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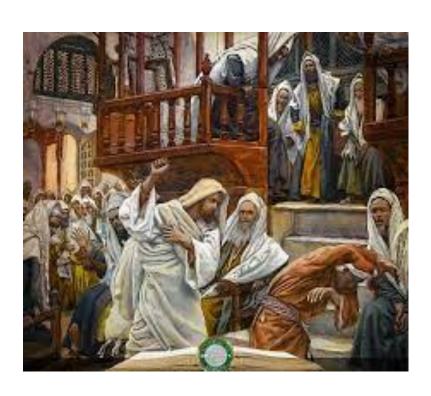
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The Fourth Sunday After The Epiphany

January 28, 2024

8:00 & 10:00 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
"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."

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

Aria F. Peters

Welcome

Processional Hymn

All Creatures of Our God & King

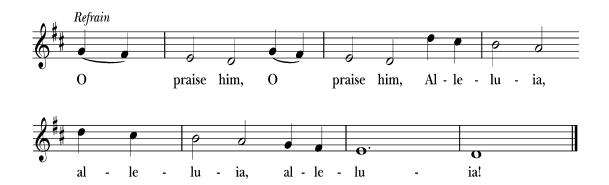


- 1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic es, let us
- *2 Great rush ing winds and breez es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
- *3 Swift flow ing wa ter, pure and clear, make mu sic for your Lord to





- 1 sun with gold en beams, pale sil ver moon that gen tly gleams,
- 2 morn, with praise re joice, stars night ly shin ing, find a voice,
- <u>3</u> tense and fierce-ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,



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The Word of God

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

People And blessed be God's 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.







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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Scripture

First Lesson

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."

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 111

- 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 Lesson

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

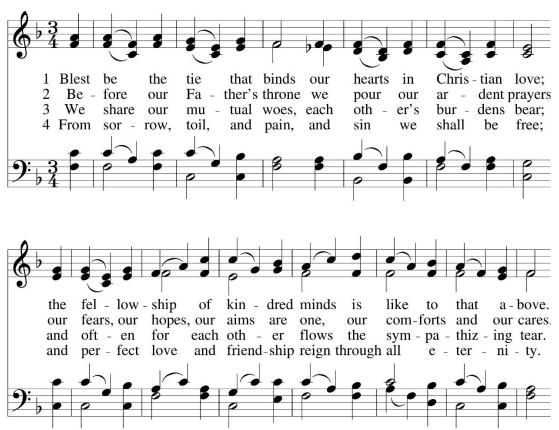
will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

Blest Be The Tie That Binds



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Gospel Mark 1:21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark *People: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

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.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

Reverend Dr. Lisa Webb

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.

Litany of Healing

Lord Jesus, you healed all who came to you in faith and sent forth your disciples to preach the Gospel and heal the sick: *We praise and thank you, O God.*

God of grace, you nurture us with a love deeper than we know, and your will for us is healing and salvation; *We praise and thank you*, *O God*.

God of love, you enter into our lives, our pain and our brokenness, and you stretch out your healing hands to us wherever we are; *We praise and thank you*, *O God*.

Touch and heal our hearts burdened by anguish, despair and isolation, and set us free through your love; *Hear us, and make us whole.*

Sustain those who face illness, bearing them up on the wings of faith and courage; *Hear us, and make us whole.*

We pray for those in need of healing this day:

Joel	Tom	Pat Hervey
Deborah Barbour	Ritzi Miller	Dane Anderson
Elaine Cox	George Curlin	Peter Rohman
Marilyn Howell	Steve Blumberg	Will Straub
Mary Ann Hensinger	Lynn Anstatt	Mike McConnel
Barbara Sheridan	Larry Fitch	Didier LeConte
David Strandburg	Mary Holston	Barbara Cross
Brendan Fuller	Peg Keller	Bishop Curry
Sarah Kadish	Rich Wagner	
Tim Wilson	Bill Korab	

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart.(pause)... *Lord, hear our prayer*

Give your wisdom in ample measure to doctors and nurses, that with knowledge, skill, and patience they may minister to the sick; *Hear us, and make us whole*.

Break the bonds of our imprisonment to fear, compulsion, and addiction; *Hear us, and make us whole*.

Give us liberty from old hurts and painful memories; *Come with your healing power, O God.*

Fill us with peace in our grief from separation and loss.

We remember those who have passed on to eternal life, *Kate Carraher*, *Doris Schwaninger and Mike Boyle*.

We also remember in our prayer those in our military who have fallen, *Special Warfare Operator* 1st *Class Christopher J. Chambers and Special Warfare Operator* 2nd *Class Nathan Gage Ingram.* We pray for comfort and solace for their families. *Come with your healing power, O God.*

God of Strength, you fill us with your presence and send us forth in love and healing among those we meet; *We praise* and thank you, O God.

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people in war torn areas of the world. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow that your Spirit of comfort will draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you will hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace. *Christ be our Light*.

We will now take a moment for private prayer ...

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 Loretta Blume In Loving Memory of Her Husband Marshall

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, have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ and strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen*.

Peace

Presider: The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Pues Si Vivimos

Arr. C. Callahan

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 thine own we have given Thee.

Deacon's Mass

In Silence, the Deacon places The Blessed Sacrament upon the Altar

The Deacon then says

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." John 6:35

Jesus said, "Abide in me, as I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love." John 15: 4-5a, 8-9

The Deacon continues:

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Let us pray in the words our Savior Christ

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia*

The gifts of God are for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe 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, I reaffirm your presence in my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Communion.

Peace to the Weary

J. M. Stevens

Post Communion Prayer

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.

Thank you John and Susie Dillon for hosting Fellowship hour.

Birthdays

Elizabeth Hobbs, 1/23 Will Straub, 1/26 Ritzi Miller 1/27 Maxine Millar, 1/29 Ray Munsch, 1/30

Anniversaries

Birthday Blessing

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. Amen.

Happy Birthday to you,
Remember Jesus
loves you
He made you so special
Happy Birthday to you!

Anniversary Blessing

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 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. Amen

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

Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Trust and Obey



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Sending Forth

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Worship Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:00 am First Sunday of the month 9:30 am

This Week at Church of the Holy Trinity

Monday - January 29	Friday - February 2	
5:00 pm - Men's Inquiring Believers	OFFICE CLOSED	
Tuesday – January 30	Saturday – February 3	
	OFFICE CLOSED	
Wednesday - January 31	Sunday - February 4	
	9:30 am – Holy Eucharist	
Thursday - February 1	10:30 am - Empty Bowls Painting	
9:30 am – Office Angels	Party	

Vestry Members

Tot O'Mara, Senior Warden	Connie Greenhawk,	Margaret Munsch,
	Secretary	Registrar
David Wangsness & Susan Segal, Co- Treasurers	Bill Ritchie & Michelle Mactavish, Co-Junior Wardens	Gordon Fronk – Immediate Past Sr. Warden
Gerry Cooper	John Dillon	Karen Walbridge
Ginny Wagner	Margot McConnel	Lee Phillips
Martha Callahan	Tom DeMarco	Susan Grauel

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

Worship Leaders	8:00 am	10:00 am
Deacon	Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb	Rev. Dr. Lisa Webb
Reader	Michelle Mactavish	Bill Ritchie
Acolyte	Steve Weissenberger	Mickey Terrone
Usher	Earl Segal	Trish Malin
Vestry Greeter	Suze Segal	John Dillon
Altar Guild	Ginny Wagner, Midge Menzies, Heather Pusey, Meg	
	van den Berg	

A major step we have taken for safety in the Church and Parish Hall Buildings is the installation of an air handling system, the Remo-Halo, which is a new and advanced air treatment purification system. The CDC recommends this type of Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation as one of the most effective technologies to minimize the spread of airborne microorganisms. This system has been proven to be very effective in killing the coronavirus as well as flu and cold viruses. The air is fully exchanged 6 times per hour.

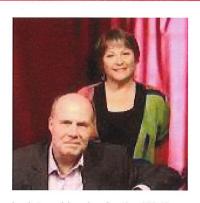
Robert Redd & Sue Matthews present "Ellington and Ella"

Sunday, January 28th at 3 pm at The Church of the Holy Trinity

Robert Redd and Sue Matthews in concert

Please join us for a concert with Robert Redd, pianist, and Sue Matthews, vocalist. They will present a jazz concert featuring the music of Duke Ellington. Ella Fitzgerald's musical association with Duke Ellington will be a highlight of this concert.

Robert is a current member with The Duke Ellington Orchestra, performing throughout the U.S. and abroad. He was a member of the late



Keter Betts trio for 13 years and continues to be pianist and leader for the Wolf Trap Jazz Trio which was started by Betts'. From 1995-1998, Robert was pianist and musical director for singer/songwriter Kenny Rankin. He performs often with the Smithsonian Jazz Masterworks Orchestra and worked frequently as a member of the Charlie Byrd Trio, and appears on Charlie's last recording, "For Louis". He is a featured artist every year at the W.C. Handy Music Festival in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. Robert is also a member of the Brooks Tegler Trio, which performs every Sunday evening at The Irish Inn in Glen Echo, Md., one of the longest running jazz gigs in the Washington D.C. area. He has performed with John Pizzarelli, Houston Persons, Melba Moore, James Moody, Oscar Castro-Nevis, Warren Vache, Harry James Band and the Artie Shaw Band, to name a few.

Sue Matthews, truly one of the great vocalists of our time, has enjoyed performing in top jazz clubs, concert halls and music festivals both stateside and abroad. Her silky smooth croon and infectious vitality have entertained audiences around the world: Calgary Philharmonic, Annapolis Symphony, Tampa Symphony and NYC's Town Hall; for Sofitel, performances in Amsterdam, Holland and Buenos Aires, Argentina; a 'FlyOn' Entertainer for the Carnival Cruise Lines; T.V. appearances; National and International Music Festivals, ie: Clifden Artsweek in County Galway, Ireland, The Saluzzo Music Festival, Italy, The Rehoboth Jazz Festival in Rehoboth, DE, The Chestertown Jazz Festival, The Berks Jazz Festival, in Reading, PA, The W.C. Handy Festival in Florence, Alabama; Artist In Residence for the Augusta Festival in West Virginia.

A free will offering will be accepted at the door.