Third Sunday After The Epiphany

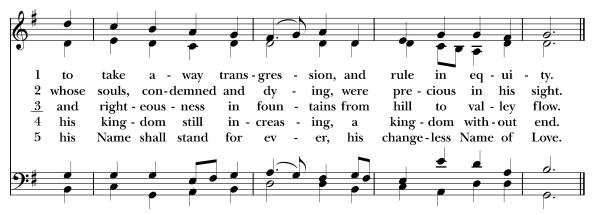


January 26, 2025 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Before the service, speak to the Lord; During the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another.

Prelude





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The complete text begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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. **Amen.**

All say this Hymn of Praise (9 a.m.)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

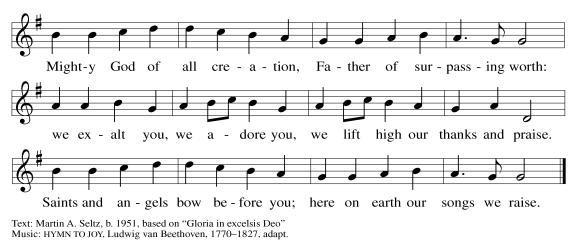
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

All sing this Hymn of Praise (11 a.m.)





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The Collect of the Day

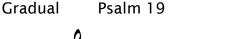
- *Priest* The Lord be with you.
- People And also with you.
- Priest Let us pray.
- *Priest* Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

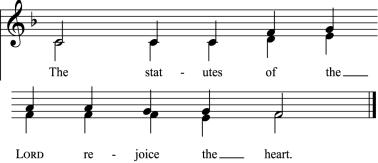
The Lessons

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People* Thanks be to God.





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- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *

and one night imparts knowledge to another.

- 3 Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world. **Refrain**

5 6	In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber it rejoices like a champion to run its course. It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; * nothing is hidden from its burning heat.	er; Refrain
7	The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.	
8	The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.	Refrain
9	The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.	
10	More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.	Refrain
11	By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.	
12	Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.	Refrain
13	Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.	
14	Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, * O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.	Refrain

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

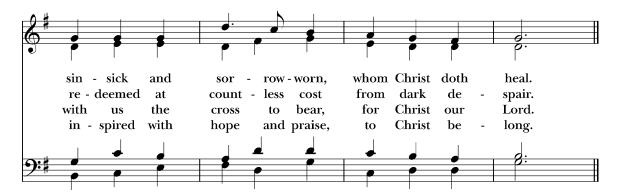
Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 537 "Christ for the world we sing!"





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Priest The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 4:14-21

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Nurya Love Parish

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

The Deacon or other person appointed says

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and guide our minds as we choose a rector for this parish, that we may call a faithful pastor, who will care for your people, and guide and equip us in our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. The Leader and People pray responsively

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Ruth, John, Reed, Audrey, Lotte, Patti, Debbie, Carol, Betty, Lee, Ginny, Matthew, Bob, Jim, Mike, Andrew, Carol, Phil, Jane, and Harry;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Priest says this concluding Collect

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for recollection of sins. Then, all say

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.

The Priest says

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

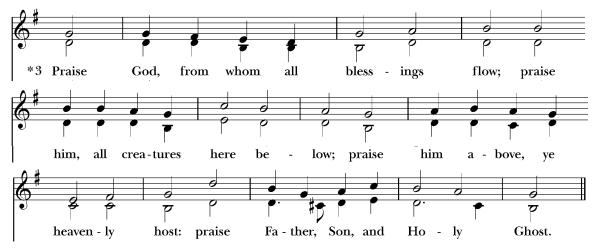
Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People may then greet one another with a sign of peace.

Offertory

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The Great Thanksgiving

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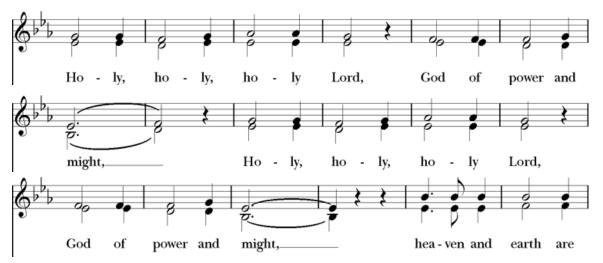
Eucharistic Prayer A

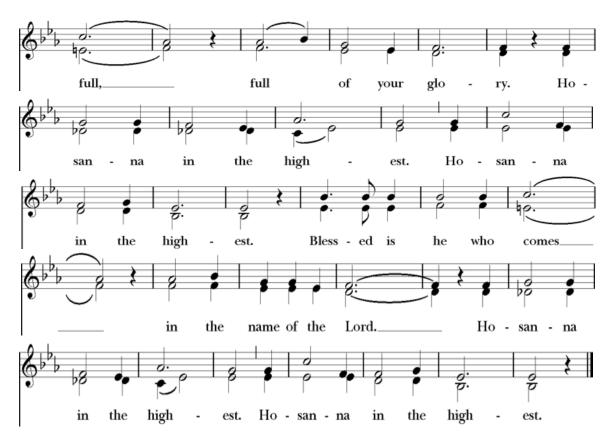
- *Priest* The Lord be with you.
- People And also with you.
- Priest Lift up your hearts.
- *People* We lift them to the Lord.
- Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- *People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... 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:

Celebrant and People (Spoken at 9 a.m.)

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.

Celebrant and People (Sung at 11 a.m.)





Then the Priest continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Priest is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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:

Celebrant and People

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

The Priest 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.

The Priest continues through the Invocation, then says

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. **Amen.**

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

Priest and People

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. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Bread is broken and silence is kept. Then may be said

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

Invitation to Communion

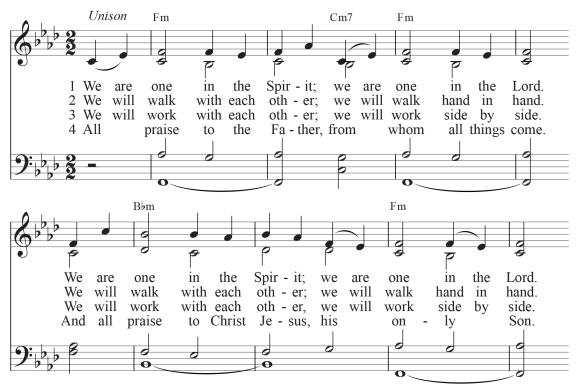
A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Optional Prayer for those who cannot receive

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

Hymns During Communion

Hymn "We are one in the Spirit"





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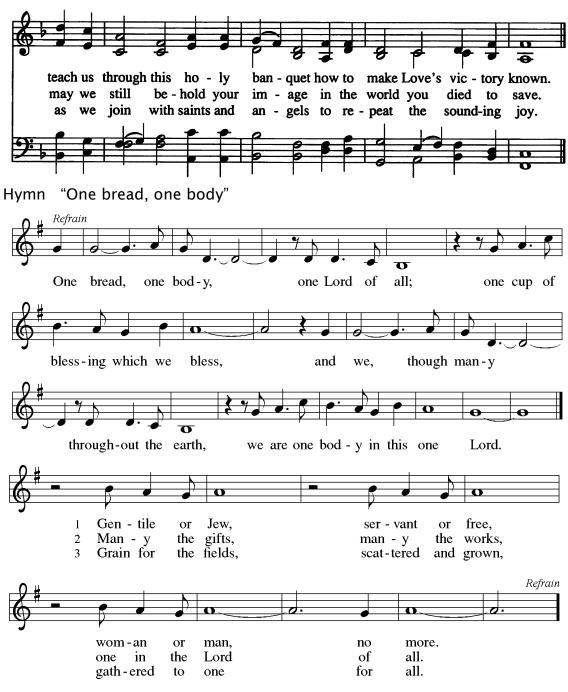
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Hymn "As we gather at your table"



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After Communion, all say

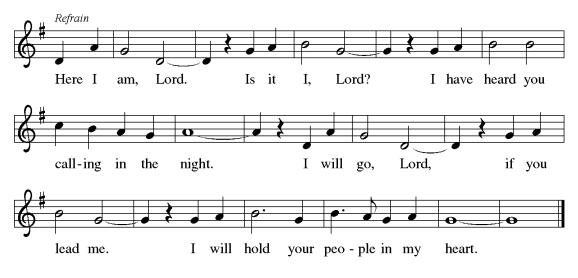
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest bestows the blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing "Here I Am, Lord"





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The Deacon (or if no Deacon, the Priest) dismisses the People.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude

IN OUR PRAYERS

LARCC: Children's Program at First Congregational UCC

For Healing & Convalescing: Ruth Kapala, John Precord, Reed Hamp, Audrey Himes, Lotte Rosenberg, Patti Rockwell, Debbie Sanborn, Carol Hart, Betty Bartley, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Matthew Van Zetten, Bob Hanna, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Carol Putkamer, Phil, Jane McClain, and Harry.

Birthdays: Lori Maxwell (26), Laurie Griggs (29)

Military: Ian Hamp, Ashley Alexander, Tyler Ferrier, Joshua Gapske, Isaac Graham, John Hartman

Cycles of Prayer: Diocesan: St. Francis, Grayling, St. Andrew's, Flint and St. Paul the Apostle, Greenville; Anglican: the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR				
Today				
Monday	4 PM	Fellowship Hall Reserved		
Tuesday	1:30 PM 4:45 PM 7 PM			
Wednesday	12:05 PM 1 PM 7 PM	Bible Study		
Thursday	9-11 AM 6 PM	(Please try to avoid planning activities during this time)		
Friday	5:30 PM	AA		

Sunday, February 2

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

Sunday, February 9

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

Sunday, February 16

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

Sunday, February 23

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

Wednesdays, January 29 and February 2, 9, 16, 23

12:05 pm - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Bruce Michaud 1:00 pm - Bible Study/Rev. Bruce Michaud



Worship

Schedule

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MEETING TODAY FOLLOWING THE 11 AM SERVICE

<u>WELCOME</u>

We welcome The Rev. Nurya Love Parish, Canon for the Northern Collaborative, who is preaching and presiding at both services this morning. She will also be joining us for our Annual Meeting following the 11 a.m. service.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Six prayer shawls were left on a bench in the Fellowship Hall last week. If you know anything about them, please let Bronwyn know. Every prayer shawl is entered into a log book. Thanks!

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING RESCHEDULED

The LEM Training has been rescheduled! If you are a current Lay Eucharistic Minister (Chalice Minister) or you are interested in becoming one, we will be hosting LEM Training on February 15, 2025. Starting in March we will be scheduling a LEM for every Sunday at the 11 am service. The LEM will assist the Deacon and Minister on weeks when the Deacon is present, and will also be the chalice minister when he is unavailable. We ask that all come and participate, as we will be covering various tasks that the LEM will perform. Each of you will have a chance to practice the tasks and a handbook will be provided. This training is required for you to gain a 3 year license as a LEM for Trinity. Even if you have had a license in the past, this training is needed to ensure all LEMs are following the same practices and all who served are licensed appropriately. We look forward to seeing you!

When: Saturday, February 15, 2025 Time: 1-4 pm Location: Trinity Sanctuary Any questions, please contact Dan Maxwell.

POTATO PANCAKE SUPPER

Saturday, February 1 ~ 1pm-6pm St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 7109 Wolf Creek Rd., Herron \$15/adults, \$5/children 5-12 yrs, children under 5 free Featuring: potato pancakes, sausage, homemade desserts, beverages

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Office Hours: Closed Mondays, Tuesday - Thursday - 1pm to 5pm, Friday - 1pm to 3pm

Welcome to Trinity, part of the Anglican Communion, and thus, both catholic and reformed the *via media* or "middle way" between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism.

Trinity organized in 1864 and our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a "National Jubilee Center," we reach out to many in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

In "Eucharistic hospitality," we invite all persons to the Lord's Table. Please join us there, and then, next door after the Service for refreshment and fellowship. We are delighted that you are here, and would be delighted to meet you.

The Vestry

Ellen Eagan, Senior Warden Don Stockdale, Junior Warden Susan Fitzpatrick, Treasurer

Michelle Cornish, Clerk			
Duane Himes	Jim Masters		
Cathy Meske	Lisa Rhea		
Bill Powell	Betty Westrope		

