



# TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
A house of prayer for all people

The Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025, 7 a.m.

***Welcome:** If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home. To do so, please fill out one of the pew cards in front of you and drop it in the offertory plate.*

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

### THE DECALOGUE

God spake these words, and said:

I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.  
Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor thy father and thy mother.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt do no murder.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not steal.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not covet.

**Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*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.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*People* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

**T**he word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**PSALM 27** *Dominus illuminatio*

**T**he LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? \*  
the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

**When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, \*  
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.**

**Though an army should encamp against me, \*  
yet my heart shall not be afraid;**

**And though war should rise up against me, \*  
yet will I put my trust in him.**

**One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; \*  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;**

To behold the fair beauty of the LORD \*  
and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*  
I will sing and make music to the LORD.

Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \*  
Your face, LORD, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

You have been my helper; cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Though my father and my mother forsake me, \*  
the LORD will sustain me.

Show me your way, O LORD; \*  
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, \*  
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD \*  
in the land of the living!

O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; \*  
wait patiently for the LORD.

#### THE EPISTLE

PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

**B**rothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make

all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE GOSPEL

LUKE 13:31-35

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## THE SERMON

### THE NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets.**

**And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

*People* **And with thy spirit**

*Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*At this time ushers collect an offering from the congregation.  
Use the QR code to make a plate offering.*



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The people stand.*

*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.**

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...

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

## THE SANCTUS

**Holy, 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of 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. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world...

...By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say

**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

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

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

*Celebrant and People*

**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.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Ushers will direct you to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you.*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.

#### THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

*The Celebrant prays over the people, saying,*

Bow down before the Lord.

Grant, Almighty God, that thy people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in thy strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of thy loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### THE DISMISSAL

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

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

#### ✻ ALTAR GIFTS ✻

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
MY GRANDPARENTS SUZETTE RISHER, EDITH HUNTER AND OTIS GILL  
BY KEITH HEARNSBERGER

#### LITURGICAL LEADERS

*Celebrant and Preacher*

*Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister*

The Rev. Rob Leacock

Charliss Russ

## Events and Information

### **This week at and around the Cathedral**

Today	4 pm, Choral Evensong with Holy Eucharist 5 pm, Catechumenate Class
Monday	7 am, Breakfast and Bible Study 8:30 am, Morning Prayer
Tuesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer 12:15 pm, Bach Organ Recital 4 pm, Trinity Chorister Rehearsal 5 pm, Trinity Ringing Society Practice 5 pm, St. Cecelia Singers Rehearsal 5:30 pm, Community Dinner 5:30 pm, Eucharist with Healing Prayers 6 pm, Koinonia Eucharist 6:30 pm, Book Club 7:30 pm, Lenten Choral Compline
Thursday	8 am, Men's Group 8:30 am, Morning Prayer 5:15 pm, Evening Prayer 6:30 pm, Choir rehearsal

### **Trinity News**

#### **Bach's Birthday Concert**

*Friday, March 21, 7 pm*

On Friday, March 21st at 7 pm. The Trinity choir and an orchestra of 18 musicians (most of whom are Arkansas Symphony Orchestra members) will present two of Bach's most extraordinary cantatas, Lobet den Herrn, BWV 137 and Es hatte viel Bekümmernis, BWV 21. In between, the orchestra will perform Bach's Sinfonia in D, BWV 1045. Drew Irvin, concertmaster of the ASO and the soloist for this Sinfonia, says that it is likely the most difficult work that Bach wrote for violin and orchestra. This concert is free and there will be a reception following the performance, so mark your calendars!

## Be Still and Know

*March 22, 9 am-12 pm*

*St. Margaret's and House of Prayer*

On March 22, 9am to 12 noon, the Reverend Danny Schieffler will lead a morning of stillness, quiet, and teaching about the method of centering prayer leading to contemplation at Saint Margaret's Episcopal Church and the Arkansas House of prayer. This event is for anyone needing relief from the noise and fear and anxiety in our world. It is for both beginners and the experienced in centering prayer and contemplation, because in some sense, we are always beginners. This is for anyone needing more silence and stillness in their life.

## Insights Lecture Series presents "A Theology of City Planning"

A Lecture and Panel Discussion with the Rev. Dr. Willie James Jennings

*Friday, April 4, 2025, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm*

*\$25 for admission, free for students*

What kind of city do we want to live in? What kind of city should we live in? And how might a Christian participate in making those decisions? As Little Rock undergoes a new city planning process, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral welcomes the Rev. Dr. Willie James Jennings, one of the world's leading and most celebrated theologians, to speak about a "theology of city planning" as a part of the Insights Lecture Series. Immediately after his lecture, Professor Jennings will participate in a panel discussion local civic leaders. A reception and book-signing will follow in Morrison Hall. On Sunday, April 6, Professor Jennings will lead Trinity's adult Bible study at 9:15 am and will preach at the 10:30 am service. To learn more, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander ([thomas@trinitylittlerock.org](mailto:thomas@trinitylittlerock.org)).



Register

## Choral Complines in Lent

Each Wednesday in Lent the Trinity Schola will sing the service of Compline at 7:30 in the Cathedral Chancel. All are welcome to attend this beautiful, contemplative service.



# Holy Week at Trinity

Join us at Trinity as we walk with our Lord toward the cross and resurrection. Regular attendance throughout Holy Week makes Easter Sunday all the more meaningful.

## **Palm Sunday, April 13**

8:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms and Procession (Cathedral)

4:00 pm – Holy Week Musical Meditation: Stabat Mater by Pergolesi



## **Monday in Holy Week, April 14**

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

## **Tuesday in Holy Week, April 15**

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist with Renewal of Clergy Vows and Blessing of Chrism (Cathedral)



## **Wednesday in Holy Week, April 16**

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

12:00 pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

5:30 pm – Community Dinner (Morrison Hall)

6:00 pm – Koinonia with Footwashing

7:00 pm – The Office of Tenebrae (Cathedral)

## **Maundy Thursday, April 17**

8:30 am – Morning Prayer (Chapel)

7:00 pm – Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar (Cathedral)



## **Good Friday, April 18**

12:00 pm – The Liturgy for Good Friday (Cathedral)

## **Holy Saturday, April 19**

9:00 am – The Liturgy for Holy Saturday (Treadway Garden)

7:00 pm – The Great Vigil of Easter (Cathedral)



## **Easter Sunday, April 20**

7:00 am – Holy Eucharist (Cathedral)

9:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Choir and Strings (Cathedral)

10:15 am – Easter Egg Hunt (Garth and Treadway Garden)

11:00 am – Holy Eucharist with Choir and Strings (Cathedral)

*Incense will be used at the Great Vigil of Easter and at the 9 and 11 a.m. services on Easter Sunday*