

# The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

## The Seventh Sunday *after* The Epiphany

11:00 am  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II



February 23, 2025

# What's Happening This Week:

*Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, February 23	9:30 a.m.	Adult Education	Church
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - <i>The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany</i>	Church
	12:00 p.m.	Refreshments	Church
	4:00 p.m.	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Monday, February 24	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
Tuesday, February 25	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	3:00 p.m.	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Wednesday, February 26	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Education Class	Church
Thursday, February 27	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	12:15 p.m.	Healing Prayer Service	Prayer Corner
Sunday, March 2	9:30 am	Adult Education	Church
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - <i>Last Sunday After Epiphany</i>	Church
	12:00 pm	Refreshments	Church
	12:30 pm	Youth Confirmation Class	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor PH Library
	4:00 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room

## TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Thomas Lipscomb & Mark Ritter, *Lectors*

Joshua Karstendick, *Intercessor*

Amy Perkins, *Acolyte*

Marshall McMain, *Ushers*

Boyden Gardner, *Streaming*

Andy Gutknecht, *Welcome Table*

Wesley Parrott, *Assisting Organist*

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**Save the Date: Pancake Supper March 4, 2025 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

# WELCOME

## WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU ARE HERE!

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you!

## OUR VIVID VISION

*This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.*

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going - staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshipers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

## CORE VALUES

### INCLUSION/WELCOME

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

### INNOVATION

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

### COLLABORATION

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

### COMMUNITY MINDEDNESS

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

## CULTURE

### JOYFUL

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

### FEARLESS

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

### EMBRACING

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

### ENGAGED

Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

## Entrance Hymn 391

Winchester New

1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye  
 2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed  
 3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our  
 4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high  
 5 Wide as the world is thy com - mand, vast

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is  
 2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering  
 3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors  
 4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten  
 5 as e - ter - ni - ty thy love; firm as a rock thy

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.  
 2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.  
 3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?  
 4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.  
 5 truth must stand, when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

## Opening Acclamation

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

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom now and for ever. Amen

## Collect for Purity

*Presider* 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.

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.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*Please be seated for the readings.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

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**First Lesson: Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

*Thomas Lipscomb*

*Reader* A reading from Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life.

For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest.

God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay.

You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have.

I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

## Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 *Noli aemulari*

The antiphon is sung once by the choir and then by all. The choir sings the verses, the congregation joining on the verses in bold. All sing the antiphon as indicated.



The low-ly shall po - sess the land; they will de-light in a - bun-dance of peace.

Chant: St. Anne



1 Do not fret yourself because of | evil | doers; \*  
do not be | jealous • of | those who • do | wrong.

2 For they shall soon | wither • like the | grass, \*  
and like the | green grass | fade a|way.

3 Put your trust in the | Lord and • do | good; \*  
dwell in the | land and | feed on • its | riches.

4 Take de|light in • the | Lord, \*  
and he shall | give you • your | heart's de|sire.

### Antiphon

5 Commit your way to the Lord and | put your | trust in him, \*  
and | he will | bring it • to | pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as | clear as • the | light \*  
and your just | dealing | as the | noonday.

7 Be still be|fore the | Lord \*  
and | wait | patient • ly | for him.

8 Do not fret yourself over the | one who | prospers, \*  
the one who suc|ceeds in | evil | schemes.

### Antiphon



9 Refrain from anger, leave | rage a|lone; \*  
do not fret yourself; it | *leads* | only • to | evil.

10 For evildoers | shall be • cut | off, \*  
but those who wait upon the | Lord • shall pos|sess the | land.

11 In a little while the wicked | shall be • no | more; \*  
you shall search out their place, but | they will | not be | there.

12 But the lowly shall pos|sess the | land; \*  
they will de|light • in a|bundance • of | peace.

41 But the deliverance of the righteous | comes from • the | Lord; \*  
he is their | stronghold • in | time of | trouble.

42 The Lord will | help them • and | rescue them; \*  
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,  
be|cause they • seek | refuge • in | him.

### Antiphon

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50

*Mark Ritter*

*Reader* A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Sequence Hymn 445

Gerontius

1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the  
2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was  
3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in  
4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and  
5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the

1 depth be praise; in all his words most  
2 sin and shame, a sec - ond Ad - am  
3 Ad - am fail, should strive a - fresh a -  
4 blood re - fine: God's pres - ence and his  
5 depth be praise; in all his words most

1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!  
2 to the fight and to the res - cue came.  
3 gainst the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail;  
4 ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.  
5 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

**The Gospel: Luke 6:27-38**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*At the conclusion of the Gospel procession, please be seated.*

**The Sermon**

*The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner*

*After a period of silence, please rise in body or in spirit.*

## The Nicene Creed

*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.

## The Prayers of the People, Form III

*Joshua Karstendick*

*Leader* God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People* That we all may be one.

*Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* That your Name may be glorified by all people.

*Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

*Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

*Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* That our works may find favor in your sight.

*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Angel, Rosemary, Chelbie, Tracey, Jesssica, John, Barbara, Matthew, Paul, Shelby, Anthony, Christina, Lydia, Cari, Diana, Bob, Angel, Rosemary, Karen, Phil, George, Clare, Mark, Halley, Barb, Michael, Chelbie, Edelon, and Grace.

*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom**

*Presider* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **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**

*Presider* 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 Peace**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*As we prepare to move to the Holy Communion, we invite you to share the Peace of Christ with your neighbor.*

### **Welcome, Parish Notices & Celebration Blessings**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Sentence

*Presider* Merciful God, who calls us to love beyond measure, we offer these gifts as a sign of our commitment to your teachings. Help us love our enemies, do good to those who hate us, and bless those who curse us. May our offerings bring healing and hope, reflecting your boundless grace in our community. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.** *Luke 6:27-38*

## Anthem

O God My King

John Amner

*O God my King, I will magnify thee and praise thy name forever and ever.  
Great is the Lord and marvelous worthy to be praised: there is no end of his greatness.  
The Lord is gracious and merciful, long suffering, and of great goodness.  
My mouth shall speak the praises of the Lord:  
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name forever and ever. Amen.*

*All rise in body or in spirit*

## Offertory Hymn 390

*Lobe den Herren*

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*All* We remember his death,  
 We proclaim his resurrection,  
 We await his coming in glory.



*Celebrant* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.

*All* AMEN.

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*All* 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** *A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem S-155

Gerald Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please be seated.

## Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and go to the altar rail to receive. You can receive bread and/or wine, depending on your preference. If you wish to receive the wine, you can retain your wafer and dip it in the cup or drink directly from the cup. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher).

## Communion Anthem

The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

William Harris

*The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.*

*Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all things living with plenteousness.*

*The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.*

*The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea all such as call upon him faithfully.*

*He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry and will help them.*

*The Lord preserveth all them that love him.*

## Communion Hymn LEVAS 176

1. If I have wound - ed an - y soul to - day,  
2. If I have ut - tered i - dle words or vain,  
3. If I have been per - verse, or hard, or cold,  
4. For - give the sins I have con - fessed to thee;

1. If I have caused one foot to go a - stray,  
2. If I have turned a - side from want or pain,  
3. If I have longed for shel - ter in the fold,  
4. For - give the se - cret sins I do not see;

1. If I have walked in my own will - ful way,  
 2. Lest I of - fend some oth - er through the strain,  
 3. When thou hast giv - en me some fort to hold,  
 4. O guide me, love me, and my keep - er be.

1. 2. 3. D.C. 4.  
 Dear Lord, for - give (for-give)! A - men (A-men).

Words: C. M. Battersby. Music: Charles Gabriel (1856-1932).

*Please rise in body or in spirit*

### Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior 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.

### Blessing

*Celebrant* The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you now and always. Amen.

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's  
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we  
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our  
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion  
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.  
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

## Dismissal

*Presider* Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit.

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

## Postlude

*Preludium in g minor, BuxWV 149*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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**Healing Prayer** – *all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to join a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.*

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## About this service...

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**Service:** Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

**Children** are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the “Pew Pen” in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

**Restrooms** are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men’s room is straight ahead, women’s to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

**Offering:** Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT DONATE to 73256** or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give regularly with REALM ([www.htrit.org/give](http://www.htrit.org/give)).



**Communion:** All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

*Save the Date for Shrove Tuesday!*

**March 4, 2025**

**6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

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## **Open Hearts Café Winter Coat Drive**

Got any winter jackets or coats you don't wear anymore? Donate them to Open Hearts today! To help our guests face the coming winter days, Open Hearts Café has begun a winter coat drive. Please bring any winter coats you'd like to donate to the church between Mondays and Thursdays, from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.

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*Mark your calendars....*



### **LENTEN MUSIC MEDITATIONS**

**Wednesdays, 12:15-12:45**

**March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9**

### **CHORAL EVENSONG**

*Palestrina 500 with organist Salvatore Pronesti*

**Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:00pm**

### **MÖLLER OPUS 8128 - DEDICATORY RECITAL**

*Alan Morrison, Organist*

**Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**3:00pm**



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### **Adult Education – 9:30 am Sundays**

February 23 – The Creeds

March 2 – The Bible

March 9 – Salvation & Grace

March 16 – Prayer

### **Adult Education – 7:00 pm Wednesdays**

February 26 – Daily Prayer

March 5 – Church Calendar & Seasons

March 9 – Holy Week & Easter

March 16 – Burial

### **Church of the Holy Trinity Staff**

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner, *Rector*

The Rev. John Gardner, *Rector*

Robbin McCarthy, *Deacon-in-Training*

Benjamin Leiby, *Interim Organist-Choirmaster*

Robyn Schnieders, *Director of Administration & Operations*

Inaara Neal-Shiraz, *Director of Development & Communications*

Karen Majer, *Rentals & House Manager*

Demetrius Swinson, *Assistant to the Director of Operations*

Therese Tiger, Molly Hebert-Wilson, *Reception Team*

Nabayah Parker, *Child Care Worker*

Boyden & Connor Gardner, *Streaming Services*

Dr. Stephen Framil, *Musician-in-Residence*

Dr. John French, *Organist-Choirmaster emeritus*

### **The Choir of Holy Trinity**

Gail Caruso, Patricia Conrad, Stephanie DeMane, Will Dowling, Franny Geller, Andrew Gutknecht, Thomas Kneeland, Alex Mathews, John Miles, Mike O'Bryan, Aimee Pilgermayer, Eddie Rubeiz, Erica Rose Smith, Julianna Smith, and Amanda Staub

### **Church of the Holy Trinity, Vestry**

Brian Conroy, Phillip Duffy, Alyssa Force, Monica Heuer, Margaret Hughes, Simson Hui, Susan Leidy, Martha Lipscomb, Greg Maughan, James Otwell, Ali Shott, & Emily Stromberg

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