



FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

15 March 2026

***Trinity Episcopal Church
Wilmington, Delaware
in
The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware***

Welcome!!!

We are Glad you are Here

Nursery

For those with small children, we have nursery staff available for the 10 am and 12 pm Services in the Sunday School Room.

Lectionary Cartoon Inserts for Children

(available on the low table at the rear of the nave)

The Sunday Paper Junior, an 8½ x 14" double-sided sheet, folded into a leaflet form serves as a children's bulletin for preschool through third or fourth grade, features one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) in big, bold artwork, with a simple story line, a note to parents, and an activity page designed to stir children's imagination requiring a pencil or crayon.

The Sunday Paper, a single side, 8½ x 14" sheet that appeals to intermediate through junior high school students, presents one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) as a two-line cartoon. The Old Testament Reading, the Epistle and the Psalm are presented as single vignettes.

"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."Mark 9.37

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INTRODUCTIONS TO TODAY'S LESSONS

1 Samuel 16.1-13

Saul, King of Israel, was initially in favor with God, but after disobeying the prophet Samuel's orders and then God's orders, he has been rejected by God.

Ephesians 5.8-14

The author has exhorted his readers to conduct themselves ethically as befits those who have adopted the way of Christ. In baptism, they cast aside pagan ways and became members of God's community.

John 9.1-41

Jesus has said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." As Isaiah foretold, Jesus gives sight to the blind.

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OREMUS

Week of Sunday, March 15th to Saturday, March 21st, 2026

This list combines all the prayer and thanksgiving requests we have received for this week, along with “cycles” of prayer for the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Delaware (The Episcopal Church in Delaware). We invite you to have your prayer requests and thanksgivings listed by calling the Parish Office at 302.652.8605 or sending an email to office@TrinityParishDE.org or contacting Dr Marta at Marta@TrinityParishDE.org or Fr Kirtley at FrKirtley@TrinityParishDE.org. Names will remain on the list for a period of two weeks. Should you wish for a name to be renewed, please contact the Parish Office with a status update.

In addition to being listed here, those who are sick or have special needs will be mentioned by Christian name in the Prayers of the People at each liturgical service. Anyone who has died this week will be remembered by using their full name.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Kenya.

For the Church: Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primates of the Anglican Communion and the Anglican Consultative Council.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Nicholas Church, Newark; the wardens, vestry, and parish.

Rector Search Committee, Trinity Forward: Greg, Rachel, Betsy, Steve, Brian, Doug, Angelica, Toni.

Spiritual Relationship: Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes.

Ministry Partners: Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park.

For Government Leaders: Donald our President; Matt our Governor; John our Mayor.

For Health and Healing: Jim, Andy, Phil, Tritstina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Marsha, Judy, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Sam, Dan, Wayne, Luciana, Emiliano, Marilyn, Edward, Brian, Stephanie, Sue, Katrina, Scott

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Andrew

For Anniversary of their Birth: Brenda, Kathryn, Andrew, Lucy, Sarah, Gianna, Betty

For those celebrating the Anniversary of their Marriage: Kathryn & Kate

For the Repose of the Soul on the Anniversary of their Year’s Mind:

For those who have Died:



A Prayer For Our Times

O LORD, open our eyes to see what is beautiful, our minds to know what is true, and our hearts to love what is good, for Jesus’ sake. Amen.

WELCOME TO TRINITY EPISCOPAL PARISH (TRINITY CHURCH AND OLD SWEDES CHURCH). We are glad you are here!!! We are a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware. The Episcopal Church welcomes all who worship Jesus Christ, in 106 dioceses and one mission area in 22 nations or territories. The Episcopal Church is one of 42 member provinces of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and contains all the material needed for this service.

The people's responses are in bold.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

ORGAN PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

Setting by Dale Wood

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Kind Maker Of The World, O Hear

Please stand, as able; sung by all

1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent
2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est
3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and
4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -
5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -

1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the
2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and
3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry
4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,
5 chang - ing Un - i - ty; that this our fast of

1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!
2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.
3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.
4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.
5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.
Music: *A la venue de Noël*, melody from *Fleurs des Noël*s, 1535

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

LENTEN GREETING *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant proclaims

†BLESS THE LORD who forgives all our sins;

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

WELCOME TO TRINITY PARISH

ACCLAMATION *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;

People **those who follow me will have the light of life.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

LET US CONFESS our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please be seated.

Silence

Minister 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.**

ABSOLUTION *remain seated*

The Priest says

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

Please stand, as able; sung by all

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All pray in silence for a space.

GRACIOUS FATHER, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 16.1-13

The Lector first says

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

THE LORD SAID TO SAMUEL, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify

yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

After the Lesson, the Lector says

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is kept.

GRADUAL PSALM 23

Dominus regit me

The Congregation remains seated. The psalm is recited in unison.

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 **He makes me lie down in green pastures ***
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 **He revives my soul ***
and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.
- 4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,**
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 **You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; ***
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, ***
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Please remain seated.

The Lector first says

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

ONCE YOU WERE DARKNESS, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light – for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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HYMN AT THE GOSPEL *When From Bondage, We Are Summoned*

Please stand, as able; sung by all



1. When from bond - age
2. When our God names
3. Through all stag - es
4. We must not lose
5. See the prize our



we are sum - moned out of dark - ness in - to light, we must
 us a peo - ple, Je - sus leads us by the hand through a
 of the jour - ney Christ is with us, night and day, with com -
 sight of Je - sus, who ac - cept - ed pain and loss, who, for
 God has prom - ised: end - less life with Christ our Lord. Now we



go in hope and pa - tience, walk by faith and not by sight.
 lone - ly, bar - ren de - sert to a great and glo - rious land.
 pas - sion for our weak - ness ev' - ry step a - long the way. Let us
 joy of love un - meas - ured, dared em - brace the shame - ful cross.
 fix our eyes on Je - sus, walk by faith in Je - sus' word.

throw off all that hin-ders; let us run the race to win! Let us
has-ten to our home-land and, re-joic-ing, en-ter in.

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939)
Music: *Haywood's Home*, Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Tunes for Grace*

LENTEN VERSE

remain standing, as able; sung by all.

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is
gra - cious and mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger,
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *remain standing, as able*

John 9.1-41

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

AS JESUS WALKED ALONG, HE SAW A MAN BLIND FROM BIRTH. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.”

Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you

say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

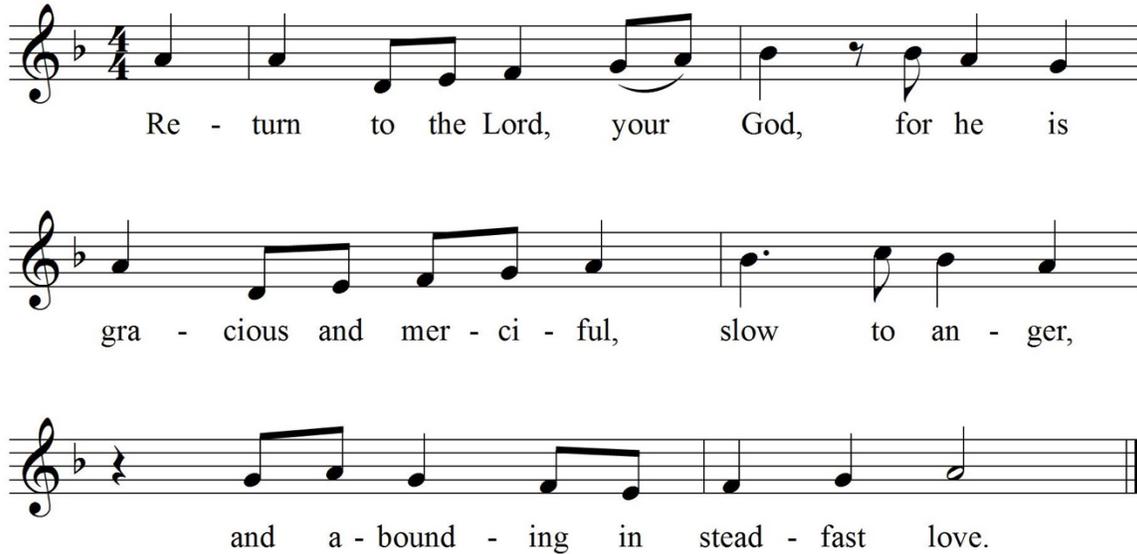
After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

LENTEN VERSE

Please remain standing, as able; sung by all.



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is
gra - cious and mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger,
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Dr Kirtley Yearwood SR

A period of silent reflection is kept.

THE NICENE CREED *standing, as able; said by all*

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant bids the Intercessions with these words

WITH CONFIDENCE AND TRUST let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Silence

The intercessor then leads the Prayers

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world,
we pray to you, 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, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors,
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among
nations and peoples,
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Silence

At the end of the Intercessions, the Celebrant adds the following concluding Collect.

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, you have made and forgiven the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE PEACE *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *remain seated*

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The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward during the following:

PIANO MEDITATION

The Choir sings the following anthem:

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Old Rugged Cross

Words and Music: George Bennard

Choral Setting: Douglas E. Wagner

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best, for a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see;
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

Please stand, as able, as the alms are brought forward.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Create In Me A Clean Heart, O God

sung by all

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Music: *Liturgy of Joy*, James M. Capers (b. 1948)

SURSUM CORDA

The people standing, as able. The Celebrant says,

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 our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE OF LENT

Then, the Celebrant proceeds

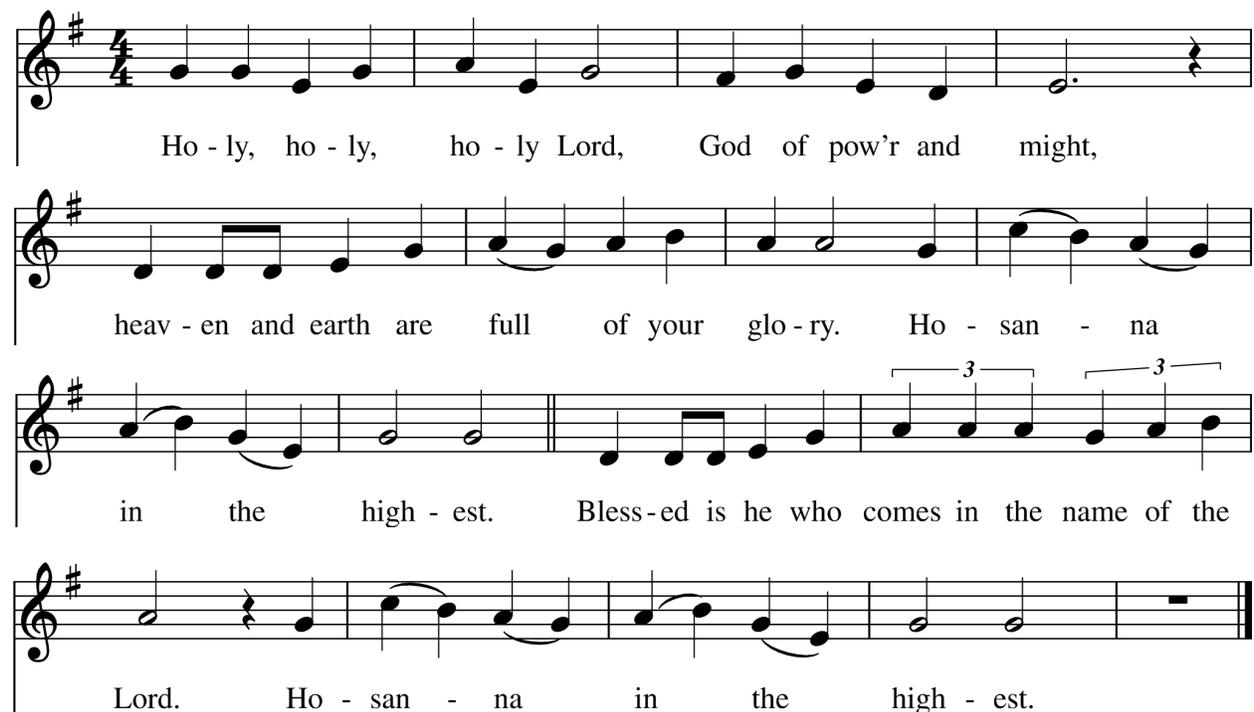
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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 & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT *remain standing, as able; sung by all*

Setting: Jack Warren Burnam (b. 1946)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER *remain standing, as able*

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

The Celebrant continues

WE CELEBRATE the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, 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.**

A period of silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *remain standing, as able; said by all*

The Celebrant says

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 *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

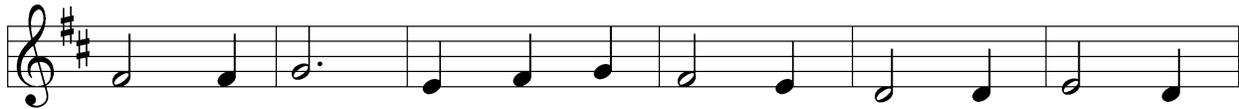
Then the Celebrant says

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

FRACTION ANTHEM *Lamb Of God, Come Take Away*

remain standing, as able; sung by all



1 Lamb of God, come take a - way the sin of all the
 2 Lamb of God who'd give your soul to see a bro - ken
 3 Lamb of God, ris - en Lord, † heal us with your
 4 Lamb of God, Ho - ly One, † bring us peace when



world to - day: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 world made whole: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 liv - ing word: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 day is done: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -



on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.

Words and Music: Ray Makeover (B. 1943)

THE INVITATION *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Things for Holy People.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Episcopal Church invites all Christians of any age to the Lord's Table. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the consecrated Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered, by gently guiding the base with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you are not baptized, or if you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms).

Gluten-free wafers are available at the Altar rail. Please speak to the priest when you come forward for Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN

Christ, Have Mercy On Us All

sung by all



1 Christ, have mer - cy on us all. Keep us stead - fast e'er we
2 God, be with us at the feast. Grant us wis - dom, give us
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe a - gain. Light the dark - ness, be our



fall.
peace. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.
friend.



4 Bake a great loaf; give it time; choose the best grapes from the



vine. Break the bread, pour the wine. Come and dine.

COMMUNION HYMN

As The Sun With Longer Journey

sung by all



1 As the sun with long - er jour - ney melts the win - ter's snow and ice,
2 Through the days of wait - ing, watch - ing, in the des - ert of our sin,
3 Praise be giv - en to the mak - er of the sea - sons' year - ly round:



with its slow - ly grow - ing ra - diance warms the seed be - neath the earth,
search - ing on the far ho - ri - zon for a sign of cloud or wind,
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it— Source, Sus - tain - er, Lord of life,



may the sun of Christ's up - ris - ing gent - ly bring our hearts to life.
we a - wait the heal - ing wa - ters of our Sav - ior's vic - to - ry.
as the ev - er turn - ing a - ges roll to their e - ter - nal rest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR *remain standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY GOD, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and so guide the mind of the Discernment Team, Trinity Forward, who shall recommend to the Vestry of Trinity Parish, a Rector for this congregation, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING FORTH

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant says

Bow down before the Lord.

The Celebrant says the following prayer:

LOOK DOWN IN MERCY, LORD, on your people who bow before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN *O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing*

remain standing, as able; sung by all

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five lines of lyrics, and the second system contains five lines of lyrics. The piano accompaniment is written in the bass clef and provides harmonic support for the vocal parts.

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heav'n.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
Music: Azmon, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

DISMISSAL *remain standing, as able*

The Priest dismisses the people

Go in the peace of Christ,

People **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

A la venue de Noël

Nicolas-Antoine Lebègue



Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Come, See...Go and Tell

Liturgical Participants

Fr Kirtley Yearwood SR — Presider

David Simmons — Choir Director / Pianist

Kerry Dietz — Organist

Myke Sayre — Eucharistic Minister

Niki Ingram, Ava Vandergast — Lectors

Kennard Brown — Intercessor

Don & Beth Copson — Ushers

Robbie Smith — Audiovisual

Team 3: Kathryn Jakabcin, Ray Stiles, Bob Contino — Altar Guild

Virtual Trinity

Maureen Lyons — Greeter

PARISH NOTES

Red Wagon Ministry



For the month of March, we are collecting for *Our Future Christian Child Care Center at Old Swedes* for their Easter Egg Hunt. Supplies needed: **Plastic Easter Eggs, Small Candies, Stickers, Temporary Tattoos, Small Items that will fit in the eggs.** The Children at Trinity Parish bring the Red Wagon with your generous donations to the Altar to be blessed during the Offertory Procession on Sundays! For more information, please contact Sarah Berninger (berninger59@comcast.net). Thank you.



MUSIC AND DRAMA ON PALM SUNDAY

On Sunday, March 29, at our 10:00 am Service of Eucharist, our worship will feature the sparkling brilliance of our handbells as their ringing prepares the way for our opening processional, and with the poignant and reflective sounds of violin and trumpet, as these instrumentalists join the organ and piano in accompanying the choir and congregation in the music of Palm Sunday. The choir will offer Mary McDonald's jubilant "That's Where Love Will Find Me," Patti Drennan's meditative "Echoes of Golgotha," and Benjamin Culli's stunning arrangement of "My Song Is Love Unknown" for choir and congregation. The service will also feature a dramatic reading of the Passion Story by our parishioners. We hope that you and your family and friends can join us for this moving service as we begin our journey through Holy Week.

EASTER FLOWERS

Using flowers to celebrate the Risen Christ is an ancient custom in the church. At Trinity, we continue this custom by inviting parishioners to contribute memorial flowers honoring loved ones. The minimum contribution is \$35; please include a list of those you are honoring with your check, and mark the memo line 'Easter flowers.' If you choose to give online, please send an email to office@trinityparishde.org with the list of those you are remembering. The deadline is Friday, March 27 for both donations and names. Questions? Please call Ashlin Bray at 302-658-5821. Thank you for participating in the celebration of Easter.

WATCH AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go yonder and pray." And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "So, COULD YOU NOT WATCH WITH ME ONE HOUR? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

(Matthew 26:36,40-41)

The WATCH will be kept before the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in the Chapel at Trinity Church from the end of the Maundy Thursday Liturgy on April 2 until 12 o'clock midnight, and then from 5 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon on Good Friday, April 3. You are invited to come for silent prayer and meditation before the Sacrament at the Altar in the Chapel. Since the Holy Eucharist is not celebrated on Good Friday, the Blessed Sacrament will be brought back to the Nave Altar for the Administration of Holy Communion toward the end of the Good Friday Liturgy at 7.00pm.

Sign-up sheets are in the Lobby and Table at rear of Nave.



Building Community, One Sip At A Time!

This coming Tuesday, March 17th, Fr Kirtley will not be at our Trinity Vicinity neighborhood café, ***Bean Head Coffee bar***, 714 W 11th Street (diagonally across the street from Trinity Church). **Please join us next week Tuesday, March 24th from 2.00pm until 3.00pm.**

ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

Save The Date! Women's Retreat is the weekend of May 8-10 and we invite you to join us. Our theme, facilitated by Beth Jones (www.deepgreenjourney.com), is Rooted and Renewed: Step away from the routine and into a sacred space where we will gather to listen, ten and prepare the soil of our lives for what God is growing next. This retreat invites us to gently explore: *What can we do to ready the ground of our hearts for God's movement? How might we cultivate a spirit of openness so our gifts can be used with courage and joy?* Through reflection, conversation, and quiet moments we will create room for renewal and discover together how to nurture a heart that is expectant, rooted and ready for God's unfolding work. Contact Kim Denhardt to express your interest or ask any questions at kdenhardt@gmail.com or 302-367-4408. To reserve your space at the retreat, you can pay by check to Trinity Episcopal Church with 'Women's Retreat' in the memo line or through the church website. For scholarships to pay for the retreat, just email Fr. Kirtley with the request to 'attend the women's retreat' at FrKirtley@trinityparishde.org. We hope you can join us!

Confirmation Instruction

PREPARATION TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be taught in a five-week course beginning on April 19th (the Third Sunday of Easter) and continuing every Sunday through May 17th, 2026 (the Sunday after Ascension Day). The Bishop of Delaware, the Right Reverend Kevin S. Brown, will lay hands on the Confirmands on Sunday, May 31st at Trinity Church during his Pastoral Visitation. If you feel called to seek this commitment to the Christian Life, please speak with Fr Kirtley†.

MINISTRY OF AGING AT TRINITY PARISH

Ministry of Aging will meet on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 2.00pm in the Dining Room at Trinity Church. If you are unable to join in-person, you may participate virtually via Zoom.com. Please click on "Join a Meeting" and enter Meeting ID: 845 1913 9529 and password 734675. For more information, please contact Jerry Lucas (jermeloh@yahoo.com).

COME AS YOU ARE WORSHIP

EVERY SATURDAY EVENING AT 5.00PM

OLD SWEDES CHURCH

606 N. Church Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

ALL ARE WELCOME!

CREATING SPACE FOR GOD IN THE BUSYNESS OF LIFE

THE HIGHMARK WALK FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY



Let's get started planning for *The Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community* on May 2nd! It's a fantastic fundraiser for Friendship House, and every donation in their name goes straight to them. Let's keep up the great work Trinity Parish has been doing to support Friendship House.

Trinity Parish is on the lookout for a Team Captain for this year's walk. The role involves getting parishioners to sign up to walk and/or donate, and then organizing everyone to walk together! Friendship House will provide the materials and instructions. Join your fellow Trinity Parish members for some fun and togetherness for a wonderful cause. If you have any questions, please see Sarah Berninger or Brian Embriani.

THE ARTS AT TRINITY *presents* *The Serafin Ensemble*

in

REVOLUTION & INDEPENDENCE

Celebrate America's 250th birthday with an afternoon of glorious music!



Sunday, April 19, 2026 – 4:00 pm

Old Swedes Church & Historic Site

606 North Church Street, Wilmington, DE

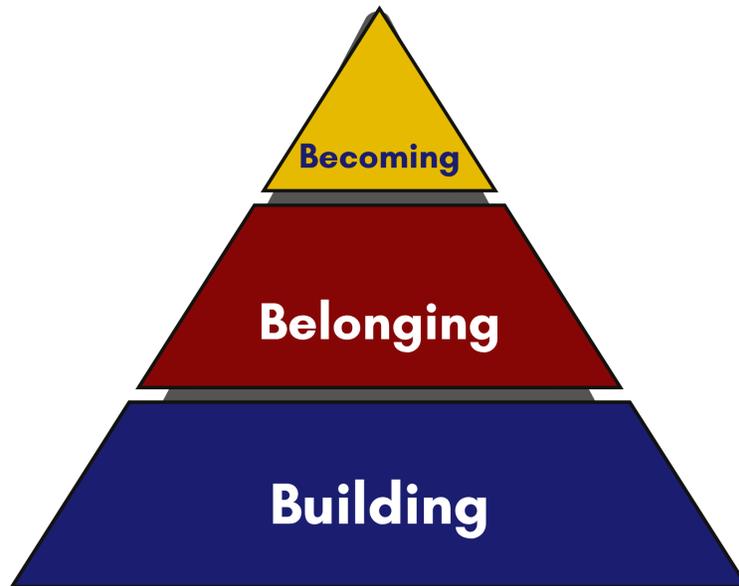
The Arts at Trinity (TAAT) presents the THE SERAFIN ENSEMBLE performing chamber music of the late colonial and revolutionary period in American history, including Benjamin Franklin's String Quartet and John Antes' String Trios. As with all TAAT concerts, admission is FREE, including a reception to meet the artists on the historic grounds of Old Swedes after the concert. Invite a friend or two to join you on an April afternoon and immerse yourself in great music in a beautiful and historic space.

NO ADMISSION CHARGE! (*Donations Gratefully Accepted*) FREE PARKING AVAILABLE

Holy Week Worship at Trinity Parish

Come, See...Go and Tell

OLD SWEDES	Saturday, March 28 5.00pm – Evening Prayer	EVE OF PALM SUNDAY
TRINITY CHURCH	Sunday, March 29 8.00am – Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist 10.00am – Liturgy of the Palms, Procession & Choral Eucharist 12.00noon – Liturgia de las Palmas y Santa Eucaristía 1.00pm – Vía Crucis	PALM SUNDAY
OLD SWEDES	Monday, March 30 6.00pm – Evening Prayer	MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK
OLD SWEDES	Tuesday, March 31 6.00pm – Evening Prayer	TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
OLD SWEDES	Wednesday, April 01 6.00pm – Evening Prayer	WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK
TRINITY CHURCH	Thursday, April 02 7.00pm – Eucharist of the Institution with Foot–Washing and Stripping of the Altar Watch at the Altar of Repose (Chapel of the Transfiguration) (until 12midnight; and 5.00am to 3.00pm Friday)	MAUNDY THURSDAY
OLD SWEDES	Friday, April 03 12.00noon to 3.00pm – Quiet Reflection, Prayers, Meditation <i>(Come and Go at anytime within timeframe)</i>	GOOD FRIDAY
TRINITY CHURCH	Friday, April 03 7.00pm – Good Friday Liturgy (Bilingual) with Passion Gospel according to John The Solemn Collects The Solemn Reproaches Veneration of the Cross Holy Communion of the Presanctified	GOOD FRIDAY
OLD SWEDES	Saturday, April 04 5.00pm – Prayers at the Easter Garden Kindling the Easter Candle	HOLY SATURDAY



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