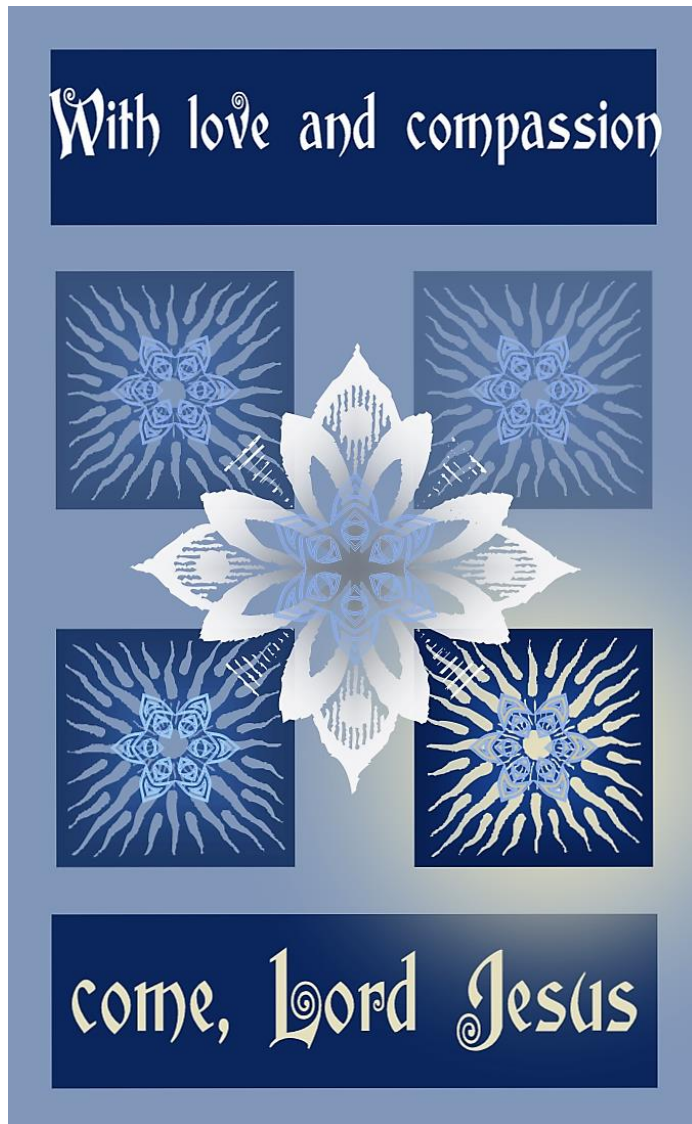


TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST

NOVEMBER 27, 2016 8:00 A.M.

A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING



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We thank The Rev. George Chien for creating our cover artwork.

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If you'd like to borrow a hearing assistive device for the service, please speak to an usher.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

We're glad you're with us! If you are new to Trinity, please introduce yourself to the clergy and the greeters and sign one of the guest books at either entrance to the church so we can stay in touch.

COMMUNION

If you require a gluten-free communion wafer, please advise the priest or minister of communion and we will provide one for you. At communion, if you prefer consecrated grape juice rather than wine, after receiving the bread, proceed to the Minister holding a ceramic chalice at the end of the Communion rail. If for whatever reason you do not wish to receive Communion today, you are invited to come to the rail to receive a blessing, indicating your wish by crossing your hands over your chest.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

We invite you to be a full participant in our worship of God. This service may use parts of the Order for the Holy Eucharist from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and Enriching Our Worship, and music from The Hymnal 1982, Lift Every Voice and Sing and the Wonder Love and Praise hymnals. We stand, if able, for the hymns, and stand or kneel, according to one's personal tradition and ability, for prayer.

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Rector's Advent Message

A voice cries out 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.'

--Isaiah 40:3

Advent is traditionally known as an “in between” time. Liturgically, it is the beginning of a new liturgical year, signaling for Christians a period of reflection on a time when Jesus of Nazareth, the Messiah, was yet to be born. It is a period when we try, as best we can, to develop a sense of anticipation – a time when we sort through the wilderness of our own lives and seek to prepare a way for His coming afresh into our hearts.

As we enter Advent 2016, it seems as though the entire world around us is in transition, in an “in between” time. We see a lot of wilderness in our future, and the road ahead seems anything but straight. Global relations among nations are in flux, and our government in the United States is facing a seismic transition, creating even more uncertainty. Our own Episcopal church, as well as other Christian denominations, is coming to grips with what many are calling “the post-Christian era” when Christianity no longer enjoys the privileged position of cultural and political significance it once had, and we Christians are learning the importance of interfaith collaboration and cooperation as together we seek to achieve Isaiah's vision of a better, more just, more peaceful society.

In this Advent 2016, I invite you to join with one another and reflect on that vision of Isaiah – a vision that we Christians believe is fulfilled in the life and teachings of Jesus the Christ. Please join us as you are able throughout this season of Advent and through Christmastide as together we pray and reflect on how we, as brothers and sisters of Jesus, can be part of bringing that vision closer to reality in our own time.

Your Brother in Christ,
The Rev. Donald L. Hamer
Rector

+ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP THIS MORNING +

Altar Guild:

8:00 a.m. Karen Peterson

Flowers:

George Chien

Ministers of Communion:

8:00 a.m. Basil Bennett

Eucharistic Visitor:

Percy Williamson

Reader & Intercessor:

8:00 a.m. Jim Bradley

Duncaster:

Kate Rousseau

8:00 A.M.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE: *Veni, Domine*

Petro A. Yon

OPENING HYMN: #61 "Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us"

Wachet Auf

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

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

All 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.

TRISAGION: #S 102 (*Sung three times*)

Alexander Archangelsky

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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.

People Amen.*Please be seated.*

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

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

Silence for reflection.

Please stand for the Psalm.

PSALM 122

C. H. H. Parry



- 1 I was glad when they / said to / me, *
"Let us / go to the / house of the / LORD."
- 2 Now our / feet are / standing *
within your / gates, / O Je/rusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is / built as a / city *
that is at / uni-ty / with it/self;
- 4 To which the tribes go up, ✓
the / tribes of the / LORD, *
the assembly of Israel, ✓
to / praise the / Name of the / LORD.

Sung to second half of chant

- 5 For there are the / thrones of / judgment, *
the / thrones of the / house of / David.
- 6 Pray for the / peace of Je/rusalem: *
-- / “May they / prosper who / love you.
- 7 Peace be with/in your / walls *
and / quietness with/in your / towers.
- 8 For my brethren and com/panions’ / sake, *
I / pray for / your pros/perity.
- 9 Because of the house of the / LORD our / God, *
I will / seek to / do you / good.”

Please be seated.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Silence for reflection.

SEQUENCE HYMN: #601 “O Day of God, draw nigh”

St. Michael

Please stand for the Gospel.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Marie Alford-Harkey

Silence for reflection.

Please stand for the Creed.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

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:

Leader O God, our hope and our desire, in joyful expectation of your coming, we pray for your Church and for the World.

Leader O Wisdom from on high: we long for your coming as a woman longs for the birth of her child, as the refugee longs for home, as the humble poor longs for justice. Be present in and among us in this season of expectation and waiting. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O Lord of might: we lift before you all who serve the world through your Church. For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Ian and Laura our Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God that through our actions people may see and know the Kingdom of God that is already and not yet. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O Root of Jesse: Spring forth in this world your branches of truth, mercy, compassion, and joy. Ground all those who proclaim your name in your unending and never failing love, that amidst pain and fear all people may find rest and protection in your branches. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O Key of David: you open and none can shut, you shut and none can open. Welcome into your wide embrace all those who have died, especially K.C. Koshy (grandfather of Anju Mathew), and for Keith and Alexis Hook, in whose memory the flowers are given. We also pray for all those who will die this week, that they may meet their Lord in faith and hope. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O Morning Star: shine your light upon those who live in darkness and the shadow of death. Illumine with your celestial brightness those who mourn, that through their tears they may see the promise of your eternal and everlasting hope and joy. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O King of the Nations: inspire all the leaders of this world, especially Barack our President, Donald, our President-elect, Dannel our Governor, Luke our Mayor, and all those who live and work in our communities that we may seek justice, and promote the dignity of every human being. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Leader O Emmanuel: Come among us and be present to us. Let our lives be transformed by your grace that when we are weak we may have strength, when we are broken we may be healed, and when we are distressed we may be comforted, that we may be set free from all that holds us in bondage. We pray especially for those things we hold in our hearts. I invite your petitions, either silently or aloud. *Pause*

Leader Lord Jesus,
People Come Soon.

Celebrant Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming break forth in us, as you break into the world, that we may prepare in our lives a place for your indwelling spirit, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever.

People AMEN.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence for reflection.

All 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet one another.

Please be seated.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY: #597 "O Day of Peace"

Jerusalem

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer 2

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Please remain standing.

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 We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS: Hymnal #S 130

Franz Peter Schubert

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

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

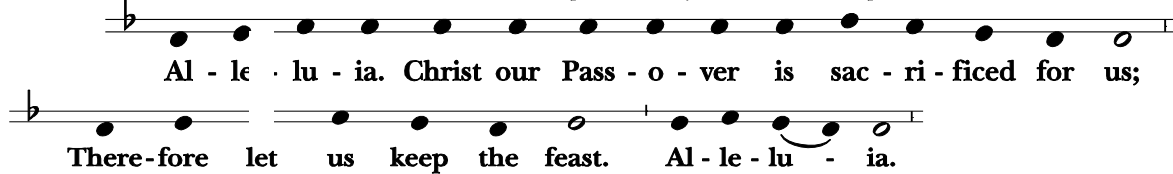
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Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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 for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are.

People May we become what we receive.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, 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.

CLOSING HYMN: #57 "Lo! he comes, with clouds descending"

Helmsley

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people.

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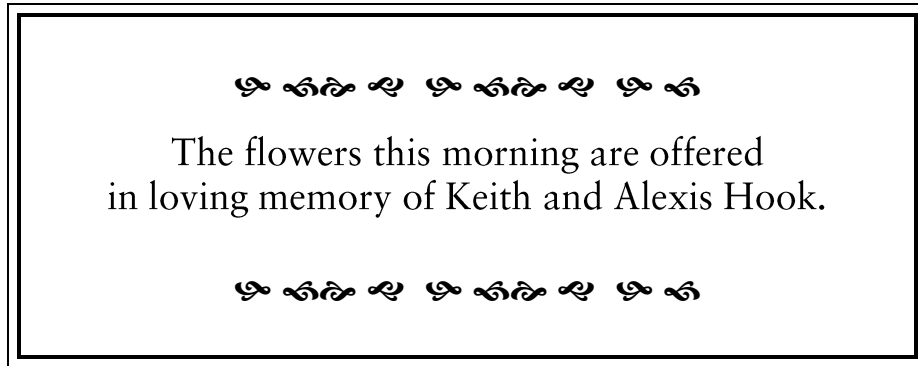
Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Toccata on "Creator alme siderum"*

Petro A. Yon

OUR WORSHIP AS A GATHERED COMMUNITY IS OVER.

OUR WORSHIP, THROUGH SERVICE TO THE WORLD AS GOD'S PEOPLE, BEGINS ANEW.



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