

**Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Valley Stream**  
**For Use On-line on Last Pentecost/Proper 29 (Christ the King Sunday)**

*(Starts p. 351 of the Book of Common Prayer. Congregational responses in **Bold**)*

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

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

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

**The Confession of Sin (BCP p. 352)**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

**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.**

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 Gloria**

**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.**

**The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Old Testament (Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24)**

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.           **Thanks be to God**

## **The Psalm (Psalm 100, *Jubilate Deo*)**

The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 100. We will recite the Psalm in unison.

**1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \*  
serve the LORD with gladness and come  
before his presence with a song.**

**2 Know this: The LORD himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his; we  
are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go  
into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to  
him and call upon his Name.**

**4 For the LORD is good; his mercy is  
everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures  
from age to age.**

## **The Epistle (Ephesians 1:15-23)**

A Reading from the Letter of 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.

The Word of the Lord.           **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel (Matthew 25:31-46)**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.   **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.           **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

#### **Nicene Creed (BCP p. 358)**

**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 (Form IV, BCP pg. 388)**

*The following may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our Prayer.**

*In the periods of silence you may add your own prayers either silently or aloud.*

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

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven...**

### **The Blessing**

### **The Announcements**

**MORNING PRAYER:** Join Fr. Brian Monday-Friday at 7am for Morning Prayer, at <https://www.facebook.com/ChapelHolyFamily>

**PLEDGE REMINDER:** Please submit your commitment to Holy Trinity by TODAY Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> to help plan for our future. Thanks!

**YOUR ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED** to help offset the heating costs, now that the colder weather is here. There are envelopes in the narthex marked accordingly. Donations are needed and very appreciated!

**Advent Study:** Fr. Brian will be teaching a class on the book "Being Christian," by the former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams. We will meet via Zoom on Monday nights in Advent, starting Nov. 30th and ending Dec. 21st. The book can be purchased for \$10 or less, but please contact Fr. Brian if this would be a hardship.

**Thanksgiving Day:** While we will not have an in-person service on Thanksgiving, there will be a service on the Holy Trinity website posted by 10am. Join us in prayer that morning!

**FOR VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETINGS** please contact Desmond Foster at [desmond.foster@ymail.com](mailto:desmond.foster@ymail.com) for your Zoom meeting invitation and any questions you may have. **AMAZON REMINDER:** Please go to smile.amazon.com and be sure to choose Holy Trinity Valley Stream. Thank you!

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**