SUNDAY LITURGY
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 7, 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!

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Cover image: Mosaic depicting the healing of St. Peter’s mother-in-law, 14th century, narthex of the Church of the Holy Saviour in Chora (Kariye Camii), historic areas of Istanbul (UNESCO World Heritage Site, 1985), Turkey.
PRELUDE  Fugues No. 4 and 5 on the Magnificat  

OPENING HYMN  

The Hymnal 1982, #135

1 Songs of thankful-ness and praise, Jes-us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
2 Man-i-fest at Jor-dan’s stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su-preme;  
3 Man-i-fest in mak-ing whole pal-sied limbs and faint-ing soul;  
4 Man-i-fest on moun-tain height, shin-ing in re-splend-ent light,  

man-i-fest-ed by the star to the sa-ges from a-far;  
and at Ca-na, wed-ding-guest, in thy God-head man-i-fest;  
man-i-fest in val-iant fight, quell-ing all the dev-il’s might;  
where dis-ci-ples filled with awe thy trans-fi-gured glo-ry saw.  

branch of roy-al Da-vid’s stem in thy birth at Beth-le-hem;  
man-i-fest in power di-vine, chang-ing wa-ter in-to wine;  
man-i-fest in gra-cious will, ev-er bring-ing good from ill;  
When from there thou led-dest them stead-fast to Je-ru-sa-lem,
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.

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.

People Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;
who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and they wither,
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see:
Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
   mighty in power,
   not one is missing.
Why do you say, O Jacob,
   and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the Lord,
   and my right is disregarded by my God"?
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
   the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
   his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
   and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary,
   the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
   they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
   they shall run and not be weary,
   they shall walk and not faint.

Reader   Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People   Thanks be to God.
Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
    how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *
    he gathers the exiles of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted *
    and binds up their wounds.
He counts the number of the stars *
    and calls them all by their names.
Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
    there is no limit to his wisdom.
The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
    but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
    make music to our God upon the harp.
He covers the heavens with clouds *
    and prepares rain for the earth;
He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
    and green plants to serve mankind.
He provides food for flocks and herds *
    and for the young ravens when they cry.
He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
    he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
    in those who await his gracious favor.
Hallelujah!
THE HOLY GOSPEL

Reader  A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.” And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro

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

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
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

Sarabande No. 1 in A minor
Johannes Brahms
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.