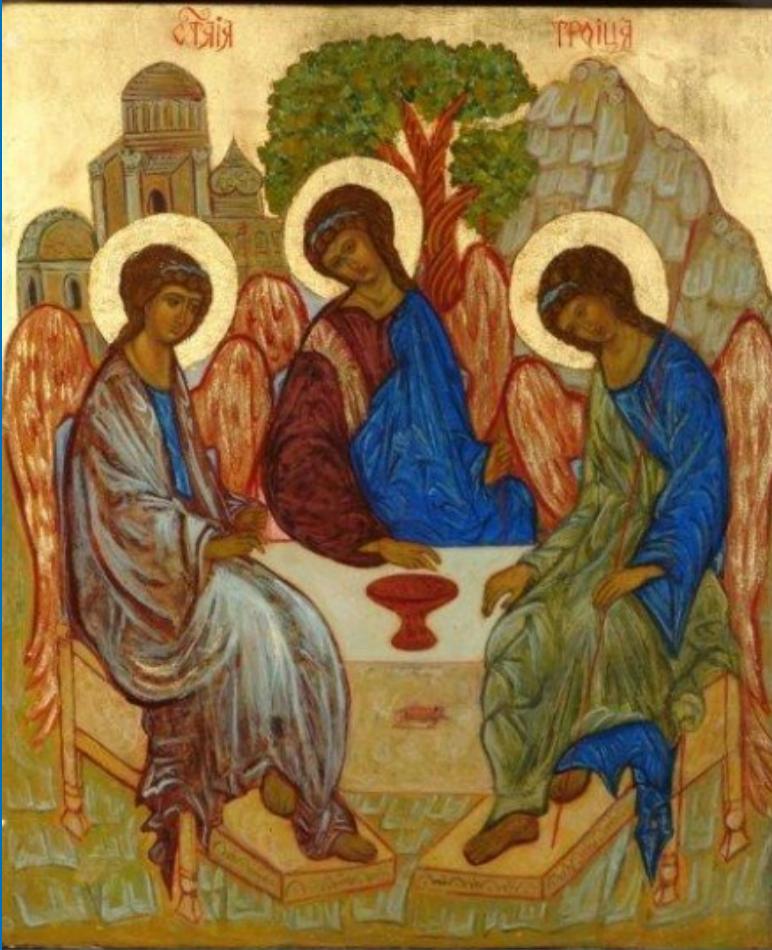


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## Trinity Sunday

**May 30, 2021**

**Morning Prayer: Rite Two 9:30<sup>AM</sup>**

Our mission is to restore all people to unity with God and each other, in Christ. (BCP 855)

This morning we celebrate with an abridged service of Morning Prayer. This service is taken from the *1979 Book of Common Prayer*. **Words printed in bold> are spoken by the congregation**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN: #362 vs 1 & 4

*Holy, holy, holy*

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 \*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

### THE OPENING SENTENCE

*Officiant:* Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.  
 (*Revelation 4:8*)

### CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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

*All:* **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.**

*Officiant:* 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 INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia

## PSALM 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due the divine 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.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon,  
6 and makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord \*  
splits the flames of fire;
- 8 the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 9 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!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as sovereign for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to this people; \*  
the Lord shall give this people the blessing of peace.

## ANTIPHON

*Officiant:* Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God: Come let us adore him.  
*People:* **Come let us adore him. Alleluia!**

## CANTICLE 21 TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

You are God: we praise you;  
You are the Lord; we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father:

All creation worships you.  
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;  
Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
You, Christ, are the king of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.  
When you became man to set us free  
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.

## **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH 6:1-8**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has

touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **CANTICLE 13: Benedictus es Domine**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

### **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ROMANS 8:12-17**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 3:1-17**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no

one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

*Deacon:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**THE HOMILY**

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**THE PEACE**

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you**

**THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself; an offering and a sacrifice for us. (*Ephesians 5:2*)

## Offertory Hymn LEVAS #219

*This is the Day*

1. This is the day, this is the day  
that the Lord has made,  
that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice,  
we will rejoice and be glad in it,  
and be glad in it.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day,  
this is the day that the Lord has made.
2. This is the day.....that he rose again...
3. This is the day.....when the Spirit came....

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

## SUFFRAGES: SET B

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
R. We praise your name for ever.  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. For we put our trust in you.  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

## PRAYER LIST

We pray for all those suffering with COVID-19.

We pray for all those struggling to find the light of Christ in this skeptical world

We pray for peace and unity among us as we seek a new way forward as people of faith.

We pray for our Nation may we work to build harmony.

We pray for those who are in the hospital or home recuperating, especially: **Bob** Gowen, **Yumi, Linda** Hill, **Ronald** Garvey, **Max, Anne, Cathy, Barbara, Hudson** Beauregard; **Ellie** Ruvo, **Steven** Schubert, **Martha** Thornley and **Shlomo** Teladano

We pray for those who are homebound: **Esmerilda** Hastings, **Margaret** Vaccaro, **John & Lee** Williams, **Dorothy** Dushin, **Jim, Marge, Joe** Smith, **Carolyn** Damiano, **Deanna** Ammirato and **Bill & Dorothy** D'Amato.

We pray for those struggling with chronic illness, especially: **Liz & Jeff** Daniele, **Andrew** Tom, **Rebecca, Vince** Servio, **Sarah** Paruolo, **Annaliese** Haag, **Gerald, Marilyn** Griffin, **Joyce, Paul** Ruvo, **Helene, Jason, Peter, Hannelore,** and **Jeff**.

We pray for **Edwin Sanchez** and the students at **El Hogar School**, and the American **Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem**.

We pray for those who have died, especially the over 580,000 in this country who have died from COVID-19

*Officiant:* Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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.**

## **A COLLECT FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES IN OUR COUNTRY**

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **THE BLESSING**

CLOSING HYMN #377; vs. 1,2 &3

*All people that on earth do dwell*

*Unison or harmony*

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with  
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our aid he  
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap - proach with joy his  
 4 For why? the Lord our God is good, his mer - cy is for  
 \*5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom heaven and

1 cheer - ful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth  
 2 did us make: we are his folk, he doth us  
 3 courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his Name al -  
 4 ev - er sure; his truth at all times firm - ly  
 5 earth a - dore, from men and from the an - gel

1 tell, come ye be - fore him and re - - jice.  
 2 feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
 3 ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
 4 stood, and shall from age to age en - - dure.  
 5 host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - - more.

Words: William Kethe (d. 1608?); para. of Psalm 100

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord!*

**People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

### STEWARDSHIP

Faith is believing in things unseen, that is what makes faith such a difficult thing to speak about. People would like proof, need to see with our own eyes. When we speak of Holy things, like the Trinity, explaining becomes even more difficult, how do you explain our confidence that the breeze that strokes our cheek is the Holy Spirit of God?

There is a song I use to teach to my Children's Choir;

Who can see the wind,

neither you nor I.

But when trees bend down their leaves

the wind is passing by.

The wind cannot be seen, it is proven to exist by the visible results. So it is with the Holy Spirit, we cannot point to it, but we can point to the result of her passing through our lives.

Contributing to the work of God in the world through the Church with our time and treasure is an act of faith. It is the visible result of the Holy Spirit being active in our lives.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALLING ALL GRADUATES:** If you have a graduate in the family - high school or college - please be sure to email their name to Mother Mary+ so they can be included in our special prayers for graduates in June

**CHAPPAQUA ORCHESTRA:** You are invited to see the Chappaqua Orchestra perform. Location: Paramount Theater, Peekskill NY. Date: June 11. Time: 8:00PM. This is a private event with limited seating. Please RSVP to [info@chappaquaorchestra.org](mailto:info@chappaquaorchestra.org) or call 845-842-0010 by June 4th

**BAPTISM:** The beginning of our new life in Christ will be celebrated at St. John's Episcopal Church on Sunday September 12th, 2021. If you or your children are contemplating Baptism in the Episcopal Church, please contact Mother Mary +for more information

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation is a moment in time when we celebrate the beginning of our adult journey with Jesus Christ. The Church takes preparation for this transition in our lives seriously, requiring a lengthy period of study, discussion and action. Classes will begin September 14th, 2021 and are open to anyone 7th grade and above. Please contact Mother Mary+ for more information

**THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**—Hello all. The thrift shop is open Saturdays from 10-2. We are seeking volunteers for 2 hour shifts to help out our regular staff. Please consider helping out. We have had staff changes since Covid-19 and have a smaller pool to draw from. Here is a link to our updated [Sign Up Genius](#). Thank you, Linda Spione on behalf of the executive committee

**TUESDAY NOON ZOOM PRAYERS & CHAT:** Join us via ZOOM for a brief moment of calm in your all to hectic day.

**THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY:** at 11am; ZOOM link sent out in This Week @ St. John's. We have completed Paul's Letter to the Romans, Please join us as we begin a new Letter.

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