

# Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



## Annual Church Meeting

### Holy Eucharist Rite II

Second Sunday of Christmas  
January 11, 2026 8 & 9:30a.m.

*(The Lines in bold italics are spoken by the people.)*

We are all guests at the Lord's Table. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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**Processional Hymn 128 "We 3 Kings" (vs. 1-4)**

**1. We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.**

CHORUS:

**O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;  
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!**

**2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.**

CHORUS

**3. Frankincense to offer have I: incense owns a Deity nigh;  
prayer and praising, gladly raising, worship him, God Most High.**

CHORUS

**4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.**

CHORUS

**5. Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;  
heaven sings alleluia: alleluia the earth replies. CHORUS**

**The Word of God**

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**Celebrant**   Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

**Collect for Purity**

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**

Celebrant

Praying together:

*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.

**The Collect of the Day**

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Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed 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 you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***



**The Lessons:** (we sit)

**First Reading:** Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the

street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

**Second Reading**    Psalm 29                      BCP p.620

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*

***ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.***

2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*

***worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.***

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; \*

***the LORD is upon the mighty waters.***

4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*

***the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.***

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*

***the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;***

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*

***and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.***

7 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.***

8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*

***and strips the forests bare.***

9 And in the temple of the LORD \*

***all are crying, "Glory!"***

10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*

***the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.***

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*

***the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.***

## The Epistle:

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the

people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*(We all stand)*

*Deacon*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

**The Gospel**      Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

*Deacon*      The Gospel of the Lord.

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



**The Nicene Creed (we stand) BCP p.358**

*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.*

**Prayers of the People, Form VI (we kneel if able) BCP p:392**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*  
For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Justin our Bishop, Greg & John our retired bishops; Becky our priest, Pattie our Deacon, and Russell our seminarian, and for all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for our Members: Mark, Bev, Nolan, Chris, Mel, Sharon, Sylvia, Allene, Susie & Dabney. We pray for our Family & Friends: Sam C., Patricia Parker, Diane B., Art R., DeeDee T., Aaron T., Leslie T., Donna S., Cindy T., Janine Polk, Sharron Simmons, Gerry Crews, Betty Fitzgerald, Meryl Crews, Grace Meacham, Archie Conners, Rac, and Tommy Stokes, and we offer prayers for those not able to join us; especially Hope and Karen.

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We give thanks for those who are serving our country: Cole, Keith, David, Monique, Gabriel, Gabe, Matt, and Naomi & Kolten. We pray for James, Jonah and Ethan who are deployed in service to our country. We also pray for our first responders, especially Ben & Zachary

For Churches in our Diocese: Church of the Holy Presence, DeLand, and St. Barnabas, DeLand; please pray for God's providence as they continue to grow

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

***Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*The Priest, stands and says the absolution.*

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 (we stand)**

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

*People And also with you.*

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Announcements**

**Birthday Song**

***Happy Birthday to you! To Jesus be true!  
May the Lord Bless and keep you, Your whole life  
through.***

## Offertory

Offertory Music

Pam Douglas

**The Doxology**

(sung)

**Hymn 380**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

## The Holy Communion

**Eucharistic Prayer A** BCP p:361

*Celebrant and People (we stand)*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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

*Celebrant and People*

**Hymn S-130** Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (sung)

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

*The Celebrant continues (we kneel or sit, as able. If sitting, please lean forward so the person behind you has room to kneel)*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

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.***

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

**The Lord's Prayer**

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***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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

**Celebrant** Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

**Celebrant** 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 Communion



### Communion Music

Pam Douglas

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. ***Amen.***

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. ***Amen.***

### Post Communion Prayer

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

***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.***

**The Blessing** *The Priest blesses the people.*

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 among you, and remain with always. ***Amen.***

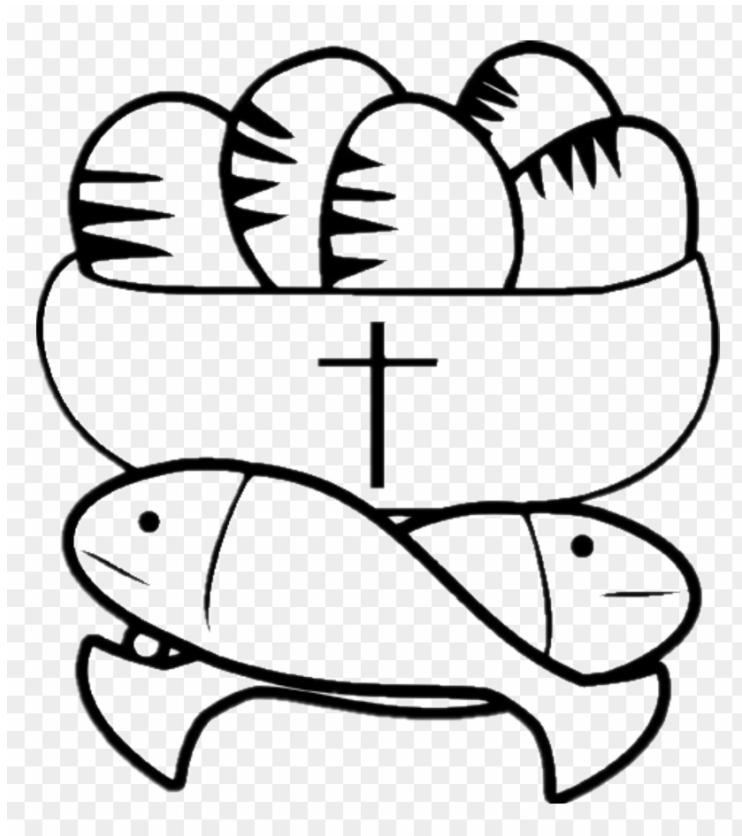
**Recessional Hymn**    **510** “*Come Holy Spirit, heavenly dove*” (vs. 1-4)

- 1. Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers; kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.***
- 2. See how we trifle here below, fond of these earthly toys: our souls, how heavily they go, to reach eternal joys.***
- 3. In vain we tune our formal songs, in vain we strive to rise: hosannas languish on our tongues, and our devotion dies.***
- 4. Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers; come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.***

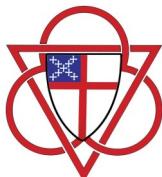
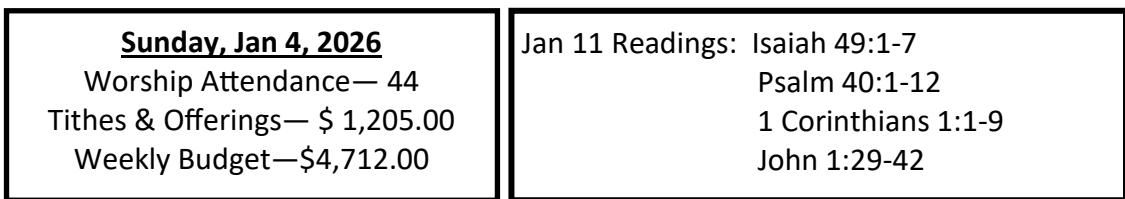
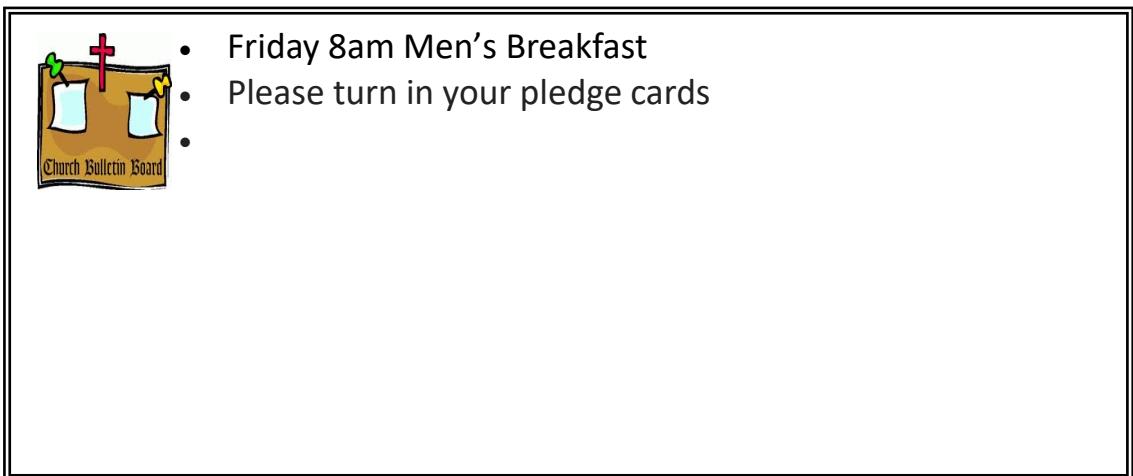
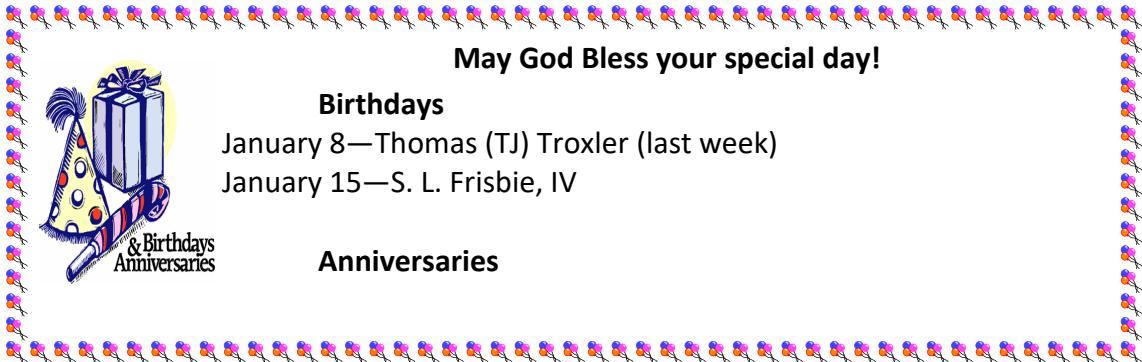
**Dismissal**

**Deacon**    Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People**    ***Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!***



**Serving Us Today:** Altar Guild Team  
George Ann & Martin Hodges  
Sarah & Nim Korda,



**Bishop:** *The Rt. Rev. Justin Holcomb*

**Rector:** *Very Rev. Becky Toalster*

**Deacon:** *Deacon Pattie Behnstedt*

**Senior Warden:** *Byron Walker*

**Junior Warden:** *Keith Miller*

**Parish Administrator/Sexton:** *Wayne Troxler*

**Accompanist:** Tim Davis      **Nursery:** Dalmaris Suarez

