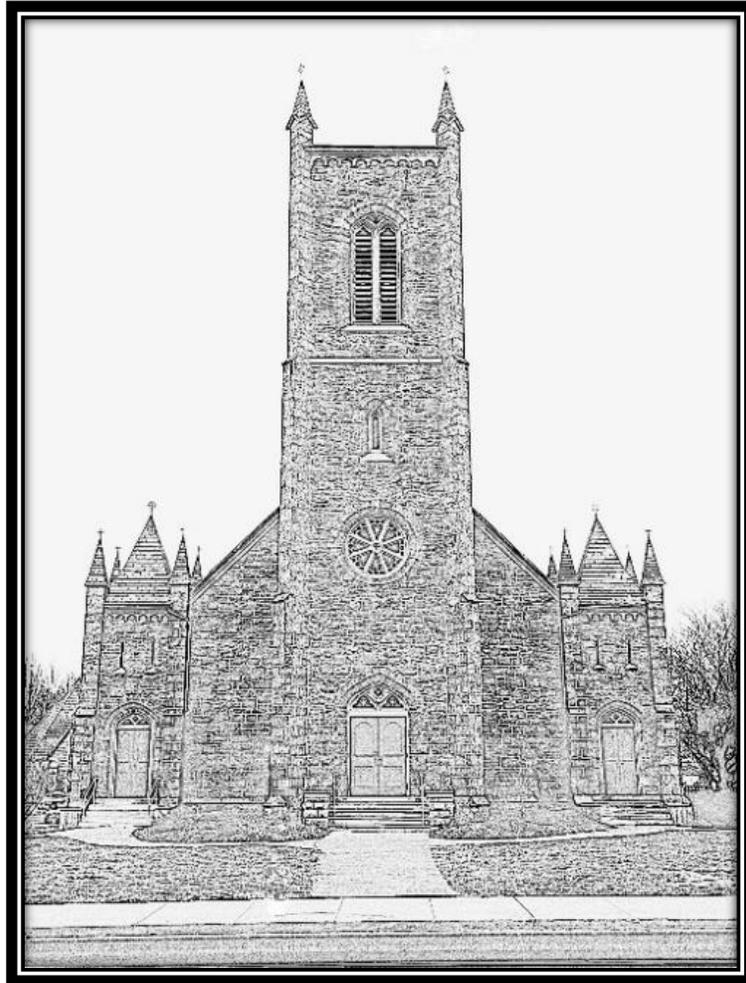


# Trinity Church

First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 10, 2021

9:30 a.m.



## Trinity Church Welcomes You

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# Welcome to our Trinity Church Family!

*We are a vibrant Episcopal family united in following Christ.*

**Today's Officiant:**

George Valley

**Our Staff:**

Wendy Grace, parish coordinator  
Linda Fay, treasurer  
John Riddle, music director/organist  
Jeff Zoesch, sexton

**Our Vestry:**

Fern Fryer, Senior Warden  
Jay Slenker, Junior Warden  
Brandy Blosser  
Marc Brierre  
Kathy Hall  
Rich Jones  
Krey Kellington  
David Thurmer  
Holly Webb

## Announcements

*Many thanks to George Valley who is today's officiant!*

**Continuing the Book Discussion Group**—We will our discussion of *The Art of Possibility* by Benjamin and Rosamund Stone Zander *today*, January 10 at 6:00pm via Zoom. Newcomers are welcome and we'll spend the first part of the session finishing up a review and then continuing with new chapters, pages 123 through 179. The book can be purchased on Amazon.com. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84824173508?pwd=V25YcW1uODkyTVFWYmsvTGUvaGJTUT09>  
Meeting ID: 848 2417 3508  
Passcode: Zander

**Vestry Members Needed**— We have 2 seats for 3-year terms on our Vestry to be elected at our Annual Parish Meeting in January. Interested people can either contact the office or our Sr. Warden, Fern Fryer: [ferndana@comcast.net](mailto:ferndana@comcast.net) or 773-4788. Please prayerfully consider serving on our Vestry.

**2021 Calendars and Envelope Box Sets Available**—Once again, our kind friends at Tossing Funeral Home have sponsored our liturgical calendars for 2021 and they are available in the church office. Also, for those who prefer to use offering envelopes, we have your box set available as well. Please email the office to make arrangements to receive your calendars and/or envelopes.

**Sunday Worship on Zoom Platform**--Join Sunday worship and fellowship on Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032785178?pwd=dmU5Umo0c3NZd1V5dUI6aldJNkdEQT09>  
Meeting ID: 810 3278 5178; Passcode: God3in1. Our service will begin at 9:30am and after the worship service, folks are encouraged to stay in the meeting for fellowship time.

*For optimal music audio, please remain muted for the prelude and postlude!*

**Trinity Church Closed**—The Vestry has begun the work to begin the process of re-opening. This will be a long process, as you are probably aware, and will entail a lot of dedication on all of our parts. Please know that we will not and are not going to be acting in haste. Rather, the primary concern of all of us is the health, safety and well-being of our entire parish family. In the meantime, if you have a pastoral emergency, please call Fr. Liam at 605-999-7138 or email [revliam25@gmail.com](mailto:revliam25@gmail.com). If you have an administrative need, you may call Wendy at 802-345-7455 or email [office@trinitychurchrutland.org](mailto:office@trinitychurchrutland.org).

**Worship with Green Mountain Online Abbey**—The Green Mountain Online Abbey provides a daily offering of online prayer at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. as well Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. View videos of Bishop Shannon's sermons as well as special diocesan services on YouTube. Join by using this link: <https://zoom.us/j/531110497?pwd=dU9uYnUvUWxDK0IGc2FaN2pTMHVEZz09> or by dialing in from any phone using the following information: dial (646) 876-9923, code 531110497# If you are asked for a password, it is RockPoint. Bulletins can be accessed on the Diocesan website.

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Prelude

*Now praise we Christ, the holy One (BWV 611)*

*J. S. Bach*

## Opening Sentences

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

*People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Officiant: I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Amen.*

## Gloria in Excelsis

*Officiant and People: 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 for the Day (*Officiant*)

Officiant: Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## Lessons of the Day

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

Reader: A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Word of the Lord.

*Reader and People: Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm

Reader: Please join me in reciting from Psalm 29.

*1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.*

*2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.*

*3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.*

*4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.*

*5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;*

*6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.*

*7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.*

*8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.*

*9 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"*

*10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.*

*11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.*

## Second Reading

Acts 19:1-7

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

The Word of Lord.

*Reader and People: Thanks be to God.*

Canticle

Canticle 9: The First Song of Isaiah

Reader: Please join me in reciting canticle 9.

*Surely, it is God who saves me; \**

*I will trust in him and not be afraid.*

*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
and he will be my Savior.*

*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
from the springs of salvation.*

*And on that day you shall say, \**

*Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;*

*Make his deeds known among the peoples; \**

*see that they remember that his Name is exalted.*

*Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
and this is known in all the world.*

*Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \**

*for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \**

*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Sequence Hymn #121

*Christ, when for us you were baptized*

Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*Officiant and People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Officiant and People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

George Valley

Nicene Creed (Congregation)

Officiant: Please join me in saying the Nicene Creed.

*Officiant and people: 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 Confession and Absolution

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*People: 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.*

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

#### Suffrages B (*Officiant and Congregation*)

Officiant: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

*People: Govern and uphold them, now and always.*

Officiant: Day by day we bless you;

*People: We praise your name for ever.*

Officiant: Lord, keep us from all sin today;

*People: Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.*

Officiant: Lord, show us your love and mercy;

*People: For we put our trust in you.*

Officiant: In you, Lord, is our hope;

*People: And we shall never hope in vain.*

## Intercession Prayers

The intercessions today are Form 2 from the Book of Common Prayer.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world. For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Shannon, our Bishop; and **George, today's officiant**. We pray for **The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria; St. Luke's Church, Alburgh and the Rev. Thora Chadwick**; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. We pray especially for those serving on active duty in the armed forces and in the Peace Corps. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We pray for all victims of violence; for those persecuted for race or gender; for all suffering financial hardship. We remember those commended to us, especially **Karen, Mary Ann, Jimmy, Dick, Lydia, Mark, Sheree, David, Rodney, Timmy, Brian, Doug**. We pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for the departed that your will for them may be fulfilled.

*Silence.*

I ask your prayers for thanksgiving of the gifts we receive from God; **especially celebrate messages and messengers and all forms of communication.**

*Silence.*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. We pray for parishioners celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, especially: **Nicole Brierre, Meg Howard, Richard Sweet, Tom Williamson, Catherine Williamson, Norma Patterson, Bill Reitz, Kit Wakefield, Joanna Ray, Hannah Coburn, Dan Bassett, Jane Jones.**

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence.*

## The Collects

A Collect for Guidance

Officiant: Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Officiant: Let us pray.

*Officiant 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 General Thanksgiving (*Officiant and Congregation*)**

Officiant: Please join in the General Thanksgiving.

*Officiant and People: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

**The 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. *Amen.*

**Blessing**

Officiant: Let Us Bless the Lord,

People: *Thanks Be to God!*

**Dismissal**

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

May the blessings of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you always. *Amen.*

**Postlude**

*Salvation now is come to us*

*Heinrich Scheidemann*