Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 17, 2021

9:30 am

The Reverend Kevin M. Cross, Rector
GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!
“I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord” Psalm 122:1

Holy Eucharist Rite II

"The prelude begins our service. Once it begins, please take a moment for silent prayer/meditation so that we enter into our worship with quieted, prayerful minds. Thank you."

Prelude

Here I Am Lord

Opening Hymn

O God You Search Me

Dan Schutte
Bernadette Farrell

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The Word of God

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. AMEN

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Scripture

First Lesson 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then
the LORD called, “Samuel! Samuel!” and he said, “Here I am!” and ran to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 139:1-2, 12-17

1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *and are acquainted with all my ways.
3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
4 You press upon me behind and before *and lay your hand upon me.
5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *you knit me together in my mother's womb.
13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
14 My body was not hidden from you, *while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; *they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *how great is the sum of them!
17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Second Lesson 1Corinthians 6:12-20
“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
Here Am I Lord, I Come To Do Your Will


Gospel John 1:43-51
Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you
under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

_People: Praise to you, Lord Christ_

_Gospel Acclamation_  

_Alleluia No. VI_

[Music notation]

_R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia._

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_Sermon_  

_Rev. Kevin Cross_

_Nicene Creed_

_We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped 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 for Epiphany

Shine in your church, O God; embolden us, in a dark world, to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love. This day and always, Christ, be our Light.

Shine on your world, O God; heal the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth to give us peace at last. This day and always, Christ, be our Light.

Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family who clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice. This day and always, Christ, be our Light.

Shine on our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep in our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you. This day and always, Christ be our Light.

Shine for the afflicted, O God; remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows, sharing our prayers for:

Joel  
Berry Passano  
John Weitzel  
Betty Jo Mackert  
Barbara & Jack Inserra  
Shirley Deeley  
Father Kevin Cross  
Gary and Lisa Strang  
Diane Wilson

Nancy Wooten  
George  
Enzo De Masi  
Les  
Joe  
Lisa Webb  
Rory Hamel  
Chris Gilson  
Pat Hervey

Tom Mulvihill  
Pemmy Noble  
Mike Landau  
Michelle Davis  
Kenneth Dial  
John Perkins  
Eric Neustadt  
Musa Abed

Are there any others? You may name them now aloud or silently in your heart…
This day and always, Christ be our Light.

Shine in the saints and departed, Clint Clubb. O God; teach us to follow their lead to outrageous faith and eternal love. Are there any others? You may name them now aloud or silently … This day and always, Christ be our Light.

We will now take a moment for private prayer …
Celebrant

Shine, O God, as the Light that creates, the Light that calls, the Light that comes again with every dawn. Shine as the Light that scatters every shadow, and the Light in which we promise to walk, with your help. AMEN.

The Altar Flowers are given by Michelle & Cameron Mactavish in Loving Memory of Her Parents, Marie Louise and William M. Barnes

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Presider: All things come from Thee O Lord.
People: And of thy own we have given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.

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

Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

Presider: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People: Therefore let us keep the feast.*

**Communion**

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*
Let us pray.

_Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. AMEN._

Birthdays
George Passano, 90 years young 1/16/21

Anniversaries

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<td>O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant ____ as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. <em>Amen.</em></td>
<td>Gracious God, Father of all we give thanks for another year of lives shared in human love and in your love that never fails. Bless this couple in all that is yet to come, confirming and strengthening them in the vows which they have made to one another in your name. Bless all who have shared the delight of this married life and been enriched by its mutual love. As they rejoice on this anniversary, give them grace to continue in support and prayer and to find in this family a sign of the family of all Christian people united in fellowship and love. <em>Amen.</em></td>
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_Happy Birthday to you,
Remember Jesus loves you
He made you so special
Happy Birthday to you!_

We would like to pray for you. We invite you to email office@holytrinityoxfordmd.org with the date of your birthday or anniversary.

Blessing
Sending Forth
Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. _Thanks be to God._

Postlude
_Lift Every Voice and Sing_  
J. Rosamond Johnson
PLEDGE ENVELOPES – PARISH HALL ENTRYWAY

If you indicated that you wanted envelopes for your pledge offering or you plan to contribute every week, you should find envelopes outside the parish hall with your name on the box. If not there and you want envelopes, please let Connie know.

Pledges: We have all changed our daily routines in an effort to guard against the potential harm from the COVID-19 virus. Frequently washing our hands, traveling less, and social distancing are all part of the new normal for daily life. Unfortunately, we continue to incur most of our monthly expenses at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Your effort to continue your generous pledging routines will help us meet our continuing financial obligations. Thank you for your consideration. Holy Trinity, POB 387, Oxford, MD 21654. David Wangsness

Sunday Services

Sunday Services at 9:30 am are broadcast only.

Service Broadcasts:

go to our web page www.holytrinityoxfordmd.org. Download a copy of the bulletin and click on the blue button in the bottom right corner.

Morning Prayer - Tuesdays at 8:30 am using Zoom technology

A template for Morning Prayer can be downloaded at https://files.constantcontact.com/777ce2b0301/d5fdd394-ab87-4371-8e90-b5c741e5282c.pdf

For meetings Morning Prayer, and other activities using Zoom, go may go to our web site: www.holytrinityoxfordmd.org and click on the green service button
Worship Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays on lawn weathering permitting or broadcast at 9:30 am; Morning Prayer Tuesdays at 8:30 am via Zoom

This Week at Church of the Holy Trinity

Monday – January 18
6:00 pm – Men’s Bible Study via Zoom

Tuesday – January 19
8:30 am – Morning Prayer via Zoom
6:00 pm – Epiphany Book Discussion Group via Zoom

Wednesday – January 20

Friday – January 22
OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday – January 23

Sunday – January 24
9:30 am – Holy Eucharist by Broadcast

Thursday – January 21

Vestry Members

Gordon Fronk, Senior Warden
Tot O’Mara, Deputy Sr. Warden

David Wangsness & Susan Segal, Co- Treasurers

Bill Ritchie & Michelle Mactavish, Co-Junior Wardens

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Kathy Becker
Loretta Blume

Ed Delaney
Suzanne Fischer
Susie Segal

Al Smith – Emeritus
Tot O’Mara
Van Holston
Michelle MacTavish

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

9:30 am

Worship Leaders

Deacon
Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb

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Barbara Cross

Acolyte
Barbara Cross

Usher

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Thomas DeMarco, MD and Susan Delean-Botkin, CPNP