

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY EPISCOPAL SCHOOL SUNDAY The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two February 16, 2025 - 10:30am

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All are welcome.

You are invited to stay following worship for coffee and snacks, and to connect with other parishioners, staff and clergy in Bishops Hall.

If you are a guest today, welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. Please help us to connect by signing our online guestbook (scan the QR code) or visit with one of our greeters and clergy. For more information, visit us online or call the church office at (504) 522-0276.





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Children in Church

Safe Church - Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver at all times and are welcome to be in spaces for church-related activities. Please do not allow your child(ren) to enter into classrooms, the school library, or other meeting spaces alone.

Changing tables are located in the accessible stalls of both bathrooms in the Undercroft and Bishops Hall fover.

Nursery Care is available from 10:00am - 12:00pm for children age 3 and under. A Safe Church, Safe Communities certified adult is supported by our Nursery Team to welcome our littlest church members with joy and excitement. Contact: abond@trinitynola.com.

The Pray Ground is located at the front left of the church and serves as a place where young children can experience worship while being physically comfortable. Spirit Bags, soft materials, and books are available in this place. Please help your child enjoy this space quietly and peacefully.

To Parents: Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.

To the Members of our Parish: The presence of children is a gift to the Church! They are members of our community and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to the parents.

Prelude, Prelude in G Major, BWV 541

Hymn in Procession, Come, thou fount of every blessing

Blue Hymnal 686

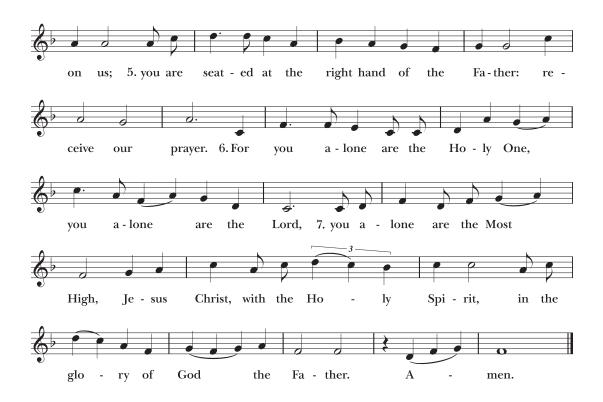
∞ Opening Acclamation

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

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 S 280 Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell) (S 280)





 ∞ The Collect of the Day

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 Reading *The People sit.*

Thus says the Lord: "Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

 ∞ The Gradual, Psalm 1

Chant by David Hurd

Antiphon, sung by the choir then all. Refrain Hap - py are they who de - light in the law of the Lord.

Choir: Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.

Antiphon, all

Choir: They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper. It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Antiphon, all

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Jeremiaн 17:5-10

Choir: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Antiphon, all

 ∞ The Second Reading

ow if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ-whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Down to the River to Pray

The Trinity School Honor Choir & Trinity Church Choir Anais St. John, director

 ∞ The Holy Gospel Luke 6:17-26 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Deacon Glory to you, Lord Christ. People

esus came down with the twelve apostles, and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

arr. Sheldon Curry

surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

 ∞ The Sermon

The Reverend E. Gary Taylor

∞ The Nicene Creed *All stand and say together*

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 The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader	In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence
Leader	For all people in their daily life and work;
People	For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
Leader	For this community, the nation, and the world;
People	For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
Leader	For the just and proper use of your creation;
People	For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
Leader	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People	For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Leader	For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People	For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
Leader	For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Shannon our Bishop, and for all bishops
People	and other ministers; For all who serve God in God's Church.
Leader	For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. <i>Silence</i>
Leader	Hear us, Lord;
People	For your mercy is great.

Leader	We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. <i>Silence</i> We will exalt you, O God our King;
People	And praise your name for ever and ever.
Leader	We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. <i>Silence</i>
People	Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

∞ Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

- PeopleGod of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing
your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that
enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we
may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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.

∞ The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The People greet one another.

∞ Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem, Oh Happy Day!

arr. Adwin R. Hawkins

The Trinity School Honor Choir Anais St. John, director

∞ The Doxology

The People stand.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

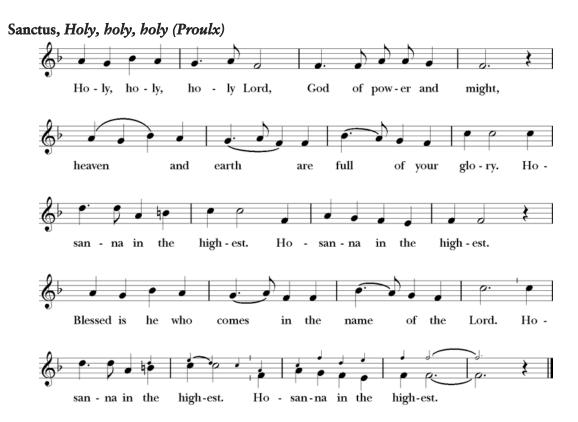
 ∞ The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A *The People remain standing*.

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.

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

The Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface.

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:



The People stand or kneel and the Celebrant continues on p. 362 in the Red Book of Common Prayer.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



The Celebrant continues with Eucharistic Prayer A on p. 363 in the Red Book of Common Prayer.

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

 ∞ The Lord's Prayer *Read aloud together.*

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 Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 364 in the Red Book of Common Prayer.

 ∞ The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



∞ The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

∞ The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As you approach the altar area, please use the hand sanitizer station before receiving the host. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest.

Let your light shine unto all, that they may see your works, and glorify the Father.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness;

for theirs in the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when the world reviles and persecutes you; and utters all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice and be glad; for great is your reward in heaven.

Let your light shine unto all, that they may see your works, and glorify the Father.

Communion Hymn, Here I Am, Lord

Green Songbook 78

Communion Hymn, I Love You Lord

GREEN SONGBOOK 4

∞ Sending Out Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Those who will visit the sick, home bound, and hospital bound are called forward.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, for we all share one Bread, one Cup.

∞ The Post Communion Prayer *All stand*.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

 ∞ The Blessing

Recessional Hymn, Alleluia! Sing to Jesus





∞ The Dismissal

DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia.

Prelude, Fugue in G Major, BWV 541

J. S. BACH

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Celebrant: Deacon: Organist & Choirmaster: The Reverend E. Gary Taylor The Reverend Robert B. Hadzor The Reverend Carol B. Spencer

Dr. Paul Weber

FLOWER MEMORIALS

The flowers on the altar of the chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Walker Waring Beery.

The flowers on the altar of the church are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lewis Stirling Darragh, Fredric Eastman Drew, Jr. and Edith Doherty Drew. Your pledge is an affirmation of your membership at Trinity Church. Everything Trinity offers to you and our local community is supported by member gifts:

- **Celebrating the sacraments** of baptism, confirmation, and marriage, and honoring our loved ones with a funeral or burial service following their death.
- **Regular worship** that includes beautiful music, prayer, relevant preaching, and **a table open to all God's children**.
- Care of our congregation through the treacherous peaks and valleys of their lives, through pastoral guidance and community support.
- **Transformative faith formation** that provides education and experiences for participants of all ages.
- Outreach to address the immediate needs of our local community, including hunger and providing access to healthy foods, combating loneliness, grief, and wraparound support for at-risk youth.

We are currently at 85% of our stewardship fundraising goal of \$1,540,000, and 79% of our goal for 460 participating households. Every pledge makes a difference! Scan the QR code to pledge online or visit <u>https://trinitynola.com/pledge</u>. Pledge Envelopes are also available in the narthex.

General Announcements

Mardi Gras Schedule Changes:

Church Offices are closed Friday, February 28 - Tuesday, March 4. There will be no YogaMass on Saturday, March 1, due to parades. Sunday, February 23, there will be no 6:00pm service. Sunday, March 2, Trinity will offer the 8:00am service only.

TODAY! Eucharistic Visitor Gathering (February 16) - There will be a gathering of Eucharistic Visitors and people who are interested in this ministry on Sunday, February 16 following the 10:30am service in the Church Board Room. Please contact Keith Jordan at keithrichard 70131@yahoo.com if you are interested in learning more about this ministry.

The WOTC Rummage Sale is accepting donations and sorting volunteers year-round! Drop-off gently used household items, books, clothing, and decorcontinues Tuesday through Friday, from 8:30am-12:30pm at the Josephine Street loading area. Call the front office for assistance at (504) 522-0276. Volunteers are needed Saturday mornings to help sort and price these donations. The next sale will be October 3-5, 2025. Email Sara Allen Harper at <u>sara.allen.harper@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Tim Trapolin's Madonna and Child - If you are interested in taking our 2024 Madonna and Child painting home, it can be yours. Artist and devoted member of Trinity, Tim Trapolin is offering the painting for a \$1,200 donation to the Church. Contact Maria Elliott at <u>melliott@trinitynola.com</u> if interested.



Nominate New Vestry Members

The Vestry Nominating Committee invites our congregation to nominate future church leaders (Submission Deadline: March 1) - A Vestry term is four years and begins on June 1, 2025. Candidates must have been a member of the church for one year, be over age 21, and have been confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church by a bishop of the church. Nominees must also have provided financial support, as confirmed by the Church's stewardship records, within six months prior to the Annual Meeting to be held May 18, 2025. Expectations and responsibilities of Vestry members include:

- Regular Sunday worship
- Attendance at forums, special events, and programs of the church
- Active involvement in committees and programs of the church
- Service on Vestry committees (such as financebudget, stewardship, endowment, buildings and grounds, youth/adult education and community ministry)
- Providing leadership in stewardship activities, including an annual personal pledge
- Participation in annual budget development and review
- Support the ministry of the Rector and staff to carry out the mission of the church
- Attendance at monthly Vestry meetings and annual Vestry retreat
- Participate (or have participated in) anti-racism training
- Active involvement in hospitality and welcoming activities

The Vestry nominating committee Co Chairs, Will French and Sherman Boughton are collecting names of nominations from the congregation. The nominating committee will review all nominations and recommend a slate of four candidates for a vote at the annual meeting. Please share your nomination(s) with one of the Co Chairs:

Sherman Boughton at <u>sherman.boughton@gmail.com</u> Will French at <u>WFrench@filmproductioncapital.com</u>

We welcome your input in identifying parishioners who are ready, willing, and able to serve and who are committed to advancing Trinity's mission: Inspired by Christ, Trinity Episcopal Church strives to love our neighbors, do justice and walk humbly with God. Thank you!

Featured Events

Mardi Gras Parade Tailgate (February 23) - On Sunday, February 23, gather on the route at St. Charles and Jackson with your church family! There will be a reserved area with tents on the neutral ground, and lunch/bathrooms in Molly's House by wristband restricted access. Wristbands will be available at all church services on February 2, 9, and 16, or at the church offices in Jack's House during the week. Please bring BYOB and/or a snack to share! Parades include The Mystic Krewe of Femme Fatale, Krewe of Carrollton and Krewe of King Arthur.

Lent at Trinity

For all things Lent, refer to our seasonal trifold for information about worship, formation, music, and more! These brochures can be find in the narthex, in the back of the Chapel, and in Jack's House. Scan the QR code to access Lent programming on the web

Ash Wednesday (March 5) is the first of the forty days of Lent, with the custom of placing blessed ashes on the foreheads of worshipers at services. The ashes are a sign of penitence and a reminder of mortality, imposed with the sign of the cross and the words, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (BCP, p. 265). Ash Wednesday Services are scheduled for 7:30am in the Chapel, and 12:15pm and 6:00pm in the Church.

Ash Wednesday Simple Supper (March 5) - Following the Ash Wednesday 6:00pm service, enjoy a simple supper of soup and bread, and learn about Trinity's program offerings for the season of Lent in Bishops Hall.

Welcome Dinner (March 13) - Whether you are new to Trinity or just feel new, you are invited to dinner! Gather with other newcomers, clergy and staff at 6:00pm on Thursday, March 13 in Trinity's Parish House. Come with any questions and to learn more about Trinity and the Episcopal faith - but mostly, we want to meet you in person and help you connect here. Please RSVP to Mary Katherine Williams at <u>mkwilliams@trinitynola.com</u>.

Diocesan Events

Women Gather in Community-Solomon Center (next gathering February 13) - All are welcome from 9:00am - 3:00pm, fee: \$50 (includes lunch). Questions: Please call Lisa Holden (504) 296-7234.

March, 13, 2025

Praying Our Way into Lent: The Labyrinth as a Personal Prayer Tool Retreat Leader: The Rev. Annie Knazs Jung

April 10, 2025

Walking with Mary Magdalene to the Cross, the Tomb, and the Garden. Retreat Leader: The Rev. Susan Gaumer

May 8, 2025

Creative Writing and More Jan Risher Editor and columnist for The Advocate

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Our Shared Story - 2025 Stewardship

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We are grateful for your generous gift of support through the Offertory. We also welcome your gift through:

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Together We Build: Capital Campaign

Trinity 2024: Together We Build, is a joint Church and School \$13 million fundraising effort to create a more functional and attractive campus for the Trinity community. This is Trinity's first capital campaign in over a decade and is comprised of seven capital projects and an endowment for the maintenance and upkeep of these projects. For more information visit www.Trinity2024.org.



