

**ST. ANN & THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**  
PRO-CATHEDRAL *of the* Episcopal Diocese of Long Island  
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**THE CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION**

*Eve of the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord*

May 12, 2021

6:00 PM



# 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. 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:

- *Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth*
- *Maintain a safe social distance from anyone not in your household.*
- *Refrain from shaking hands, holding hands and hugging anyone not in your household.*
- *Notify the office of St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church immediately if you develop symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, coughing, shortness of breath) or test positive for COVID-19 within 14 days of being on church property.*

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

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Celebrant</b>                      | The Rev. Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin  |
| <b>Assisting Priests</b>              | The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro<br>The Rev. Steven Paulikas                    |
| <b>Readers</b>                        | Elizabeth Zuba, Jacqueline de Weever,<br>and the Rev. Katherine A. Salisbury |
| <b>Organist and Director of Music</b> | Gregory D'Agostino   |
| <b>Soloist</b>                        | Bridget Hogan, alto  |

## THE VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D minor

*Stanley*

## OPENING HYMN *sung by the cantor*

Hail the day that sees him rise

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Bishop* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Bishop* There is one Body and one Spirit;

**People** **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Bishop* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**People** **One God and Father of all.**

## THE COLLECT

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Bishop* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

**People** **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The people are seated*

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 1:1-11*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs,

appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 47**

*Omnes gentes, plaudite*

**Clap your hands, all you peoples; \*  
shout to God with a cry of joy.**

**For the Lord Most High is to be feared; \*  
he is the great King over all the earth.**

**He subdues the peoples under us, \*  
and the nations under our feet.**

**He chooses our inheritance for us, \*  
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

**God has gone up with a shout, \*  
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.**

**Sing praises to God, sing praises; \*  
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

**For God is King of all the earth; \*  
sing praises with all your skill.**

**God reigns over the nations; \*  
God sits upon his holy throne.**

**The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \*  
with the people of the God of Abraham.**

**The rulers of the earth belong to God, \*  
and he is highly exalted.**

## **THE SECOND LESSON**

*Ephesians 1:15-23*

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

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

***People* Thanks be to God.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 24:44-53*

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

***People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am

sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Gospeller*    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

*The Right Reverend R. William Franklin*  
Assisting Bishop of Long Island

## **THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES**

*The candidates for confirmation, Thaddeus Lee, Emmeline Zuba, and Sebastian Zuba from All Saints' Church, and Robin Burt, Mary Johnson, Scott Parker and Benjamin Spier from St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church and their sponsors stand.*

*Bishop*        The Candidates will now be presented.

*Sponsors*    **I present \_\_\_\_\_ for Confirmation into  
the Episcopal Church.**

*Bishop*        Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Sponsors*    **I do.**

*Bishop*        Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Sponsors*    **I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior  
and Lord.**

*Bishop*        Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support  
these persons in their life in Christ?

*People*        **We will.**

*The people stand.*

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*Bishop* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Bishop* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated**

**at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge  
the living and the dead.**

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Bishop* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**People** I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**People** I will, with God's help.

## THE PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATES

*Bishop* Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

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*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

**People** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*Bishop* Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**People** Amen.

## CONFIRMATION HYMN *sung by the cantor*

Holy Spirit, Lord of love

*The Candidates for Confirmation now come forward as directed. The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says:*

*Bishop* Strengthen, O Lord, your servant \_\_\_\_\_ with your Holy Spirit; empower him/her for your service; and sustain him/her all the days of his/her life. **Amen.**

*After all have been confirmed, the Bishop concludes with this prayer.*

*Bishop* Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

*People* **And also with you.**



# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## OFFERTORY HYMN *sung by the cantor*

Lord, we have come at your own invitation

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Bishop* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Bishop* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Bishop proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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!**

*The congregation may kneel or remain standing. The Bishop proceeds*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*The Bishop continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**People** Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Bishop* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**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.

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Bishop* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*Bishop* 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.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Those who wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward wearing your mask to receive the bread in the palm of your hand and then step to the side before removing your mask to consume the host.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS *sung by the cantor*

A hymn of glory let us sing  
Rejoice, the Lord of life ascends

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Bishop* 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.**

## THE BLESSING

*Bishop* Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

*People* **The maker of heaven and earth.**

*Bishop* Blessed be the Name of the Lord,

*People* **From this time forth for evermore.**

*Bishop* The blessing, mercy and grace of God Almighty: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Bishop* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the  
power of the Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

Sarabande

*Handel*

***Congratulations to all who were  
confirmed at today's celebration!***



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