


# *TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

**Holy Eucharist at 10:00am**

**08 November 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 staff available for the 10.00am and 12.00noon Services in the Nursery 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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Please check out our website (https://TrinityOldSwedes.church). Follow us on Facebook and Instagram by searching for @TrinityParishDE; and please tag us in your pictures using #TrinityParishDE.

**INTRODUCTIONS TO TODAY'S LESSONS**

**Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25**

The people of Israel are now residents of Canaan. According to this book, the conquest of the Promised Land is complete. Shechem has been a place of religious importance to the Israelites for centuries.

**1 Thessalonians 4.13-18**

In the preceding verses, Paul has turned to writing about the end of time. He has warned that "the Lord is an avenger" – so it is important to live a godly, ethical life.

**Matthew 25.1-13**

Jesus has told a parable about a master who leaves his estate, then suddenly and unexpectedly returns. Now he tells another parable about the unexpected coming of the Kingdom of God.

**OREMUS**

Week of Sunday, November 8th to Saturday, November 14th, 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 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.***

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**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

**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:** Racial Justice and reconciliation Commission.

**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, Eastside Thrive.

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

**For Health and Healing:** Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Charlie, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi

**For Safe and Healthy Pregnancy:**

**For Anniversary of their Birth:** Ashlin, Bob, Michael K, Cyril, Kayden, Giovanni, Jessica, Jose, Chaya

**For those preparing for Marriage:** Michael & Victoria

**For those celebrating the Anniversary of their Marriage:** Joe & Brenda

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

**For those who have Died:** Samuel Goines

## *Altar Flowers*

The Altar flowers today are given to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Phoebe Bradford.

***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 autonomous Member Churches, also known as Provinces, of the Anglican Communion, a global family of churches serving communities and proclaiming the Good News in more than 165 countries.*

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

***PLEASE TURN OFF ALL ELECTRONIC PAGING DEVICES AND CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND OBSERVE SILENCE BEFORE THE START OF THE LITURGY. THANK YOU.***

*Please join in saying together the congregational responses printed in* ***bold*** *type.*

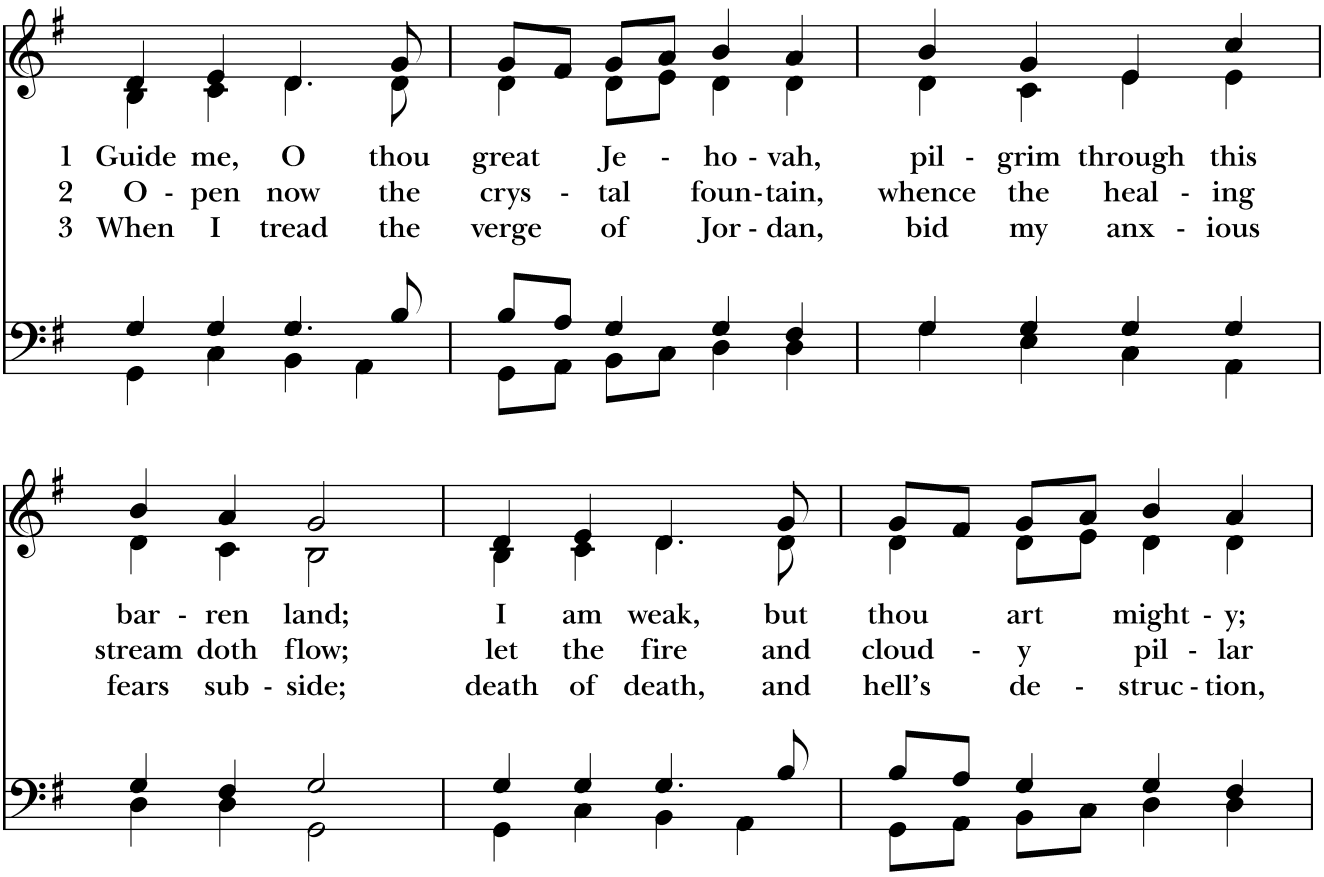
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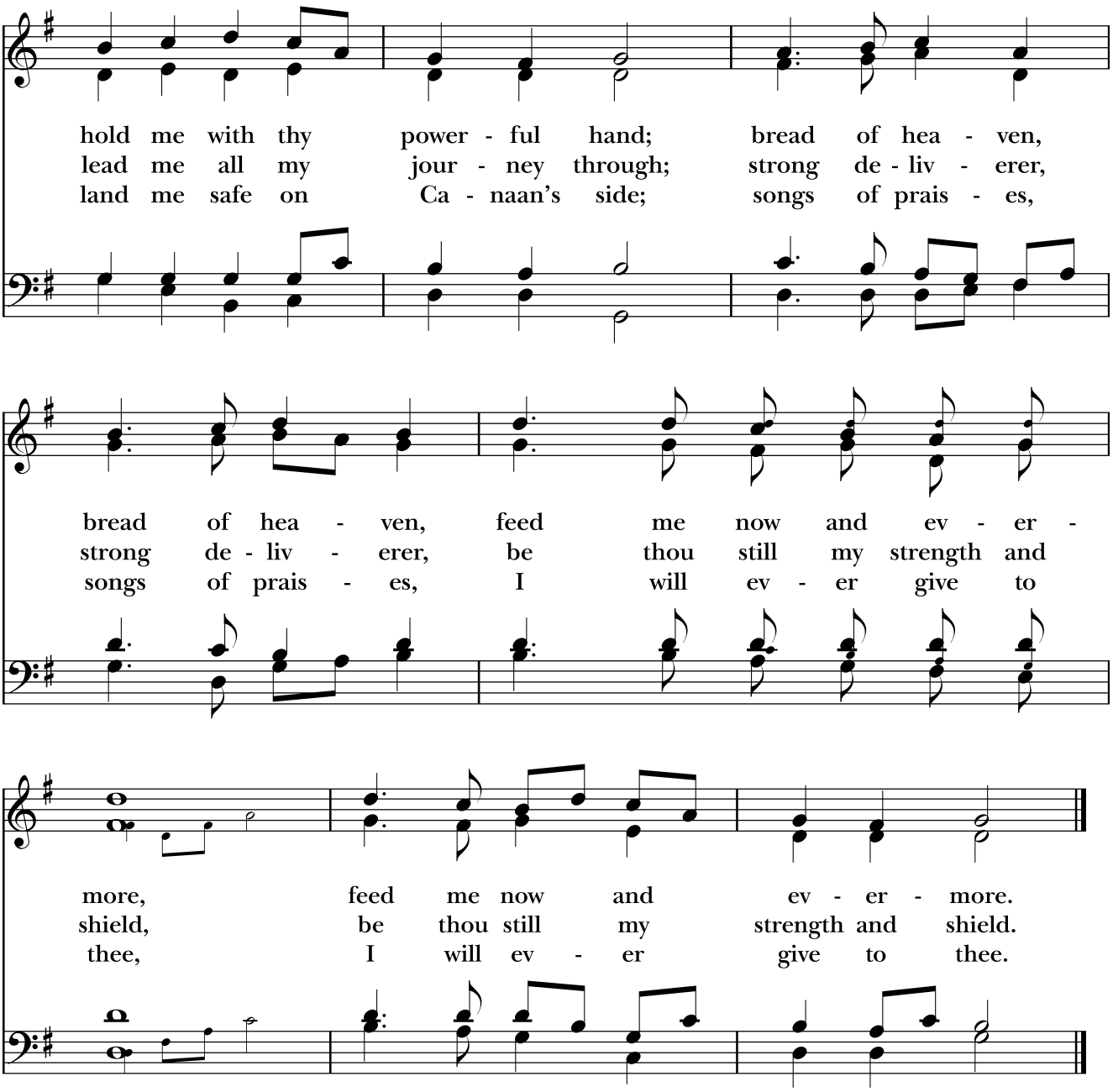
***Please observe*** **silence.**

**PIANO PRELUDE** We Are Called David Haas
Setting by Mark Hayes

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Please stand, as able; sung by all*






Words: William Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt.
Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

**GREETING** *remain standing, as able.*

*The Celebrant greets the people with these words*

† BLESSED BE THE ONE, HOLY AND LIVING GOD.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

**WELCOME TO TRINITY PARISH** *remain standing, as able*

*The Celebrant welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.*
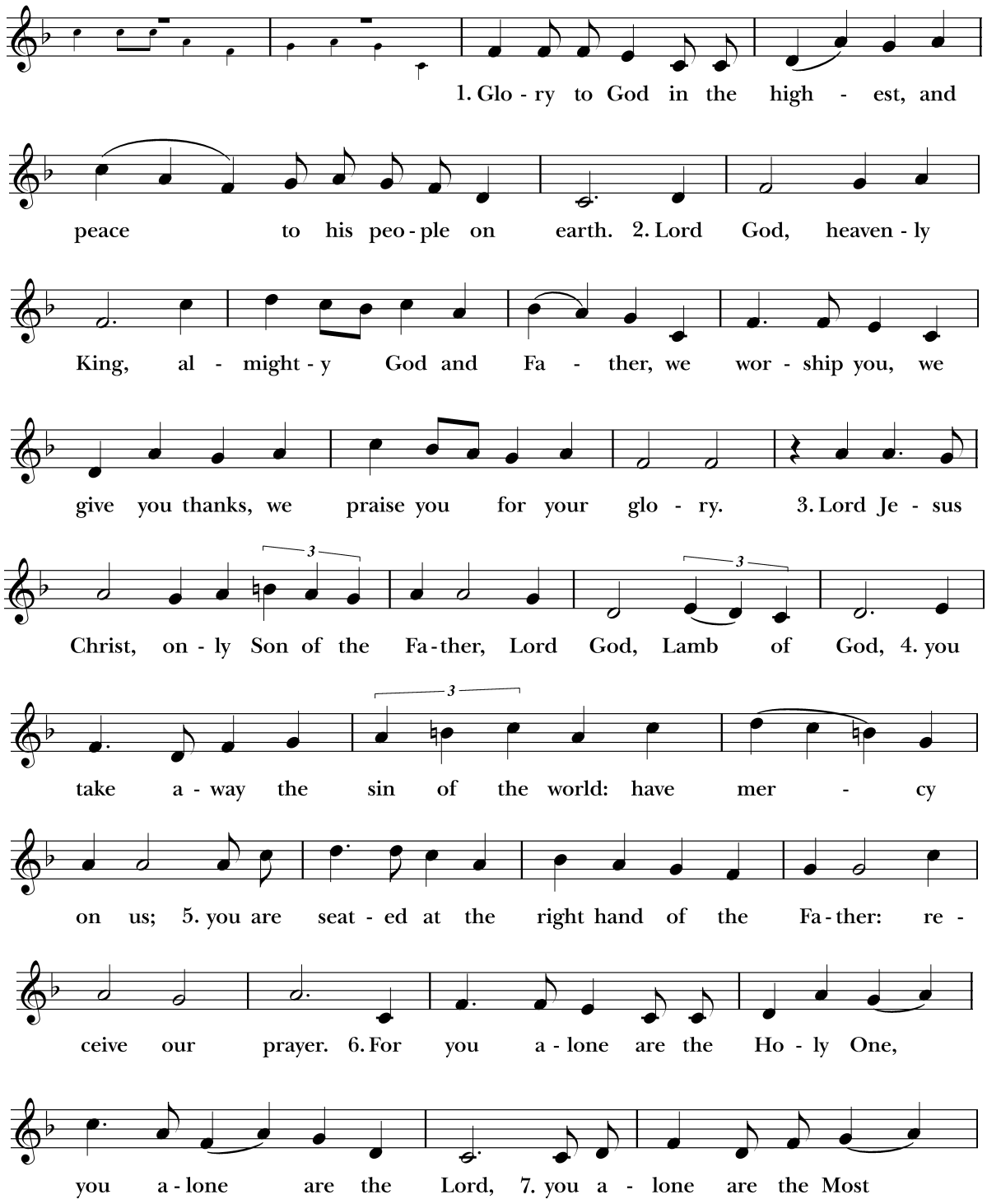
**COLLECT FOR PURITY** *remain standing, as able*
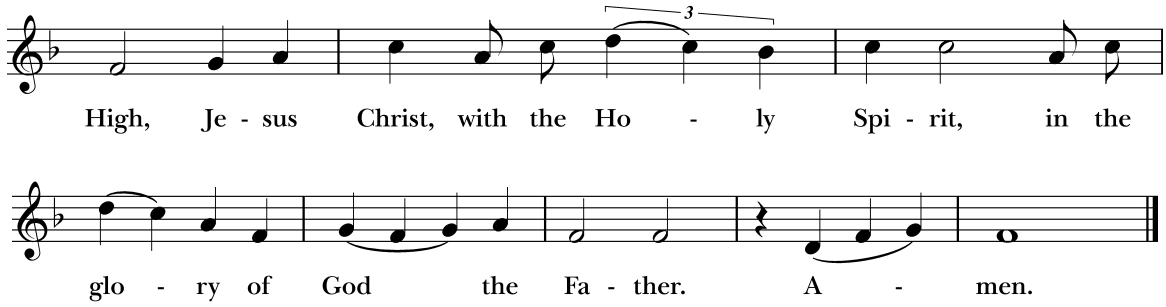
*The Celebrant and People then say*

ALMIGHTY GOD, **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE*** Glory To God Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*remain standing, as able; sung by all*






**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.*

O GOD, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE** Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25

*The Lector first says*

A Reading from the Book of Joshua.

JOSHUA GATHERED ALL THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors – Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor – lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD

our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD; for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

*After the Lesson, the Lector says*

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**GRADUAL PSALM** 78.1-7 *Attendite, populе*

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

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
**incline your ears to the words of my mouth.**
2 **I will open my mouth in a parable; ***
**I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**
3 **That which we have heard and known,**
**and what our forefathers have told us, ***
**we will not hide from their children.**
4 **We will recount to generations to come**
**the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, ***
**and the wonderful works he has done.**
5 **He gave his decrees to Jacob**
**and established a law for Israel, ***
**which he commanded them to teach their children;**
6 **That the generations to come might know,**
**and the children yet unborn; ***
**that they in their turn might tell it to their children;**

7 **So that they might put their trust in God, ***
**and not forget the deeds of God,**
**but keep his commandments;**

*Please remain seated. A period of silence is kept.*

**THE EPISTLE** 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

*The Lector first says*

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

WE DO NOT WANT YOU TO BE UNINFORMED, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

*After the Lesson, the Lector says*

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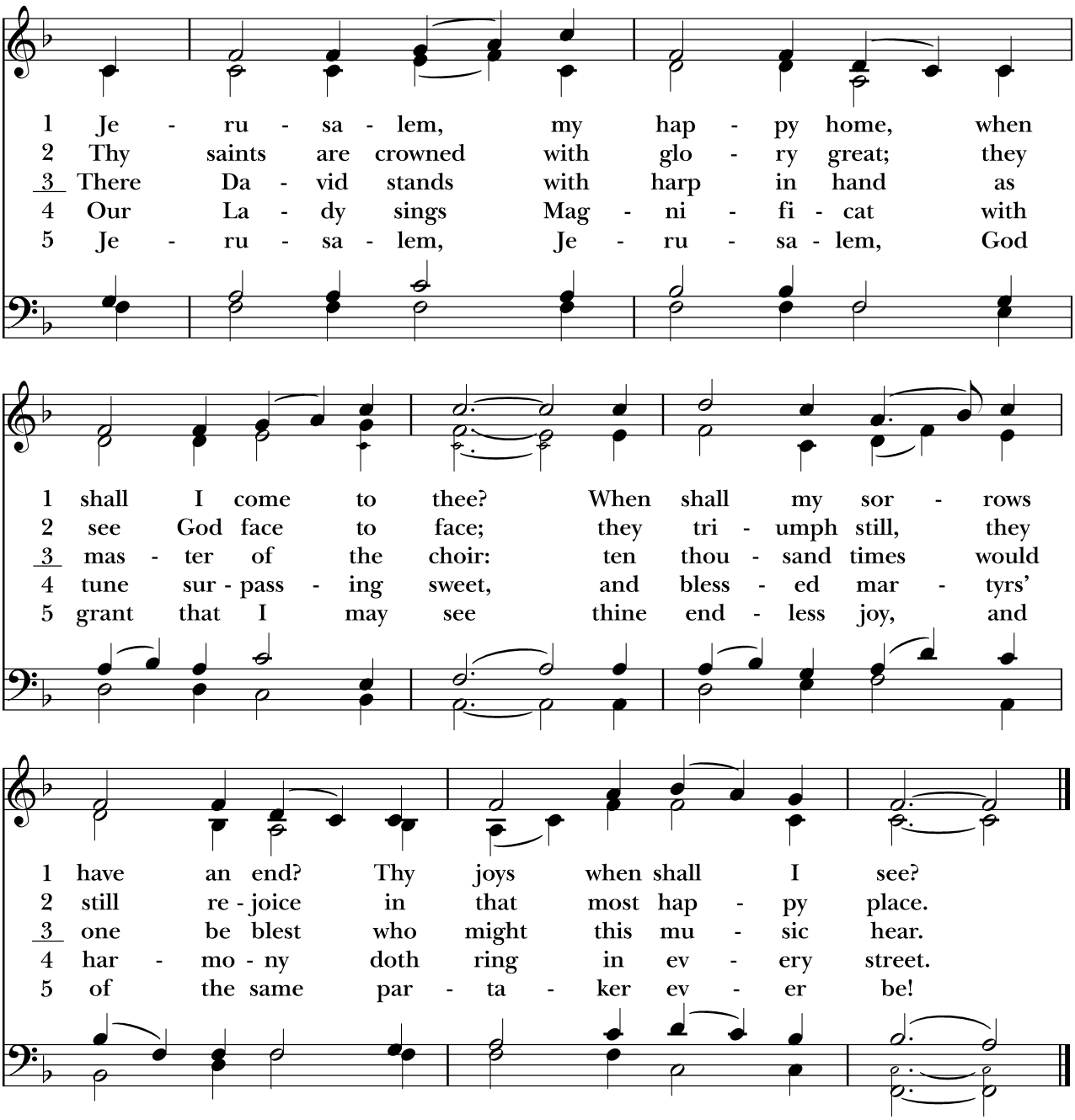
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*A period of silence is kept.*



**HYMN AT THE GOSPEL** Jerusalem, My Happy Home

*Please stand, as able; sung by all*




Words: F. B. P. (ca. 16th cent.), alt.
Music: *Land of Rest*, American folk hymn, adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *remain standing, as able* Matthew 25.1-13

*The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

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

JESUS SAID, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were

wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*After the Gospel, the Priest says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**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** *remain standing, as able*

*The Celebrant bids the Intercessions with these words*

AS WE WALK THE WAY OF LIFE, AND HOPE, let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings for the Church universal, our world, those suffering, and those who have died, asking Jesus to lead us, "as we walk the way."

*Silence*

*The intercessor then leads the Prayers*

We pray for the church universal, through which you call us to be stewards of your mission in the world. May it seek to serve your glory, and not its own. May its leaders, ordained and lay, reach out and be Christ's hands and heart in this world. We ask you to guide and direct Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primates of the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Consultative Council and all ministers of your Church, especially in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, Racial Justice and reconciliation Commission; for Kirtley and Christopher our Priests; our Staff, and Wardens and Vestry of our Parish; the Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes, Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park, and Eastside Thrive.
Jesus lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for the world, which you created and are redeeming. We know you call us to steward our society and your creation. We pray for those in the midst of warfare and strife. We pray for the victims of natural disasters, violence, oppression, and degradation. We pray for a just peace, in which the dignity of every human being is recognized and lifted up.

Jesus lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for our nation, which controls so much of the abundance of this earth. We pray that our leaders may make decisions for the welfare of all. May we as a society be better stewards of all that we have and are.
Jesus lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for our own cities and towns, and our stewardship of them. We pray, that through our lives and resources these communities may be places of hope, love, and justice.
Jesus lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week,
Ashlin, Bob, Michael K, Cyril, Kayden, Giovanni, Jessica, Jose, Chaya
to those celebrating the anniversary of their marriage this week,
Joe & Brenda,
and to those preparing for marriage,
Michael & Victoria,
that they may grow in wisdom and grace,
and be strengthened to trust in your goodness.
Jesus lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for all those who are suffering, both whose names we know and those we do not. We know that you call us as your stewards to care for and love those who are ill, in pain, in prison, lonely, or destitute. In our own journeys, may we be faithful companions.
We remember especially Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi
Jesus, lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We pray for those who have departed this life to join you in the next, especially Phoebe Bradford in whose memory the Altar flowers are given today, and Samuel Goines, recently departed.
We pray for those who mourn their loved ones. May we be strong companions in these dark hours of their journeys.
Jesus, lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

We offer our thanksgivings and gratitude for the abundance you provide for us. We give thanks for the many blessings of our lives. As we journey in the footsteps of Jesus, help us to see your glory all around us.
Jesus, lead us:
**As we walk the way.**

*Silence*

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

GOD OF HOPE, JOY AND ABUNDANCE, we offer all of these prayers up to you. We know that our lives are journeys, and that you are beckoning us as we walk along the path. Help us to feel your presence, to know your love, and to be your stewards in this world. We offer all of this up in the name of the Holy Trinity, one God. **Amen.**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *remain standing, as able*

*The Celebrant says*

LET US CONFESS our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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 standing, as able*

*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.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

**THE PEACE** *remain standing, as able*

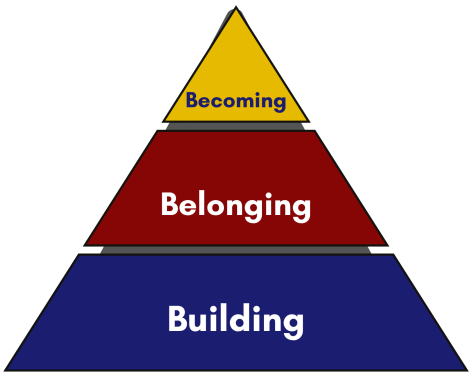
*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Please be seated.*

**EVERY PERSON COMMITMENT CAMPAIGN 2027**




**TRINITY IN ACTION**

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE** *remain seated*

*An Offering of money is collected for the work of mission and ministry OR you may scan the QR Code below:*

If you would like to give online to Trinity Parish, please scan the QR code on the right.

*The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward as the Choir sings the following:*

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** When Long Before Time (*The Singer and the Song*)

Peter W. S. Davison
Setting by David Cherwien

When long before time and the worlds were begun,
when there was no earth and no sky and no sun,
and all was deep silence and night reigned supreme,
and even our Maker had only a dream.

The silence was broken when God sang the Song,
and light pierced the darkness and rhythm began,
and with its first birth cries creation was born,
and creaturely voices sang praise to the morn.

The sounds of the creatures were one with their Lord's,
their harmonies sweet and befitting the Word;
the Singer was pleased as the earth sang the song;
the choir of the creatures reechoed it long.

Though, down through the ages, the Song disappeared,
its harmonies broken and almost unheard,
the Singer comes to us to sing it again:
our God is with us in the world now as then.
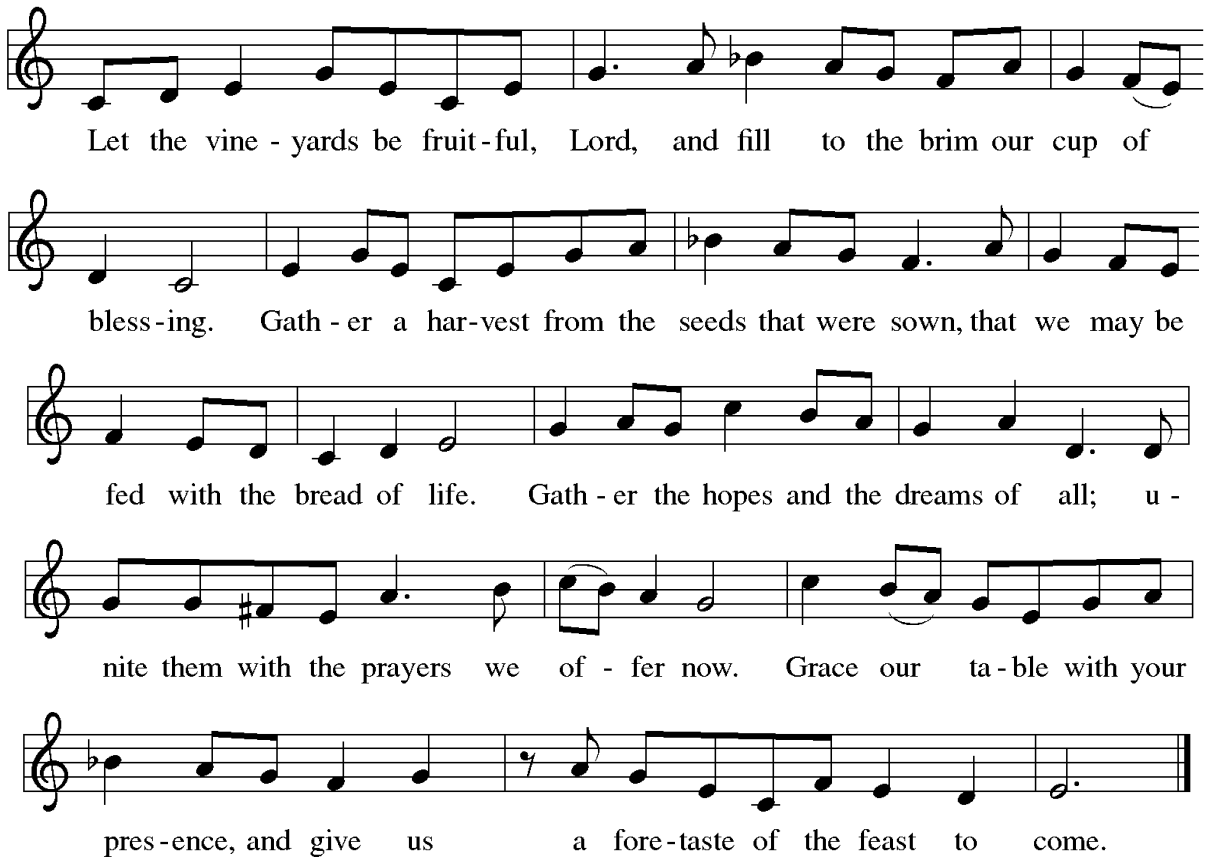
The Light has returned as it came once before;
the Song of the Lord is our own song once more;
so let us all sing with one heart and one voice
the song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.

To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise;
to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise;
to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath,
be glory forever, through life and through death.

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

**OFFERTORY HYMN** Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful

*sung by all*




Words: John W. Arthur (1922-1980)
Music: Richard W. Hillert (b. 1923)

*Please remain standing, as able.*

**DEDICATION OF CHASUBLE AND STOLE**

***The white Chasuble and Stole are given to Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church by the Dooley Family to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Max Dooley.***

*Members of the Dooley Family come forward in Procession toward the Altar, as "Christ the Victorious" is played on the organ.*

*The Presenters say*

WE PRESENT to you this Chasuble and stole to be set apart for the service of Christ's holy Church.

V. All things come from you, O Lord;
R. **And from your own gifts do we give to you.**
V. Prosper the work of our hands;
**R. Prosper our handiwork.**
V. Show your servants your works;
**R. And your splendor to their children.**

*The Celebrant says*

ALMIGHTY GOD, we thank you that you have put it into the hearts of your people to make offerings for your service, and have been pleased to accept their gifts. Be with us now and bless us as we set apart this Chasuble and Stole to your praise and glory and in honor and loving memory of Max Dooley who cared for Old Swedes.

*Silence is kept for a space.*

*The Celebrant continues*

YOU SHALL MAKE HOLY GARMENTS for Aaron, for glory and for beauty.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness:
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**

*The Celebrant then bids all to pray, saying,*

Let us pray.

*Silence*

O GOD, you revealed your Son clothed in majesty and glory: Accept and bl✝ess this chasuble and stole for the use of the clergy of your Church, that, being clothed with humility as they minister to you, they may show forth his eternal splendor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### 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 THE LORD'S DAY

*Then, the Celebrant proceeds*

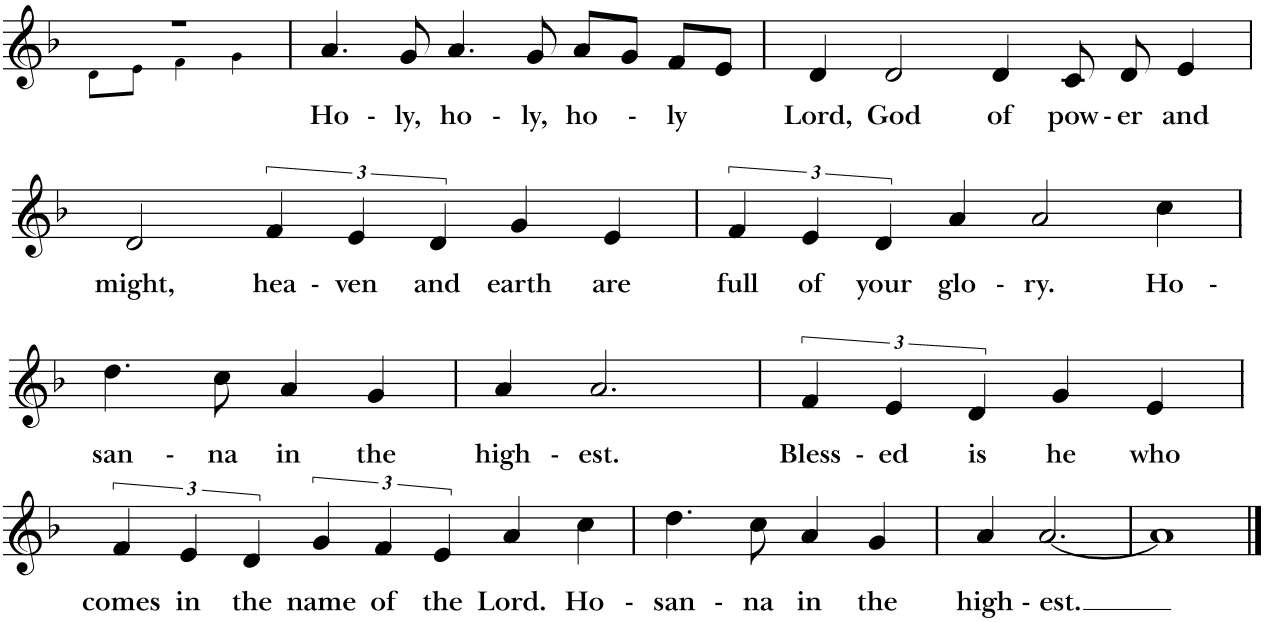
IT IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)




### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *remain standing, as able*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

BLESSED ARE YOU, GRACIOUS GOD, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

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

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

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

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "TAKE, EAT: THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU: THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR ALL FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. WHENEVER YOU DRINK IT, DO THIS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF ME."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**
**Christ is risen.**
**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

REMEMBERING HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be † filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*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*

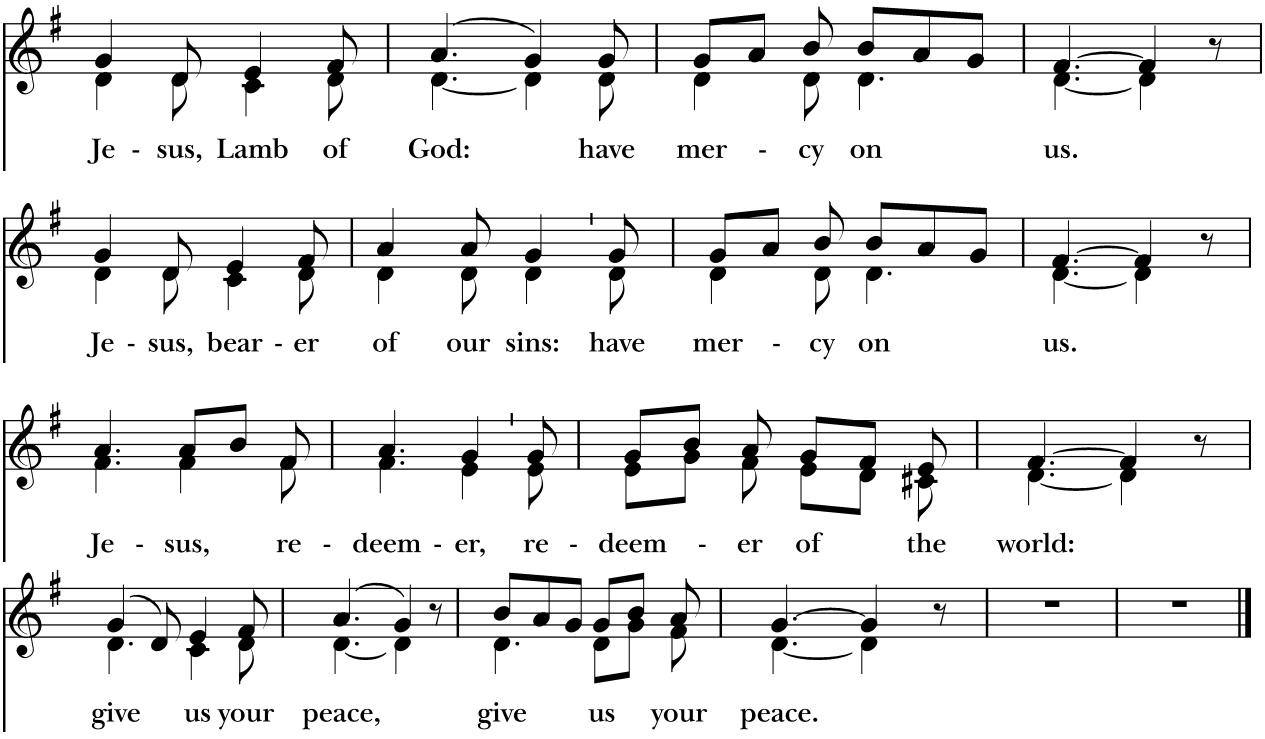
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

### *FRACTION ANTHEM* Jesus, Lamb Of God

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

*Sung by all*




### THE INVITATION *remain standing, as able*

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Things for Holy People.
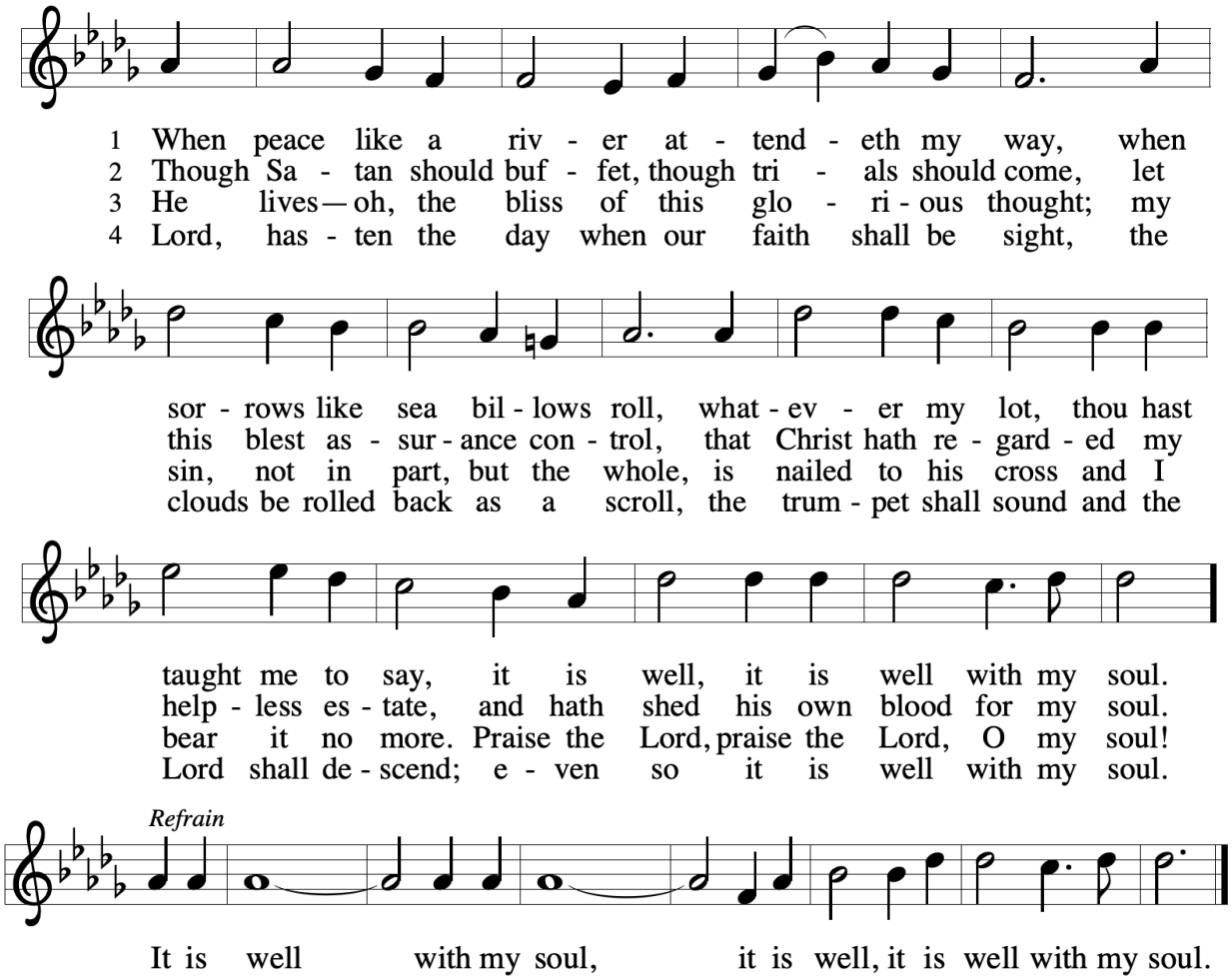
## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*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** When Peace Like A River (It Is Well With My Soul)

*Sung by all*




Words: Horatio G. Spafford (1828-1888)
Music: *Ville du Havre*, Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876)

*A period of silent prayer is kept.*

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

GOD OF ABUNDANCE, **you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. 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

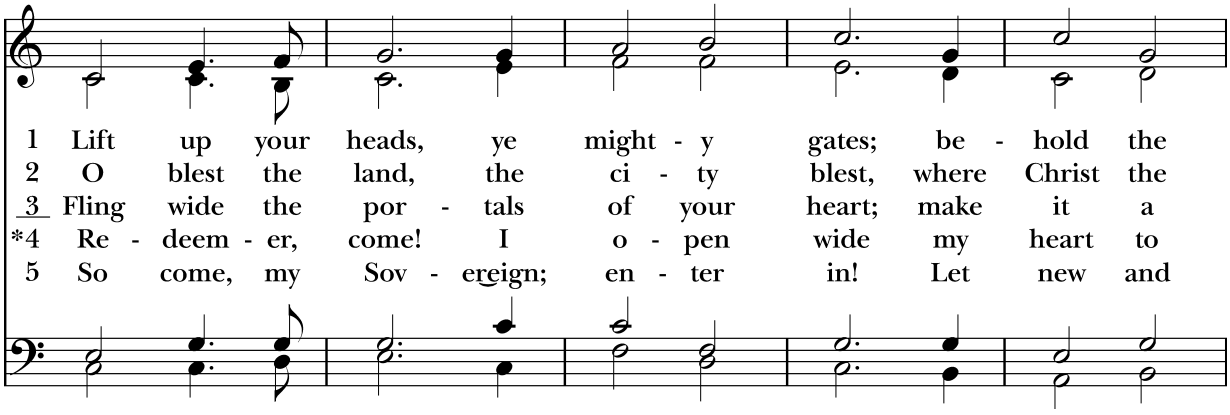
**BLESSING** *remain standing, as able*

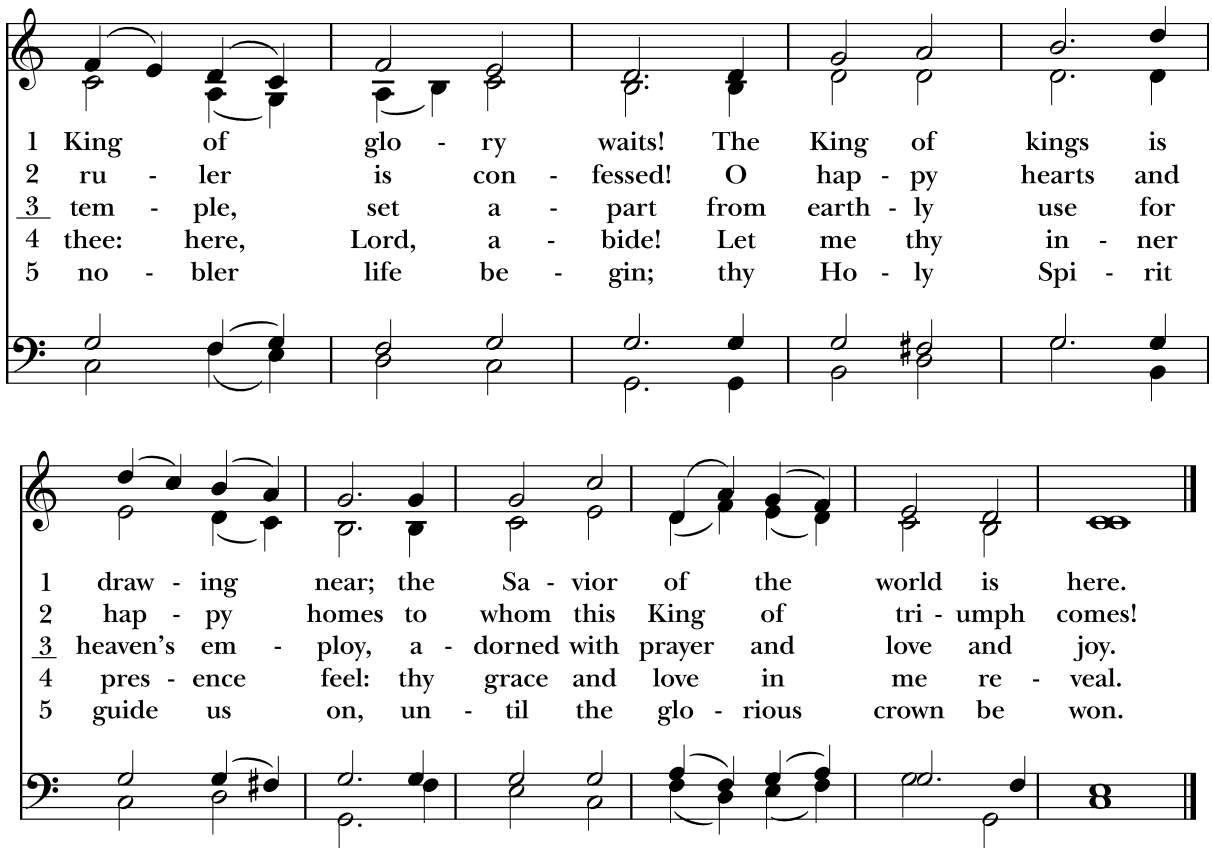
*The Celebrant gives the blessing*

MAY THE LOVE OF OUR GOOD AND GENEROUS GOD guide and protect you.
May the hope of the Gospel sustain you and bring you joy, when you are lost or lonely, when the road ahead seems hard or when the darkness gathers.
May the light and peace of Christ be yours.
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** Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

*remain standing, as able; sung by all*






Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878).
Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmodia Evangelica*, *Part II*, 1789;
harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

**DISMISSAL** *remain standing, as able*

*The Celebrant dismisses the people*

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please observe* silence *as the following is played:*

**ORGAN POSTLUDE** Promenade Gordon Young

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*Thank you for worshiping with us today.*

***Come, See…Go and Tell***

**Liturgical Participants**

Fr Kirtley Yearwood SR — Presider
David Simmons — Organist and Choir Director
Michael Sayre, Isabel Zuniga Sandoval — Eucharistic Ministers
Kenia Ortega Bernabe — Acolyte
Breanne Staley-Ashe, Niki Ingram — Lectors
Cathleen Peipher — Intercessor
Robbie Smith — Audiovisual
Greg Cuprak, Amelia Wierzbicki — Ushers
Team 1: Cee Kelsey, Betty Jane Gunther, Bid Hukill — Altar Guild
Kathleen David — Flowers Arranger Guild
Bean Head Coffee Bar — Fellowship Hosts

**Virtual Trinity**

Maureen Lyons — Greeter

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## *PARISH NOTES*

## *Red Wagon Ministry*




For the month of **November**, we are collecting **canned green beans, canned fruit, small bags of rice, instant mashed potatoes, cans of turkey gravy, boxes of stuffing mix** for ***Thanksgiving Baskets***. The Children bring the Red Wagon with your generous donations to the Altar to be blessed during the Offertory Procession on Sundays! Please place the items underlined in the freezers and refrigerators in the kitchen. For more information, please contact Sarah Berninger (berninger59@comcast.net). Thank you.

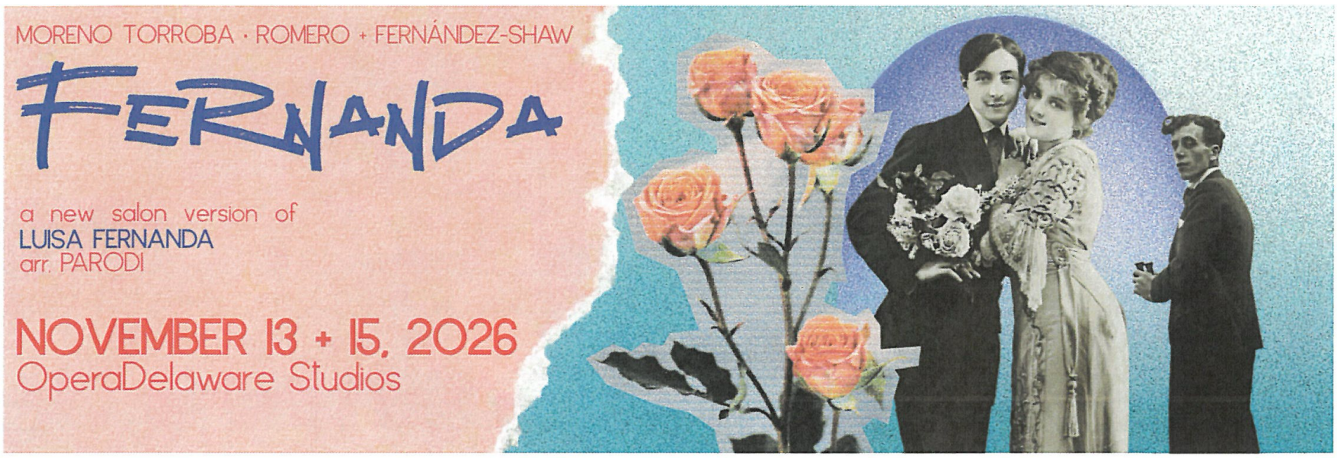
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PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

## Prayer Group

Sometimes we feel like we don't get an answer to prayer
or it's not the answer we wanted.
Now what?
We talk about these things in our Prayer Group.
Join us Tuesday at 11:30 for conversational prayer.
**Questions contact Marty Emeritz 202-352-3149 marty.emeritz@gmail.com**


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We're gathering youth ages 11–17 for a conversation about the future of youth ministry.
We want to hear your ideas, your questions, and what would make church a place you feel connected, supported, and excited to be part of.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026
1:30 – 3:00 PM
OLD SWEDES HISTORIC SITE
606 N. Church St., Wilmington, DE
AGES 11 – 17
All are welcome!
LET'S TALK ABOUT...
What makes you feel welcome and included?
What activities, events, or experiences would you actually enjoy?
What issues matter most to young people today?
How can church become a place where you feel heard, supported, and connected?
We're not just inviting you to join.
We're inviting you to help build it.
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***Fernanda***, an intimate chamber version of the beloved *Luisa Fernanda*, is a story of love, flirtation, jealousy, and second chances. Fernanda's quiet life is turned upside down when a love from her past unexpectedly returns. Caught between an old flame and a new admirer, she finds herself at the center of a romantic tangle where hearts change, loyalties are tested, and jealousy is never far away.



Because sometimes the love we thought we left behind is the one we never stopped loving.

With special narration by **Robín Martinez**, a voice Wilmington audiences know well from *Máxima La Primera.*

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## The Cast of Fernanda



**Gina Perregrino**
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**Gerard Moon**
VIDAL



**Dane Suarez**
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TRINITY PARISH
Eve of Thanksgiving Day
Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, November 25, 2026
7:00 PM
Old Swedes
606 N Church St, Wilmington, DE 19802


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A CANDLELIGHT EXPERIENCE
An evening of food, compassion, and community. Together, we can bring hope to those who need it most.
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TRINITY PARISH

# Peace, Pancakes & Prayer

A SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT BRUNCH

## Sunday, December 6, 2026

**Immediately following the 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Services.**

## Gather Around the Table. Share in the Peace of the Season.

Join Trinity Parish for a joyful Advent gathering filled with delicious food, meaningful fellowship, and moments of prayer as we prepare our hearts for Christmas.



*A Little Peace. A Lot of Pancakes. A Moment for Prayer.*

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TRINITY PARISH
Blue Christmas
Service of Remembrance and Hope
When the holidays are hard, you are not alone.
Prayer • Sacred Readings • Music • Poetry
Monday, December 7, 2026
7:00 PM
Holy Trinity
(Old Swedes) Church
606 N Church St
Wilmington, DE 19801
Come as you are.
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# Christmas MEMORIALS

Many people include thoughts of departed loved ones in their Christmas observances, and one way of doing this is to make a contribution toward the Christmas flowers that adorn Trinity and Old Swedes.

The suggested minimum donation is $35. Please be sure to list the names of your loved ones as you would like them listed in the Christmas liturgical leaflets, and send the list to the church office (**office@trinityparishde.org**) with your donation.

**The deadline for donations and memorial lists is Sunday, December 13.**

You can make your donation by Venmo, mailed check, or in an envelope in the Sunday offering. Please mark the check Christmas Memorials and include the list of those you are remembering.

*Thank you for your generous support.*



# TRINITY IN ACTION

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The Right Reverend Kevin S. Brown — XI Bishop Diocesan
The Reverend Dr. Kirtley Yearwood SR — Interim Rector
The Reverend Christopher David — Priest Associate

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David Simmons — Director of Music
Alberto Martínez and Ivan Martínez — Guitar
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Linda Ochoa — Children's Ministry and Operations Manager
Claudia Zamudio — Children's Ministry Assistant Coordinator & Nursery Lead
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Teneysha Henry — Internal Communications Coordinator
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John Zajaczkowski — Sexton

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