

ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
PRO-CATHEDRAL *of the* Episcopal Diocese of Long Island
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SUNDAY LITURGY

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 14, 2021

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. 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. Katherine A. Salisbury
Preacher Léon M. Willis II
Readers Nathan Taylor, Raija Taylor
Director of Music Gregory D'Agostino
Soloist Richard Holmes, baritone

A note from Gregory D'Agostino: In celebration of Women's History Month, today we feature the music of American composer and pianist, Elizabeth Turner. Little is known about Turner, a soprano, harpsichordist, and composer. She was one of the first English women to compose and publish a notable number of her own compositions. Likely born around 1720, it is theorized that Turner's career was cut short when she died in 1756. She composed melodies based on lyrics by English poets Ben Jonson and James Thomson, and patterned her songs after those of Purcell, Boyce, and Arne. In her lifetime, Elizabeth Turner was more well-known as an acclaimed soprano, and in fact performed in oratorios of Handel and Boyce.

PRELUDE

Aria

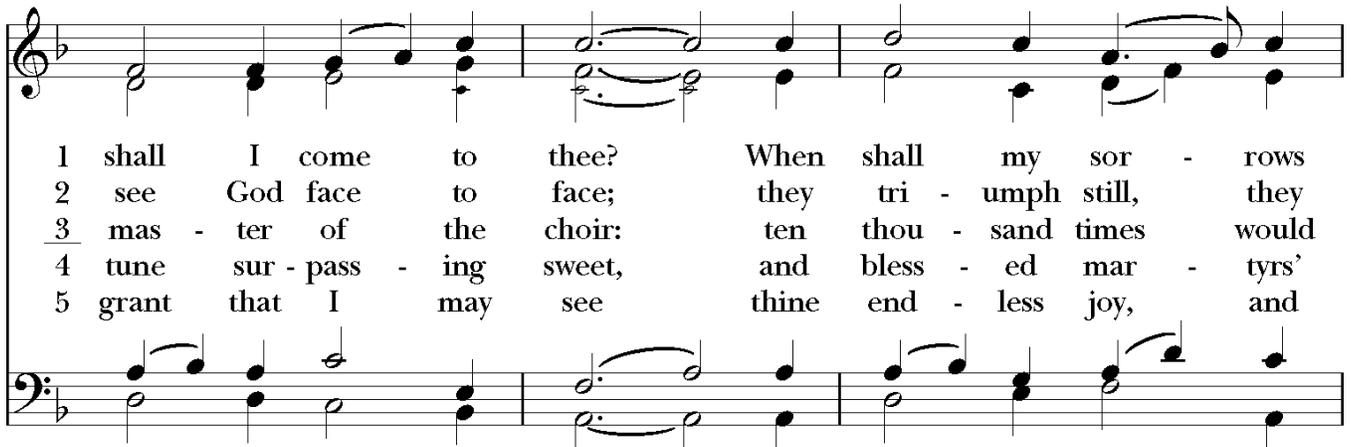
Elizabeth Turner

OPENING HYMN

The Hymnal 1982, #620



1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when
2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they
3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as
4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with
5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God



1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they
3 mas - ter of the choir: ten thou - sand times would
4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's
5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and



1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
2 still re - joice in that most hap - py place.
3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.
4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.
5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!

Words: F. B. P. (ca. 16th cent.), alt. Music: *Land of Rest*, American folk hymn; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures 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 ELEISON

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 2:1-10

Reader A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22

Confitemini Domino

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.**

**Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**

**He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

**Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; *
they were afflicted because of their sins.**

**Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.**

**He sent forth his word and healed them *
and saved them from the grave.
Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.
Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

Reader A Reading from the Gospel according to John.

Jesus said, “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

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SERMON

Léon Willis II

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

BCP, Form V

Intercessor In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, GERALYN, Daniel and William, our own Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For this congregation that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

MUSIC MEDITATION

Liturgical Prelude No. 1

George Oldroyd

Performed by Gregory D'Agostino

† *Parish prayers are offered during the music meditation.* †

Intercessor Rejoicing in the fellowship of Mary the Godbearer, St. Ann and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord our God.**

Silence

Officiant 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, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who stand before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; and the Blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be upon 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.