

Trinity Episcopal Church

Offering companionship along the Way

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *Bunessan*

Processional Hymn 8 Morning has broken

Bunessan

Gloria - Canticle 20 “Gloria in excelsis” [pew card]

Gevert 2023-06

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray together our collect:

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from Isaiah 58:1-9a, [9b-12]

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

[If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.]

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 112:1-9

Gevert-1

1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord * and have great delight in his commandments!
2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed.
3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their righteousness will last for ever.
4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice.
6 For they will never be shaken; * the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies.
9 They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their-head with honor.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16]

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him"—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

"For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?

But we have the mind of Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Greg Hayakawa

Refrain

"I am the Light of the world," says the Lord,

"They who follow me will have the light of life."

Verses 1, 2

1. "A - rise," says the Lord, "Have no fear with -"
2. "Walk in the light, there is no cause to

1. in you; for in my pres - ence there will be no
2. stum - bles; I have come to light the path be -

to Refrain

1. dark - ness. I am the Light of the world."
2. fore you. I am the Light of the world."

Verse 3

3. "Lis - ten to my words; they are from the One who

3. sent me: For you, my friends, are called to share God's

3. glo - ry. You are the Light of the world."

to Refrain

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Christine Gevert (b. 1964)
For Trinity Church, January, 2025

Pastor: The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to **Matthew 5:13-20**
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Libby Wade

Minute of silence for reflection

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**

The Prayers of the People Form 3

Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world. May people who suffer and are caught up in the midst of natural disaster, disease or poverty, find peace through you; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all those in religious orders, for lay and ordained ministers, and all the holy people of God;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks at all times for the blessings of our lives. We lift up our thanksgivings (we leave time for people to say silently or aloud the things for which they are grateful). Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Jarrod and Michelle, Emma, Brennan, Teddy Sisk, Mary Sullivan, and Alan Swide, and for their families;

That we may serve and love them, and one another, as Christ loves us.

Have compassion on those who suffer, especially John Walters (*Please add your names.*) We pray for all who are afflicted with any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those who we name (*Please add your names.*) Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all the saints, those we love in this world, and in the next;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

The Confession

Pastor: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

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 *Please wave during the peace instead of touching.*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory Hymn Hymn 488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

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Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; for you are the source of light and life. You made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Holy “Holy, holy, holy Lord” [pew card]

Gevert-2019-04

**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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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

Fraction Anthem “Blessed are those” [pew card]

Gevert-2019-04

**Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.
Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him all you peoples.**

For his loving-kindness toward us is great, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Communion Hymn 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Picardy

*Everyone is welcome to receive communion. Both wine and grape juice are offered.
Due to the uptick in flu we are not drinking from the chalice, only intinction.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Blessing

Closing Hymn 559 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Dulce Carmen

The Dismissal

Pastor: Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Organ improvisation on tune *Dulce Carmen*

The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God

Serving Today

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Libby Wade

Minister of Communion: TBD

Lector: John Lloyd

Epistler: TBD

Intercessor: Jim Conzo

Flowers: Tom Schindler

Counter: John Lloyd

Altar Guild: Mike Cuoco

Greeters/Ushers: Jim Conzo

Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Sunday, February 15	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Rev. John Allison Preacher & Celebrant NOON Vestry Meeting
Wednesday, February 18	6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Rev. John Allison Preacher & Celebrant
Sunday, February 22	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Rev. John Allison Preacher & Celebrant
Sunday, March 1	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Rev. Kathleen Killian Preacher & Celebrant

Weekly Schedule

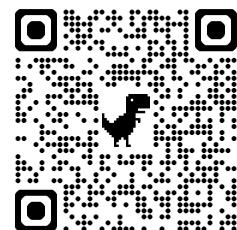
Mondays	5:00 PM Crescendo rehearsals in Walker Hall
Tuesdays	9:00 AM to 12:15 PM Taichi Practice with Christopher Kiely in Walker Hall
Wednesdays	6:00 PM Women's AA in Walker Hall
Saturdays	9:00 AM till Noon— Parish Administrator, Patricia Signorelli every Sat. Admin@trinitylimerock.org

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