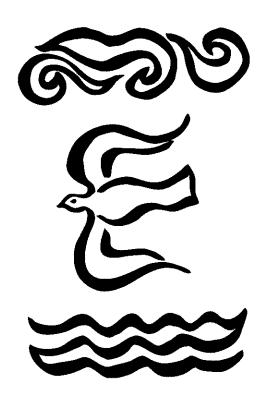
# CHURCH OF THE TRINITY Coatesville in the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.



"And God so loved the world that he gave his only son..."

March 5, 2023

9:30 AM



#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

His mercy endures for ever.

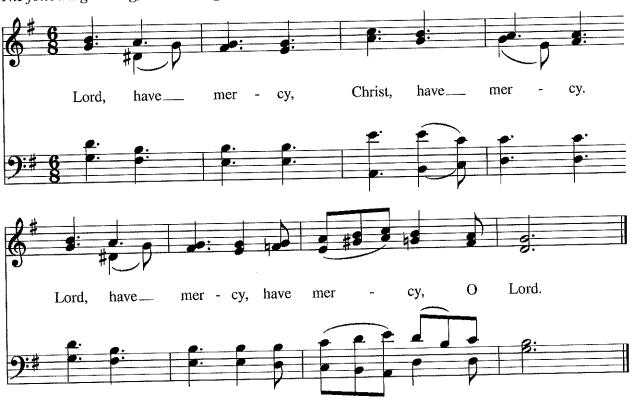
#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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*.

## KYRIE OR TRISAGION LEVAS 237 Lord, Have Mercy

The following is sung, all standing



#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### The Lessons

#### FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

<sup>4a</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 121**

Remain seated.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*
from where is my help to come?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD, \* the maker of heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved \* and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \* shall neither slumber nor sleep;

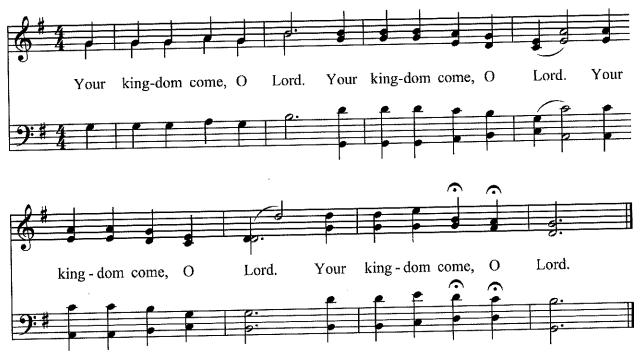
<sup>5</sup>The LORD himself watches over you; \* the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

<sup>6</sup>So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \* nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \* it is he who shall keep you safe.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \* from this time forth forevermore.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Your kingdom come, O Lord (MHSO 27) All stand.



Words: from The Book of Common Prayer (1979) of the Episcopal Church USA.

Music © WGRG The Iona Community (Scotland) (admin. GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638 [www.glamusic.com].) All rights reserved. Used by permission.

#### GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

All stand.

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

#### THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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

Let us come before God in this Lententide, praising and blessing and adoring our everlasting God, saying: In your glorious mercy, Lord, hear our prayer.

O God, who spoke through prophets and who lives in the only begotten one, show to your church all things. Make us hear your purpose and receive your grace; confirm in your truth all the baptized, especially bishops and clergy, theologians and teachers, mystics and martyrs. In your glorious mercy: *Lord, hear our prayer*.

Lord of promise and deliverance, we thank you for birthing us in the waters of baptism and for drowning our death in your unending life. We beg that your love well up within us, that our whole lives may worship you. In your glorious mercy: *Lord*, *hear our prayer*.

God of the people of Israel, Sovereign of every nation, grant your vision of mercy and justice to all who rule in the earth. Prosper the labors of those seeking peace. Assist all who work for reconciliation in the streets and for reformation in prisons. In your glorious mercy: *Lord, hear our prayer*.

O Holy One with the pierced limbs and side, bind us to all those who suffer. Keep us mindful of all innocent victims, all the oppressed, all the dying. Reveal to us those who are despised, the outcast, the alien, the forlorn. Look upon the sick, especially those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we now name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Violet Armstead, Clair Armstrong, Angie Ashe, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Tony Carroll, Lola Clarke, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Mary Fleck, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Lillian Hadler, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Matt Hess, Hannah Heyward, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Pete Jennings, Diane Kitson, Jodi Lancaster, Alison Lauren, John and Lindsay, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloon, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Meredith Olseski, Betty Peirce, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Antonia Planamento, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Flora Rutledge, Judy Skoniczin, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Mary Shidlowski,

Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Calvin Smith, Robin Spicher, Colby Stackhouse, Debra Stackwicz, Stephanie, Linda Still, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Bill Terry, Evans Thompson, Tom, Tom Wagner, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams

Summon us to restlessness until all who suffer find rest from their sorrow. In your glorious mercy: Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed who are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Police: Sgt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello

Military: PVT Austin Combs, PO2 Jason Combs, PO3 Andrew Combs, 1CPT Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, Seaman William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPL Ryan Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MC, and MSgt Rewa Price

In your glorious mercy: Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Adeline Hamburg, Tony Wilson, Wesley Hamburg, Christopher Haak and Milly Coveleski. In your glorious mercy: Lord, hear our prayer.

In you, O God, do we put our trust. We entrust to you our dead, especially Evelyn E. Shanley, for whom the altar flowers are given, because you alone are our refuge and salvation. You alone are mighty to save. In your glorious mercy: Lord, hear our prayer.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

God of Abraham and Sarah, the great I AM, we give you thanks for the signs of your radiant presence in the faith of our forebears. Bless us with awe to receive their testimony. Transfigure us by the gift of faith for our life's journey, until we behold face to face your glorious beauty, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Priest stands and says

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

All stand.

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

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

## The Holy Communion

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

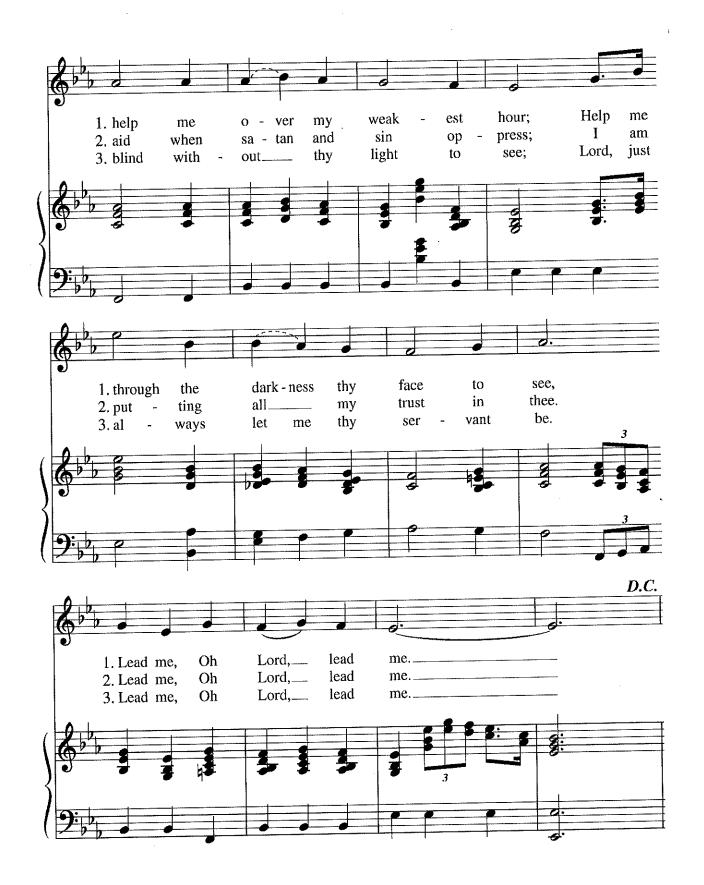
The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

## OFFERTORY HYMN Lead Me, Guide Me (LEVAS 194)







## The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

People Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life

and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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

#### 1982 HYMNAL SERVICE MUSIC #S125

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

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

#### The Celebrant continues

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 Cyril, our patron saint, and 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* 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (LEVAS #264)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing.

People and Celebrant

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

#### FRACTION ANTHEM

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

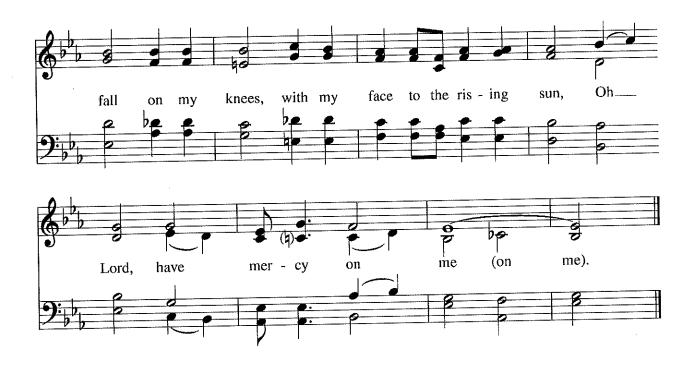
The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## COMMUNION HYMN Let Us Break Bread Together (LEVAS 152)







#### ANTHEM BY CHOIR

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with 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

The Priest blesses the people, saying

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen*.

(source: from Saint Clare)

CLOSING HYMN Lift High the Cross (Crucifer) (H 473)



#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

From riteplanning.com. Copyright © 2023 Church Publishing Inc. All rights reserved. "Permission to reprint/podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from One License with license #A-731986 and from CCLI License #21159618, #21159601

#### **TODAY**



The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

Evelyn E. Shanley

by Victor J. Shanley, III

#### **Announcements:**

Healing service Thursday, March 9th at Noon via Zoom, commemorating Gregory, Bishop of Nissa, c 394

Annual Meeting – March 19<sup>th</sup> after the church service. Plan to stay after the church service, vote for those nominated to Vestry and Diocesan/Deanery Deputies and hear from our new Community Engagement Coordinator, Liz Hulse, about the connections she has made and just what is happening in Coatesville!

The Giving envelopes are delayed in production/shipment. We hope to see them by the end of February. In the meantime, if you normally use a giving envelope, please place your check or cash in a blank envelope (available in the back) marked with your name so we may record it in our system toward your pledge payments. Thank you!

Teddy Bears for the Teddy Bear Ministry are available to give to someone who could use a little Trinity love.

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE TRINITY 323 East Lincoln Highway Coatesville, Pennsylvania 19320 610-384-4771

Email: revsherrydeets@aol.com Office Email: <u>Trinitycoates@aol.com</u> Website: www.trinitycoatesville.org

#### Parish Administrator Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Friday: Office Closed

Rector: The Reverend Sherry Deets Home Phone: 610-380-0462 Email: <u>revsherrydeets@aol.com</u>

Organist and Choirmaster: Rachel Lee Anemone Parish Administrator: Jamoca Harkins

#### **VESTRY**

Sr. Warden: Chris Haak Jr. Warden: Dennis Dantzler Treasurer: Minnie Kirwin

Greg Bentley
Nora Bush
Donna Fleck
Jennifer Grubb
Joseph Lee
Vic Shanley
Tom Swett
Betty Sullivan
Bill Terry
Michael Thompson