

Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Morning Prayer  
January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Opening Hymn: Holy Holy Holy

1. Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:

Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim, falling down before thee,

Which wert, and art and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name

in earth and sky and sea,

Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful almighty,

God in three persons blessed Trinity!

Welcome and Children's Time

The Penitential Rite (BAS pg. 45)

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him  
when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways,

and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

### Invitation

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

### Confession (BAS pg. 46)

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 neighbours 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.

### Absolution

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: Lord, open our lips,      (BAS pg.47)

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

People: 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.

### Venite (BAS pg. 49)

Come, let us sing to the Lord;\* let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving\* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God,\* and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth,\* and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his for he made it,\* and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,\* and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.\*Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### The Proclamation of the Word

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH 9:1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish.  
In the former time he brought into contempt the land of

Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 27:1, 5-13

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me. Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure. You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ

been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual Hymn: I Saw The Light

1. I wandered so aimless; life filled with sin  
I wouldn't let my dear Saviour in  
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

#### Chorus:

I saw the light, I saw the light,  
No more darkness, no more night,  
Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

2. Just like a blind man, I wandered along  
Worries and fears, I claimed for my own  
Then like the blind man that God gave back sight  
Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

Chorus:

I saw the light, I saw the light,  
No more darkness, no more night,  
Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

3. I was a fool to wander and stray  
Straight is the gate, and narrow the way  
Now I have traded the wrong for the right  
Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Chorus:

I saw the light, I saw the light,  
No more darkness, no more night,  
Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 4:12-23

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Reader:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People:** Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## Sermon

### Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (BAS pg. 52)

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.

### Offertory Hymn: Day Is Done

1. DAY IS DONE BUT LOVE UNFAILING, DWELLS EVER HERE.

SHADOWS FALL BUT HOPE PREVAILING CLAMS EVERY FEAR.

GOD OUR MAKER, NONE FORSAKING, TAKE OUR

HEARTS  
OF LOVE'S OWN MAKING  
WATCH OUR SLEEPING, GUARD OUR WAKING,  
BE ALWAYS NEAR.

2. DARK DESCENDS, BUT LIGHT UNENDING, SHINES  
THROUGH OUR NIGHT  
YOU ARE WITH US EVER LENDING NEW STRENGTH  
TO SIGHT.  
ONE IN LOVE YOUR TRUTH CONFESSING  
ONE IN HOPE OF HEAVENS BLESSING  
MAY WE SEE IN LOVES POSESSING,  
LOVES ENDLESS LIGHT.

3. EYES WILL CLOSE BUT YOU UNSLEEPING WATCH  
BY OUR SIDE,  
DEATH MAY COME IN LOVES SAFE KEEPING, STILL  
WE ABIDE,  
GOD OF LOVE ALL EVIL QUELLING, SIN FORGIVING,  
FEAR DISPELLING,  
STAY WITH US OUR HEARTS IN DWELLING THIS  
EVEN TIDE.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

ALL: Loving God, before the world began you called us.  
Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in  
that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ  
the Lord.

## The Prayers of the People #13 pg.120

(In joy and humility let us pray to the creator of the universe, saying, "Lord, grant us peace.")

By the good news of our salvation brought to Mary by the angel, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the mystery of the Word made flesh, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the birth in time of the timeless Son of God, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the manifestation of the King of glory to the shepherds and magi, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the submission of the maker of the world to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

By the baptism of the Son of God in the river Jordan, hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

Grant that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; hear us, O Lord. **Lord, grant us peace.**

## Collect of the Day

ALL: Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Lord's Prayer (BAS pg. 54)

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

All: 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Blessing

## Closing Hymn: Joy Joy Joy

1. I've got the joy joy joy joy down in my heart  
Down in my heart, down in my heart I've got the joy  
joy joy joy down in my heart  
Down in my heart today.

## Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

2. I have the peace that passeth understanding down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart.

I've got the peace that passeth understanding down in my heart

Down in my heart today.

## Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

3. I have the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart Down in my heart, down in my heart I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart,

Down in my heart today.

## Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love  
of Jesus in my heart And I'm so happy so very  
happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

Leader: The worship is over.

All: Our Service begins.