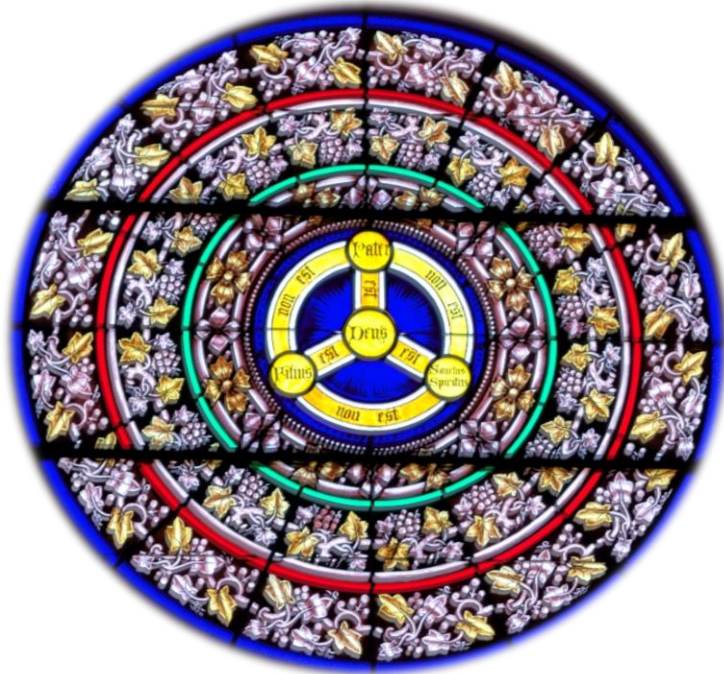


# Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

## Evening Prayer



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# EVENING PRAYER

*Officiant:* I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. *Psalm 16:7,8*

*Officiant:* O God, make speed to save us.

*All:* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*All:* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!**

## **O Gracious Light**

*Phos hilaron*

*Reader1:* O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

## **The Psalm or Psalms Appointed**

**Psalm 112**

**BCP 755**

*Reader 2:* 1 Hallelujah!  
Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right;  
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;  
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \*  
the desires of the wicked will perish.

**Psalm 113**

**BCP 756**

*Reader 3:*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Give praise, you servants of the Lord; \*  
praise the Name of the Lord.
- 2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the Lord be praised.
- 4 The Lord is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- 6 He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- 7 He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.
- 8 He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

*All:*

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.**

*Reader 1:* A Reading from Exodus.

17 From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” <sup>5</sup>The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. <sup>6</sup>I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

*Reader:* Here ends the Lesson.

*All:* **Thanks be to God**

### **A Song of Creation**

*Reader 2:* Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

#### I The Cosmic Order

Glorify the Lord, you angels and all powers of the Lord, \*  
O heavens and all waters above the heavens.  
Sun and moon and stars of the sky, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, every shower of rain and fall of dew, \*  
all winds and fire and heat.  
Winter and summer, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold, \*  
drops of dew and flakes of snow.  
Frost and cold, ice and sleet, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O nights and days, \*  
O shining light and enfolding dark.

Storm clouds and thunderbolts, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

*Reader 3:* II The Earth and its Creatures

Let the earth glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills,  
and all that grows upon the earth, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, \*  
O whales and all that move in the waters.  
All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, \*  
and all you flocks and herds.  
O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

*Reader 1:* III The People of God

Let the people of God glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O priests and servants of the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O spirits and souls of the righteous, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
You that are holy and humble of heart, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

#### Doxology

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

*All:* **Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.**

## Second Lesson

John 4:46-54

*Reader 2:* A reading from the Holy Gospel According to John.

<sup>46</sup> Then he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had changed the water into wine. Now there was a royal official whose son lay ill in Capernaum. <sup>47</sup> When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. <sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to him, “Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe.” <sup>49</sup> The official said to him, “Sir, come down before my little boy dies.” <sup>50</sup> Jesus said to him, “Go; your son will live.” The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started on his way. <sup>51</sup> As he was going down, his slaves met him and told him that his child was alive. <sup>52</sup> So he asked them the hour when he began to recover, and they said to him, “Yesterday at one in the afternoon the fever left him.” <sup>53</sup> The father realized that this was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” So he himself believed, along with his whole household. <sup>54</sup> Now this was the second sign that Jesus did after coming from Judea to Galilee.

*Reader:* Here ends the Lesson.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

## The Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis*

*Reader 3:* Lord, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.

*All:* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Group Reflection

### The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant:* I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
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.  
 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. Amen.

### Suffrages A

*Officiant:* Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
*All:* **And grant us your salvation.**

*Officiant:* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
*All:* **Let your people sing with joy.**

*Officiant:* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
*All:* **For only in you can we live in safety.**

*Officiant:* Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
*All:* **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

*Officiant:* Let your way be known upon the earth;  
*All:* **Your saving health among all nations.**

*Officiant:* Let not the needy be forgotten;  
*All:* **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

*Officiant:* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*All:* **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

*Officiant:* We pray that those who are in need of healing, whether physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can find hope in the healing power of God, especially:

Sandrilee Abrahamson	Harriet Nord	Tim	Sandy
David Bachhuber	Chris Nord	Jan B	Tammy
Phil and Bonnie Bachhuber	Linda Gilbertson	Jessie	Cathy
Judy Cook	Earnest Hooks	Jim	Jane H
Chris C	Lydia Respalje	Andy H	Cody

Peg Rhode	Mary Beth Molitor	Cheryl J	Kyle G
Rebecca Gray	Peter Molitor	Roger	John Krapfl
Grace Keach	Paul Molitor	Louise	Hannah
Wayne Keach	Marie F	Dan P	Janet C
Donna Wilhelms	Jerry F	Eric	Fr. Dick Merschberger
Lucas	LB & Family	Frank	The Rev Rodger Patience
Kaitlyn	Janelle Anderson	Graham	Martina Mims
Trista	Richard Herren	Kimberly	The Rev Amy Heimerl
Chanda	Lawson P	Ed B	The Rev Mike Hackbarth
Jim R	Paula P	Shelley E	The Rev Barb Sajna
Randy S	Jon Whitford	Lois B	Brenda S
Erin D	Phil Whitford	Bob and Scott	Stubbe Family
		Ethan L	
Victims of war/violence	Victims of natural disaster	Diocese of Masvingo	
Prison Inmates and Staff	Those who are lonely	Haitians everywhere	

*Officiant:* Loving and eternal God, we place these prayers before you. As your faithful people, we know that You have heard us, and will grant them in accordance with Your will. We pray in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

*All:* **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Reader 1:* Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.

*All:* **Amen.**



### ***The Collect of the Day***

*Officiant* 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.

*All:* **Amen.**

### ***Prayer for Peace***

*Officiant:* Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.

*All:* **Amen.**

*Officiant:* O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All:* **Amen.**

### ***Prayer of Self-Dedication***

*Officiant:* Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

*All:* **Amen.**

### ***Prayer of St. Chrysostom***

*Officiant:* Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

*All:* **Amen.**

*Officiant:* May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you now and forevermore.

*All:* **Amen.**

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Officiant:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

*Ephesians 3:20,21*