February 17 at 11:00 a.m. at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus. Attendance is open to all.

The service will also be livestreamed on the diocesan website if you are unable to attend.

diosohio.org/the-ordination-of-bishop-elect-kristin-uffelman-white/

Trinity would like to make car-pooling possible. Please let the office know if you are interested in attending so that we can co-ordinate transportation. We are assuming that departure would be around 9:00 a.m.

Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Cheryl and Doug Jones; Jerry Knapke; Kevin and Kathleen Kirsch; Pat Marchal and Carole Van Osdol.

Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants *Pat Marchal, Kyle Duchak, and David Duchak*. Be with them as they continue to trust in your wisdom and grace all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Ash Wednesday begins the Season of Lent, with the first Sunday of Lent falling on February 18.

Trinity will offer two service times on Ash Wednesday:

Noon and 6:00 pm



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