

Holy Eucharist I

First Sunday after the Epiphany (Year C)

JANUARY 9, 2022

9:00 AM ONLINE SERVICE

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. We are delighted that you are gathered together with us today online. Please follow along with the following order of service.

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

Presider The Rev. John Elliott Lein

Acolyte* James Jones
Lector Peach Warren
Digital Minister Cindi Scrimgeour
Vestry Liaison Lucille Clinkman

Altar Guild Maryellen Yaroshefski & Allison

Kee

"The Eucharist is the entrance of the Church into the joy of its Lord. And to enter into that joy, so as to be a witness to it in the world, is indeed the very calling of the Church, its essential *liturgy* [work of the people/for public benefit], the sacrament by which it 'becomes what it is." — *Protopresbyter Fr. Alexander Schmemann*

The Word of God

The People may stand for praise

OPENING ACCLAMATION

EOW 150

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for

ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 323

All-loving God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love all, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

BCP 324

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

Presider Holy God,

Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

The People may join in reciting

SONG OF PRAISE

People

BCP 324

Glory be to God on high,

and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,

we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

- O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
- O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
- O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

^{*} While Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) distribution is on hold during the pandemic, the Acolyte assists the Presider.

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 184

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

The People may be seated for the readings.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH (43:1-7)

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE SONG APPOINTED FOR TODAY IS PSALM 29

The People will recite as instructed

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, * ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; * worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; * the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; * the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; * the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD * all are crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; * the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The LORD shall give strength to his people; * the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

A READING FROM LUKE'S SECOND VOLUME, THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (8:14-17)

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The People may stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE (3:15-17, 21-22)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy

Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY THE REV. JOHN ELLIOTT LEIN

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

The People may stand for recitation of this historic Pledge, continuing the journey in the tradition of our forebearers.

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

The People may stand or kneel for the prayers and respond to each petition as instructed

In peace let us pray, saying "Hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the holy assemblies, and for the unity of all, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For our bishops, priests, deacons, laity, and all living beings, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For the leaders of peoples and those with responsibility, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For our townships and all communities, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For the good earth which has been given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and refugees, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For deliverance from all affliction, strife, and poverty, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

For all who have departed this life, let us pray.

Hear our prayer.

All join together in the closing prayer

God of mercy, you have given us grace to pray with one heart and one voice; and have promised to hear the prayers of two or three who gather in your name;

Fulfill now, we pray, the prayers and longings of your people as may be best for us all, and grant us the experience of earthly love and the unveiling of divine union. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept. Then All pray:

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Presider gives the 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*.

THE PEACE

The People may stand. The Presider says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *And with thy spirit.*

The Minister and People exchange the Peace.

Please refrain from physical contact.



"...the purpose of Eucharist is not to change bread and wine, but to change you and me: through baptism and eucharist it is we who are to become Christ for one another, and a sign to the world that is yet to hear his name. That is what Christian liturgy is all about, because that is what Christianity is all about."

— Archmandrite Fr. Robert Taft, S.J.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer II, BCP p. 340

OFFERTORY SENTENCE



All offerings are taken in the collection plate in the rear of the nave.

THE SURSUM CORDA

The Presider invites the People to "Thanksgiving" (Eucharist)

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy Lord of hosts:
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The People may stand or kneel

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end....

All join strongly together in the People's "AMEN"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All say the Prayer together

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as 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 FRACTION

EOW 169

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

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 336

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION

BCP 364

The Gifts of God 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.

The People may be seated.

THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

BCP **45**7

All are welcome at Christ's Table.

The fullness of the sacrament is received in one element; at this time our bishop has directed us to administer the bread alone. If you are unable to receive the sacrament physically, you may pray the following prayer for spiritual reception of communion:

"I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. *Amen*.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The People may stand or kneel. All pray together

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O

heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEPARTING BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

DISMISSAL

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



UPCOMING PARISH & CHURCH EVENTS

TODAY	1 st Sunday after the Epiphany	
	THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD	
	9:00 am Holy Eucharist I on Zoom	
Jan 12	7:00 pm Contemplative Gathering	
JAN 16	$2^{\scriptscriptstyle{ ext{ND}}}$ Sunday after the Epiphany	
	9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II	
Jan 17	7:00 pm Vestry Meeting on Zoom	
Jan 18	Feast of the Confession of St. Peter, Apostle	
Jan 25	Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- As we wait out the **Omicron wave** of the pandemic, the leadership of the parish has moved all services to 9:00 am online via Zoom through at least January 9th out of an abundance of caution and love for our people. Please wear high-quality masks, avoid gatherings, and get your booster if able. We will give an update this week after evaluating the current state. Stay safe, be blessed!
- Stewardship season is here! During this time of considering our pledges of tithe, time, and talent to Christ's church for 2022, we ask all to contemplate our theme of "Coming Home" to family and faith. Pledge at: trinitychurchmilford.org/2022-pledge
- The **2022 parish annual meeting** is scheduled for February 6th. More details to come soon.
- The **Community Dinner** program provided gift certificates for 80 adults and 20 children to eat at Johnny Jack's this past Christmas Day, thanks to your financial support.

EVERY WEEK

SUNDAY 9:00 am Holy Eucharist

on Zoom only through January 9th

Tuesday 6:00 pm Tai Chi in Lane ChapelWednesday 7:00 pm Contemplative Gathering

Thursday 12:00/2:00 pm Volunteers prepare meals

4:00 pm Community Dinner served

Friday 10:00 am Painting Class (Murray Hall)

EVERY MONTH

The Vestry meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 pm via Zoom. All parishioners are welcome.

Luncheon groups of women (JULIETs) and men (ROMEOs) meet monthly at local restaurants.

Youth (8th through 12th grade) meet at 6:30 pm on one Sunday per month for fun, fellowship, and formation.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Community Dinners are prepared and served weekly to all, alternating between restaurant and cooked meals.

Laundry Love provides supplies and quarters; pandemic distribution by police dispatcher Lisa Trusas.

Eyeglass and food donations collected in the side narthex and given to the Lion's Club and Daily Bread.

PARISH OFFICE

We are open 10 am - 2 pm Monday through Thursday. **Father John**, Priest rector@trinitychurchmilford.org **Magee**, Secretary office@trinitychurchmilford.org

THE MINISTERS OF TRINITY ARE THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH

led by

The Right Rev. Doug Fisher, Bishop
The Rev. John Elliott Lein, Rector
Rachel Carpenter, Sunday School Coordinator
Magee Lambert, Secretary, Paul Del Molino, Sexton
Beth Moeller, Sr. Warden, Lisa Ruggiero, Jr. Warden
and the Treasurer, Clerk, and Vestry.

We serve all God's Creation as a local parish of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, part of The Episcopal Church (USA), a member of the global Anglican Communion.