



TRINITY *12 November 2023*

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! If needed, there is a nursery in the main building with a changing station. Please come back to the sanctuary at any time!

GATHERINGS

DAY & TIME

LOCATION

Men’s Study	Wednesday @ 7:00 am	ZOOM
Women’s Bible Study	Wed. @ 10:30 am or 6:00 pm	Family Center
Trinity Scholars	Thursday @ 6:00 pm	Church
Morning Prayer	Friday @ 11:00 am	Church
Women’s Prayer	Friday @ Noon	Church
Sunday School	Sunday @ 9:00 am	Church
Prayer Guild	Sunday @ 11:30 am	Family Center

FIRST FRUITS - 2024 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. Proverbs 3:9-11
Thank you for your generosity! Please return your pledge cards to the offering plate by Sunday, December 3rd.

GIFTING GRACE CHRISTMAS TREE

Give Christmas gifts to the homeless and foster children of Lafayette! Select a child from the tree, purchase gifts, and return on December 3rd for our St. Nicholas Party.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH, ST. NICHOLAS PARTY, & ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Join us on Dec 3rd for our fun launch to the Advent and Christmas seasons. After the service, we will put up our seasonal decorations, then enjoy a St. Nicholas party in the Family Center, with Advent-Wreath Making. Bring the whole family!

	Old Testament	Responsive	New Testament
This Week	Bill Cober	Holly Hunter	David Brammer
Next Week	Ed Abell	Diane Bartlett	Virginia Reinhardt

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

**Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,
Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!**

***Chorus:* Up from the grave he arose;
With a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
And he lives forever, with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!**

**Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior,
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!**

Chorus

**Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!**

Chorus

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.**

All kneel or sit for

THE BAPTISMAL LITANY

For he who today receives the Sacrament of Baptism, together with we who remember our own, we pray to thee, Lord Christ. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may continue in the apostle's teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers, we pray to thee, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may persevere in resisting evil, and whenever we fall into sin, repent and return to thee, we pray to thee, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may proclaim the gospel by word and deed to a lost and broken world, we pray to thee, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That, looking to Jesus, we may run the race set before us, and at the last receive the unfading crown of glory, we pray to thee, O Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Priest 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.

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 sit for **THE PRESENTATION FOR BAPTISM**

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we are conceived and born in sin, and our Savior Jesus Christ said, “Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” Jesus therefore commissioned the Church to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” In baptism, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are joined to Christ, who shed water and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, that we might be adopted as children of our Father in Heaven.

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presenters **I present Kosisochukwu Onwuagba to receive the sacrament of baptism.**

Celebrant Have you already been baptized?

Candidate **No.**

Celebrant Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate **I do.**

THE BAPTIMAL VOWS

Celebrant Do you renounce the Devil, the prince of this fallen world, who tempts all mankind with the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and the pride of life?

Presenters **I renounce him.**

Celebrant Do you repent of your sin and believe in Jesus Christ, confessing him as your Lord and Savior?

Presenters **I repent and believe.**

Celebrant Will you receive the Holy Scriptures and obediently keep God’s commandments, walking in them all the days of your life?

Presenters **I will, with the Lord’s help.**

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows support this child in his life in Christ?

People **We will.**

All stand. During the Creed, the baptismal party moves to the font. All turn to face them.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us proclaim our faith together. **I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. 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 PRAYER OVER THE WATER

Let us pray. Almighty God and everliving Father, who delivered Noah through the flood and the children of Israel through the waters of the Red Sea, and whose well-beloved Son fulfilled all righteousness by baptism in the Jordan, so sanctify this water to the mystical washing of sin, that this man now to be baptized may receive the fullness of your grace. Wash and sanctify him through thy Holy Spirit, that he, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church. Strengthen him in faith, hope, and love, that he may pass through the waves of this world and finally come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee, world without end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The priest pours water over the candidate, saying:

Kosi, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The priest marks the newly baptized with oil in the sign of the cross, saying:

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

The priest lights a candle and presents it to the newly baptized.

THE WELCOME

Heavenly Father, we thank thee that by water and the Holy Spirit thou hast bestowed upon this thy servant the forgiveness of sin, received him as thine own child by adoption, made him members of thy holy Church, and raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in thy Holy Spirit, that he may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the flock of Christ. As in baptism we share his death, so in Christ we rise to newness of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again we will say, rejoice!**

Applause is now appropriate.

BAPTIZED IN WATER

**Baptized in water, sealed by the spirit
cleansed by the blood of Christ our king;
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise -
faithfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our king;
one with his rising, freed and forgiven
thankfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our king;
born of one Father, we are his children -
joyfully now God's praise we sing.**

All sit for **THE WELCOME**

COLLECT OF THE WEEK

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT

GENESIS 23

Sarah lived 127 years; these were the years of the life of Sarah. And Sarah died at Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan, and Abraham went in to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her. And Abraham rose up from before his dead and said to the Hittites,^[a] “I am a sojourner and foreigner among you; give me property among you for a burying place, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.” The Hittites answered Abraham, “Hear us, my lord; you are a prince of God^[a] among us. Bury your dead in the choicest of our tombs. None of us will withhold from you his tomb to hinder you from burying your dead.” Abraham rose and bowed to the Hittites, the people of the land. And he said to them, “If you are willing that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me and entreat for me Ephron the son of Zohar, that he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he owns; it is at the end of his field. For the full price let him give it to me in your presence as property for a burying place.”

Now Ephron was sitting among the Hittites, and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the Hittites, of all who went in at the gate of his city, “No, my lord, hear me: I give you the field, and I give you the cave that is in it. In the sight of the sons of my people I give it to you. Bury your dead.” Then Abraham bowed down before the people of the land. And he said to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, “But if you will, hear me: I give the price of the field. Accept it from me, that I may bury my dead there.” Ephron answered Abraham, “My lord, listen to me: a piece of land worth four hundred shekels^[a] of silver, what is that between you and me? Bury your dead.” Abraham listened to Ephron, and Abraham weighed out for Ephron the silver that he had named in

the hearing of the Hittites, four hundred shekels of silver, according to the weights current among the merchants.

So the field of Ephron in Machpelah, which was to the east of Mamre, the field with the cave that was in it and all the trees that were in the field, throughout its whole area, was made over to Abraham as a possession in the presence of the Hittites, before all who went in at the gate of his city. After this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah east of Mamre (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan. The field and the cave that is in it were made over to Abraham as property for a burying place by the Hittites.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PROVERBS 3:5-10

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.

It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.

Honor the Lord with your wealth
and with the firstfruits of all your produce;
then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

Revelation 21:1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his

people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand for

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

**Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me
Christ to comfort and restore me**

**Christ beneath me, Christ above me
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger
Christ in hearts of all that love me
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger**

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 13:44-46

Lector The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Lector The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV'D DR. PETER JOHNSTON

THE OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY

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

Officiant The Lord be with you

People **And with thy spirit**

Officiant Lift up your hearts

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

Officiant 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.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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.**

GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

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Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us"

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Because of what the Lord has done for us"

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Let us love and sing and wonder

Let us praise the Savior's name

He has hushed the law's loud thunder

He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame

He has washed us with His blood (3X)

He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us

Pitied us when enemies

Called us by His grace and taught us

Gave us ears and gave us eyes

He has washed us with His blood (3X)

He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation

Threatens hard to bear us down

For the Lord, our strong salvation

Holds in view the conqu'ror's crown

He, Who washed us with His blood (3X)

Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice

Join and point to mercy's store

When through grace in Christ our trust is

Justice smiles and asks no more

He Who washed us with His blood (3X)

Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus

Of the saints enthroned on high

Here they trusted Him before us

Now their praises fill the sky

Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3X)

Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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 **AMAZING GRACE**

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind, but now I see**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed**

Chorus: **My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, Amazing grace**

**The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures**

Chorus

**The Earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, Who called me here below
Will be forever mine**

THE PEACE AND THE BENEDICTION

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your Spirit.**

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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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