



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 1, 2026 9am

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Thank you for joining our community in worship today.

If you are interested in baptism or wish to become a member of the parish, please speak to a member of the staff. We would be delighted to have you join our family. If you are not yet an Episcopalian, please feel free to ask someone near you for assistance during the worship service.

Visitors, please sign the guest book.

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The entire text for the Eucharist may be found in the **Book of Common Prayer**.

The Word of God - pages 355-358

Holy Communion - Eucharistic Prayer B - page 367

The Breaking of the Bread and Post-Communion Prayer - pages 364-365

All service music is included in the bulletin for your convenience.

The hymns with numbers are found in the **Hymnal 1982**.

ENTRANCE RITE

Voluntary

Sheep May Safely Graze
Guy Stephens, *English horn*

Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn 477

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

ENGELBERG



1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine, _____
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought; _____
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee, _____
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou _____
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord _____



1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine, _____
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought; _____
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free, _____
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now, _____
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord; _____



1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine. _____
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought. _____
3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry. _____
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. _____
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored. _____



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)
Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Gloria in excelsis

Malcolm Archer

Glo ry to God in the high est, and peace to his peo ple on
earth. Lord God, — heaven ly King, al migh ty God — and —
Fath er, we wor ship you, we — give you thanks, we
praise you for — your — glo ry.
Lord Je sus Christ, on ly Son of the Fath er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a way the sin of the world: have mer cy on us; you are
seat ed — at the — right hand of the Fath er: — re ceive our —
prayer. — For you a lone are the Ho ly One, —
you a lone are the Lord, you a lone are the Most High, —
Je sus Christ, — with the Ho ly — Spi rit, in the glo ry of God the —
Fath er. A men, A men. —

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant
People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

ALmighty and Everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.” “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15

ST. AGNES

1. **Lord, who may dwell within your house
Or on your holy hill?
Those who do good and speak the truth,
Whose lives are blameless still,**
2. **Who have no guile upon their tongues
Nor harm their neighbor's life,
But honor those who fear the Lord
And turn away from strife,**
3. **Who do no wrong, but keep their word
And seek no bribe or gain;
All those who do such things shall live
And safe from harm remain.**

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:19-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the

world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 655

O Jesus, I Have Promised

NYLAND



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end:
 2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,
 be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;
 I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 and, Je - sus I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
 nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt.

Music: Nyland, Finnish folk melody; adapt. David Evans (1874-1948)

The Holy Gospel *All standing*

Matthew 5:1-12

Celebrant
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Denzil J. Luckritz

The Nicene Creed

All standing

**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: Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; especially those on our parish prayer list:

Additional petitions are offered aloud or in silence.

Lord, keep all in your care.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop and Paula our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

HAVE MERCY UPON US, most merciful Father;
 In your compassion forgive us our sins,
 known and unknown,
 things done and left undone;
 and so uphold us by your Spirit
 that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
 to the honor and glory of your Name;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant
People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The minister and people greet one another.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Blessed Are the Pure in Heart

H. Walford Davies

Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see our God; The secret of the Lord is theirs; Their soul is Christ's abode. Still to the lowly soul He doth Himself impart; And for His cradle and His throne Chooseth the pure in heart.

Presentation Hymn

PUER NOBIS

**To God the Father, heavenly Light, to Christ, revealed in earthly night,
 to God the Holy Ghost we raise our equal and unceasing praise.**

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

Celebrant *People*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
 It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Malcolm Archer

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a '2' above the first measure, indicating a second ending. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes.

Ho ly, Ho ly, Ho ly Lord, God of pow'r_ and_ might,
hea ven and earth are_ full of your glo ry, Ho san na in the high est.
Bles sed is he_ who comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the
Lord. Ho san na_ in the_ high est, ho san na in the high est.

The People stand or kneel and the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first born of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

HYMNAL S119

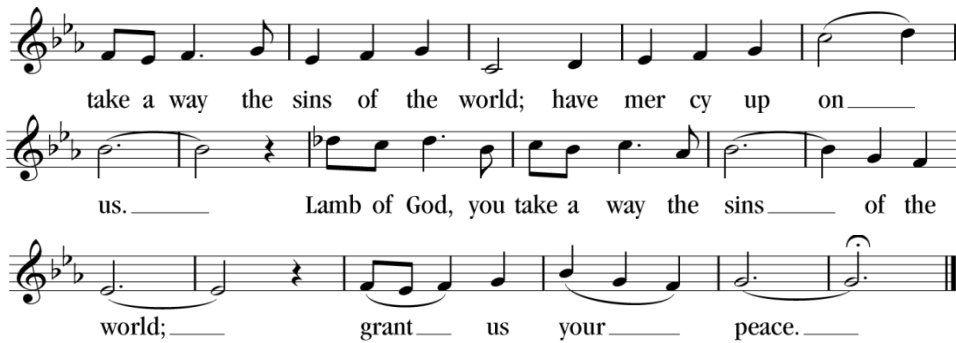
OUR FATHER, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei

Malcolm Archer

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have
mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you



The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people will be instructed how they will be receiving the Sacrament.

Communion Music

I Will Arise

Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms, In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! There are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above, Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love. Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace, Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.

Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us now rise and pray.

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.

The Blessing

Brothers and Sisters, remember that life is short, and we have little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. Rest assured that God is infinitely more concerned with the promise of our future than the mistakes of our past. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier be with you now and always. **Amen.**

1 What does the Lord re - quire for praise and of - fer - ing?
 2 Rul - ers of earth, give ear! Should you not jus - tice show?
 3 Still down the a - ges ring the pro - phet's stern com - mands.
 4 How shall my soul ful - fill God's law so hard and high?

What sac - ri - fice de - sire, or trib - ute bid you bring?
 Will God your plead - ing hear, while crime and cruel - ty grow?
 To mer - chant, work - er, king he brings God's high de - mands.
 Let Christ en - due our will with grace to for - ti - fy.

Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Then just - ly, in mer - cy we'll (hum - bly walk with God.)

Final Ending
 hum - bly walk with God.

Words: Albert F. Bayly (b. 1901), alt.
 Music: Sharpthorne, Eric Routley (1917-1982)

The Dismissal

Celebrant
People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Sonata in G Major: Allegro
 Guy Stephens, *English horn*

Georg Philipp Telemann

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TODAY'S MUSIC *What Does the Lord Require* In our contemporary society, where Christians are challenged on every side by questions of profound moral complexity, the text "What does the Lord require" speaks with particular relevance and strength. Based on Micah 6:6-8, this text provides the specific source for the first line and the refrain of the hymn.

✠ This week we pray for ✠

Our parish friends in need: Joyce, Kira, Bernice, Kristen, Jean, Dorothy, Kaylyn, Lillian, Judy, Marilyn, Talia, Roy, Rose, Ian, Doris, Michelle, Ed, Erick, Lily, Desmond, Alton, Chris V., Patti M., Linda, Sarah, Chris, Brian, Michael, Alison, Tim, Cheryl, George, Dick, Gale, Malcolm, Signe, Nate, Devon, Katie, John, Mary, Maggie, Marnie, Bud, Cathie, Mike, Chris, Sue, Daniel, Jared, Marianne, Sandy, Cathy, Ken, Sasha, Cecilia, Anthony, Andrea, Robert, Inga, Gary, Otto, Chaney, Julian, Bobbie, Mary Ellen, Marilou, Tom M., Eileen, Chireen, David, Debbie, Bernie, Nigel, Barb G., Rita, Terry, Matthew, Amy K., Al, Rob, Robin, Christie, Lisa, Rainer, Don, Virg, Kim, Kris, Connor, Anne, Bob, Phyllis, Dick, Ella, Talon, Taylor, Linda J, Ty, Roberta, Paul, Dick, June, Bruce, Charles, Charlene, Denise, Greg, Lynn, Phil, Gloria, Jörg, Lauren, Leo, & Rodney.

✠ The Flowers are given to the Glory of God ✠

In Loving Memory of Ann & Walter Speer

✠ The Sanctuary Candle is given to the Glory of God ✠

Birthdays and Anniversaries this week

Jody Jenkins, Alejandra Gutierrez, and Jason Gutierrez

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know.

Annual Meeting – February 8th (10:15 AM). Please plan to attend! The Annual Report will be available soon.

Palms from last year? – Please do bring them in to be burnt for Ash Wednesday! Thank you!

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP ONLINE @ ZOOM

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3889192038>

OR JOIN US ON FACEBOOK @ TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, AURORA, IL GROUP

MORNING PRAYER 9AM – EVENING PRAYER 7PM

MONDAY-THURSDAY

Flower Charts 2026 Flower Charts are located on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Please sign up if there are special dates which you would like to have flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary, or other important event. (Suggested donation for flowers is \$40.)

Sanctuary Candle 2026 Sanctuary Candle Sign-Up is now available. Please contact Fr. Denzil if there are special dates which you would like to have the candle lit in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary, or other important event. Donation for the candle is \$5.

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

Serving:	Mariann Evans
Lector – Lesson 1:	John Heath
Lector – Lesson 2:	Lisa Luckritz
Intercessor:	Lisa Luckritz
Ushers:	Dick & Gale Blogg Malcolm Blogg

✠ SERVING NEXT SUNDAY ✠

Serving:	Linda Barber
Lector – Lesson 1:	Cathie Patterson
Lector – Lesson 2:	Linda Barber
Intercessor:	Linda Barber
Ushers:	Dick & Gale Blogg Malcolm Blogg



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