



TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
A house of prayer for all people

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

Welcome. *If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home. To do so, please fill out one of the pew cards in front of you and drop it in the offertory plate.*

The service is found in the black Book of Common Prayer beginning on page 323.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19

**The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.**

**One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,

Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleans me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

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TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR
OUR SEXTONS

MR. RICKY PARKS AND MR. JOE HARRIS
BY THE CATHEDRAL STAFF AND COMMUNITY

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN GRATEFUL THANKSGIVING FOR
OUR VESTRY MEMBERS AND THEIR WORK AT THIS CATHEDRAL

Celebrant

The Rev. Thomas Alexander

Preacher

The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister

Ken Dick

Events and Information

This week at and around the Cathedral

Today	4 pm, Choral Evensong	5:30 pm, Eucharist with Healing Prayers
Monday	7 am, Breakfast and Bible Study 8:30 am, Morning Prayer	6 pm, Family Hope Sack stuffing 6:30 pm, Book Club
Tuesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer	Thursday 8:30 am, Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer 12:15 pm, Bach Organ Recital 4 pm, Trinity Chorister Rehearsal 5 pm, Trinity Ringing Society Practice 5:30 pm, Community Dinner	5:15 pm, Evening Prayer 7 pm, Choir rehearsal

Trinity News

Celebration of Dean Meaux's Ministry

Sunday, February 2, 2025

Choral Evensong at 4:00 pm

Festive Reception in Morrison Hall afterwards

Join us as we say farewell to the Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux and give thanks for her fruitful ministry as our 21st Dean and Rector. Amy will preside and preach at the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services, and she will officiate at Choral Evensong at 4:00 pm. Choral Evensong will be offered in her honor, and afterwards, we will gather for a festive reception in Morrison Hall. Everyone is especially encouraged to join us for Choral Evensong and the reception following.

Gift for Bishop-Elect Meaux

Trinity Cathedral is gifting Amy a set of vestments (chasuble, stole, and mitre) in thanksgiving for her ministry as our 21st Dean and Rector and in honor of her new ministry as 9th Bishop of West Missouri. If you would like to contribute, please donate online via the QR code or write a check to Trinity Episcopal Cathedral with "Amy's Gift" in the memo line.



Attending Bishop-Elect Meaux's Ordination

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Trinity Cathedral is planning to be present for Amy's ordination as a bishop and her seating as the 9th Bishop of West Missouri. The service will take place on Saturday, May 3 at 11:00 am at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City, Missouri. We are making arrangements for travel and for a block of hotel rooms in Kansas City. The service requires tickets, so those interested in attending will need to make plans to do so. If you are interested in joining us, please fill out the following form from the QR code.



Give Someone a Happy Birthday

Trinity Cathedral Parish with Daughters of the King, have a birthday celebration each month for the residents of Dorcas House. They look forward to this event on the first day of each month.



We need your help to provide a birthday cake, napkins & plates for one of the parties. We are scheduling volunteers beginning March 2024 through December 2024. If you would like to volunteer please call or email Marti Thomas for additional information. 501-680-6707 or martinathomas44@outlook.com

Bach Organ Recitals

Wednesdays from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m.

In commemoration of the 275th anniversary of the death of Johann Sebastian Bach in 1750, Director of Music Colin MacKnight will perform Bach's complete organ works throughout 2025. Bach is indisputably the most important composer of organ music, but due to the difficulty and quantity of Bach's organ music, very few organists ever perform the complete works.

Colin will perform most of Bach's works in lunchtime recitals on Wednesdays from 12:15 to 12:45. These weekly recitals will begin on January 8th, pause for Holy Week (April 16) and Easter week (April 23), and continue through May. They will resume in the fall on September 10.

Stitch-In for Peace

*February 5th and 1st Wednesday evenings - 6-7:15 pm
The Interfaith Center at Harrison House*

Each month we will gather to express our gratitude or write our prayers on a scraps of paper. These will be folded then passed to a neighbor to stitch into a 3x3 inch prayer patch. You will stitch your neighbors prayers they will stitch yours. At the end of the gathering the patches will be stitched together into strands. One stitch at a time and with many hands we will stitch a quilt of prayers, gratitude and peace.

All are welcome, no stitch experience required. Free will donation of \$5-20 requested.

Hosted by The Interfaith Center, facilitated by Lisa Thorpe.

For more info email: lisathorpeartist@gmail.com

Mark your calendar with these 1st Wednesdays 2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7

