SUNDAY LITURGY

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2020
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!

Officiant The Rev. Marie A. Tatro
Preacher The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
Readers Josie Pope, Ezra Tipson, Zack Pope
Gospeller The Rev. Craig D. Townsend
Director of Music Gregory D’Agostino
Soloist Bridget Hogan
PRELUDE  Intermezzo in A Major  Brahms

OPENING HYMN

1 Take my life, and let it be con-scra-ted, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my voice, and let me sing al-ways, on-ly, for my King;

take my mo-ments and my days, let them flow in cease-less praise.
take my in-tel-lect, and use ev-ery power as thou shalt choose.

Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love;
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long-er mine.

take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy-al throne.
Take my-self, and I will be ev-er, on-ly, all for thee.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt.  Music: Hallelujah, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant  Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.
People  And blessed be God’s reign, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Officiant  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.
People  Amen.

TRISAGION

Officiant  Holy God,
    Holy and Mighty,
    Holy Immortal One,
People  Have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant  God be with you.
People  And also with you.
Officiant  Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
People  Amen.
THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Reader    A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.”

Reader    Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People    Thanks be to God.

PSALM 89:1-4,15-18

Misericordias Domini

Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
“I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
‘I will establish your line for ever, *
and preserve your throne for all generations.’“
Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *
they walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.
They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.
Truly, the LORD is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.
GOSPEL LESSON  

Matthew 10:40-42

Gospeller  A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

Gospeller  Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All  Thanks be to God.

SERMON  

The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader  Please join me as we affirm our faith in God’s promise with the response, “We believe.”

We believe in one God who said, “Let there be light,” and there was! With that light, God made the world and all that is in it.

When we were created, God put that light in us. And so we say,

People  We believe!

Leader  We believe in Jesus, the true Light, who went down to darkness to overcome death, and rose again. In his rising a path shines home to God’s heart. And so we say,

People  We believe!

Leader  We believe in the Spirit, filling us with hope, speaking the truth in every place, inspiring us to do justice and show kindness to one another. And so we say,

People  We believe!

Leader  We believe in the Church, where God is praised and God’s people are forgiven, fed and sent out to love and serve the world. And so we say,

People  We believe!
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. Pray for the Church. Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; 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 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

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

MUSIC MEDITATION

Parish prayers are offered during the music meditation.

Officiant  O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
THE LORD’S PRAYER

Officiant    And so as Jesus taught us, we now pray:
            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.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now
and forever. Amen.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Officiant    God of all power and love,
            we give thanks for your unfailing presence
            and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss.
Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.
Revive us to live as Christ’s body in the world:
a people who pray, worship, learn,
break bread, share life, heal neighbors,
bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.
Wherever and however we gather,
unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,
that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And may the blessing of our God, Creator, Redeemer and
Sanctifier be with you this day and remain with you always.

People        Amen.

Officiant    Let us go forth into the world,
            rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People        Thanks be to God.
THE PEACE

**Officiant**  The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People**    And also with you.

CLOSING HYMN  

*Wonder, Love, and Praise, #782*

1. Gracious Spirit, give your servants joy to set sin’s captives free, hope to heal the broken-hearted.
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glory to become our great high priest, taking on our human nature
3. Loving God, who birthed creation from the nothingness of space, kindling life where all was empty, unbegun, boundless grace and perfect justice.
4. Triune God, eternal Being, never ending, peace to share love’s liberty. Through us bring your balm of to redeem the last and least: let your courage and compassion turn chaos into grace: when we feel confused and righteous and forgiving One: so enfold us in your
glad-ness to the wound-ed and op-pressed; help us claim and
pas-sion shape and guide our min-is-tries; as our Sav-ior
fruit-less, dawn up-on our rest-less night; give us faith’s im-
mer-cy that our wills and yours u-nite; through us may the
show God’s fa-vor as a peo-ple called and blessed.
and our Shep-herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
ag-i-na-tion, hope’s re-new-ing, love’s de-light.
world be-hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

POSTLUDE

Gigue (French Suite No. 5)  
Bach