

**TRINITY CATHEDRAL
OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY**



**MAY 26, 2024 – TRINITY SUNDAY – YEAR B
FAMILY SUNDAY
10:00 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO**

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WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this service bulletin will help. Masks are optional within the Cathedral buildings. Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces. 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

Prelude

Prelude in G, BWV 541

Johann Sebastian Bach

Martin Jones, organ

Remain standing

Processional Hymn

Hymnal # 362

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.**

All sing

Hymnal # S-278

Gloria in Excelsis

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated

First Reading

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (6:1-8)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord. He was sitting on his throne, high and exalted, and his robe filled the whole Temple. Around him flaming creatures were standing, each of which had six wings. Each creature covered its face with two wings, and its body with

two, and used the other two for flying. They were calling out to each other: “Holy, holy, holy! The LORD Almighty is holy! His glory fills the world.” The sound of their voices made the foundation of the Temple shake, and the Temple itself became filled with smoke. I said, “There is no hope for me! I am doomed because every word that passes my lips is sinful, and I live among a people whose every word is sinful. And yet, with my own eyes I have seen the King, the LORD Almighty.” Then one of the creatures flew down to me, carrying a burning coal that he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. He touched my lips with the burning coal and said, “This has touched your lips, and now your guilt is gone, and your sins are forgiven.” Then I heard the Lord say, “Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?” I answered, “I will go! Send me!”

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated; sung by the Choir

Psalm 29

Afferte Domino

Ray Francis Brown



- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

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- 5 The voice of the LORD¹ breaks the¹ cedar trees; *
the LORD¹ breaks the¹ cedars of¹ Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon¹ skip like a¹ calf, *
and Mount Hermon¹ like a¹ young wild¹ ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD¹ shakes the¹ wilderness; *
the LORD¹ shakes the¹ wilderness of¹ Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the¹ oak trees¹ writhe *
and¹ strips the¹ forests¹ bare.
- †9 And in the¹ temple of the¹ LORD *
—¹all are¹ crying, ¹“Glory!”
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned a¹bove the¹ flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as¹ King for¹ ever¹ more.
- 11 The LORD shall give¹ strength to his¹ people; *
the LORD shall give his¹ people the¹ blessing of¹ peace.

Remain seated

Second Reading

A Reading from Paul’s letter to the Church in Rome (8:12-17)

So then, my friends, we have an obligation, but it is not to live as our human nature wants us to. For if you live according to your human nature, you are going to die; but if by the Spirit you put to death your sinful actions, you will live. Those who are led by God's Spirit are God's children. For the Spirit that God has given you does not make you slaves and cause you to be afraid; instead, the Spirit makes you God's children, and by the Spirit's power we cry out to God, “Father! my Father!” God's Spirit joins himself to our spirits to declare that we are God's children. Since we are his children, we will possess the blessings he keeps for his people, and we will also possess with Christ what God has kept for him; for if we share Christ's suffering, we will also share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal # 401

The God of Abraham Praise

Remain standing

The Gospel: John 3:1-17

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

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

There was a Jewish leader named Nicodemus, who belonged to the party of the Pharisees. One night he went to Jesus and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher sent by God. No one could perform the miracles you are doing unless God were with him." Jesus answered, "I am telling you the truth: no one can see the Kingdom of God without being born again." "How can a grown man be born again?" Nicodemus asked. "He certainly cannot enter his mother's womb and be born a second time!" "I am telling you the truth," replied Jesus, "that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. A person is born physically of human parents, but is born spiritually of the Spirit. Do not be surprised because I tell you that you must all be born again. The wind blows wherever it wishes; you hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going. It is like that with everyone who is born of the Spirit." "How can this be?" asked Nicodemus. Jesus answered, "You are a great teacher in Israel, and you don't know this? I am telling you the truth: we speak of what we know and report what we have seen, yet none of you is willing to accept our message. You do not believe me when I tell you about the things of this world; how will you ever believe me, then, when I tell you about the things of heaven? And no one has ever gone up to heaven except the Son of Man, who came down from heaven." As Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the desert, in the same way the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but to be its savior.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

**The Rev. Cn. Bruce Montgomery
Priest Associate**

All stand as able and say together

A Statement of Faith based on Galatians 3:26-28

Celebrant: Let us renew our pledge to work for unity, justice, and peace.

We are all children of God.

There is no longer Jew or Greek.

There is no longer slave or free.

There is no longer male and female.

For we are all one.

We believe Jesus lived for this and died for this.

We pledge ourselves with God's help and the support of each other to make this become a reality.

All stand

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: Inspired by the Spirit, we now offer our Sunday prayers to God in the name of Jesus Christ, saying: Lord, have mercy.

Lector: For the fulfillment of the mission of the church, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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 Church of the Province of Central Africa; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops, and The Rev. Frank M. Goss. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!**

Lector: For the liberation of the children of God from the bondage of fear, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: For the consolation of all those who struggle with doubts or disbelief, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: For renewed witness to the gospel among Christian people in positions of public trust, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: For our assembly as we hand on the faith of our ancestors from one generation to another, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Aweon A. Richards, Melani A. Lewis, Sally L. Fineburg, Kurtis Perry, Junius Ketter, Cyrus & Loretta Ketter, Thelma Tunstall, Ellen Wry, Evangeline T. Smith, Patti Castellón, Hillary K. Sopko, Tammy J. Samuels, Keith**

Adams, Janice Borrella, Nathaniel McMullan, and the Rev. Dr. John & Rosemary Luttrell. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Lector: For all the sick and the suffering, the lonely and the dying, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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, the People of Haiti, Eileen Cera, Ricardo Rosario, Michael & Leetta Tamm, Husayne Ferguson, Janet Thompson, Tresa Thompson, Gail Mitchell & family, Sandra & the Pemberton family, the Immordino family, Jane Bridge, Bruce Montgomery, Brian Bulvin, Mary Swingle, Ed Pazicky, Virginia Barbarin, Rich & Laila McCoy, Susan Remmers, Colin & Margaret Smith, the Blakelee family, the McInerney family, and Amarachi Ngozi Okere.** Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Lector: For the power to live out the promises of our baptism, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Lector: In the communion of the Holy spirit, with Mary, the mother of the Son of God, and with all the saints in light, let us commend our lives and the lives of one another to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: We remember those who have died, especially **Renee McInerney, Cal Cat,** the victims of violence in our neighborhoods, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Silence ~ The People may add their own petitions

Celebrant: Almighty God, with tender love we call you our Abba. Answer the prayers of your children gathered here, for we rely on you and have confidence in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please remain in your pew for the Peace.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Holy Communion

Please remain seated while Ushers collect the offertory

Offertory Anthem

Praise Trilogy

arr. Bill George

The Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir

All stand, as able

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal # 423

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, food donations to the Cathedral Food Pantry, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or Celebrant.

The Great Thanksgiving:

Eucharistic Prayer A

Chalice bearer: Bobbie Powell

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds . . .

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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:

Celebrant and People:

Hymnal # S-128

Sanctus

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues . . .

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:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: 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. **Amen.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray . . .

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.

Fraction

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

Then may be said . . .

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

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Hymnal # S-165

Fraction Anthem

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 Christians are welcome to make their Communion at the Lord's table.

Communion Solo

**Herr Gott, nun schleuß den Himmel auf,
BWV 1092**

J.S. Bach

Martin Jones, organ

Communion Hymn LEVAS # 159

Lift Him Up

The People are seated

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People:

**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
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
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.**

Announcements

All stand, as able

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal # 370

I Bind Unto Myself Today

vs. 6 sung by the Choir alone

Blessing

Celebrant: May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; 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: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Fugue in G, BWV 541

J.S. Bach

Martin Jones, organ

**For Family Sunday, today's readings are taken from
the *Good News* translation of the Bible.**

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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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lectors for the 10:00 am Mass on 6/2 are:

**Bobbie Powell, Chinweze Ahaghotu, Judith Miller & J. Gil Williams (alternate)
Virginia Harmer (chalice bearer)**

NOW's the time to get your tickets! – In order to finish the planning of our Fashion Show FUNdraiser, we need to have an updated head count of who will be joining us. If you haven't yet purchased your tickets, NOW is the time to do so, as it's just 2 weeks away! Please see Margaret Nartey today. Just \$20 + an appetizer or dessert to share (\$10 for under 18.) *Newsflash! – This event is BYOB, so you can bring your favorite beverages to enjoy!*

Baskets needed by June 2nd – We are now finalizing all the baskets for the raffle at our Fashion Show. If you were planning on contributing, please bring your basket items in by next Sunday, June 2nd (especially if they need to be packaged.) **Gift cards are welcome, and can be used as the centerpiece of a basket.** Thanks to those who have already contributed these baskets: Amazing Chef basket, "Catch the Spirit" (thanks to the Altar Guild Shop), African treasures (thanks to our African Fest. Committee), bath 'n body (thanks to our Choir), gardening goodies (thanks to the Landscaping Committee), wine Basket of Cheer (thanks to our Vestry), dog care, kids' "quiet time" play, hiking/walking gear, Margarita basket, and family summer fun activities.

Trinity Cathedral Grounds Guided Tour!

Please join Irene Sanz, Georgia Koenig and members of the Landscaping Committee for a Guided Tour of the Cathedral's beautiful grounds.

Besides enjoying the natural beauty of the grounds, we will discuss important Creation Care challenges such as water management, chemical creep and trash, and invasive plant species, which all lead to an imbalance of the natural cycle of interdependence of plants and animal life.



Come and see what we can do to help!

Two tour times are offered:

- **Wednesday May 29 at 11 am, and**
- **Sunday June 2 immediately following the 10 am service.**

Greeters provide the first welcoming smile to members and visitors coming to Trinity Cathedral on Sunday morning. In fulfilling our mission as a home for all who enter, our greeter team affirms people's decision to join us, identifies those who may need support, and ensures our worship service proceeds with dignity, safety and joy. What is expected of a greeter?

- Arrive 20 minutes before the start of service.
- Welcome everyone as they enter.
- Provide information and directions to those who need them.
- Inform the ushers about those who may need special support.
- Watch for, and report, any concerning behavior to the ushers.

Please consider joining our greeter team! If you are interested in becoming a greeter, please speak with our Junior Warden, Ms. Margaret Nartey or sign up on the table right outside Synod Hall.

There is an updated Hospitality sign-up chart on the table just outside Synod Hall – please let us know on the sheet what you would like to bring on Sundays, which Sunday of each month you would like to bring it, and/or if you can help set up or clean up. If you have questions about how you can help, please speak with Larry Spears.

Have you checked out our “A Taste of Joy – Recipes of Trinity Cathedral” cookbook? - Proceeds from the sale of the books are going to provide fresh produce to our Food Pantry. **Get yours today at the Cathedral Altar Guild Shop for just \$10 or contact Lucy Adams at trinitycathedralags@gmail.com.** Also, if you are interested in selling the books, let Lucy know. **Thank you for your support!**

We are re-starting our Lay Eucharistic Ministry to Hamilton Grove Care & Rehabilitation Center – We will lead worship and administer communion every first and third Sunday of each month to the facility’s geriatric, infirm, and convalescing patients. Service leaflets are provided and we make every effort to send folks in pairs so they have assistance. Flu shots and TB vaccines are mandatory for anyone participating (must provide proof). COVID shots are welcomed but not mandatory. Please speak to Larry Spears or Dean John if you are interested in serving this community.

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, June 8th (2nd & 4th Saturdays this month) from 9-11:00 am.

Each Thursday, we distribute hot dinners “to go” from 4:15–5:30pm at the Overbrook Avenue entrance as a satellite location for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.



THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

TODAY (5/26)

9:15 am

10:00 am

10:30a – 12:30p

Trinity Sunday ~ Family Sunday

Choir warm-up

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP

Mon. (5/27)

All closed for Memorial Day



Tues. (5/28)

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. (5/29)

12:10 pm

Last Wednesday Mass before summer break!

Wednesday Healing Eucharist (in-person only) - CHP

Thurs. (5/30)

4:15 – 5:30 pm

8 – 8:30 pm

TASK Meals – SH

Society of Mary Rosary Devotions via Zoom and phone access: Please E-mail Erica Warner at yassose@aol.com for information on how to join us

Fri. (5/31)

10:00am - 1:00pm Pre-K meeting - GR

Sat. (6/1)

3:00 pm

Trinity Strings music classes

Diocesan Baccalaureate Service – CATH/SH

Sun. (6/2)

8:30 am

10:00 am

10:30a – 12:30p

The Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 4)

Rite I Eucharist in All saints Chapel (in-person only)

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP