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

HOLY EUCHARIST
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Homecoming Sunday
September 19, 2021
10:30 AM
Welcome

to St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church
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St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is a house of worship and community commons in Brooklyn Heights. We are so glad you have come to worship with us. As you know, the ongoing pandemic makes this an extraordinary time that requires us to take precautions to protect ourselves and others. We ask while you are here to please follow all of these health protocols:

- Pre-registration is no longer required.
- Those who have recently tested positive for Covid-19, have Covid-like symptoms, or been in contact with someone who has them, may not attend in-person worship.
- Masks over both nose and mouth continues to be required on church grounds.
- We now sing while wearing our masks!

St. Ann’s is a friendly and welcoming church that is deeply committed to sharing God’s love, caring for creation, and serving our neighbors in need. We remain steadfast in our prayers for the safety of our community, our nation and the world and that all God’s people can live in freedom and peace.

Thank you for joining us!

Leaders in Today’s Service

Celebrant The Rev. Craig D. Townsend
Preacher The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
Lay Eucharistic Minister Mary Johnson
First Reader Colleen Heemeyer
Second Reader Sven Heemeyer
Intercessor Benjamin Kwadwo Banafo
Ushers Tony Holmes, Sven Heemeyer
Director of Music Gregory D’Agostino
Cantor Amy van Roekel
Guest Musician Gleb Vascenko, saxophonist
Altar Guild Liz Chidder, Nancy Nicolette, Oreta Beckett
Livestream Director Eleana Donaldson
PRELUDE

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people stand and sing

OPENING HYMN

The Hymnal 1982, #379

1 God is Love, let heaven adore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace; with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.
People And blessed be God's reign, now and 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.
People Amen.
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Celebrant  Lord have mercy.
People    Christ have mercy.
Celebrant  Lord have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People    Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON  Jeremiah 11:18-20

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.
But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!”
But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Reader    Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People    Thanks be to God.
PSALM 54 said by all

Save me, O God, by your Name; *
in your might, defend my cause.

Hear my prayer, O God; *
give ear to the words of my mouth.

For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, *
those who have no regard for God.

Behold, God is my helper; *
it is the Lord who sustains my life.

Render evil to those who spy on me; *
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

I will offer you a freewill sacrifice *
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.

For you have rescued me from every trouble, *
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

THE SECOND LESSON

A Reading from the Letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have,
because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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

The people stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL  

Mark 9:30-37

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

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

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

SERMON  
The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
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.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor With all our hearts and minds, let us pray to God responding, “God of love, hear our prayer.”

United in relationships of holy connection and communion, we share a heart with those who feel separated or cast out for any reason. Help us reach out in love.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for this beloved community, in the spirit, growing with all people. Help us make it safe for all to live with integrity and for all to live in peace.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Inspiring us through our church, through Scripture, through the Word made flesh in Jesus, and through the sacraments, help us to deepen our relationship with You.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for people and places that long for relief from suffering; for all affected by the coronavirus; for all struggling with mental health concerns and all those in need of healing. God remind us that we are not alone.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray that your love will find ways to restore our wounded world to wholeness and guide our nation and leaders to right action. Help us to be instruments of justice and peace.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We give thanks for all the moments of grace that sustain us, and all the reminders that your love and grace abound. Give us eyes to see your goodness in the world around us.

People God of love, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for those who have died. Comfort those who grieve.

People God of love, hear our prayer.
Intercessor  God of love, send us into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

People  God of love, hear our prayer.

Celebrant  Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Please continue to hold in prayer all those on St. Ann’s parish prayer list.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant  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.

Celebrant  Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sin 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.

People  And also with you.
A WORD OF WELCOME

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The people stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN

LEVAS II, #194

Refrain: Lead me, guide me, along the way,
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak— and I need thy strength and power to—
2. Help me tread— in the paths of righteousness, be my
3. I am lost— if you take your hand from me, I am

1. help me o- ver my weak - est hour; Help me
2. aid when sa- tan and sin op- press; I am
3. blind without thy light to see; Lord, just
through the darkness thy face to see,
1.
putting all my trust in thee.
2.
always let me thy servant be.
3.

 Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
1.
 Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
2.
 Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
3.

D.C.
THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

    Holy, holy, holy Lord,
    God of power and might.
    Heaven and earth are full of your glory:
    Hosanna in the highest!
    Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
    Hosanna in the highest!

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.
On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**Celebrant and People**

*We remember Christ’s death,*  
*We proclaim Christ’s resurrection,*  
*We await Christ’s coming in glory.*

**The Celebrant continues**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary the Godbearer, St. Ann, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**
THE LORD’S PRAYER

Celebrant  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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant  Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People    Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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.

MUSIC MEDITATION  What a friend we have in Jesus

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant  Let us pray.
People    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

Celebrant Holy One, we rest in your goodness:
People Guide us with your grace.

Celebrant For your Church we ask:
People Guide us with your grace.

Celebrant For our world we ask:
People Guide us with your grace.

Celebrant For our communities we ask:
People Guide us with your grace.

Celebrant For our parish family we ask:
People Guide us with your grace.

Celebrant We offer these prayers of our hearts to God, as we journey forth this
day, and may the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and
Sustainer, be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.
The people stand and sing

CLOSING HYMN

The Hymnal 1982, #482

Lord of all hope-fulness, Lord of all joy,
Lord of all eager-ness, Lord of all faith,
Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace,
Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev-er child-like, no cares could de-stroy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace,
whose voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-e-nce is balm,

be there at our wak-ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our lab-ors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom-ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep-ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

POSTLUDE

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Support for Those Impacted by the COVID-19 Crisis
We recognize that some of you are experiencing a tenuous job situation, the loss of a job, or the challenges of coping with illness. You should know that the church may be able to provide you with financial assistance confidentially through the clergy discretionary fund. As always, you can reach out to Canon John Denaro or Mo. Kate Salisbury for support.