

To receive Communion: Please come to the rail and stand or kneel. Wine-Host may be taken by sipping from the first chalice or by intinction (dipping the wafer) in the second chalice. To receive a spoken blessing only, simply cross your arms in front of your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available by request at the rail. To receive Communion at your pew, please inform an usher.

### After Communion

Prayer (said together)

BCP p. 339

Blessing and Dismissal

Clergy        Let us go forth...  
People        **Thanks be to God.**

*All are invited to join in discussion of today's scriptures in the Cleaves Room. The Cleaves Room through the double doors in the nave, straight ahead and near the restrooms.*

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Front cover: *Nicodemus Visiting Jesus*, by Henry Ossawa Tanner. 1899.  
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.  
Source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ\\_in\\_the\\_Desert](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ_in_the_Desert)

### *Assisting today:*

Lector	Karen Puopolo
Verger	Rich Englebach
Intercessor	Bill Lawson
Chalice Bearer	Mary Thompson, Kristin Cardi
Altar Guild	Kristin Cardi, Tom Izbicki, Gale Donoghue, Jill & Rick Smith
A/V Ministry	Ed West
The Rev. Dr. Edward "Ted" Thompson, preaching and presiding	

### *Vestry Members and Officers*

AnnMarie Stanton (Treasurer, non-voting) \* Greg Bockman \* Rebecca Clemmer  
Mike Donoghue \* Kelly Fitzpatrick \* Kristine Golden \* Jeff Orlando  
Bill Scarborough \* Tina Sheehan \* Tayler Sisko \* Jill Smith \* Lynda Todd

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## **The Second Sunday in Lent**

*March 1, 2026*

*8:00 a.m.*



*Holy Eucharist, Rite One  
beginning with a Penitential Order*  
**Trinity Church, Swarthmore**

*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."*

~John 3:1-2

**WELCOME!** Our worship of God is a communal experience, with many parts of the liturgy inviting response. The order for Holy Eucharist, Rite One, is found in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). LARGE PRINT PRAYER BOOKS are available in the back of the church nave.

Please visit our [website](#) to find out more about Trinity. This service is being **livestreamed and recorded** on our [Trinity YouTube channel](#).

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## A Penitential Order

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 319

*Presider* Blessed the Lord, who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endureth for ever.**

Summary of the Law

Confession and Absolution BCP p. 320

## Liturgy of the Word

Kyrie BCP p. 324

*Presider* Lord have mercy upon us.

*People* **Christ have mercy upon us.**

*Presider* Lord have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*The Presider offers the Collect on behalf of the congregation.*

The Lessons BCP p. 325

*After the reading of the first and second lessons, the People respond, "Thanks be to God."*

First lesson Genesis 12:1-4a (insert)

Psalm of the Day Psalm 121 (insert)

Second lesson Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 (insert)

Gospel John 3:1-17 (insert)

*Before the Gospel, the People respond, "Glory be to thee, O Lord."*

*After the Gospel, the People respond, "Praise be to thee, O Christ."*

The Sermon

The Prayers of the People Form I, BCP p. 383

Sharing of Peace BCP p. 332

*We offer a sign to one another of the gift of Christ's peace. A brief time of welcome and announcements follows.*

Offertory

*Gifts of bread and wine for the eucharistic feast and offerings of money for the life and ministry of the church are brought forward, to be consecrated and blessed.*

## Liturgy of the Table: Holy Communion

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail, and all who are drawn to God in the way of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this community.*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer I, BCP p. 333

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 336

Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 337

*The Presider breaks the bread, then says*

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*The following (Agnus Dei) is said as the Presider continues to prepare the feast*

*Presider* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **have mercy upon us.**

*Presider* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **have mercy upon us.**

*Presider* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **Grant us thy peace.**

Prayer of Humble Access BCP p. 337