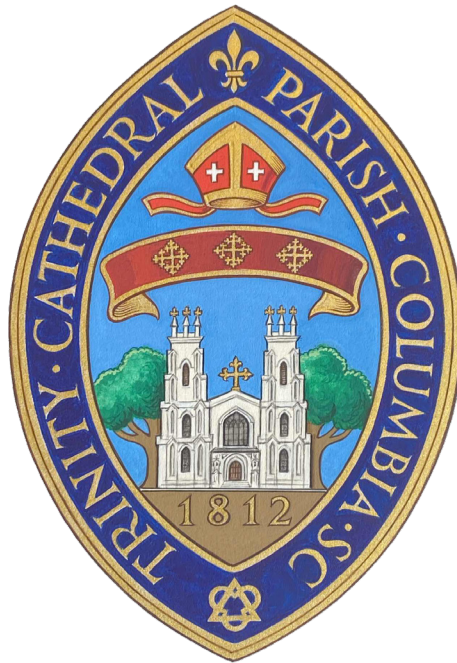


TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



THE FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 - 4:00PM

FESTAL EVENSONG

Why do you come to Church? What draws you here? What keeps you here? Or, to put it a little more pointedly...why should anyone bother with all of this?

Different people will answer those questions in very different ways. For some, it's all about the soul-stirring music, the soaring architecture, and the (usually) inspiring words of the preacher. For others, it's about the deep fellowship stretching back generations and across this whole community. For others, it's about learning and growing in the Word of the Lord and the wisdom of the ages, broadening minds and deepening faith. For others, it's about raising up little ones in the way they should go, trusting that when they are old they shall not depart from it. For still others, it's about service to folks who are suffering and struggling, who have been forgotten by the world and left behind by our consumerist culture, and who have no place to turn for hope but to the people who dare to call themselves the People of God.

I know faithful, committed members of Trinity who fit each of those answers. Indeed, I know many people who fit into many different answers at once. So which one is the right one?

Here's the truth: they all are, together! We simply cannot separate what we do in worship on Sunday mornings and through each week from the fellowship that we share on Wednesday nights and in all our special events from the astonishingly beautiful music offered by our choirs from the profound faith formation happening here for all ages from the deep care and service that we render both to members of Trinity in crisis and to our brothers and sisters in need. It's all one! Though each of us might feel particularly passionate about a specific aspect of our life together, the truth is that all of our common ministries are what make coming to Church meaningful, powerful, and transformative for ourselves and for our world.

This fall, we are taking time to highlight a unique ministry area each week in our Sunday services. I hope you will learn about an element of Trinity's rich life that is new and exciting for you. I hope you will be renewed in the deep connections that draw you back here, week after week. And I hope you will find yet more reasons to give more of yourself—your soul and body, your time, your talent, and your treasure—to what God is doing in this place by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome to Trinity Cathedral. We are glad that you are here!

The Very Reverend Dane E. Boston, Dean of Trinity Cathedral

FESTAL EVENSONG

Please maintain a reverent silence before the service

The setting of the Preces & Responses is by John Barnard (b. 1948)

The setting of the Canticles is by Charles Stanford (1852-1924)

VOLUNTARY: Les anges, from *La Nativité* Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Hymn 282 “Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels” *Caelites plaudant*

THE INVITATORY (*sung by the Officiant and Choir*)

∞ O Lord, open thou our lips.

℞ And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

∞ O God, make speed to save us.

℞ O Lord, make haste to help us.

∞ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

℞ As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;
world without end. Amen.

∞ Praise ye the Lord.

℞ The Lord’s Name be praised.

GREETING

THE PSALM APPOINTED

The people sit for the singing of the Psalm and stand at the Gloria Patri.

Psalm 34

Benedicam Domino

I will always give thanks unto the Lord *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord *
the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me *
and let us magnify his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me *
yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were lightened *
and their faces were not ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him *
yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him *
and delivereth them.

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is *
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints *
for they that fear him lack nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger *
but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me *
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

What man is he that lusteth to live *
and would fain see good days?

Keep thy tongue from evil *
and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

Eschew evil, and do good *
seek peace, and ensue it.

The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous *
and his ears are open unto their prayers.

The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them *
and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart *
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

Great are the troubles of the righteous *
but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

He keepeth all his bones *
so that not one of them is broken.

But misfortune shall slay the ungodly *
and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants *
and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Music: Peter Smith (b. 1952)

THE FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12.1-3

The people stand.

CANTICLE: *Magnificat - The Song of Mary* The Book of Common Prayer, p. 65

The people sit.

THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 5

The people stand.

CANTICLE: *Nunc dimittis - The Song of Simeon* BCP, p. 66

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*said by all*) BCP, p. 66

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS (*sung by the Officiant and Choir*)

∇ The Lord be with you.
℞ And with thy spirit.
∇ Let us pray.
℞ Lord have mercy upon us;
Christ have mercy upon us;
Lord have mercy upon us.

THE SUFFRAGES

- ℣ O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
℞ And grant us thy salvation.
℣ O Lord, save the State.
℞ And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
℣ Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
℞ And make thy chosen people joyful.
℣ O Lord, save thy people.
℞ And bless thine inheritance.
℣ Give peace in our time, O Lord.
℞ Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.
℣ O God, make clean our hearts within us.
℞ And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

The people sit.

THE ANTHEM

Blest pair of Sirens, pledges of Heav'n's joy,
Sphere-born harmonious sisters, Voice and Verse,
Wed your divine sounds, and mixed pow'r employ,
Dead things with inbreathed sense able to pierce;
And to our high-raised phantasy present
That undisturbed song of pure content,
Aye sung before the sapphire-coloured throne
To Him that sits thereon,
With saintly shout, and solemn jubilee,
Where the bright Seraphim in burning row
Their loud uplifted angel-trumpets blow,
And the Cherubic host in thousand quires
Touch their immortal harps of golden wires,
With those just Spirits that wear victorious palms,
Hymns devout and holy psalms
Singing everlastingly:
That we on earth with undiscording voice

May rightly answer that melodious noise;
As once we did, till disproportioned sin
Jarred against nature's chime, and with harsh din
Broke the fair music that all creatures made
To their great Lord, whose love their motion swayed
In perfect diapason, whilst they stood
In first obedience, and their state of good.
O may we soon again renew that song,
And keep in tune with Heav'n, till God ere long
To His celestial concert us unite,
To live with Him, and sing in endless morn of light.

Words: John Milton (1606-1674)
Music: Hubert Parry (1848-1918)

The people stand.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (*said by all*)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A BLESSING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS AND AN ACT OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE FALLEN

All first responders present remain standing, and the people are seated. All join in saying the following versicles and responses.

∇ O Lord, arise, help us;

℞ And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

∇ O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

℞ O Lord, arise, help us;

And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

∇ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

℞ O Lord, arise, help us;

And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

∇ From our enemies defend us, O Christ;

℞ Graciously behold our afflictions.

∇ With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;

℞ Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

∇ Favorably with mercy hear our prayers;

℞ O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

∇ Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;

℞ Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

The Bishop continues

Let us pray.

O Lord God Almighty, giver of every good and gracious gift, ruler of the hosts of heaven, and guardian of thy people: in communion with Saint Michael the Archangel and all thy holy angels we place under thy fatherly care and protection the first responders who care for and protect thy people in need.

Watch over the men and women who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when they are weary, hope when they are despairing, and compassion in all that they do. When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and stranger, let them faithfully serve thee in their neighbors. When the trying times come and they feel overwhelmed by the numbers of the suffering, uphold them in their fatigue. When the moment of crisis has passed but their work continues, give them endurance and fortitude to finish the job. And when at last the calm and quiet is restored, give them rest, and assurance of the value of their service, and thy peace which passeth all understanding.

We ask this, and thy solemn blessing upon them, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

And now, Father, mindful of our sisters and brothers who have fallen in the line of duty, we recall before you all those first responders who have finished their course in thy faith and fear.

A moment of silence is kept.

O Lord, in whose hands are the living and the dead: We give thee thanks for all thy servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our community. Grant to them thy mercy and the light of thy presence; and give us such a lively sense of thy righteous will, that the work which thou hast begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn 618 “Ye watchers and ye holy ones”

Lasst uns erfreuen

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Officiant concludes with the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL (*sung by the Officiant and choir*)

☩ The Lord be with you.

℞ And with thy spirit.

☩ Let us bless the Lord.

℞ Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150

Benedicam Domino

O praise God in his holiness *
praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts *
praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet *
praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances *
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals *
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath *
praise the Lord.

Music: George Talbot (1875-1918)

VOLUNTARY: Flourish for an Occasion

William Harris (1883-1973)

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