TRINITY CATHEDRAL OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



JANUARY 7, 2024 – THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY – YEAR B 8:30 am - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE CELEBRANT – THE REV. CN. BRUCE MONTGOMERY PREACHER – THE REV. CHRIS COX

The Very Rev. René Rory John, Dean 801 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08618 Phone (609) 392-3805; Fax (609) 392-2305 www.TrinityCathedralNJ.org WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. Masks are optional within the Cathedral buildings. Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces.

If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this will help. For sanitary purposes, all of our prayers are printed in this bulletin.

Thank you for helping us to remain as safe as possible while enjoying in-person worship. "This is how we love one another!"

Please stand as indicated and be seated for lessons

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ

All stand, as able

Processional Hymn Hymnal # 100 Joy to the World vs. 1 & 4

1 4

He rules the world with truth and grace,

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:

let earth receive her King; and makes the nations prove let every heart prepare him room, the glories of his righteousness,

and heaven and nature sing. and wonders of his love.

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

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen. People:

Celebrant: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All say together

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will 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, Jesus 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,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

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.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The people are seated

First Reading

A Reading from the book of Genesis (1:1-5)

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All remain seated to say

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees: * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord* all are crying, "Glory!" The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore. The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Remain seated
Second Reading
A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (19:1-7)

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn Hymnal # 116 vs. 1, 2 & 3

"I Come," the Great Redeemer Cries

1

"I come," the great Redeemer cries, "to do thy will, O Lord!"
At Jordan's stream, behold! He seals the sure prophetic word.

2 "Thus it becomes us to fulfill all righteousness," he said.

Then, faithful to the Lord's commands, through Jordan's flood was led.

3

Hark, a glad voice! The Father speaks from heaven's exalted height: "This is my Son, my well-beloved, in whom I take delight."

Remain standing

The Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Chris Cox, Deacon

All stand, as able
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.

Remain standing **Prayers of the People**

The Leader and People pray responsively

Deacon: In the waters of baptism, we were called to be God's children and to minister to one another. Let us therefore pray for ourselves, for one another, and for all those in need of our prayers, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for the church, that it may stand fast in the one faith to which it has been called. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember God's holy catholic church, including Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; René, Dean of this Cathedral; Bruce, John, Peter and Noel, priest associates; Carol and Chris, our Deacons, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Anglican

Christians around the world, especially the Scottish Episcopal Church; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops, and the Revs.: Cn. Christopher G. Duffy and Louise L. Kingston. (*Silence*) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for the world, that our conflicts may cease and that peace may reign in this new year. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We commend to your prayers this day all persons deployed in the service of our country. May they dwell safely under the protection of Almighty God. (*Silence*) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for all Christians who have been baptized into the one family of faith, that our lives reflect the forgiveness and love which was first shown us. (*Silence*) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: Gail Lewis, Dorothy Pinto, Gilda Bertheau, Bernard McMullan, Hubert Perry, Karen Callaghan, Udter Victor, Samuel Iverson Joseph and Elizabeth Russo. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for all who are blind to the injustices of our world, that their eyes may be opened and that they may work for an end to oppression and injustice. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for the sick, that their sickness may be turned to health and that they may once again join us in our work and worship. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember before you those who are sick, or in any other special need, especially the residents of Hamilton Grove Care and Rehabilitation Center; along with the

People of Ukraine and Russia, the People of Israel and Palestine, Mary Swingle, Caroline McIntyre, Steven Erdy and Anita Hill. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Let us pray for the faithful who have gone before us, that we may follow the example of their lives and be reunited with them in the joy of everlasting life. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember those who have died, especially **Alice Erdy**, the victims of violence in Trenton, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world. (*Silence*) Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Silence, as the People add their own petitions.

Celebrant: Omniscient God, you know our thoughts and needs better than we ourselves. Accept the prayers which we now offer, and strengthen us to do your will, through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says
Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People:

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain in your pew for the Peace.

The Peace

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

People: And with thy spirit.

Holy Communion

Remain standing

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal # 448

O Love, How Deep,
vs. 1, 2 & 6

How Broad, How High

1

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

2 Ear. ...

For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;

All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And with thy spirit.Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord. Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels,

and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All say together

Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel or stand, as able

Celebrant: All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All say together

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The People may join in saying

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

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.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Post-communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Hymn	Hymnal # 87 vs. 1 & 3	Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
		glory to the newborn King!
1		
Hark! the herald angels sing		3
glory to the newborn King!		Mild he lays his glory by,
Peace on earth and mercy mild,		born that we no more may die,
God and sinners reconciled!		born to raise us from the earth,
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,		born to give us second birth.
join the triumph of the skies;		Risen with healing in his wings,
with the angelic host proclaim		light and life to all he brings,
Christ is born in Bethlehem!		hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
		hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Refrain		
Hark! the herald angels sing		Refrain

Blessing

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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Following Christ, joining the Cathedral – We invite you to accept the invitation to follow Christ, to become a Christian and to become a member of Trinity Cathedral. We encourage you to fill in one of the pew cards and place it in the offering plate, or please contact one of the clergy.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lectors for the 10:00 am Mass on 1/14 are: **TBD**

Annual Meeting Notice - On Sunday, January 21, 2024 Trinity Cathedral will hold its Annual Parish Meeting. There will be one service, at 10:00 am, followed by the meeting. Please stay tuned for more information on how the meeting will be conducted. There are nomination forms for the Vestry on the literature table in the main hallway. If you are the Chair of a Cathedral Commission or organization that submits a report to be included in the annual meeting booklet, reports were due in the Cathedral office on January 1st. If you have not yet, please send your reports to Patrice D'Angelo at patriceattrinity@aol.com.

Join us for evening prayer celebrating the life and ministry of Martin Luther King, Jr. – Our Diocesan commemoration will be here at the Cathedral on Sunday, January 14 at 3:00 pm. It will also be livestreamed at www.dioceseofnj.org/live. The Guest Speaker will be Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman of the U.S. House of Representatives.

2024 Stewardship Update - Thank you to all who have pledged your support to the Cathedral for 2024! We currently have 70 pledging units, totaling \$238,000 – an average of \$3,400. If you would like a pledge card, please speak with Willie Coleman, J. Gil Williams or Dean John.

If you have not yet pledged for 2024, please consider turning in your card now - We need to assign envelope numbers and get them to everyone to use in the new year. Also, please use your NEW box of envelopes this year – DO NOT use older boxes. This ensures that all of your donations will be posted to your pledge. Envelope boxes are on the "ship table" in the Cathedral.

"A Taste of Joy – Recipes of Trinity Cathedral" cookbook is now available! - The cookbook developed out of a mini grant that our Cathedral was gifted with, that promoted healthy eating and moving. To keep the healthy eating going, proceeds from the sale of the books are going to provide fresh produce to the Cathedral Food Pantry. This also helps the farming communities. A win, win for all!



Even if you do not cook any more or don't have a particular person to gift it to, you can still assist by purchasing books and we'll donate them to the Food Pantry. **Get yours today at the Cathedral Altar Guild Shop for just \$10 or contact Lucy Adams at <u>trinitycathedralags@gmail.com</u>. Also, if you are interested in selling the books, let Lucy know. Thank you in advance for your support!**

Notes from your Cathedral Altar Guild Shop — Happy New Year from the Gift Shop Volunteers! Ring in the New Year with a good read! The shop has a variety of books on sale, ready to accompany a cup of tea for a cozy afternoon of enjoyment during these cool, damp days. Or maybe you would like to be adventurous and try a new recipe from the "Taste of Joy — Recipes from Trinity Cathedral" cookbook that is now available in the Shop? Liturgical calendars - wall and desk - are still available.

The AGS will be closed for the Annual Meeting, but will be open Sunday, **January** 7th and **January** 14th. For more information or special requests, contact Lucy Adams at <u>trinitycathedralags@gmail.com</u> or leave a message at the Cathedral Office.

Can you help bag food for the Food Pantry? – We can use assistance the Thursday prior to each Pantry date. The next bagging day is Thursday, January 11th at 4:45 pm. If you would like to find out more about how you can help, feel free to call Lourdez "Cookie" Hernandez at (609) 902-8282.

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, January 13th (2nd & 4th Saturdays this month) from 9-11:00 am. All food contributions to the Pantry are welcomed. Monetary donations are always welcome as they enable us to purchase additional food from the Food Bank and local groceries. THANK YOU for your support. Each Thursday, we distribute hot dinners "to go" from 5:00–6:00pm at the Overbrook Avenue entrance as a satellite location for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.



THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

TODAY (1/7) First Sunday after the Epiphany

8:30 am Rite I Eucharist in the Cathedral (in-person only)

10:00 am Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

The Trinity Strings featured at 10:00 am Mass

10:30a – 12:30p Full Gospel Community Church service - CHP

Tues. (1/9)

9 – 9:45 am Weekly Zoom check-in for parishioners: For more info. on how to join us, call

or text Nancy Hood-Boczar at (267) 614-5746, or E-mail

shaktisocialwork4@hotmail.com

Wed. (1/10)

12:10 pm Wednesday Healing Eucharist - CHP

Thurs. (1/11)

4:15-5:30 pm TASK Meals – SH: **NOTE NEW TIME!**

8 – 8:30 pm Society of Mary Rosary Devotions, via Zoom and phone access: Please E-mail

Erica Warner at vassose@aol.com for information on how to join us

Sat. (1/13)

9:00 am Calling hours for Gwendolyn Pearson; 11:00 am funeral

Sun. (1/14) Second Sunday after the Epiphany

9:15 am Choir warm-up

10:00 am Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

10:30a – 12:30p Full Gospel Community Church service - CHP

11:15a – 12:15p Choir rehearsal

1:00 pm Adult Christian Education, via Zoom

3:00 pm Diocesan Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration - CATH