

TRINITY BUCKINGHAM CHURCH

*Sharing God's love and serving God's people
with Christ in our hearts and God's work through our hands*



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9:00 am

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Welcome to Trinity Church!

Welcome to this gathering place, friend and stranger, saint and sinner. Come, with hope or hesitation; come with joy or yearning; all who hunger, all who thirst for life in all its fullness. May our generous God and our compassionate Savior and the life-giving Spirit bless you this day.

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are new to worship in the Episcopal Church, we hope that you will simply enjoy the movement of the service and focus on the message of the Gospel, and not worry too much about what to do or what not to do. In general, we stand to sing, sit to listen and stand or kneel to pray, but please be comfortable. Some people will cross themselves, bow or kneel at different times—this reflects a personal preference and you are encouraged to follow your own.

If you are seeking a church just for today, thank you for celebrating with us and may God be with you as you travel. If you are searching for a new church home and family, know that you are welcome. We wish to greet you today or on your next visit in whatever manner will suit you best. Please leave a visitor's card with the usher/greeter.

Please help us care for one another by taking your bulletin and any trash with you when you go.

Children are always very welcome at worship services. Please pick up a "Sunday Paper" from the ushers and some crayons. Puzzles and quiet toys are available in a basket in the rear of the church. The nursery is not staffed, but you are welcome to visit it with your child. The audio from the sanctuary is transmitted to the nursery.

Sunday School takes place during the first part of the 10 am service from September to early June.

Leading Worship Today

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Nancy Burton Dilliplane

Lay Associate for Liturgy and Spirituality: Martha Dudich

Greeter/Usher: Pam Oswald

Chalice: Kay Kinney

Lay Reader: Bob Kinney **Intercessor & Psalmist:** Meg Perry

Altar Guild: Meg Perry & Joanne Welker **Acolyte:** Joanne Welker

Open/Close: Zimmerman/Parker **A/V:**

Sources: *The Book of Common Prayer; Enriching Our Worship; Evangelical Lutheran Worship;*

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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Opening Hymn Lord of All Hopefulness



1. Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose
2. Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose
3. Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, Your
4. Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose



1. trust, ev-er child-like, no cares can de-stroy, Be
2. strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be
3. hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace, Be
4. voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm, Be



1. there at our wak-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
2. there at our la-bors, and give us, we pray, Your
3. there at our hom-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
4. there at our sleep-ing, and give us, we pray, Your



1. bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Salutation

One: Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

Many: **Glory to God forever and ever.**

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.

Trisagion (repeat three times)

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

Collect

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the Lessons

The Old Testament reading this morning brings the story of Elijah to an end, and introduces Elisha to be his successor. Like Moses and Elijah before him, Elisha parts a body of water, a sign that he has been chosen by God to be an interpreter of God's will, and a leader of God's people.

First Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his

mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 77: 1&2, 11-20

1. I will cry aloud to God; *
I cry aloud to the One who will hear me.
2. In the day of my trouble I sought after God; *
my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;
11. I refused to be comforted.
I will remember the works of God *
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
12. I will meditate on all your acts *
and ponder your mighty deeds.
13. Your way, O God, is holy; *
who is so great a god as our God?
14. You are the One who works wonders *
and have declared your power among the peoples.
15. By your strength you have redeemed your people, *
the children of Jacob and Joseph.
16. The waters saw you, O God;
the waters saw you and trembled; *
the very depths were shaken.
17. The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered; *
your arrows flashed to and fro;

18. The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; *
the earth trembled and shook.
19. Your way was in the sea,
and your paths in the great waters, *
yet your footsteps were not seen.
20. You led your people like a flock *
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

In his letter to the Galatians, written in about 50 c.e., Paul distinguishes between works of the “flesh”—actions that are self-centered—and works of the “spirit”—actions that have the good of others at heart. Thus, he distinguishes between personal liberty, and Christian freedom. In baptism we are freed from the tyranny of the isolated self, and empowered by the Spirit of the risen Christ to become part of a community.

Second Lesson

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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Gospel Alleluia:



S205a

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The image shows a musical score for a Gospel Alleluia. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The third staff concludes the piece with a double bar line. The text 'S205a' is printed in the top right corner of the first staff.

As Jesus begins his final journey towards Jerusalem and the end of his earthly life, his call to follow him becomes urgent. The only time to put one's whole trust in God, to live for others, and to join in the work of peace, freedom, forgiveness and healing is NOW. We simply cannot wait for a more convenient time.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 9:51-62

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

In peace, we pray to you, Loving God. *Silence*

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, Daniel our Bishop, Nancy our rector, and for all bishops and other ministers; and for the ministry of all the baptized.

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions silently or aloud

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

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

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...*The People may add their own prayers for those who have died*

that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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. *Silence may be kept.*

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 love and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

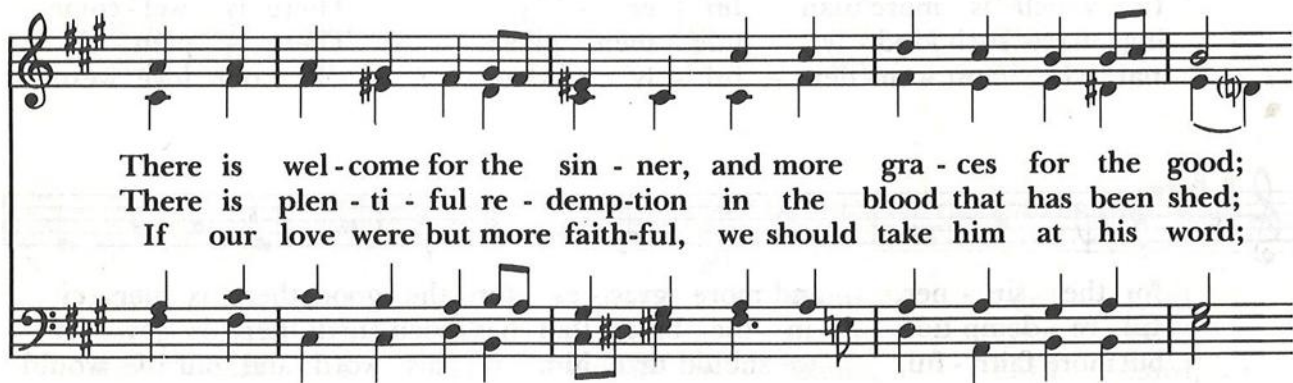
The Offering of our Common Lives

Offertory Hymn There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

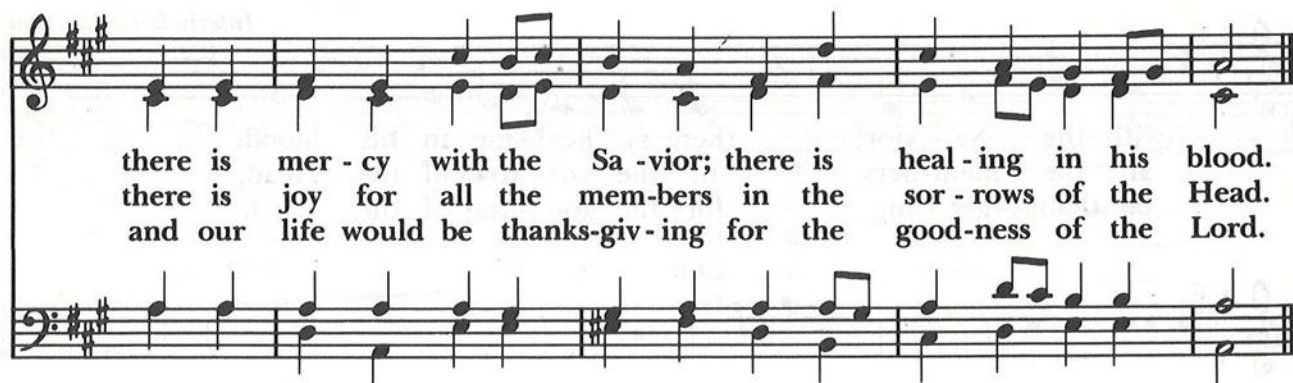
The musical score is written for a choir or congregation, featuring a treble and bass staff with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, with the first system containing three numbered verses. The second system continues the lyrics from the first verse.

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind - ly judg-ment given.
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.



There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;



there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt.
 Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

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At God's table, there is food for all who are hungry. If you are seeking God and a deeper knowledge of Jesus Christ, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are not baptized, and would like to learn more about what this could mean for you please speak to our rector, Nancy. Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available, please ask the server if you desire either. You may sip from the chalice, or dip your bread using careful hands. If you prefer to receive only the bread, simply bypass the chalice and return to your seat. If you prefer not to receive bread or wine at this time, place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing, or remain seated and honor Communion in your heart.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

A Prayer for Unity

Loving God, beyond limits of time and space, you come to us unbidden, and you sustain us in body and in spirit. We are grateful to receive you, as we are and where we are, whether we receive you in physical or spiritual bread. May this Holy Communion nourish our faith, open our eyes to your goodness, open our hearts to those in need, and strengthen us to do your will in the week ahead. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 1

From Enriching our Worship

One: God be with you

Many: **And also with you**

One: Lift up your hearts

Many: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord God of hosts. _____

_____ Hea-ven and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name _____ of the Lord, _____

_____ of the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na in the

high - - - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

Grayson Brown

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

Gathered as one by your Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, who are many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Marjorie Landmark DeLewiss

The Communion of the People

Prayer following Communion

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with the spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people. Love and serve the Lord rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Take Up Your Cross

1 "Take up your cross," the Sav - ior said,
 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
 3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
 4 Take up your cross and fol - low Christ,

"if you would my dis - ci - ple be;
 per - vade your soul with vain a - larm;
 nor let your fool - ish heart re - bel;
 nor think till death to lay it down;

for - sake the past, and come this day,
 his strength shall bear and your spir - it up,
 for you the Lord en - dured the cross,
 for those who hum - bly bear the cross

and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
 sus - tain your heart, low and nerve your arm.
 to save your soul and from death and hell.
 one day will wear the glo - rious crown.

One: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God.



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