



SAINT PATRICK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Ministry of the Diocese of North Carolina

Serving the Mooresville and Lake Norman area

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Trinity Sunday

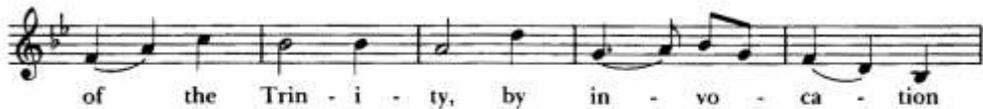
May 31, 2015

Prelude

Opening Hymn: "I Bind Unto Myself Today"

St. Patrick's Breastplate

Verses 1-3, repeat verse 1



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of
* 3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great
* 4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues
* 5. I bind un - to my - self to - day the power of



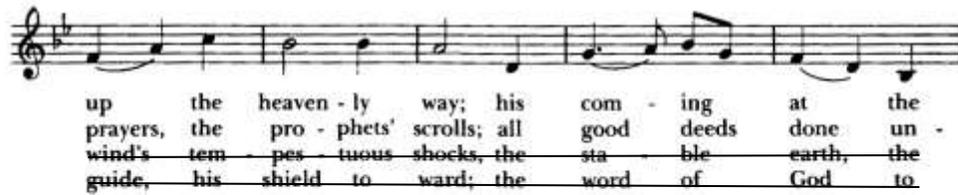
faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the
love of cher - u - bim; — the sweet "Well done" in
of the star lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life
God to hold and lead, — his eye to watch, his



Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
judg - ment hour; — the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim; —
giv - ing ray, — the white - ness of the moon at even, —
might to stay, — his ear to heark en, to my need; —



his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing
con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'
the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing
the wis - dom of my God to teach his hand to



Opening Sentences

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

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

Celebrant and People

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.

The Gloria

S-280 Found in the Hymnal

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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: “Baptized in Water, Sealed by the Spirit”

Gaelic tune

Verse 1 before the Gospel; Verses 2&3 after the Gospel

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king; born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

*The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John
Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Sally M. Brower

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

Leader

Let us pray with faith to the blessed and glorious Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Silence

Preserve your Church in the true faith, to acknowledge with awe and reverence the mystery of the Holy Trinity ... Fill our worship with adoration ... Give us due humility and assurance as members of the Church which you have created, loved and sanctified.

Silence

Open human eyes to the wonder of things unseen ... Make all lives richer in the hope of blessings more than we can comprehend ... Give clearer vision to those in positions of power and influence.

Silence

Grant to us in our own lives a share in the mutual love of the Holy Trinity ... May that unbroken harmony be shown in our families, in our work and in all our relationships.

Silence

Have mercy on those whose lives are crippled by strain and anxiety in themselves, and hostility to others ... Release their tension, give them inward peace, restore them to wholeness which is your will for all.

We pray for all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, remembering especially
We pray for the departed who in this world held fast to the faith of the Holy Trinity and now adore you for ever ... May their example strengthen and prepare us for the coming of joy made complete and love made perfect in your heavenly Kingdom.

We thank you for all life's blessings, especially

May our prayers be received in the unity of the Holy Trinity, three Persons and one God. **Amen.**

Finally, we pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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 continues

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.

A Celebration of Graduates

Honoring

Hollis Adams, Alli Bendert, Hillary Bendert, Chris Hatley, Chris Hess

The Celebrant says

Today we celebrate these graduates who are taking another step in their journey of life and faith. Hollis, Alli, Hillary, Chris and Chris, may your graduation day be filled with happiness and joy. We rejoice that you have been an active part of this parish and its youth community. We hope that you will grow more fully into the person God wants you to be, and that the world so desperately needs.

Celebrant:

And now I ask your parents to place their hands on your shoulders as a sign of blessing as the congregation joins with the parents in saying these words:

May God bring you new challenges that help you to grow.

May God guide your decisions and protect you in all you do.

May God surround you with people who love and support you.

May God remind you of the love we have for your, always ready to welcome you home.

Celebrant

We ask this blessing upon each of you, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Celebrant

Let us pray. Gracious God, we thank you for the gifts of these graduates. As they step forward into the world that awaits, comfort their fears with full knowledge of your divine presence. Strengthen their resolve to walk in the footsteps of Jesus as modern-day disciples in a world that sorely needs their spirit. ***Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music

The Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;***

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

The Celebrant continues

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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:

***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.***

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Patrick and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,
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 Fraction

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

Refrain

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.
 Je - sus by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Post Communion Prayer

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 Blessing

Recessional Hymn: "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky"

Daniel Schutte

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo-ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in deep-est sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a-way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a-lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat-is-fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Chords: G, Em, Am⁷, G, C, Am, G, C, D

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Chords: D, G, G^{sus4}, G, C, G

call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

Chords: Am⁷, G, C, D, G, G^{sus4}, G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Chords: C, G, Am⁷, D, G, G^{sus4}, G

The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.



Saint Patrick's Episcopal Church

The Sunday News

May 31, 2015

Welcome to our Visitors and Newcomers

We are happy to have you with us. This service is part of our ongoing life of worship, learning and service. We are here to deepen our relationship with God and with one another, and to explore how to live our lives more fully and compassionately. Please know that you are invited to participate in all aspects of our worship, most importantly by sharing with us in our common meal at God's Table.

We invite you to continue the journey with us; ask questions, attend our educational offerings, participate in the activities of this community. We invite you to return again next week for Eucharist as we celebrate the 23rd anniversary of our parish. Only one service will be held next week at **10:30 a.m.** Please be aware that we offer a nursery for children ages three and under. The nursery is located just down the hallway in the education wing.

In this community of faith, all persons regardless of their religious affiliation are invited to join our fellowship in the sharing of the Holy Communion. There are three ways to receive the Bread and the Wine: The Bread followed by the Common Cup (Chalice); the Bread only with arms folded over the chest afterwards; or by intinction (dipping of the bread into the Chalice). If you do not want to receive the Bread or Wine, you may also come forward with arms crossed across your chest and receive a blessing from the clergy. You are welcome at our Lord's Table.

Those persons serving our community this morning:

8:30 - Acolyte/Lector/LEM: Steve Messick.

10:30 a.m. - Chalice Bearers: Raleigh Baker, Linda Simowitz; Lectors: Audrey McCulloh, Jim Hadden; Psalm & POP: Raleigh Baker; Acolyte: Pat Patterson; Altar Guild: All Hands; Lay Minister of Healing: Pam Ferdinands; Greeters: Carol Miller, Eileen and Tony Kenter; Ushers: Ray Fulton, Charley Patterson, Gordon and Barbara Bryan; Coffee Hour Team: Carole and Ron Stoehr; Counters: Judy Sabine, Julie Lynch.



ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY WALTER AND SHERRY KLEPFER

The flowers on the pedestal in front of the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Walter and Sherry Klepfer. They are given in loving memory of Tommy and Jean Weeks and Steve and Sherry Gagel.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SABBATH EXPERIENCE – SIGNUPS ONGOING

Sabbath expresses our intention to rest. If you can do this week's spiritual practice for an hour at a time, it is progress. Use this week's short quote to help you think about what is genuinely resting and relaxing. Listen to the meditative music as a lullaby before bedtime. Stick a copy of the Sabbath prayer on the dashboard of your car. Review the calendar if it has been helpful to you. You can still sign up for a weekly email and access all of the Sabbath materials as links in our Weekly Reminders electronic newsletter which goes out every Thursday. Call the office if you're not receiving it.



VESTRY OUTREACH FORUM – SUNDAY JUNE 7

Continuing the series of informative Update Forums by our Vestry, the next forum will be held on Sunday, June 7th. This time it will focus on the topic of our Outreach Ministry and potential opportunities at Serenity House. As for the previous forum last month, it will follow the 10:30 a.m. service and is planned to be around 20 minutes long. Please join the forum to keep informed and to mindfully consider the opportunities in this important ministry.



STEPHEN BENNETT IN CONCERT – JUNE 21

Stephen Bennett will perform at Saint Patrick's on Sunday, June 21st at 7:00 pm. Stephen is an extraordinary musician, an acknowledged master of the harp guitar, a gifted composer and a performer of astounding sensitivity. Often called "the Jedi Master of Fingerstyle Guitar, his music has won awards and critical praise. Stephen will also be hosting the 13th annual Harp Guitar Gathering at Saint Patrick's in October. Both events are not to be missed. The concert includes a wine and cheese reception, so if you are planning to attend, please bring a finger food to share. Tickets at the door: \$15 adults and \$10 students/seniors. For more details, visit our website at www.saint-patricks.org.



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Inspiring and cultivating sacred connections with God and one another as we embrace diversity of spiritual thought, practice and being.

Inspire-Connect-Embrace-Share

PULSE OF VISION AND MISSION

At St. Patrick's Episcopal Church we are to be recognized as a spiritual vibrant community, warmly embracing people of all spiritual dispositions and cultural attitudes. Our inclusion of people of all faiths to participate in Holy Community with us affirms our love for others as Jesus' teachings guide us.