

TRINITY CATHEDRAL  
OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



4<sup>th</sup>  
**Sunday**  
*in*  
**Lent**



**MARCH 15, 2026 – THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT – YEAR A**  
**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.

*Please stand as able when indicated and be seated for lessons*

**Prelude**

*Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ*

**Processional Hymn**

**Hymnal # 567**

**Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old**

*Celebrant:* Blessed be the God of our salvation:

*People:* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

### **The Penitential Order**

*Celebrant:* If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. Remain standing or kneel as able.*

*Celebrant 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.**

*Celebrant:* 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.**

*Remain standing*

**Kyrie**

**Hymnal # S-91**

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated*

**First Reading**

**Lector: Sue Gummere**

**A Reading from the First book of Samuel (1 Samuel 16:1-13)**

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Remain seated; all sing Refrain together*

**Psalm 23**

*Cantor: Susan Remmers*



The Lord is my shep - herd; I shall not be in want.

*from Gradual Psalms for the RCL, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated*

The Lord is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

***Refrain***

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those

who trouble me; \*

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

***Refrain***

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days

of my life, \*

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

***Refrain***

*Remain seated*

**Second Reading**

**Lector: Chinweze Ahaghotu**

**A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus (5:8-14)**

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able*  
**Sequence Hymn**

**Hymnal # 490**

**I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light**

*Remain standing*

**The Gospel: John 9:1-41**

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

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his

disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Shelton Radix**

*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.**

*Remain standing*

**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.

## **The Prayers of the People**

**Lector: Ellen Heath**

*The Lector and People pray responsively*

*Deacon:* God has consecrated us in baptism's gracious waters to be a holy people. That we may be ever anointed with gladness, let us turn to our God in prayer, saying: God of all gladness, have mercy upon us.

*Lector:* We pray for the church, for an end to division and indignation, for all the people washed and sent by Christ, and for a renewal of God's fulfilling Spirit: God of all gladness,

*People:* **Have mercy upon us.**

*Deacon:* We remember God's holy catholic church, including Sean, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; Bruce, John, Peter and Noel, priest associates; Terence, our Acting Dean, Shelton, our Guest Clergy, Christopher, our Deacon, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Philip,

the Archbishop-Elect of the West Indies, and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially The Anglican Church of Kenya, and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops, and the Members and Ministry of the Girls' Friendly Society: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Lector:* We pray for all who beg for life, for all baptismal candidates awaiting the pool of grace, and for hearts of devout faith: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Lector:* We pray for all who are called to govern in justice and peace, for an end to all works of darkness, for all the peoples created in God's image, and for a Spirit of wisdom and mercy to rule the mighty: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*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: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Lector:* We pray for all condemned to die, for all victims of illegal arrest and oppression, for all who are tortured, for their families, and for all who work for liberation: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Lector:* We pray for the forgotten and abandoned, for all who are in anguish, for the guilt-ridden, for all in need of the Spirit, for the sick, the grieving, and the dying, that they may be uplifted: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*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, Palestine and Iran, the People of Haiti, the people of Sudan, especially the Darfur region, Andrew McDonald, Darryl Francomacaro, Victoria Jones, Mike Bernardo, Georgianna Aiken, Sabrina Radix, Steven Erdy, Pat Hawkins, Ann Marie Paisley, John Claude Raines, the Sykes family, Frederick M. Walton, Kyle Walton, Joel Walton and the Walton family, Frank Colucci, Donald Brokate, Dylan Raines, Thomas Keith Adams, Jeffrey Tamn, Barry Foster, Alice Wootson, Tony Wootson, the Francois family, the Sparks family, the Hope and Emerson families, Kelly Osbourne, Aaliyah A. Van Heusen, Fred DeSanto, Yvette Salter, and Sarah Inniss.** God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Lector:* For all brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, spouses and families, friends and companions, that there may be love and mutual reverence: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Deacon:* We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Dr. Alain Nganang, Samaya Ross, Christopher Vassos, Ronald W. Zilinski and Dr. Bernard Taylor.** God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Deacon:* We remember those who have died, especially **David Wootson, Ethel Gordon Hope, Comfort Sparks,** the victims of violence in our neighborhoods, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world: God of all gladness,

**People: Have mercy upon us.**

*Silence, as the people add their own petitions.*

*Deacon:* Holy God, open our eyes to a fresh vision for a peaceful world, along with the will to seek alternatives to vengeance and violence. Awaken in us compassion for the victims of war: soldiers of all nations, grieving families, civilians, the wounded creation. Open wide the eyes of world leaders, especially in our own country, to see a path toward peace in the Middle East, and in all those conflicts, too many to name, that tear apart the one human family. Grant us eyes wide open to peace. **Amen.** *(From the Episcopal Peace Fellowship)*

*Celebrant:* We praise you, God of our hope, for all the children of light who have gone before us and now stand in your radiant countenance. Give us the light of Christ, that we may leap up in our darkness and rise from death at the last, into the life of gladness in 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 also with you.**

## Holy Communion

*Please remain seated while Ushers collect the offertory*

**Offertory Anthem**

**O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

arr. Craig Courtney

*The Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir*

*All stand, as able*

**Offertory Hymn**

**Hymnal # 339**

**Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness**

*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: Margaret Nartey**

*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, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

***Celebrant and People:***

**Hymnal # S-114**

**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 forever. **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:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

**Hymnal # S-158**

**Agnus Dei**

*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 Hymn**

**LEVAS # 145**

**Have Thine Own Way, Lord!**

**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**

**Recessional Hymn**

**Hymnal # 429**

**I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath**

**Blessing**

*Deacon:* Bow down before the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Dismissal**

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*Dr. Kerry Heimann, organ*

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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 3/22 are:

**Susan Remmers, Larry Spears, Cn. Phil Lewis & Gail Lewis (alternate)**

**Chalice bearer – Cn. Pahil Lewis**

The Ushers/Greeters for Sunday, 3/22 (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday) are:

**Edward Greenfield (Greeter/Usher) & Samuel Richards (alternate)**

**Please join us after Mass in Synod Hall (to your left off the main hallway) for coffee and brunch treats during hospitality hour.** All are welcome for good food and good conversation!

**Virtual Stations of the Cross** – The Cathedral Chapter of the Society of Mary is hosting the Stations of the Cross via Zoom on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. If you would like the Zoom link, please contact Patrice in the office and she will send it to you.

**Join us for our 2026 Fashion Show FUNdraiser! This year our event will be held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day weekend.** We will be celebrating our mothers, grandmothers, and all who "mother" us! We honor you for your love, resilience and patience in nurturing us all and for all of this, we say, "Thank you!" Tickets will be \$30 for adults, and \$12 for children 12 and older (available NOW!) Men, women and children are welcome to model: we encourage mothers to model with their daughters (and sons!) If modeling is not your "style", bring your moms, grandmothers, or the special ladies in your life, to enjoy the show! Add your name to the model sign-up sheet, and the list for our "80's Ladies Club" for mother-figures who are 80+ (who will receive special recognition.) We'll also produce a "booster booklet" that will feature the names of all donors to the event. Questions? Speak with Margaret Nartey.

**Spring has Sprung at the Altar Guild Shop!** – Are you ready for Easter giving? We have cross necklaces, bracelets, prayer beads and more. Don't forget to check out the Clearance Sale table! Also, children's birthstone jewelry, bracelets, and angels are on sale. Children's puzzles, Easter eggs, books, bears, baptismal bibs, beautiful cards, tees, hats, scarves too! The Shop will be open TODAY and March 29<sup>th</sup> after services. If you need something after shop hours; contact Lucy Adams at trinitycathedralags@gmail.com or leave a message at Cathedral Office

**The Cathedral Egg hunt is "a hop-ening" on Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>!** We are good for eggs, but need fillers! Donations of small toys, candy, coins, etc. that will fit inside the eggs would help our event be "egg-stra" special for the children! Also looking for small plush animals in good condition as well. Any questions? Please E-mail Rose Cooper at rcooper609@proton.me.

**The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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.**

Lenten Reflection:  
**Clean and Safe Water**

In our third Lenten Reflection from the Cathedral's Creation Care Team, we are broadening our scope to consider "Water-Justice" at an international level. In so doing, we draw on material from Episcopal Relief and Development's Clean Water

program:

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/program/clean-water/>



Water is essential for life. But the quality of the world's fresh water resources is threatened by improper sanitation, agricultural runoff and lack of treatment facilities, as well as, disasters and environmental changes. Every 15 seconds a child dies from a water-related disease.

In parts of the world where women and girls bear the primary responsibility for finding and collecting water, degradation and scarcity of this precious resource is an even greater challenge. Often, young girls can't go to school because they have to walk for miles to find fresh water for cooking, bathing, drinking and other critical needs.

Episcopal Relief & Development programs increase the accessibility of safe and clean water even in the most rural communities. In partnership with local organizations, they support communities in developing clean sources of water to help prevent the spread of disease while promoting overall community health and well-being. Wells, water systems and stations are constructed based on local assessments of needs and capacity. Then, community members learn how to use and maintain them.

The provision of safe water means people no longer spend hours fetching water from polluted lakes, rivers and streams near their homes. Girls can go to school, and women are able to care for their families and pursue education and employment — creating a better future for themselves and their communities.

**Reflection:** The human need for water was a central theme in both our Old Testament (Ex 17:1-7) and Gospel (John 4:5-42) readings last Sunday. God knows that all Creation needs water for physical sustenance. How is God asking us to help provide safe, clean water for the most vulnerable?

**Action:** Consider donating to Episcopal Relief and Develop or other organizations involved in addressing the fundamental human right of equitable access to clean, safe water for all people.

(Please keep your bulletins handy to connect the reflections week-to-week.)

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE 2026

# TRINITY CATHEDRAL FASHION SHOW!



**SATURDAY, MAY 9TH - 6:00 PM**  
**TICKETS: \$30 (\$12 FOR KIDS 12+)**  
**INCLUDES DINNER & DRINKS**



***Men, women and children are invited to model!***  
***Sign-up sheet available on Sundays, or call the cathedral office***

***Celebrating all the Mothers & Mother Figures in our lives!***  
***Mother/daughter & mother/son models encouraged***

***Special recognition of the "80+ Club"!***  
***(Please list your honorees on the form available on Sundays)***  
***Financial contributions welcomed: all donors to this FUNdraiser***  
***will be listed in our "Booster Booklet"!***

***See Margaret Nartey or Cynthia Coleman for tickets, or***  
***call the cathedral office: (609) 392-3805 ext. 100***





Fourth Sunday  
in  
Lent

**THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE**

**TODAY (3/15)**

**8:30 am**

9:15 am

**10:00 am**

11:15 am

10:30a – 12:30p

**Fourth Sunday in Lent ~ ALTAR GUILD SHOP OPEN**

**Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)**

Choir warm-up

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

Choir rehearsal

Full Gospel Church service - CHP

**Mon. (3/16)**

6:30 pm

Vestry meeting, via Zoom

**Thurs. (3/19)**

4:15 – 5:30 pm

TASK Meals – SH

8:00 pm

Stations of the Cross, via Zoom (please call the office for the link)

**Sat. (3/21)**

8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Diocesan Daughters of the King annual meeting – CHP/SH

2 – 5:00 pm

Piano recital - CATH

**Sun. (3/22)**

9:15 am

**Fifth Sunday in Lent ~ Family Sunday**

Choir warm-up

**10:00 am**

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

After 10am Mass

Confirmation class - GR

11:15 am

Choir rehearsal

10:30a – 12:30p

Full Gospel Church service – CHP

3:00 pm

CAST presents: Minas Brazilian Jazz & Rhythms in concert! – CATH

Tickets are just \$30 – please see a member of CAST or call the office