

Trinity Church

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

8:00 am & 10:00 am



We are glad you are here today.

If you are looking for a place to say your prayers, seek God, and discover companions for the journey, you are warmly welcome here. If you are new, please complete a pew card and place it in the collection plate. We are happy to tell you about life at Trinity.

A Penitential Order

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures forever.

All kneeling as is comfortable for you.

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14-16*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison

Said at 8:00am; Sung at 10:00am

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

The Word of God

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they

broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 51:1-13

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: #474

When I survey the wondrous cross

Gospel

John 12:20-33

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The 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 truly human. 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. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who 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 I)*

Presider: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, especially for the Ukraine and the Holy Land, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people. We join with congregations throughout the Diocese to pray for the Commission on Ministry and all who walk with those discerning the ministries to which God calls them. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Cranston, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those celebrating birthdays, especially Sam Dagenhardt (3/22), and those celebrating anniversaries. (*Please name your petitions aloud.*) Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering. For Daniel, Billy, Bruce, Eric, Gabi, Corey, Henry, and all on the parish prayer list. (*Please name your petitions aloud.*) Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed. (*Please name your petitions aloud.*) Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Presider: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory: *I Believe*

Anthony DeMarinis, Solo

Doxology

8:00 am said

Presider: All things come of thee O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

10:00 am sung

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

The Great Thanksgiving (EOW *Eucharistic Prayer 1*)

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to the fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

Presider and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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, forever and ever. Amen.

8:00 am Said:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

10:00 am Sung:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us, Lamb of God.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us, Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us, grant us peace.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and rose for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion

All the baptized are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church.

You are warmly invited to come forward to receive communion or to receive a blessing. You may intinct the wafer (dip the wafer into the wine), or should you wish to receive directly from the cup, please let the chalice bearer know so that you may receive from the chalice reserved for that purpose. Those who are unable to come forward for communion are served first, then the congregation is invited to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn: #439

What wondrous love is this

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Final Prayer

Presider: Bow down before the Lord.

The people kneel

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Participants

Altar Guild: Angela Butler, Wayne Barnes, Kelley Elderkin, Dawn O'Hara

8:00 am

10:00 am

Chalice: Cathi Beattie

Chalice: Scott Avedisian

Lector: Jeannette Hogan

Lector: Ann Walter

Acolyte: Becca Seamans

Acolyte: Rob Duncanson

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Colleen Burg

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For routine communication, please email Mother Susan

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For pastoral emergencies, contact Mother Susan at 401-617-0380.

*Sunday School (ages 5-11) in the education room
& childcare provided in the nursery for the 10:00 am service.*

Please join us for coffee & conversation in the Bay room following each service.

Prayer List: Becca, Cindy, Daniel, Billy, Bruce, Eric, Gabi, Corey, Henry, Sandy, Manny, Tim, Barbara, Toufic, Peg, Janet, Richard R., Richard C., Paul, Mary

Names are kept on our prayer list for eight weeks. Should you wish to add someone to the prayer list, or should you wish for someone for whom you've requested prayer to be on longer than eight weeks, please email the office at office@trinitycranston.org.

This week

Sun 3/17	Sunday School, education room, 9:45 am Choir rehearsal, church, 11:30 am
Mon 3/18	Christian Meditation, in church, 6:00 pm AA Meeting, parish hall, 7:30 pm
Tues 3/19	Men's Group, Education room, 9:00 am Knitting Group, Bay room, 10:00 – Noon The Village, 5:30 pm, parish hall
Wed 3/20	Pawtuxet Rangers, parish hall, 6- 8:00 pm
Thurs 3/21	AA Big Book, parish hall, 7:00 pm AA women's Big Book, Bay room, 7:00 pm
Fri 3/22	Stations of the Cross, 6:00 pm
Sat 3/23	The Village, parish hall, 9:00 am

About Trinity Church

The church building was built in 1910, the work of noted architect Norman Isham. Most of our members live nearby but we are also a destination parish for those farther away. We participate in village activities, holding community worship services during Gaspee Days and Christmas in Pawtuxet, hosting breakfast on Gaspee Parade Day and dinners and outreach events for our community throughout the year. Trinity Church is committed to helping its neighbors through outreach. We collect food for distribution to people in need through local schools, food pantries, and agencies. Our Men's group prepares and distributes hundreds of food bags to the homeless every year. Our buildings are used by many community organizations for their meetings and events. Call the office for details.

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