ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Pro-Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island
CLINTON & MONTAGUE STREETS | BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

HOLY EUCHARIST
Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2020
11:15 AM
WELCOME
TO ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is a house of worship and community commons in Brooklyn Heights. All are welcome here to seek sanctuary and solace, follow a spiritual path, celebrate music and the arts, participate in civic discourse, and engage in service for the common good.

We are glad you have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we hope you will return soon. If you are searching for a spiritual home, we invite you to consider St. Ann’s. Our community is friendly, welcoming, and deeply committed to sharing God’s love, caring for creation, and serving our neighbors in need. Please join us!

Celebrant  The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
Preacher    The Rev. Katherine A. Salisbury
Reader and Intercessor  Nancy Nicolette
Director of Music     Gregory D’Agostino
A WORD OF WELCOME

The people stand and sing

OPENING HYMN

The Hymnal 1982, #645

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant  Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant  Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

TRISAGION sung three times

The Hymnal 1982, #S102
COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The people sit

THE LESSON  Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,

and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.
PSALM 23 The cantor introduces the refrain. The congregation repeats the refrain and sings as indicated thereafter.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one
can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to
you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Gospeller  The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON  The Rev. Katherine A. Salisbury
The people stand

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.
In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

**Intercessor**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops, Lawrence, Geralyn, Daniel and William; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui and The Most Reverend Paul Kwong, Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St.George's, Flushing.

Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I invite you to join me in prayer for those we have been asked to remember:

Alan, Angela, Anne, Annie, Bob, Charles, Cheryl, Clark, David, Dominic, Dorothy, Evandé, Frank, Fred, Jane, Janet, Joseph, Kristy, Laura, Larry, Lemuel, Martin, Max Muriel, Peter, Ravi, Rex, Ruth, Ryan, Sarah, Syd, Tal, Alfred & Holly, Michael & Barbara, and Jennifer & John.

**Intercessor**

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the people of St. Ann & the Holy Trinity and for a holy Lent for the members of our church.

I ask your thanksgivings for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Barbara Gonzo.
Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. Silence

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

CHOIR ANTHEM
THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

_Eucharistic Prayer C_

_Celebrant_ The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

_Celebrant_ Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

_Celebrant_ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

_Celebrant_ God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

_Celebrant_ At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

_Celebrant_ From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

_Celebrant_ Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

_Celebrant_ And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:
And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,**
**as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

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**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

*The Hymnal 1982, #S149*

**Celebrant** As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

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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.
For give us our sins as we forgive those who
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Celebrant

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

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
Celebrant  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.

CHOIR ANTHEM

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant  Let us pray.

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 & DISMISSAL

The Celebrant offers a blessing, and the People respond

Amen.

The Celebrant dismisses the People, and they respond

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN  The Hymnal 1982, #490
During the holy season of Lent, you are encouraged to hold in prayer those on the parish prayer list whose names are printed in the bulletin each week. On Sundays, first names of all on the list will be read aloud by the congregation. We invite your requests to add or remove names to the current list throughout Lent by contacting a member of the clergy or emailing parish administrator, Terry Randazzo, at office@stannholytrinity.org.

The Prayer List
Alan, Angela, Anne, Annie, Charles, Cheryl, David, Fred, Jane, Janet, Karen, Kristy, Martin, May, Nicole, Ryan, Sam, Sarah, Michael & Barbara, Jennifer & John, Bill & Joanna, Barrie & Thomasin, Muriel Bennett, Laura Breakell, Peter Browne, Joseph Casarona, Dorothy Cole, Max Douze, Bob Fardella, Syd Farley, Dominic Gaona, Clark Green, Evandé Hodge, Frank Kain, Lemuel Kwateng, Alfred & Holly Kohler, Larry Mumm, Ravi Ragbir, Ruth Reiser, Tal Ross and Rex Victor.