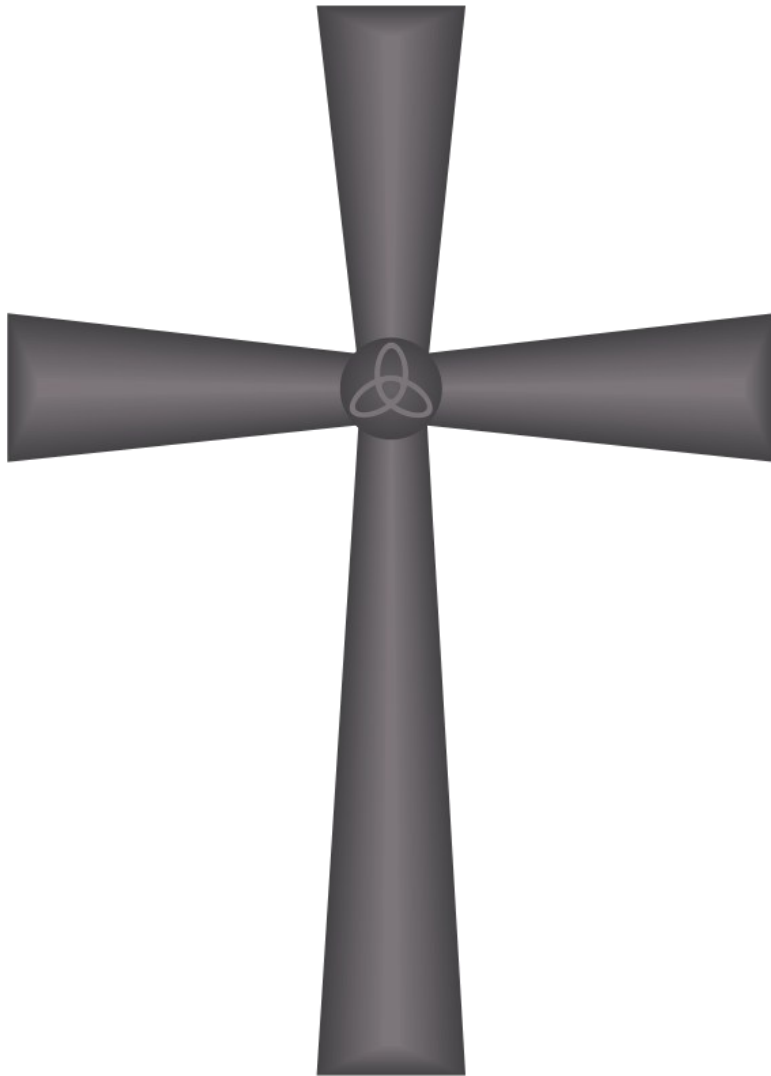


**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 9, 2025**

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL PARISH— 8:00 AM**



## THE SEASON IS...

Lent. The season of Lent lasts 40 weekdays beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending with Saturday before Easter. Lent is marked by a time of prayer and preparation for the entire parish community. Since Sundays are feast days, they are not counted as part of the 40 days of Lent, but are referred to as the Sundays in Lent. We are called to use this time as a period of introspection, self examination and repentance. Just a reminder, alleluias are omitted from the liturgy during Lent.

## FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Please check out our website ([trinityoldswedes.church](http://trinityoldswedes.church)). Follow us on Facebook and Instagram by searching for @TrinityParishDE; and please tag us in your pictures using #TrinityParishDE.

## OUR PRAYER LIST

Prayer requests for the bulletin should be sent to the parish office by Wednesday to appear in the Sunday bulletin. Please let us know if you have any additions or updates. The clergy and members of our church are happy to pray with you on the phone if you would like.

## NURSERY

For those with small children, we have nursery staff available for the 10 am and noon services in the Sunday School room. We also have the nursery room in the lobby open for all services for parents to go with their children, if needed.

### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Reverend David Lovelace—Priest  
David Simmons—Director of Music  
Esther Summers—Reader/Intercessor  
Jill Leonard—Server  
Esther Summers—Coffee Hour Host

Team 2: Toni Spille, Sarah Berninger, Rachel Berninger—Altar Guild  
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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## Prelude

### Entrance Hymn 143

### The Glory Of These Forty Days



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
\* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

## The Word of God

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* ***His mercy endures for ever.***

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

*Celebrant and People*

***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.***

*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.***

## Kyrie

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.  
*People* ***Christ, have mercy.***  
*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

## The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## The Lesson

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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

**Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16** *Prayed in unison*

***He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, \*  
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.***

***He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, \*  
my God in whom I put my trust."***

*Because you have made the Lord your refuge, \*  
and the Most High your habitation,*

*There shall no evil happen to you, \*  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.*

*For he shall give his angels charge over you, \*  
to keep you in all your ways.*

*They shall bear you in their hands, \*  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.*

*You shall tread upon the lion and adder; \*  
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.*

*Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; \*  
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.*

*He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*  
I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.*

*With long life will I satisfy him, \*  
and show him my salvation.*

## **The Epistle**

Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

**The Gospel**    *People stand as they are able.*

Luke 4:1-13

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

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship

the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and

'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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

**The Sermon**

The Reverend David Lovelace

**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 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**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, in the Anglican cycle of prayer for the Anglican Church of Canada, and in our own diocese for St. Nicholas Church, Newark, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Kevin our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, especially our priest Marta, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; especially Jim Yandle, Andy Boutcher, Phil Simmons, Tritstina McNeill, Richard Leuliette, Jesús Busto, Jack Hallock, Vanessa White, Mercedes Marrero, Alyse Calder, Debbie Snipes, George Porter, Richard Hindy, and Pope Francis, that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. To you, O Lord our God.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

*Silence*

## **The Concluding Collect**

*Celebrant*

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**

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

## Announcements

# The Holy Communion

*All are invited to join us in receiving Communion.*

## Offertory

Let us with gladness present the offering and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

## 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 God thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant continues*

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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** *Spoken in unison*

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

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Then 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn 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 say,

*Celebrant and People*

***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**

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

### **Agnus Dei**

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.***

The gifts of God for the people of God.

## Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant and People*

*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.*

## Solemn Prayer

*Celebrant* Bow down before the Lord.

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

## Recessional Hymn TH 142

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,  
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,  
3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,  
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,  
5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.  
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.  
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.  
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.  
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

## The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

## Announcements

**The Congregational Growth & Vitality Workshop with Bishop Brown** is on Saturday, March 15th at 10 am—2:30 pm. Lunch and childcare will be provided. RSVP at [https://www.signugenius.com/go/10C0F48ADA92DA57-54332165-bishop#/.](https://www.signugenius.com/go/10C0F48ADA92DA57-54332165-bishop#/)

**Lent starts on March 5th** and is a time of giving to those in need. In support of Friendship House, we have six weeks of Lenten Giving Opportunities. Please find the info in our Wednesday Newsletter or look for fellow parishioners with info at coffee hour. Please contact Sarah Berninger for more information [berninger59@comcast.net](mailto:berninger59@comcast.net) or 302-351-2422

### **Save the Date! Trinity Women's Retreat**

This year we'll focus on Passages of Life: Enduring and Thriving Through Change. We would love you to join us at Memorial House in Rehoboth Beach! The retreat runs from the evening of May 9th through mid-morning of May 11th. The cost is \$300\* with meals included, except lunch on Saturday. Our committee members are Kim Denhardt, Janet Gordon, Kathryn Jakabcin and Cathleen Peipher, so talk to us with any questions, or reach out to Kim Denhardt at 302-367-4408 or [kdenhardt@gmail.com](mailto:kdenhardt@gmail.com). Payments can be made through Trinity's website or by check. \*Financial assistance is available.

**Additional Matching Grant Opportunity:** In view of the many uncertainties this year the Jessie Ball DuPont Match Grant has provided an additional opportunity for Trinity to qualify for a matching grant. This match is based on online donations using the REALM interface directly or by using the camera on your smartphone to scan the QR code in the bulletin. Only funds received online between February 27<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> will qualify for a one to one match with a limit of \$500 for individual one time contributions. Thank you again for your needed support.

## **Lenten Giving Opportunities for Friendship House**

Please support Trinity's Outreach Ministry by contributing during Lent to Friendship House. Flyers are available and please feel free to contact Sarah Berninger [berninger59@comcast.net](mailto:berninger59@comcast.net) or 302-351-2422

March 16th– Team Trinity Episcopal Parish for the  
Highmark Walk Kickoff

March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fill Sarah's car with Housing Supplies

April 6th – Clothing Drive for Clothing Bank of DE

April 13<sup>th</sup> — Friendship House School Uniforms drive

April 20th — Easter

**Join us as Trinity Episcopal Parish's team walks for Friendship House in the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community** on Saturday, May 3rd, 2025. 100% of the money raised by our team goes to Friendship House programs, programs that annually work with over 6,000 homeless and at risk of becoming homeless in New Castle County. 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, raise money, or donate to the Trinity's team walkers. The money we raise goes directly to Friendship House. To register or donate to our team use this link: This is the link directly to our Highmark Walk team sign up. [http://hcf.convio.net/site/TR/Wilmington/HighmarkWalk?team\\_id=19049&pg=team&fr\\_id=4924](http://hcf.convio.net/site/TR/Wilmington/HighmarkWalk?team_id=19049&pg=team&fr_id=4924) . Feel free to contact Sarah Berninger at 302-351-2422 or at [berninger59@comcast.net](mailto:berninger59@comcast.net).

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Sunday, April 6 – 4:00 pm

Trinity Episcopal Church

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*The Arts At Trinity* closes its 2024-25 concert season with the acclaimed **SERAFIN ENSEMBLE** in a program of beloved works that celebrate the musical beauty of Spring!

*Featured works include Beethoven's Piano Trio in Eb Major, Op. 1, #1 and Fauré's Piano Quartet No.2 in G Minor, Op. 45.*

Hal Grossman & Kate Ransom, *violin*; Amadi Azikiwe, *viola*; Guang Wang, *cello*; Read Gainsford, *piano*



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