

Welcome to
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



4th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 1st 2026

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

A Total Ministry Congregation

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Our Mission: To seek, know, love and serve
Christ in all persons and all Creation.

Ministers: All the Baptized

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley

Deacon: The Venerable Rev. Lee Grim

Reader: Carole Johnson

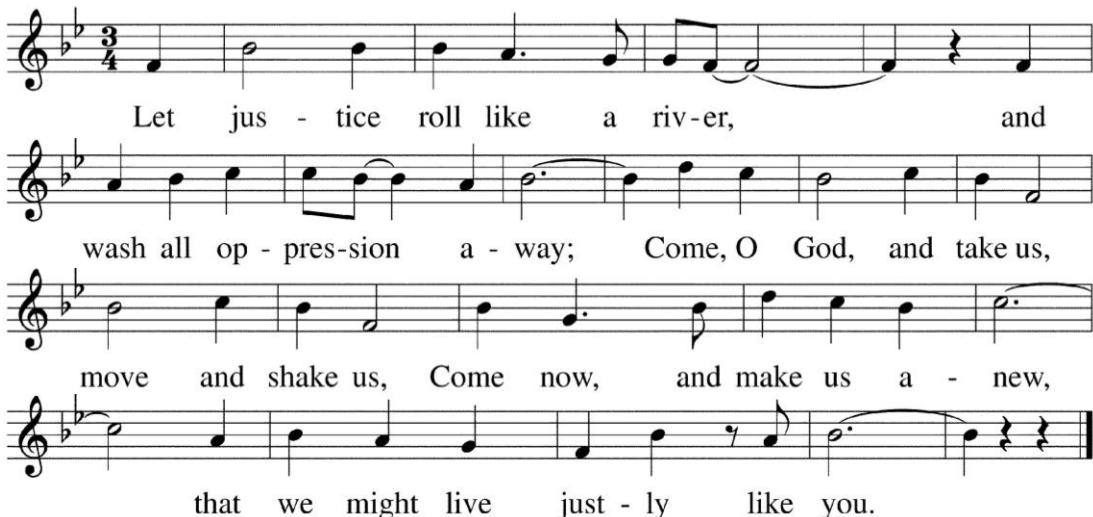
Music: Gerry & Jackie Guimond

The Bishop of Minnesota: The Rt. Rev. Craig W. Loya

***Watch Holy Trinity Livestream on Facebook
Sundays: 10:00 am
Services can also be viewed on KCC-TV***

Let Justice Roll Like a River

Refrain



Let jus - tice roll like a riv-er, and
wash all op - pres-sion a - way; Come, O God, and take us,
move and shake us, Come now, and make us a - new,
that we might live just - ly like you.

1. Take from me your holy feasts, all your off'rang and your music;
Let justice flow like waters, and integrity like an ever-flowing stream.
2. How long shall we wait, O God, for the day of your mercy to dawn,
the day we beat our swords into ploughs, when your peace reigns over the earth?
3. Hear this, all of you who use the poor in your thirst of power and riches:
the Lord will turn your laughter to tears, on the wondrous Day of our God.
4. Even now return to me, let your hearts be broken and humble,
for I am gracious, gen'rous and kind; come and seek the mercies of God.
5. You have been told the way of life, the way of justice and peace;
to act justly, to love gently, and walk humbly with God.

*(Lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People)*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

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.**

GLORY TO GOD

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: “Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.” “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.” “With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15

PSALM 15: 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME,

R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All who are able, please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Alleluia! May our hearts feel Your Word;
Alleluia! May our lives make It heard!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

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

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated

Sermon

All who are able, please stand.

People and Celebrant

Nicene Creed

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

*For the church and for all your creation, we pray to you, Lord God, saying:
Lord, hear our prayer.*

Blessed are the poor in spirit; theirs is the dominion of heaven. And so we pray: Unite the church, guide all its leaders; let us show the world the love of Jesus.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Blessed are the pure in heart; they shall see God. And so we pray: Give your people the will and the courage to value your service above all lesser goods.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Blessed are the peacemakers, God's own children. And so we pray: Bring peace to the world, security to the nations, and safety to the cities.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. And so we pray: Remove from us prejudice and injustice, and raise up among us those who will labor for the good of all whom you have made.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. And so we pray: Be present with those who are sick, imprisoned, or in distress; make us quick to love and serve our neighbors.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all those in any need, especially Robin Monahan, Mike LeMieux, Michael Valdez, Meghan Finlayson, Mike Solomon, Julie Melstrom, Jane Barthel, Menchu Lopez, Wade Howe, Dave Karraffa, Kristi Jorgenson, Todd Johnson, Karen Cendejas, Sue Vidor. We pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who serve on Council, Mission Area Teams, Trustees, Standing Committee, Commission on Ministry, Disciplinary Board, Chancellors and for the treasurer of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. For St. Johns' Anglican Church (*Fort Frances, Ontario*) and First Assembly of God Church (Int'l Falls). We pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Rejoice and be glad, their reward is great in heaven. And so we pray: We remember all who have witnessed to your love with their lives; give us strength to testify to Christ before the rulers on our own day.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you have taught us to do justice, love kindness, and practice humility before you; make our faith active in love, that your name may be praised and your people served throughout the earth, through Christ our Lord.

Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

Silence.

Confession of Sin

All who are able, please kneel.

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

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 Priest stands and says

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Announcements

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us.

All who are able, please stand

Offertory Hymn

God, Make Me An Instrument Of Peace Porter's Gate

[: God, make me an instrument of peace...an instrument of peace. :]
Where there is hatred, let me sow love,
where there is darkness , let me sow light.
For in the giving , we shall receive,
And in the doing, we're given life..

[: God, make me an instrument of peace...an instrument of peace. :]
Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope,
Where there is doubt, let me sow faith.
Where there is injury, Your pardon give,
Your consolation to those in pain..

[: God, make me an instrument of peace...an instrument of peace. :]
When we assault your gift of creation
When we presume all breath of life
When we fail to honor .. all you have made
The stones and waters on which we thrive.

[: God, make me an instrument of peace...an instrument of peace. :]

Vv. 1 &2, Porter's Gate; v.3 Singing To Beat Hell

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.**

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 Louvores de Deus

Inca Flute Tradition



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly One. God of won-der and Joy. Hea-ven and
earth your pres-ence re - vealed, Ho-ly, Ho - ly, One. Bless'd the
One who comes in your name; Bless'd the One as Bro-ther we claim;
Bless'd our God for - ev-er to reign; Ho - ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly One.

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."

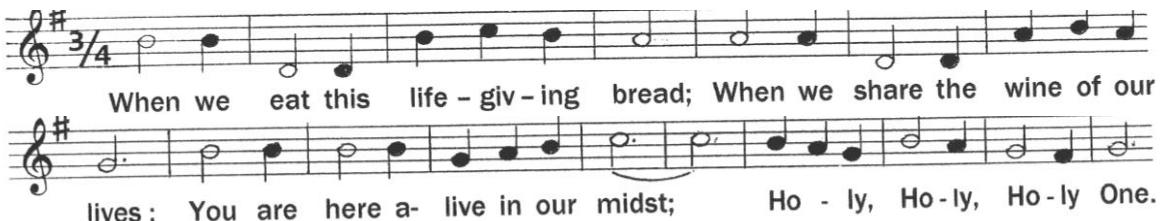
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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:

Celebrant and People

Anamnesis Louvores de Deus

Inca Flute Tradition



When we eat this life-giving bread; When we share the wine of our lives; You are here a-live in our midst; Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly One.

The Celebrant 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.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever.

Amen Louvores de Deus

Inca Flute Tradition



Bless our God for ever to reign; Amen, Amen, Amen.

The people may stand or kneel.

The Celebrant then continues

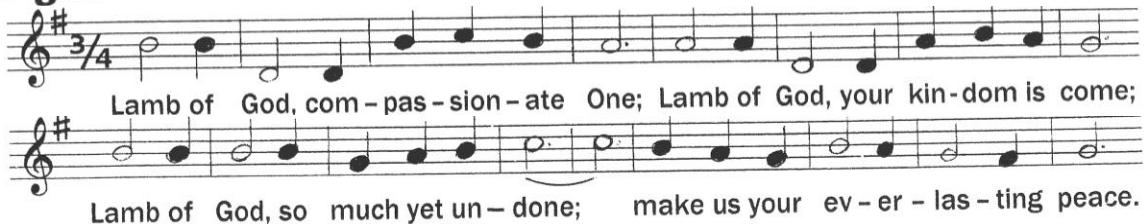
As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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.

Agnus Dei Louvores de Deus

Inca Flute Tradition



Lamb of God, com-pas-sion-ate One; Lamb of God, your kin-dom is come;
Lamb of God, so much yet un-done; make us your ev-er-las-ting peace.

*The Celebrant breaks the bread
A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion is open to everyone
Communion Hymn

BEATITUDES

Verbs

1. Blest are you, the poor who trust the Fa - ther
 2. Blest are you, the low - ly ones, who know your
 3. Blest are those whose mer - cy shows the Fa-ther's
 4. Blest are you who work for peace a - mong the

1. with your lives,
 2. need to share,
 3. love to all,
 4. Fa-ther's own, } For with-in your heart is born the

1-4. King-dom of the Lord. } 1. Blest are you, the sor - row - ing,
 2. Blest are you whose search-ing souls -
 3. Blest are you, the pure in heart,
 4. Blest are you who suf - fer hate -

1. ____ who know your Fa - ther wise,
 2. ____ will draw you to God's care,
 3. ____ who live the Fa-ther's call,
 4. ____ to pre - pare the day to come, } For with-in your heart
 1, 3 | 2, 4

1-4. is born the King - dom of the Lord.

Refrain

Let your light shine for all the world to see: the bright-ness of
 your life with-in, the peace that sets you free. Let your
 light shine to fill your nights and days; all will see the deeds
 you do and give your Fa - ther praise.

1 to Verse 3 | Final
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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All who are able, please stand or kneel

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

Remember that life is short and we haven't much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn:

COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY

Carey Landry

Refrain

We are com - pan - ions on the jour - ney, break-ing bread and
shar-ing life; and in the love we bear is the hope we share for we be-
lieve in the love of our God, we be-lieve in the love of our God.

Verse 1

1. No long-er stran-gers to each oth - er; no long-er stran-gers
1. in God's house; we are fed and we are nour-ished by the
1. strength of those who care, by the strength of those who care.

to Refrain

2. We have been gift - ed with each oth - er, and we are called by the
2. Word of the Lord: to act with jus-tice, to love ten-der - ly, and to walk
2. hum-bly with our God, to walk hum - bly with our God.

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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Next Sunday: February 8th ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist

FEB 3RD ~ VESTRY MEETING 5:00 PM

**** IS ANYONE WILLING TO TAKE ON THE SHROVE
TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER ???
PLEASE LET A VESTRY MEMBER KNOW BY THE FEB.
3RD MEETING.**

2026 VESTRY~ JEANNE & BILL CORRIN, MIKE NOLAND, LINDA VANCE,
(MIKE NOLAND, CHRIS & AMBER HEMSTAD)



PANCAKE SUPPER
(Gluten Free also available)



Tuesday, February 17, 2026
5:00 to 6:30 p.m.
Free will offering



*Feb 1st - 7th ~ Morgann Rud
~ Neve Oettinger*

*Congratulations to you: May your faith be true &
May God's love and blessing descend upon you!*