# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

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10:00 A.M.

# A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING



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### THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II WITH SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Prelude

Arietta (Lyric Pieces, Op. 12)

Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

Margaret Rousseau, piano

WELCOME

The Rev. D. Littlepage

**GATHERING HYMN** 

The God of Abraham Praise

Hymnal 1982 #401

Bishop Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

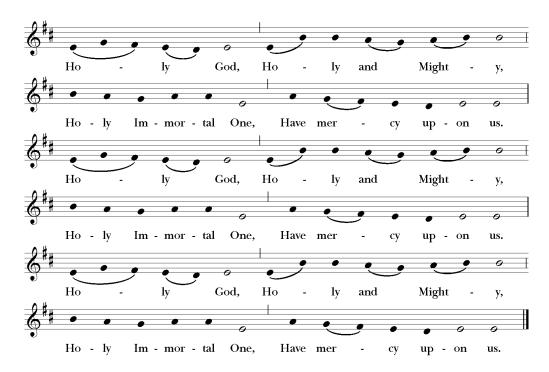
People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Trisagion

1982 Hymnal #S99



Bishop

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Bishop

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

People

Amen.

THE FIRST READING Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People Thanks be to God.* 

PSALM 22:22-30 BCP 610



Anonymous Setting

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that / fear him; \* stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; √ all you of Jacob's / line, give / glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; √ neither does he hide his face / from them; \* but when they cry to him / he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great as/sembly; \*
  I will perform my vows in the presence of those who / worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, √
  and those who seek the LORD shall / praise him: \*
  "May your heart / live forever!"
- All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to / the LORD, \* and all the families of the nations shall / bow before him.
- 27 For kingship be/<u>longs to</u> the / LORD; \* he rules / <u>over</u> the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in / worship; \* all who go down to the dust / fall <u>before</u> him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; √
  my descendants shall / serve him; \*
  they shall be known as the / LORD'S for/ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people / yet un/born \* the saving deeds that / he has done.

THE SECOND READING Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN How Firm a Foundation

Hymnal 1982 #636

THE GOSPEL Mark 8:31-38

Priest The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas

Silence for reflection.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenters I present Jane Mogor and Margaret Rousseau for Confirmation.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

The Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to

support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own

baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,

and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever

you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all

people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Intercessor Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ

you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Bishop lays hands upon each Candidate for Confirmation and says

Bishop Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower her for your service;

and sustain her all the days of her life.

Confirmand Amen.

Bishop Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants;

let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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#### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC Meditation on "St. Flavian"

M. Horsley (b. 1990)

Requested by and dedicated to Jane Mogor and Margaret Rousseau

Jane Mogor, violin

Margaret Rousseau, piano

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Bishop

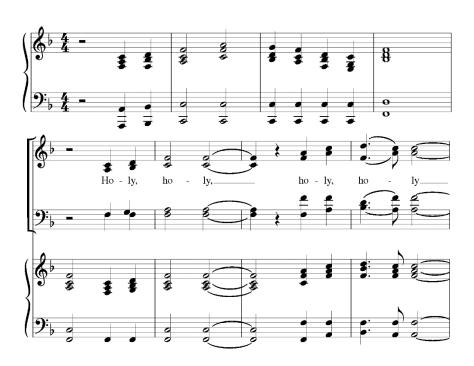
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

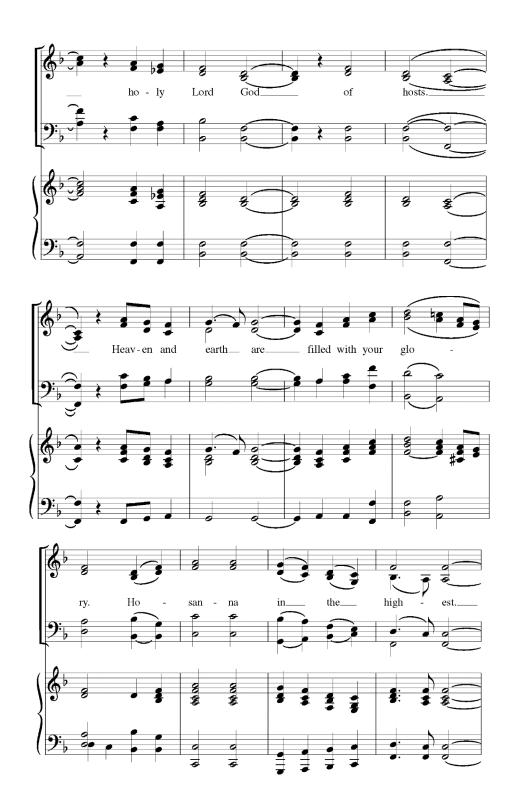
You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

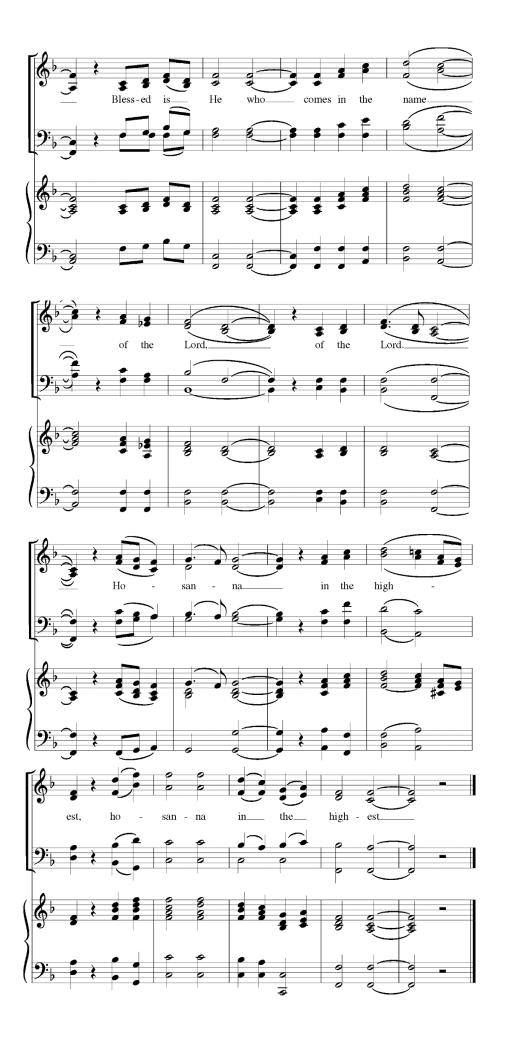
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

LEVAS II #255







Bishop Holy and gracious Father:

In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Bishop We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father,

In this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit

to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament,

and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace;

and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

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.

People AMEN.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, And deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, Now and forever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Bishop Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Bishop Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Have mercy on us.

Bishop Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Have mercy on us.

Bishop Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Grant us thy peace.

#### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations. Grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, reshaping in your likeness the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen.

COMMUNION ANTHEM Meditation pour Orgue

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop Let us pray.

All 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 through your Word and Presence.

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.

#### SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Priest Bow down before the Lord.

Bishop Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help

of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection;

through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

**LEVAS II #136** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

POSTLUDE Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)



### **LET US PRAY**

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for JoEllen Jansing; Jose & Julietta Jimenez & Nelis Bido-Jimenez; David Johnson and Lay Worship Leaders.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. David's, Gales Ferry; St. James', Glastonbury; St. Luke's, Glastonbury; Christ Church, Greenwich; prison ministry and prison chaplains; the ECCT Faith Behind Bars & Beyond Ministry Network.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

We pray for Johanna, Kate Smith, Patrick, Sam Hines and Yoleanna Russo, Juli Porter, Juhudi Mgombo, Fred Margeson, Jennifer Stephens, Zechariah Stephens, Jo-Ellen Jansing, Katie Reynolds, Mavis Bennett; Ginny Catanzaro; Tori Henry; Louise Krippenstapel; Carlene Lewis; Judy Miller; Margaret Moore; Valentina Moore; Al Pereira; Jo-Ann Sadosky; Diane Bodine, Helen Strassner; Lindsey Tengatenga; Alice Turcotte; Mary and Jim Register, Richard Green (brother of Peter Green), Donald Bowens (Dianne Bowens-Waller), Bill McMunn and Richard Alan Garver, Diane Bowens-Waller, Bruce and Jane Tatge (parents of Anne Green), Polly Thomas, Rebecca Bourret, Peter Vreeland, Amy Williams, Ken Rousseau (Casey Rousseau's dad), and Diana Perkins (friend of Suzanne and Boo), Jessica Compfer, Raldah Stephens, Joan and Ean Walsh (family of Jennifer Stephens) and those affected by mental and physical ailments, violence, natural disasters, and immigration and refugee policies, and their families; and for those who mourn for loved ones especially the Negrelli and Rowe families.

We pray for all who have died, especially Joseph Negrelli, Jr., that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray for the repose of the souls of homicide victims in our city of Hartford, and beyond. We pray for those who will die this week, that they may meet their Lord in faith and hope. We pray for ourselves and for our departed loved ones, that rejoicing with them in God's kingdom where every tear is wiped away, we may as one family sing praise forever and ever.

### Condolences

The prayers of Trinity Church are with Cathy Rowe in the death of her father, Joseph Negrelli Jr., who passed into eternal life on February 23rd.

Father of all, we pray to you for Joseph, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

~~Book of Common Prayer

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### + ASSISTING AT WORSHIP +

The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas – Presider and Preacher The Rev. D. Littlepage – Assisting Priest

> Readers Martha Freimuth Anne Green

> > Intercessor Kevin Chick

Cantors/Soloists
Jane Mogor & Margaret Rousseau

Director of Music Michelle Horsley

Virtual Vergers Casey Rousseau Jake Troiano

# You are invited to Chat with the Bishop

We are excited that Bishop Ian Douglas is preaching and presiding at our live-streamed 10am service today. After the service he will lead a special Adult Forum "Chat with the Bishop" where he will share what's happening across the Episcopal Church in Connecticut and answer questions from the Congregation.





Join us on Wednesdays (February 24 through March 24) from 7-8pm on Zoom Meeting ID: 820 8769 1272 for this year's Lenten series, *Bringing Prayer to Life*.

We will explore the treasures that the Book of Common Prayer has to offer beyond Sunday morning worship. We will also explore ways that the Book of Common Prayer can serve as a foundation to launch us into other types of prayer.

# Advocacy for Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis

The Hartford Region YWCA has developed a toolkit to assist people in reaching out to local and state leaders to call for them to address racism by declaring racism a public health emergency. The toolkit can be accessed here ywcahartford.org/advocacy/create-a-community-without-racism.html. Please take the time to explore the toolkit and take action!



# Follow-up information from the 2/21 Open Forum on Racial Disparities in Health:

The Connecticut State Legislature will consider SB 842 during this legislative session. If enacted, this bill will expand access to health insurance in Connecticut by offering a "public option" health insurance plan. This would allow many people with limited income and no health insurance to purchase insurance they can afford. Let your state senator know if you support this bill.

### EMAIL SPAM REMINDER

There has been another increase in spam emails purporting to be coming from Rev. D. Please remember that Rev. D. will never email you asking you to purchase gift cards, or to urgently email back but not call. If it's urgent Rev. D will call you and will not request that you not call. An easy way to check the validity of an email is to check the 'from' email address. Finally, if there is any doubt, DO NOT RESPOND TO THE EMAIL. Instead, call or text Rev. D. at 860-986-3289.



# **Vaccination Info:**

People 65 and older are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccination.



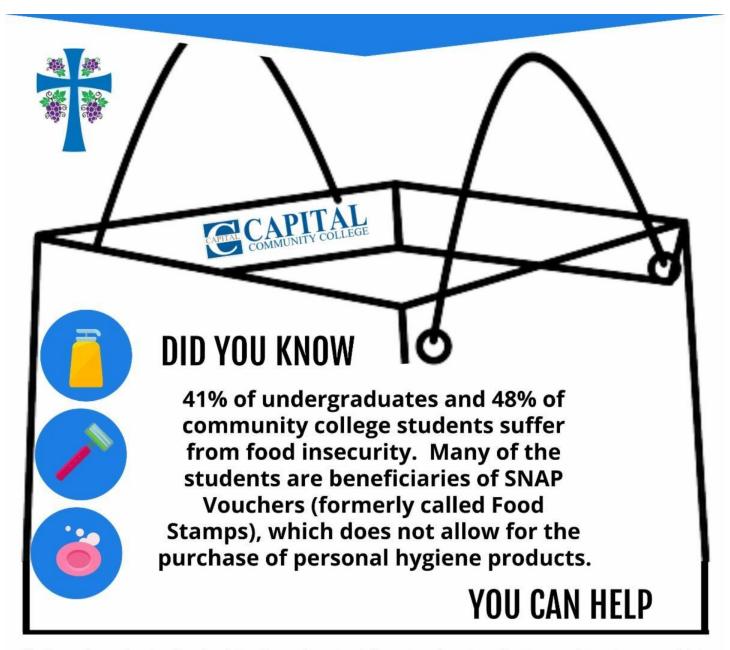
More information about scheduling an appointment to receive the vaccine can be found here https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Vaccination---65-and-older.



CT COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment Assist Line that can be accessed at 877-918-2224 M- F 8am-4:30pm.

# Church by the Pond – Saturday, February 20, 2021





Christ Church Cathedral invites the Parishes in the North Central Region and it's members to collect weekly one personal care hygiene product for each week of Lent (February 17th to April 4th) to benefit Capital Community College (CCC) Food Pantry. Please share with your family, friends, and communities. The Director of the CCC Food Pantry has identified the most needed hygiene products:

Soap

- Conditioner
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Men's and Women's Razors
- Feminine hygiene products

 Large size Poise and Depends products

Drop off for all collected items will be at our Cathedral from Wednesday, April 7th to Friday, April 9th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Sunday April 11th 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For more information contact Cathedral Deacon Bonnie Matthews at bmatthews228@comcast.net

# Weekly Calendar

# Sunday, February 28th The Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. Call-in Morning Prayer – Phone call

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II – Spiritual Communion (via YouTube); The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas Presiding and Preaching. Zoom Coffee and Adult Christian Formation following.

### Monday, March 1st

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

5:30 P.M. Trinity Community for Racial Justice - via Zoom

7:30 P.M. Life in the Spirit – Book Club – Zoom

## Tuesday, March 2nd

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy – in person learning

2:00 P.M. Women Together (w/ St. John's and St. Monica's) via Zoom

5:15 P.M. Bible Study via Zoom

6:00 P.M. Choir School rehearsal - Church

### Wednesday, March 3rd

7:00 P.M. Lenten series: Bringing Prayer to Life - via Zoom

### Thursday, March 4th

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy – in person learning

12:00 P.M. Noonday Prayer - Zoom

6:00 P.M. Choir School rehearsal - Church

# Friday, March 5th

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

# Saturday, March 6th

# Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> The Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. Call-In Morning Prayer – Phone Call

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II – Spiritual Communion and Confirmation (via YouTube) Zoom coffee and Adult Christian Formation following



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