



*The proper liturgy for Ash Wednesday is found on p. 264 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).
The service begins in silence. All stand as the ministers enter.*

Opening Sentences

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **God's mercy endures forever.**

Collect *Remain standing.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

First Lesson *Be seated.*

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

Psalm 103 *All sing as indicated.*

Tone VIII.2

Cantor Bless the Lord, / O my soul,*
and all that is within me / bless his holy Name.

All **Bless the Lord, / O my soul,*
and forget not / all his benefits.**

Cantor He forgives / all your sins *
and heals all / your infirmities;

All **He redeems your life from the / grave ***
and crowns you with mercy and / loving-kindness;

Cantor He satisfies you with / good things,*
and your youth is renewed / like an eagle's.

All **The Lord executes / righteousness ***
and judgment for / all who are oppressed.

Cantor He made his ways known to / Moses *
and his works to the child/ren of Israel.

All **The Lord is full of compassion and / mercy,***
slow to anger and / of great kindness.

Cantor He will not always ac- / cuse us,*
nor will he keep his an/ger for ever.

All **He has not dealt with us according / to our sins,***
nor rewarded us according / to our wickedness.

Cantor For as the heavens are high a/bove the earth,*
so is his mercy great upon / those who fear him.

All **As far as the east is from the / west,***
so far has he re/moved our sins from us.

Cantor As a father cares for his/ children,*
so does the Lord care for / those who fear him.

All **For he himself knows whereof / we are made;***
he remembers / that we are but dust.

Gospel *All stand.*

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

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

Meditation

The Rev. William W. Rich

INVITATION TO A HOLY LENT & IMPOSITION OF ASHES

All stand. Book of Common Prayer (BCP) page 264.

Anthem *Miserere Mei, Dei*

Gregorio Allegri (1582-1652)

The translation is that of Psalm 51.

The liturgy continues with Psalm 51 on BCP p. 266.

The Peace *All stand.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

The Ministers and People greet one another with a sign of Christ's Peace.

Announcements *Be seated.*

HOLY COMMUNION

You may stand or kneel to receive Communion.

All people, regardless of faith, tradition, or age, are welcome to receive Communion at Trinity Church. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the priest at the altar rail. For those with ambulatory difficulty—we can come to you. Please make yourself known to an usher. Please take any valuables with you when you leave your seat.

Offering

The offering received is our opportunity to give of ourselves to the glory of God. It supports our parish ministries and service to the community.

Offertory Anthem *In jejunio et fletu*

Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

In jejunio et fletu orabant sacerdotes:

*Parce, Domine, parce
populo tuo; et ne des haereditatem
tuam in perditionem.*

*Inter vestibulum et altare plorabant
sacerdotes, dicentes:
Parce populo tuo.*

In fasting and weeping the priests prayed:

Spare, Lord, spare
thy people and give not thine heritage
over to perdition.

Between the porch and the altar
the priests lamented, saying: Spare thy people.

WORDS: JOEL 2 VV. 12, 17

Presentation Hymn *Please stand.*

Hymn 152, stanza 5

Grant, O thou bless-ed Trin-i-ty; grant, O un-

chang-ing Un-i-ty; that this our fast of

for-ty days may work our pro-fit and thy praise!

The Great Thanksgiving *Prayer A, BCP p.361.*

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

The service continues on BCP p. 361.

Sanctus

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth

are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in - the high- est, ho-san-na in the high- est.

Remain standing, or you may kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread *It is customary to omit 'Alleluia' in the season of Lent.*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, - have mercy on us.
have grant us peace.

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Music During Communion

Motet Remember not, Lord, our offences

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Remember not, Lord, our offences,
nor the offences of our forefathers;
neither take thou vengeance of our sins,
but spare us, good Lord, spare thy people,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood,
and be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord.

Hymn 142

Lord, who throughout these forty days (*St. Flavian*)

Postcommunion Prayer *BCP p.366. All stand.*

Blessing *After the prayer, the People respond "Amen."*

Hymn in Procession 143

The glory of these forty days (*Erhalt uns, Herr*)

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sunday Services at Trinity

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| 7:45 a.m. | Simple, quiet Holy Eucharist |
| 9 a.m. | Community Holy Eucharist with youth Choristers & Choir |
| 11:15 a.m. | Traditional Morning Prayer with Choir; Holy Eucharist first Sundays |
| 6 p.m. | Come as you are Holy Eucharist; with Choir |
| 7:15 p.m. | Sacred Silence: Contemplative Prayer |
| 8 p.m. | Compline: Choral music, candlelight, plainsong, silence, peace |



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Weekday Services at Trinity

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| 5:45 p.m. Weds. | Choral Evensong with the Trinity Choristers (returns 2/21) |
| 12:10 p.m. Thurs. | Midday Eucharist with Healing in the Chapel |