SUNDAY LITURGY

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
January 31, 2021
WELCOME
TO ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
PRO-CATHEDRAL of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

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!

LEADERS IN TODAY’S SERVICE

Officiant The Rev. Marie A. Tatro
Preacher The Rev. Craig D. Townsend
Readers Kristin Lundberg
Virginia Salisbury
Director of Music Gregory D’Agostino
Soloist Amy van Roekel, soprano
**PRELUDE**  Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele  

**OPENING HYMN**  The Hymnal 1982, #448

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing
2. For us baptized, for us he bore his holy
3. For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4. For us to wick-ed hands be-trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5. For us he rose from death again; for us he
6. All glo-ry to our Lord and God for love so

1. thought and fa-n-ta-sy, that God, the Son of
2. fast and hun-gered sore; for us tem-p-ta-tions
3. dai-ly works he wrought; by words and signs and
4. pur-ple robe ar-rayed, he bore the shame-ful
5. went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6. deep, so high, so broad; the Tri-ni-ty whom

1. God, should take our mor-tal form for mor-tals’ sake.
2. sharp he knew; for us the tempt-er over-threw.
3. ac-tions, thus still seek-ing not him-self, but us.
4. cross and death; for us gave up his dy-ing breath.
5. Spi-rit here to guide, to strength-en, and to cheer.
6. we a-dore for ev-er and for ev-er more.


**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

**Officiant**  Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

**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.

KYRIE

Officiant Lord have mercy.
People Christ have mercy.
Officiant Lord have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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  Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Reader A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.” Then the Lord replied to me: “They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command.
Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

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

PSALM  111  
Confitebor tibi

Hallelujah!
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
ho ly and awesome is his Name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.
THE HOLY GOSPEL  
Mark 1:21-28

Reader  A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

SERMON  
The Rev. Dr. Craig D. Townsend

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  Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy:

People  Hear our prayer.

Intercessor  Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy:

People  Hear our prayer.

Intercessor  Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy:

People  Hear our prayer.

Intercessor  Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence
**Intercessor**  Lord, in your mercy:  
**People**  Hear our prayer.  
**Intercessor**  Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.  
*Silence*  
Lord, in your mercy:  
**People**  Hear our prayer.  
**Intercessor**  We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence*  
Lord, in your mercy:  
**People**  Hear our prayer.  
**Officiant**  Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.  

**MUSIC MEDITATION**

‘Meditation’  
Modest Moussorgsky  
*Performed by Gregory D’Agostino*  
† Parish prayers are offered during the music meditation. †
THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant  Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People  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.

Officiant  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 LORD’S PRAYER

Officiant  And so as Jesus taught us, we now pray:

People  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.
PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*People* My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you, and may you never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

*Officiant* May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People* Amen.

*Officiant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

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

*People* And also with you.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR!

Remain online and you will be admitted to the gathering. The process takes a few minutes, so please be patient.

Thank you.