Holy Eucharist
The Feast of the Epiphany
January 8, 2023
11:15 am
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 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 all God’s people in our community, our nation and the world. We are so glad you have joined us for worship!

While the Covid-19 pandemic persists, we remain committed to protecting ourselves and the members of our community at St. Ann & the Holy Trinity. In light of the current public health guidance, we have instituted a mask-optional policy for parishioners and visitors and we encourage the following while on church grounds:

- Please continue to wear a mask if you feel that is best for you and others. (Masks are available for individuals who need them.)
- If you choose not to wear a mask, kindly honor those who do by maintaining a safe social distance.
- Those who have recently tested positive for Covid-19, have Covid-like symptoms, or have been in contact with someone who does, are asked not to attend in-person worship.

We will continue to monitor public health recommendations and inform our community of any updates to our masking policy. Thank you for your cooperation!

Celebrant  The Rev. Dr. Craig D. Townsend
Preacher    The Rev. Elise A. Hanley
Lay Eucharistic Minister  Benjamin Graham
Crucifer    Mary Johnson
First Reader Mary Johnson
Second Reader Debbie Mumm
Intercessor Scott Parker
Ushers      Anthony Holmes
Director of Music Gregory D’Agostino
Cantor      Bridget Hogan
Altar Guild Claudia Barber, Debbie Mumm, Margaret Victor, Donna Evans
Livestream Director Carlos Ponce
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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1 As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
2 As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed;
3 As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
4 Holy Jesus! every day keep us in the narrow way;
5 In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light;

1 As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
2 there to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;
3 so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin’s alloy,
4 and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.
2 so may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy seat.
3 all our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.
5 there for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant  Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.
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.

GLORIA

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1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
4. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: re-
COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant  God be with you.
People   And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.
O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People    Amen.

The people are seated.
THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1–6

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses’ arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 72:1–7, 10–14 Deus, judicium

Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations do him service.
For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader  A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God’s grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God’s grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People  Thanks be to God.

The people stand.
SEQUENCE HYMN

1 We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain.
2 Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again, King for ever,
3 Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising,
4 Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing,
5 Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice; heaven sings alleluia.

1 Moor and mountain, following yonder star. 2 ceasing never over us all to reign.
3 gladly raising, worship him, God Most High. 4 bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
5 luia: alleluia the earth replies.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,

star with royal beauty bright; westward leading,
Matthew 2:1–12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.”

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.
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.
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.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION

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

All  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 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 PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.
People: And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

MUSIC MEDITATION

OFFERTORY HYMN

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1 Deck thy self, my soul, with glad ness, leave the gloom y haunts of sadness, come in to the day light's splen dor, there with joy thy prais es ren der

2 Sun, who all my life dost bright en; Light, who know eth; Fount, whence all my be ing flow eth: glad ly here obey thee; nev er to my hurt in

3 Je sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me vit ed, be thy love with love requit ed;
unto him whose grace unbounded hath this
at thy feet I cry, my Marker, let me
from this banquet let me measure, Lord, how

wondrous banquet founded high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit partaker of this blessed food from
vast and deep its treasure; through the gifts thou here dost

reigneth, yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.
heaven, for our good, thy glory, given.
give me, as thy guest in heaven receive me.
THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant God 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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Savior. 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:

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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,

All 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  As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

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 for ever. 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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, communion is offered in one kind (bread only). The Lay Eucharistic Minister receives the wine on behalf of the congregation. At St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church, our common practice is to receive the bread in outstretched hands. Please indicate to the Celebrant if you would like gluten-free communion bread. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms over your chest and the priest will offer a blessing.

MUSIC MEDITATION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant 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.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.
RECESSIONAL HYMN

1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
2 He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;
3 He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
4 Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring;
5 O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
2 to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
3 and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth;
4 all nations shall adore him, his praise all people sing;
5 from age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blest:

1 He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
2 to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light;
3 before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;
4 to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;
5 the tide of time shall never his covenant remove;

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1 to take away transgression, and rule in equity.
2 whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.
3 and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.
4 his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.
5 his Name shall stand for ever, his changeless Name of Love.

POSTLUDE Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam Johann Pachelbel