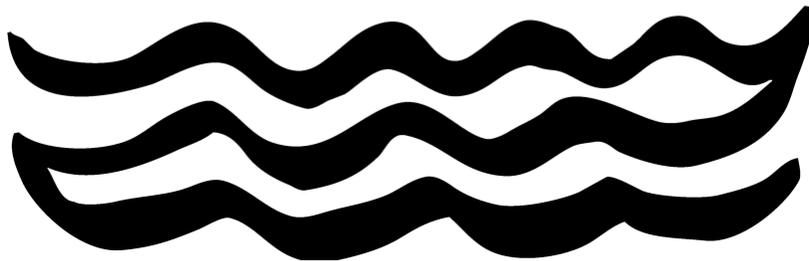
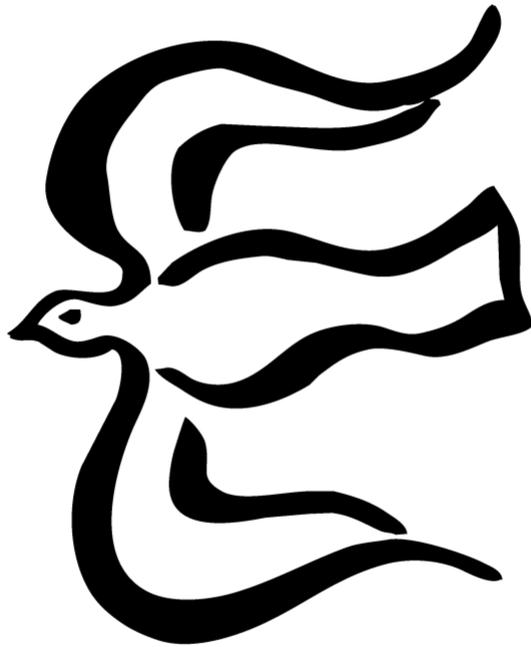


**CHURCH OF THE TRINITY
Coatesville in the
Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania**

*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.*



**First Sunday in Lent
Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two
Sunday, February 22, 2026**

The Word of God

Penitential Order

ENTRANCE HYMN *The God of Abraham praise (Leoni) (H 401)*

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 351)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

DECALOGUE (BCP p. 350)

The Decalogue is said, the People kneeling.

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 351)

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 Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. 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 following is said, all standing

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

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.

¹Now 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. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I 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.”

^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 121

Remain seated.

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

²My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

³He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

⁴Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

⁶So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

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

SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly,

such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *Your kingdom come, O Lord* (MHSO 27)

All stand.

Your king-dom come, O Lord. Your king-dom come, O Lord. Your king-dom come, O Lord. Your king-dom come, O Lord.

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GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

All stand.

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

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

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He 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.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus 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?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from

above.’ ⁸The 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.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?”

¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“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.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON BY THE REV. KRISTEN OSTENDORF (BCP p. 358)

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

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 (BCP p. 359)

All remain standing.

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.” ...

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect at the end of the Prayers of the People.

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

All stand.

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

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY HYMN *We've Come This Far by Faith* (LEVAS 208)

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 361)

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

PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 361)

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

SANCTUS *S 125 Holy, holy, holy (Proulx)* (BCP p. 362)

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 he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 362)

The People stand or kneel.

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

EPICLESIS (BCP p. 363)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM (BCP p. 364)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *therefore let us keep the feast.*

INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

COMMUNION HYMN *And now, O Father, mindful of the love (Unde et memores)* (H 337)

ANTHEM BY CHOIR

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

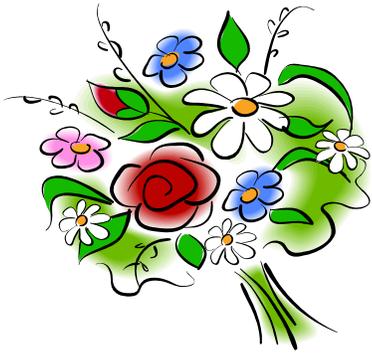
BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord (Foundation)* (H 636)

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

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**The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory
of Sam & Mary Brown**

**Given by
Nora Bush**

SAVE THE DATE! Our annual meeting has been set for March 8, following the regular Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. In accordance with our bylaws, we are seeking nominations to serve on vestry. A vestry member must be at least 18, must have been worshipping at Trinity for at least six months, and have contributed at least \$5 to the church in 2025. A member of the vestry also must have declared themselves to be a member of the church. (See Kristen if you want to talk about this!) In addition, they must ask four other members to submit in writing their support for the nomination (email is just fine!) to our secretary of the vestry (Betty Sullivan). **TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT YOUR NAME WITH FOUR OTHER MEMBERS WHO SUPPORT YOUR NOMINATION.**

Join us March 15, 4 p.m. as we support our amazing organist and choirmaster, Rachel Anemone, for a benefit concert for Trinity. She will treat us to a dress rehearsal performance to prepare for her doctorate recital. We are so lucky to have a world-class musician among us! Consider making it a Coatesville night and check out Andrea's, recently opened by our very own Dennis Dantzler. If you are able, we could use some help with the door and offering light refreshments after. More details to come this week!

GOT PRAYER? Our new spirituality committee is starting a prayer chain. Do you have a daily practice of prayer? Can you respect confidentiality? Do you need prayers? See Kristen as we organize this important ministry of holding one another in prayer.

Got time? We are looking to set up a rotation of regular volunteer receptionists. This crew of volunteers would answer the phone and let in parishioners seeking private prayer time in the sanctuary. They also may be asked to do some light administrative tasks (or just enjoy the quiet of the office with a book!). Please seek Kristen if you have a space in your schedule to make a regular commitment.

Got some time but not a lot? Sign up to be a "task rabbit" at coffee hour: These are small tasks that need doing around the church with a discreet time commitment.

Regular CYWA food bank commitment: See Kent N. if you would like to be part of our small but regular volunteer crew every other work at the CYWA, Thursdays from 11:30-2:30 p.m.

Step/Sanctuary Sit and Tide Over Pantry: Did you know we need about 200 items a week for our tide over pantry? Can you help re-stock or sit in the sanctuary to meet the neighbors? It's easy, and a great way to serve our community. Or, join Kristen for a step sit to meet our neighbors!

Ongoing needs: Items for Tide Over Pantry (shelf stable "complete" meals, shelf stable milk, bread, PB&J, cereal, canned meats and fish, hygiene items); clothes washing from our basement stock; bedding for the CYWA for their Code Blue shelter program.

Are you curious about St. Francis? What is myth and legend and what we know? How are Franciscan values a way to live in the modern world? Join us this Lent on Wednesday evenings, continuing this week on March 4 at 6 p.m. for a potluck supper and discussion. We will wrap up by 7:30. Classes will be led by Kristen, and her spouse, the Ven. Archdeacon Phillip Geliebter, who is a Third Order Franciscan.

Upcoming Trinity Dates: Mark your calendars!

TODAY: Nominations due for vestry elections, spirituality and worship committee meets to discuss Holy Week during coffee hour

Monday: Bible Study, “The Difficult Words of Jesus,” meets in parish hall from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., bring your lunch and curiosity – no need to come to every session

Wednesday: Lent Suppers continue, 6-7:30 p.m.

Thursday: Healing service on zoom, noon (link emailed Wednesday evenings)

Sunday, March 8: Parish meeting and vestry election following Sunday service

March 15: Vestry meeting after services, please plan to stay until 1

March 15: Benefit concert, 4 p.m. in sanctuary

March 22: Guest preacher, the Ven. Dennis Coleman (deacon), emeritus; BCP basics following service (MP leaders should plan to come!)

March 29: Palm Sunday, regular worship time

Rescheduled for after Easter: MP training for leaders and instructed Eucharist

Please pray for those on our parish prayer list.

Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Bill Besecker, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Millie Connor, Andrea Dudle, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Diane Evans, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Ken Furlong, Phillip Geliebter, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Sam Haak, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Jill Hayes, Pat Hendricks, Matt Hess, Danyell Jackson, Jennifer Jenkins, Diane Kitson, John and Lindsay, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Joseph Manni, Paige McLean, Kevin McGloon, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Gail Ostendorf, Barbara Oxenreider, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Cathy Shaffer, Thomas Shanley, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, John Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Colby Stackhouse, Stephanie, Becky Swaggart, Sean, Dihona Talton and children, Catherine Thompson, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, 6Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams, The Hillview Community

And please pray for our first responders and those who serve in the military

Police: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello Military: PO1 Andrew Combs, MAJ Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, PO William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MD, and MSgt Rewa.

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