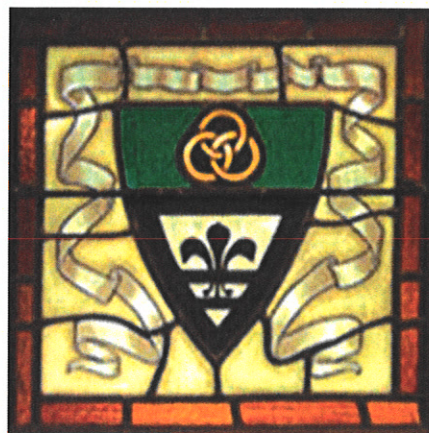


# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Torrington, CT



The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany  
01/28/2024

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Officiant: The Reverend Lois Keen

Acolyte	Lauren Jeannin
Lector	Alicia Kirsch
Intercessor	Mary Hart
Vestry Greeter	Alison Jeannin
Eucharistic Ministers	Eleanor Fox, Bruce Fox
Ushers	Lydia Babbitt, Caroline Sienkiewicz
Counters	Roger Coutant, Cliff Pfeffer
Altar Guild	Sue Carroll, Becky Carroll, Judi Pfeffer, Eunice Jones

*Welcome to Trinity Church!*

*You are invited to participate in worship by using the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP)  
and blue Hymnal, as indicated in this leaflet.*

# The Word of God

## Prelude

*As the prelude is played, please maintain silence in the sanctuary for prayer and reflection*

## Welcome

## Opening Hymn 371 *Thou, whose almighty word*

Tune: *Moscow*

Words: John Marriott; Music: Felice de Giardini

## Opening Acclamation

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## Collect for Purity

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## Gloria S-277

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*There is space for silent prayer, after which the presider concludes with the collect.*

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111 *Prayed in unison*

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*Confitebor tibi*

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! \*  
they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*  
and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \*  
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; \*  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works \*  
in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise endures for ever.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able*

**Hymn 457** *Thou art the Way, to thee alone*

Tune: St. James

Words: George Washington Doane; Music: Raphael Courtville



*Alleluia sung first by the cantor then repeated by the Congregation*



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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

### The Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

### Sermon

The Reverend Lois Keen

### The Nicene Creed

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### Prayers of the People

Response: Hear our prayer.

### A Prayer for Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N. as she begins another year. Grant that she may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen her trust in your goodness all the days of her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### A Prayer for Anniversaries

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom

and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

People: **Amen**

## **Confession of Sin**

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*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.*

## **The Peace**

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

People: **And also with you.**

# **The Holy Communion**

## **Offertory Anthem**

*Lead Me, Lord*

S. S. Wesley

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.*

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*For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

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*At the Offertory as the Table is set, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically, through the bread and wine, hymn sung by the congregation, and the money and gifts we give. You are invited to give as you feel called, either by placing your offering in the plate as it is passed around or by going to our website, [www.trinity-torrington.org/donate](http://www.trinity-torrington.org/donate).*

## **Presentation Hymn 333**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

**Enriching Our Worship 3**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

*The presider continues:*

All thanks and praise are yours... And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

### Holy, holy, holy Lord S-130

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of 16 measures. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes". The score features various musical notations including eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and rests, with lyrics placed below the corresponding notes.

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in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Presider continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all... and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Presider and People:** Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

*The Presider continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts... Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**Presider and People:** Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

# Fraction Anthem S-164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.





## Communion of the People

### Communion Music

Tim Wallace

### The Postcommunion Prayer

### Enriching Our Worship

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

## Parish Announcements

## Blessing

### Closing Hymn 493 *O for a thousand tongues to sing*

Tune: *Azmon*

Words: Charles Wesley: Music: Carl Gotthilf Glaser

## Dismissal

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### Choral Benediction

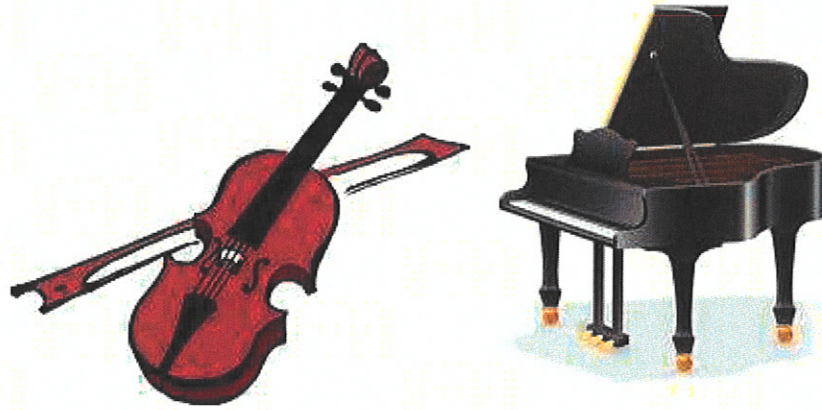
*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter Lutkin

*The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace, the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, be gracious, The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen*

# **"THE PASSION OF MERCY"**

## **VIOLIN AND PIANO CONCERT**



On Sunday, Feb. 4 at 5pm at Trinity Church in Torrington, there will be another special collaborative concert with Ameen Mokdad and Timothy Alexandre Wallace. This is the 2nd concert in a series with these musicians performing the second part of a trilogy called "The Book".

Ameen is originally from Iraq and is a very talented and gifted violinist, singer and composer. Some of the music will have an Arabic flavor and some will be classical favorites, along with some surprise improvisational elements. This concert will be as unique as the first one and an inspiring, thought-provoking experience not to be missed.

There is a suggested donation of \$15.



# Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Tuesday, Feb 13  
6:30pm

In the Parish Hall

To volunteer, reach out to Jenn Smith:

[Jennif.wasg@gmail.com](mailto:Jennif.wasg@gmail.com)

240-577-0947

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Mission Statement:

“We are an inclusive and accepting downtown community, welcoming all to join us on our journey to seek and share God’s abundant love through worship, the arts, and service in our community.”

## Sunday Worship at 9:00 AM:

Holy Eucharist 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

Morning Prayer 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

## Trinity Staff:

The Reverend Carrie Combs, Priest in Charge

Timothy Wallace, Music Director

Michael Kalinin, Organ Scholar

Ms. Melanie Lay, Administrative Assistant, Bookkeeper

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