



TRINITY 25 January 2026

ABOUT TRINITY

Trinity is a growing Anglican Church in Lafayette. Our mission is to live the gospel through worship, friendship, and scholarship.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We welcome children in the sanctuary – their sounds are the sign of a growing church!

Weekdays	Day & Time	Location
Women's Bible Reading Group	Tuesday - 10 AM	Family Center Classroom
Men's Bible Study	Wednesday - 7 AM	La Madeleine Restaurant
Youth Choir & Bible Study	Thursday - 4-6 PM	Family Center
Morning Prayer Meeting	Friday - 11 AM	Sanctuary (<i>Family Center</i>)
Prayer Group	Friday - 3 PM	Library
Trinity Scholars	Saturday - 9-11 AM	Family Center Classroom

Sundays		
Communion Service	Sunday @ 10 AM	Sanctuary (<i>Family Center</i>)

Annual Meeting ~ Sunday, February 1

Trinity's Annual Meeting has been rescheduled for next Sunday, February 1 following morning service. We will gather on the outdoor deck for the meeting and a potluck lunch.

Trinity Home Groups - These groups meet each week to discuss Sunday's sermon.

- **College/Young Adult Group** - Monday - 6:30 PM - Theater Street Apartments
- **Fourth Point Home Group** - Wednesday - 5:30 to 7:30 PM
Bill & Teri Cober's Home (107 Nailer Way in Broussard) Meal Provided
- **Thursday Evening Group** - Starting this Thursday, January 29 - 6:30 PM
Maura Foret's Home (201 Melody Drive in Lafayette)
- **Monday Mid-Day Group** - Starting date and location to be determined.
Contact scottyweeks.la@gmail.com if you are interested in joining this group.

	Old Testament	Responsive Reading	New Testament
<i>This Week</i>	Bill Cober	Penn Tompkins	Shawn Howren
<i>Next Week</i>	Riley George	Maura Foret	David Brammer

All stand and sing the **THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Thou my best thought, by day or by night;
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.**

**Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father and I, Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart;
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.**

**High King of Heaven, my victory won;
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.**

THE ACCLAMATION

Priest The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand.

People **We will repent and believe the good news.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Priest Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

People **You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.**

Priest This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it:

People **You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

Priest On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

All kneel or sit for THE PRAYERS

Deacon We pray to thee, Lord Christ.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our bishops and clergy, and all congregations of the faithful, that they may preach the pure Word of God and duly minister the sacraments, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our elected officials and all public institutions, that they may govern according to thy truth, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know the peace of God, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who do not believe, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, and be born again to new life, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those requesting prayer: _____, and others we now name silently or aloud _____, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For ourselves and all who have died, that by faith in Christ we may be delivered on the Day of Judgment, we pray to thee, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

We take a moment of silence for repentance.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee, by thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy name. Amen.

Priest 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.**

All stand for **THE NICENE CREED**

Deacon Let us confess our faith in the words of the 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: 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.

O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST (Psalm 90)

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home;**

**Under the shadow of your throne, your saints have dwelt secure.
Sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away.
We fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Still be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.**

All sit for **THE WELCOME**

COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, “Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you.”

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 90

Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.

**Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

You return man to dust
and say, “Return, O children of man!”

**For a thousand years in your sight
are but as yesterday when it is past,
or as a watch in the night.**

You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning:

**in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.**

For we are brought to an end by your anger;
by your wrath we are dismayed.

**You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your presence.**

For all our days pass away under your wrath;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

**The years of our life are seventy,
or even by reason of strength eighty;**
yet their span is but toil and trouble;
they are soon gone, and we fly away.

**Who considers the power of your anger,
and your wrath according to the fear of you?**

So teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Return, O Lord! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,
and for as many years as we have seen evil.**

Let your work be shown to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.

**Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!**

THE NEW TESTAMENT

Galatians 6:1-10

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load.

Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand for **THE SEQUENCE HYMN**

**Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee,
While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

**God the Father, light-creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!**

THE GOSPEL

Mark 2:1-11

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

People **Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.**

And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, “Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk?’ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic—“I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

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THE REV'D DR. PETER JOHNSTON

SERMON NOTES + + + + + +

THE OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY



- + “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matthew 6:21)
- + Use this QR Code to give from your phone.
- + Visitors should feel no obligation to give.

All stand to sing

**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 COMMUNION PRAYERS

Priest The Lord be with you

People **And with thy spirit**

Priest Lift up your hearts

People **We lift them up unto the Lord**

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God

People **It is meet and right so to do**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, forever praising thee and singing

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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.
Hosanna in the highest.**

All sit or kneel

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou did give thine only son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world, and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

Here the Priest circles the altar and faces the people

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Lord Jesus, according to thy commandment, we with these gifts make that memorial; remembering thy blessed passion and precious death, thy mighty resurrection and glorious ascension.

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Come thou, Holy Spirit, descend upon us and fill this place, that we who in faith receive these gifts of bread and wine may partake of the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Here we present unto thee ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice, that dying to ourselves, we might live in Christ.

By Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be thine, Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER AND THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

Priest In the words that Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People **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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Priest 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.

People **We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

- + *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.*
- + *Wine is distributed, grape juice is on the pedestal.*
- + *To receive a blessing instead of communion, cross hands in front of chest.*

COME, YE SINNERS

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love and pow'r.

Refrain: I will arise and go to Jesus,
He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior,
Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

Refrain

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.

Refrain

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him.

Refrain

CORNERSTONE

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name.**

***Refrain:* Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.**

**When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.**

Refrain

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless stand before the throne.**

Refrain

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank thee for feeding us with the spiritual food, of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of thy Son, and heirs of thine eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work thou hast given us to do, to love and serve thee as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to thee, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

All stand to sing **10,000 REASONS**

Refrain: Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Refrain

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Refrain

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Refrain

THE PEACE AND THE BENEDICTION

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your Spirit.**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Priest And 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 amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

As we go, we share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Where do you see the faith of the friends most clearly in Mark 2:1–12? What risks, inconveniences, or costs do they accept in order to bring the瘫痪 to Jesus—and where might God be calling us to similar initiative in our own lives or in the life of our church?
2. Jesus forgives the man's sins before healing his body. Why do you think forgiveness comes first? How does this reshape our understanding of what true healing looks like—for ourselves and for others?
3. Galatians 6 calls the church to a particular kind of burden-bearing. Paul speaks of restoring others gently (v.1), watching ourselves (v.1), bearing burdens together (v.2), sowing to the Spirit (vv.7–8), and not growing weary in doing good (v.9). Which of these do you find most challenging—and what might it look like to practice it concretely in your relationships or in this parish?
4. Pray together, asking God: to restore us gently where we have fallen, to protect us from pride as we seek to help others, to give us perseverance in doing good when love becomes costly, and to help us sow to the Spirit, trusting Him for the harvest.

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