

The Day of Pentecost

May 28, 2023

10:00 am

Trinity Episcopal Church



THE SEASON IS — On this Feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the birth of the Church and its empowerment by the Holy Spirit. Pentecost has often been called the “birthday of the Church” because it initiated the public leadership of the disciples.

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Flowers arranged by Ashlin Bray.

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The Holy Eucharist

Call To Worship (Choir) "Sing a Gentle Alleluia" from *Reflections* Heather Sorenson

Sing a gentle alleluia in the stillness of this place.
Lift a tender song of worship as you contemplate God's grace.
Let the music of forever calm your spirit, ease your mind,
as you listen for a whisper from the heart of the Divine.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing a gentle alleluia as you contemplate God's grace.

Processional Hymn: 225

Hail Thee, Festival Day

Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for




ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the



world with God's grace. grace.



1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -
3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his —



wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the



Repeat Refrain
Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:
ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:

Continued on next page.

2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold
4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the

my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man
fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en

Repeat Refrain
souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

The Word of God

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was

bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: `In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

*O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.*

*Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.*

*There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.*

*All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.*

*You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.*

*You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.*

*You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.*

*May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.*

*He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.*

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.*

*May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.*

*Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!*

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn 511

Holy Spirit, Ever Living

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,



through her in a cease-less strife; Ho-ly Spi-rit, ev-er
set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free; Ho-ly Spi-rit, ev-er

form-ing in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with
bind-ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a fel-low-

end-less wor-ship for thy fruits and gifts un-priced.
ship un-end-ing thee we wor-ship and ex-tol.

The Gospel *People stand as they are able.*

John 7:37-39

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Charles Lane Cowen

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate
FRANCES HAZEL MCQUIRTER

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present Frances Hazel McQuirter to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer ***I do.***

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer ***I do.***

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer ***I do.***

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People ***We will.***

Celebrant

Let us join with Frances who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People ***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.***

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People ***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.***

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant

Let us now pray for Frances who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Fill Frances with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Celebrant

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we

are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Frances, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ***Amen.***

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying

Frances, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

Amen.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

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

The Holy Eucharist

The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Anthem (Choir)

“We Come, O Christ”

Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr.

Music: Russell Schulz-Widmar and Alfred V. Fedak

We come, O Christ, as people seeking
some sign of blessing on our lives,
yet scarcely pause to hear you speaking
or wait until your time arrives:
help us let go, help us be still,
in patience may we learn your will.

To taste the cross within the chalice,
to hear the music born of grief,
to feel the hurt concealed by malice,
to sense in doubt unripe belief:
give us, O God, new hearts, new eyes;
wake us to love and make us wise.

Renewing Spirit, come breathe through us
with hope that heals, with faith that thrills;
burn off the sins still clinging to us,
transform our minds, convert our wills:
so may your gifts of grace increase
to send us forth in love and peace.

Unite our hearts and shape our living
to share the yoke that sets us free:
great Triune God, joined by self-giving,
the life of true community,
our many prayers at last make one:
"Your kingdom come, your will be done."

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give him 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.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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 S-125

Setting by Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 say,

People and Celebrant

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Musical Offering (Violin and Piano) “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” Tune: James K. Manley
Setting: David Cherwien

Communion Hymn 513

Like The Murmur Of The Dove's Song



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the
branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -
cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and

wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger
sem - bled, to her midst as gift and
wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -

might: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
sign: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
pare: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants of your Word and Sacraments. We thank you especially for the work of Charles among us. Grant that both he and we may serve you in the days ahead, and always rejoice in your glory, and come at length into your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the post-communion prayer the departing priest faces the people and says:

On the first day of June, 2018, I was inducted by the Reverend Patricia Downing as associate rector of Trinity Episcopal Parish. I have, with God's help and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust, accepting its privileges and responsibilities.

After prayer and careful consideration, it now seems to me that I should leave this charge, and I publicly state that my tenure as associate rector of Trinity Episcopal Parish ends this day.

The rector says

Do you, the people of Trinity Episcopal Parish, recognize and accept the conclusion of this pastoral relationship?

People

We do.

The departing priest presents the following to leaders of the church:

To representatives of the congregation, the keys of the church:

Receive these keys and ensure that the doors of this place remain open to all people. ***Amen.***

To the Director of Music, a hymnal:

Continue to use this hymnal and ensure that the praise of God continues in this place. ***Amen.***

To the Rector, the altar book, chasuble, and stole:

Continue to share these liturgies and these vestments that belong to this church and ensure that the prayers of God's people and the sacraments of the church continue in this place. ***Amen.***

The choir sings the choral benediction as the departing priest removes his chasuble and stole

Benediction (Choir) "A Quiet Blessing Of Peace" from *Reflections* Heather Sorenson

May the truth of the Word go before you.
May the candle of the Lord light your way,
and may the music of the Spirit be your song of life.
May you know the wonder of God's grace.
May you know the wonder of God's grace.
Go in peace, go in peace. Go in peace.
Go in peace. Go in peace.

The departing priest then blesses the people saying:

May God, who has led us in the paths of justice and truth, lead us still, and keep us in his ways. ***Amen.***

May God, whose Son has loved us and given himself for us, love us still, and establish us in peace. ***Amen.***

May God, whose Spirit unites us and fills our hearts with joy, illumine us still, and strengthen us for the years to come. ***Amen.***

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Recessional Hymn

Sent Forth By God's Blessing



1. Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2. With praise and thanks-giv - ing To God who is liv - ing,



1. The peo - ple of God from this dwell-ing take leave.
 2. The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we em - brace.



1. Our prayer here has end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed
 2. Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,



1. The fruits of our wor - ship in all who be - lieve.
 2. We claim as our fam - 'ly all those of each race.



1. The seed of Christ's teach-ing, Our in - ner souls reach-ing,
 2. With grace God has fed us, One true light has led us



1. Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 2. U - nit - ing us all in the life that we share.



1. God's grace shall in - cite us, In love shall u - nite us
 2. Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks-giv - ing



1. To fur - ther God's king - dom and an - swer the call.
 2. Give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

The Dismissal

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

Postlude (Trumpet and Organ) “Trumpet Tune”

Johann K. Fischer

Announcements

Today is Charles’ last Sunday at Trinity. Thank you Charles for 5 years of service to Trinity and the community at large. We wish you and Mitchell the best as you begin your new journey.

Potluck for Charles TODAY—We will have a potluck brunch after the 10 am service today. Please join us as we say farewell and enjoy the fellowship!

NEXT SUNDAY, June 4th – the 10am service will be held at Old Swedes (600 Church street) in celebration of our feast day, Trinity Sunday. Please plan to join us. We will have lemonade on the lawn that day.

FLUTE RECITAL/LECTURE - On Sunday, June 4 at 3 pm, flutist Louis Perazza will present a FREE recital/lecture, here at Trinity, on the flute Sonatas of Dick Kattenberg and Leo Smit. Both men lost their lives in the Nazi concentration camps and left behind flute sonatas that they never heard performed. Hear their compelling stories and the music written right up to the point that both men were taken from their homes and transported to their deaths. The recital will close with the dynamic Sonata for Flute and Piano by Lowell Libermann. Louis will be joined by Matthew Jewell on Piano.

Highmark Walk Join us on June 10th as Trinity Episcopal Parish’s team walks for Friendship House in the 2023 Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community. If Team Trinity Episcopal Parish raises \$2,000 and recruits 20 walkers, a generous donor will give an additional \$1,000 to Friendship House! You can support Friendship House and our team by signing up to walk, or virtually walk, or raise money, or donate to the Trinity’s team making the walk. The money we raise goes directly to Friendship House. To register or donate to our team go to the events section of the Friendship House web site: www.friendshiphousede.org. Click on Register for the Highmark Walk. Then click on Register Here or Donate to the Walk. It is important that you search for our team name “Trinity Episcopal Parish” – not church, so that your donation will go toward our total and reaching our goal. Feel free to contact Sarah Berninger with any questions at 302-351-2422 or at berninger59@comcast.net.

TRINITY CHOIR at the BLUE ROCKS! On Thursday, June 22, the members of Trinity’s Choir will perform our National Anthem, “The Star Spangled Banner,” and “God Bless America” at the Wilmington Blue Rocks game at Daniel Frawley Stadium. Our very own rector is even throwing out the first pitch! Come on out that night and cheer on both our choir and the Blue Rocks and enjoy a beautiful summer evening! Sign up either on the sign up sheet in the back of the church or on SignUp Genius.

Quilt Project—the Racial Justice Commission has invited Trinity/Old Swedes to participate in a Diocesan-wide quilt project. They are asking for each parish to create a 16” x 16” mini quilt that best represents a message of justice and hope of Becoming Beloved Community. The Racial Justice Commission will be displaying the quilts and have them blessed at the Diocesan Annual Convention in November 2023. After convention, each quilt will be returned to the parish of origin to be hung in a prominent place for all to see and admire. If you would like to know more, and/or are interested in participating, please contact Catherine Dean.

Knitters, cast on! The Trinity Knitters will next meet at 9:30 am on Monday, June 12. New knitters always welcome—we have yarn and needles for you!

Men & Women’s Group - please join us for a joint Men & Women’s Group dinner on Tuesday, June 20, 5:30 pm. We will meet at Tony Williams restaurant, Zollie’s Jazz Cucina, 414 Delaware Street in Old New Castle. Cost is \$20/person plus tip for a set menu. Please RSVP to either Don Copson, dcopson54@comcast.net or 302-290-6891 or Beth Copson at bcopson@comcast.net or 302-584-6855 no later than Sunday, June 18.

Poverty, By America Book Group—Join members of Trinity, Westminster Presbyterian Church’s Peace & Justice Work Group, Stephen’s Lutheran Church and other community advocates for a discussion of the book "Poverty In America" written by Matt Desmond, a sociology professor at Princeton University. The first meeting is at Trinity on Tuesday, June 6 at 6:15 for a meal then discussion from 7—8:30. Please sign up by emailing the office or signing up in the lobby.

NOTES ON TODAY’S MUSIC from our Director of Music

Offertory Anthem – “We Come, O Christ”

Today’s offertory anthem, which was requested by Father Charles, was sung five years ago at his Service of Ordination here at Trinity. Carl P. Daw, Jr.'s text for "We Come, O Christ" was commissioned by Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana, and was first sung at a festival of Daw's hymns there on March 10, 1993. In writing this hymn for seminarians, the informing biblical event was the appeal to Jesus for special consideration of James and John (Matthew 20:20-28 and Mark 10:35-45). The third line of stanza three adapts line 40 of John Donne's "Good Friday 1613. Riding Westward." The fourth stanza was written at the request of Russell Schulz-Widmar especially for this anthem version. Its scriptural references are Matthew 11:29-30 and Matthew 6:10/Luke 11:2.

Alfred V. Fedak's hymn tune RATHERVUE connects this hymn text with The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas, where both Daw and Fedak, along with four other people engaged in the making of hymns, were Visiting Fellows during two weeks in February 1995. Father Charles is a graduate of The Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest. The tune name commemorates the street on which the seminary is located. Russell Schulz-Widmar was Associate Professor of Church Music, Organist and Choirmaster at The Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, in Austin, Texas, from 1974 to 2012.

Recessional Hymn – “Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”

The tune we are singing in today’s Recessional Hymn is a traditional Welsh folk tune. The text was written in the 20th century by American lyricist Omer Westendorf. Born on February 24, 1916, Omer got his start in music publishing after World War II, when he brought home for his parish choir in Cincinnati some of the Mass settings he had discovered in Holland. Interest in the new music being published in Europe led to his creation of the World Library of Sacred Music, initially a music-importing firm that brought much of this new European repertoire to U.S. parishes. Using his own name and several pen names, Omer composed numerous compositions for liturgical use, though his best-known works may be the texts for the hymns “Where Charity and Love Prevail,” “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing,” and especially “Gift of Finest Wheat.”



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