



# MORNING PRAYER

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 26, 2017

AT 9:30 AM

## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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*The Rev. Pete Gdula, Deacon*

*Paula Frey, Co-officiant*

### OPENING SENTENCE

*Officiant:* Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Officiant:* Let us confess our sins to God. *(kneel or stand as able)*

*All:* God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.

*Officiant:* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

# THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER *(please stand as able)*

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*All:* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

*All:* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

## VENITE - Book of Common Prayer, p.82

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

*(please be seated)*

*Reader:* Please join me in reading PSALM 99 *(bulletin insert)*, responsively by half verse.

*All:* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## THE FIRST LESSON

*(bulletin insert)*

Exodus 24:12-18

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## CANTICLE 10: The Second Song of Isaiah

*Isaiah 55:6-11*

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; \*  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways \*  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, \*  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, \*  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, \*  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Peter 1:16-21

*(bulletin insert)*

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## CANTICLE 17: The Song of Simeon

*Luke 2:29-32*

Lord, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

# THE THIRD LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

*(bulletin insert)*

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## THE HOMILY

The Rev. Pete Gdula

## THE APOSTLES' CREED *(please stand)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PEACE

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Please greet each other with the peace of Christ.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(please be seated)*

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Officiant:* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows unto the Most High.

*Officiant:* All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

*Amen.*

## PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS *(please stand as able)*

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* And also with you.

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

## 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.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* That we may see and know God's presence in the lives of all people, let us offer to God our prayers for the needs of the whole world saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the Church of Jesus Christ, that it may hear your voice speaking in our day. We pray for Michael, presiding bishop, Audrey, diocesan bishop; Carenda, rector; Pete, deacon, and for all lay and ordained ministers. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Diocese of Malek (Upper Nile, Sudan); in the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Upper Fairfield; in our parish cycle of prayer we pray for Judith Schwenk; Kara & Dennis Shindle; and Robert & Lee Sites. And we pray for Trinity's vestry leaders and for the vitality, health, mission and ministry of this congregation that we may be bound together in faithfulness and love. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* For the nations of the world and their leaders, that all divisions and enmity would cease and give way to the common good of justice and peace for all. We pray for our President Donald, for our governor Tom, and for all in positions of authority in our nation and around the world. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* For all those who suffer from hardship or distress: the poor, the homeless, the imprisoned, the lonely, and all victims of violence and natural disaster, that in compassion we might come to their aid to offer hope and the comfort of your love and tender care. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* For all who are sick in body, mind, heart, or spirit, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Marion, Ron, Dee, Tammy, Al, Tina, Cameron, Sue, Eric, Marcy, Brennan, Meghan, Jane, Christine, Nick, Ross, Chris, Dorothy, Florence Kessling, Jessica Morris, Norman Krutiak, Clarence Cooper, Misty Rynard, Rowan, Cathy Purnell, Elaine Snider, Richard Shull, Chuck Kauffman, Jack Dortch, Barb Renaud, Jim Phister, Deb, Paul Helfrich, June, Sandy P. Snyder, Carl Morris, Paul. And we pray for those serving in the military, especially Ivy, Robert and Keziah. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* For those who have died, that they may know and rest in the fullness of everlasting life, united with God in the communion of the faithful. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*[Here thanksgivings and intercessions may be offered either silently or aloud.]*

*Deacon* For the sake of the healing of this world and your kingdom coming we pray, saying: **Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we many not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

## SUFFRAGE B

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. **Govern them and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. **We praise your name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. **For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PRAYER FOR KNOWLEDGE OF GOD'S CREATION

Almighty and everlasting God, you made the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures: Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more truly, and more surely fulfill our role in your eternal purpose; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO INFLUENCE PUBLIC OPINION

Almighty God, you proclaim your truth in every age by many voices: Direct, in our time, we pray, those who speak where many listen and write what many read; that they may do their part in making the heart of this people wise, its mind sound, and its will righteous; to the honor of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PRAYER FOR MISSION

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## GENERAL THANKSGIVING *(in unison)*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants  
give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

**BENEDICTION** (*please stand*)

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord.

*All:*           **Thanks be to God.**

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



**THIS WEEK** \_\_\_\_\_

Today —           The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, February 26, 2017  
**MORNING PRAYER — 9:30 am**

Monday —           Bell Choir (Parish Hall) — 5:00 pm  
                          Toastmasters Club (Parish Hall) — 7:00-9:00 pm

Ash Wednesday — Imposition of Ashes with Holy Eucharist — 12:00 Noon & 7:00 pm

Thursday – FREE Breakfast (Parish Hall) – 8:00-9:00 am  
ESL Classes (Commons Room) – 9:30 am  
Girl Scout Meeting (Parish Hall) – 4:30-6:00 pm

Next Sunday – The First Sunday in Lent, March 5, 2017  
**HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II – 9:30 am**  
Choir workshop following worship

## PARISH LIFE

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We wish **The Rev. Pete Gdula (03/01), and Ricky Stoy (03/03)**, a happy Birthday!  
As you grow in years, may you grow in wisdom and grace.

The **flowers** are given by June Baransky, to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for blessings received.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The attendance for **February 19** was 43 and the **offering** was \$1,915.00. We thank you for your generosity.

**March 1st is Ash Wednesday.** Services will be held at **12:00 noon and 7:00 pm** in the church with imposition of ashes and Holy Eucharist. Please join us as we begin the Lenten journey together.

Peggy Craig will conduct a Choir Workshop after the worship service on **Sunday, March 5th, with a 10-minute break** following the service.

The 2017 LARC Lenten Services will begin **Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** and the theme this year is **Forward in Discipleship**. Please join us as we worship together as the Body of Christ: Lutherans, Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Offerings received at these services will be divided between Noah's House Recovery Program, the food pantries of the LARC Churches and the Emergency Needs Clearing House. There will be a social time following each service at the host church.

The members of First Lutheran Church located at 43 W. Washington St. have invited the members of each congregation and their guests to join them for Soup, Bread and Fellowship before each service. **This dinner will be served starting at 5:30 pm**, allowing ample time to proceed to the service. There is no charge and reservations are not necessary.

The LARC Lenten Series will follow the school district weather policy. If the Chambersburg school district is closed for that day because of weather, the service and soup and bread at First Lutheran will be cancelled.

### THE LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>THEME</u>	<u>PREACHER</u>
March 8	Corpus Christi	Calling-Discerning God's Call	The Rev. Jane Nicholson
March 15	Trinity Lutheran	Engaging in Community	The Rev. Carenda Baker
March 22	Trinity Episcopal	Learning and Practicing	The Rev. Brian Olkowski
March 29	First Lutheran	Challenging, Changing and Mentoring	The Rev. Sharon Kelly
April 5	Second Lutheran	Living Out Faith-Vocation	Very Rev. Luis Rodriguez



### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### FEBRUARY 26, 2017

**9:30 am—MORNING PRAYER**  
Altar Guild – Bob & Cathi Pyatt  
1st Lesson – Paula Frey  
2nd Lesson – Anne Gale  
3rd Lesson – Deacon Pete Gdula  
Intercessor – Rick Cooper  
Greeters/Ushers – Ruth Alpaugh  
Vestry Depositor – Ann Wagner

#### MARCH 5, 2017

**9:30 am—HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II**  
Altar Guild – A. Loomis/A. Gale/C. Cooper  
1st Lesson – Bob Pyatt  
2nd Lesson – Paula Frey  
Acolyte – Anne Gale  
Intercessor – Rick Cooper  
Greeters/Ushers – Carol Cooper/E. Bushman  
Vestry Depositor – Duane Bidlack

## **Mission Statement**

We are a community of faith where each person's spiritual journey is unique and personal. Our goal is to promote a thoughtful dialogue about what God is calling us to do and be.

## **Leadership**

*Diocesan Bishop* The Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan

*Rector* The Rev. Carenda Baker

*Deacon* The Rev. Pete Gdula

*Parish Secretary* Peggy Phister

## **Vestry**

Ann Wagner - *Senior Warden*

Merle Dentler - *Junior Warden*

Stephen Holoviak - *Treasurer*

Ruth Alpaugh - *Clerk*

Duane Bidlack

Elaine Bushman

Jack Dortch

Bob Graham

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