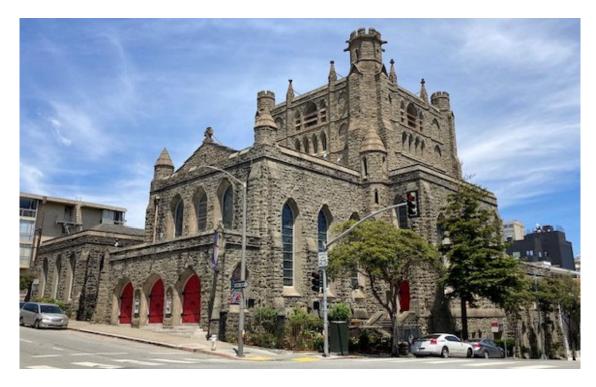
Trinity†St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 23, 2025



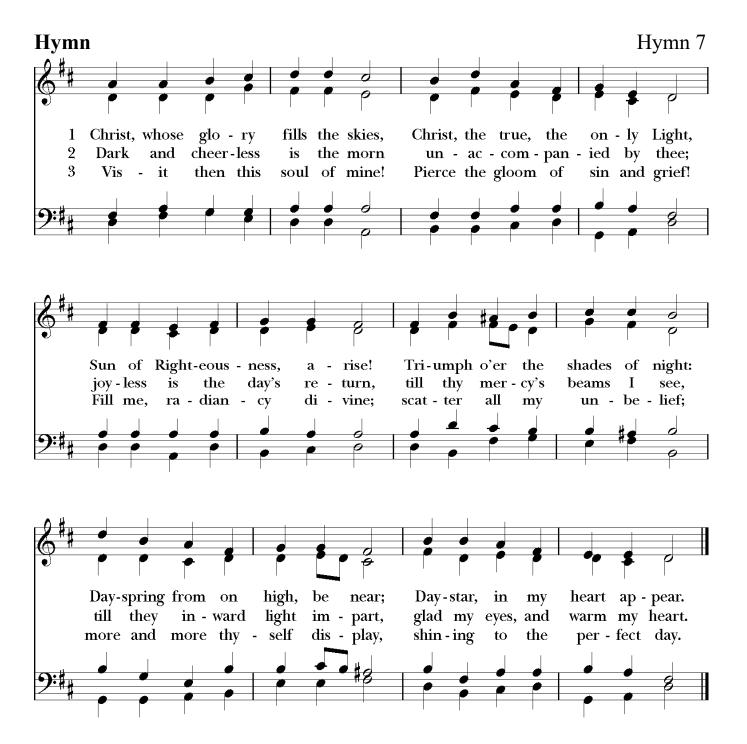
Prelude: Chorale-Prelude "Nun Bitten Wir"

Dietrich Buxtehude

Holy Eucharist

Entrance Rite

At the sound of the bell, all stand as they are able for the beginning of our worship.



All remaining standing as are able, the Celebrant says,

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

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*.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

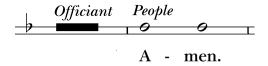
The Liturgy of the Word

Collect of the Day



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

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



All sit.

First Reading

Genesis 45: 3-11, 15

All sit.

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there — since there are five more years of famine to come — so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 37: 1-12, 41-42

Noli aemulari

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.

- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; * you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; * they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; * he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The Lord will help them and rescue them; *
 he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
 because they seek refuge in him.

Second Reading

A Reading from the First Book of Corinthians.

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

1 Corinthians 15: 35-38, 42-50

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a

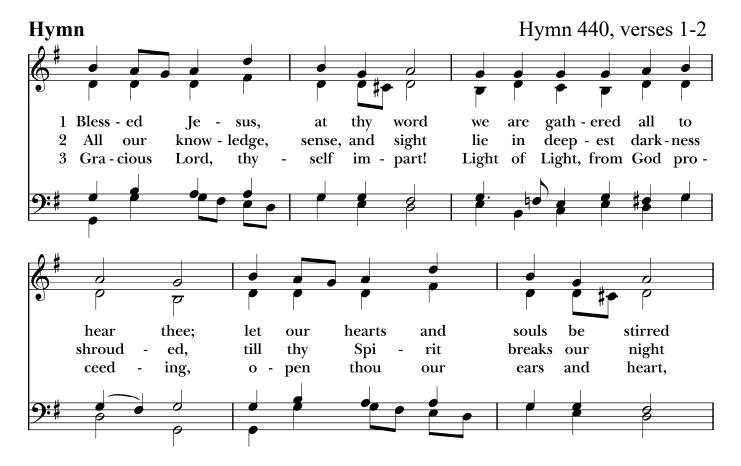
life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

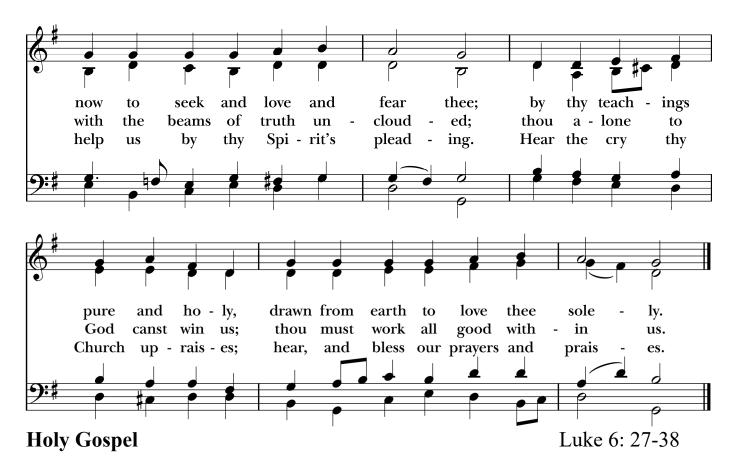
What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as are able.





All remain standing as are able.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children

of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 440, verse 3 (page 6)

Sermon

Pause — a time for reflection

Nicene Creed

All stand as are able.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

All remain standing, as they are able.

Leader That we may see God's presence in the lives of even the enemy, let us offer to God the needs of the whole world, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader Living God, you spoke to your people of old. Give to your church ears to hear your voice speaking in our day, even through those we name as enemy. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Lord, for the nations of the world we pray. Let not anger consume us. Take away from us false virtue, and break down all dividing walls of hostility. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Lord, in Jesus you called us to sacrificial love. Enable us to serve all those in need: the poor, the homeless, the sick and the dying. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Lord, through the hardships of the Hebrew leaders you preserved the life of your people. Comfort all those in distress. Make of human suffering a gracious gift of life for others. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Lord, in Jesus you have given us the first fruit of your dominion. Plant your life-giving spirit in us and in our land, that we may bring forth justice and peace. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant and People

Lord, who formed humanity of the dust of the earth, reform us into the likeness of your Christ. May your mercy pour into our laps. May we see ourselves as one with those we accuse and so know the joy of forgiveness given and received, through Christ our Lord.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel, or remain standing, as they are able. Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and 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.

Absolution

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

Peace

All stand as are able.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Minister and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service, during which the people may be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Bread and Wine are offered at the Altar, and the table is set for the Eucharist. A collection is taken for the work of the church and then blessed. In this set of actions, the whole assembly brings together our food, our material resources, our spirits, our bodies, our cares, our relationships, and our intentions, in order to present ourselves and our world as completely as possible to God. All of them will be blessed in the Eucharistic action to come, and creation itself will be renewed.

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Offertory Anthem: "Come, let us join our cheerful songs"

Alan Bullard

Come, let us join our cheerful song with angels round the throne. Ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one. Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 'to be exalted thus;' 'Worthy the Lamb' our lips reply, 'for he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive honor and pow'r divine, and blessings more than we can give. Be, Lord for ever thine. The whole creation join in one to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne and to adore the Lamb. Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; Ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2

All stand as are able.

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we

have this bread to offer, which the earth has given, and human hands

have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we

have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine, and work of human hands. It

will become for us the cup of salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

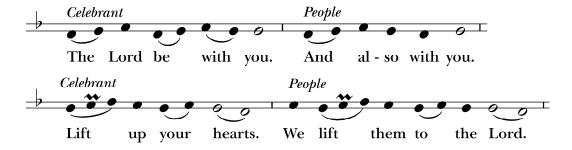
Celebrant Pray, my sisters, and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be

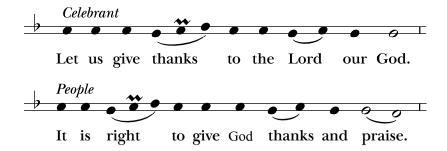
acceptable to God, the Almighty.

People May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and

glory of God's name, to our benefit, and to that of all God's holy

Church.

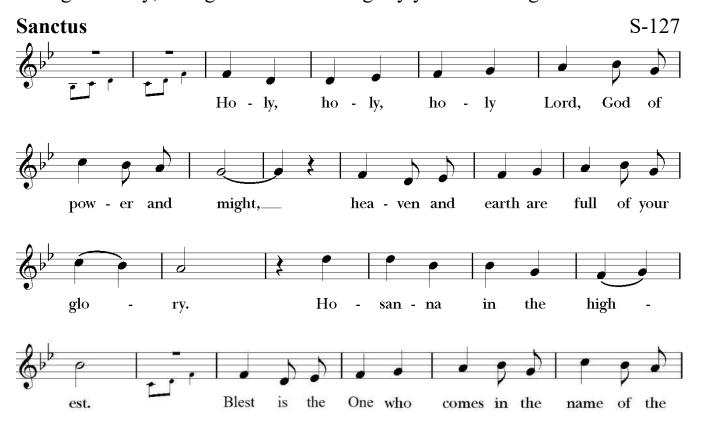




The Celebrant proceeds

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:





The people kneel, or remain standing, as they are able.

Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Saint Peter, Saint Francis, Saint Clare, Saint Mary Magdalene, the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, from every

tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.



The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father and Mother in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

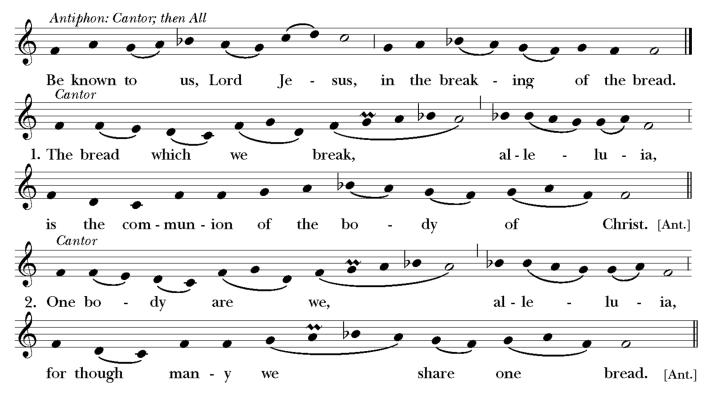
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia.

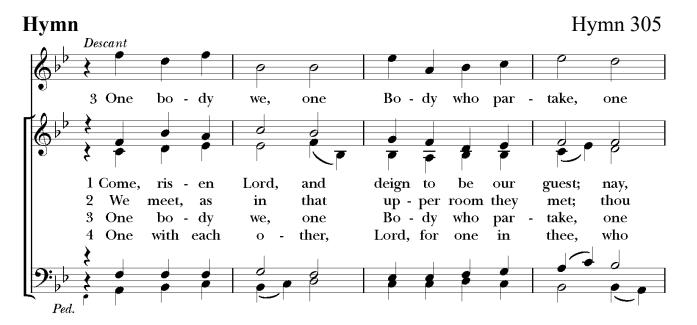
Fraction Anthem S-171



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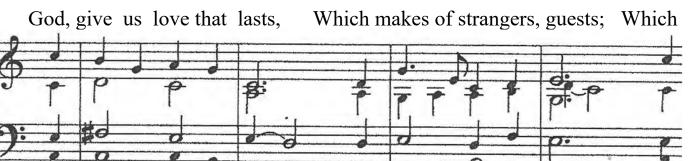
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

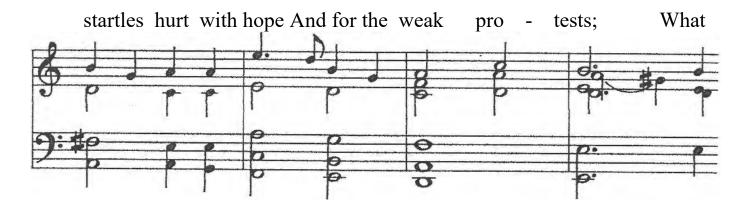
The People may be seated; the usher will indicate each row for communion. All who feel called are welcome to receive communion; alternatively, you may cross your arms over your chest if you prefer to receive a blessing.

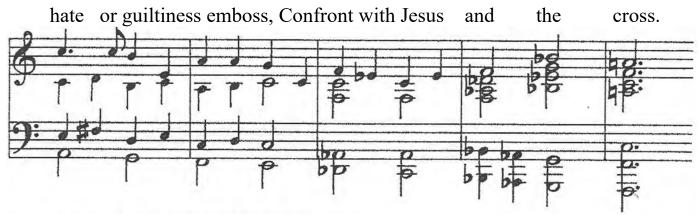




Hymn Gifts that Last







(Repeat, ad libitum)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, all standing or kneeling as they are able

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.

Blessing

Celebrant May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of

Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you

and remain with you always.

People Amen.



Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Fugue in C"

Dietrich Buxtehude

Announcements

Neighborhood Cleanup

Our next neighborhood cleanup will be this Saturday, March 1, 2025. We meet at noon in front of the church (1620 Gough Street), at the red doors. T+SP provides all of the equipment, including rubber gloves, trash grabber/reacher tools and heavy-gauge trash bags, in partnership with the nonprofit Refuse Refuse and the San Francisco Department of Public Works. The event lasts until 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate. Weather permitting, we will barbecue in the courtyard afterwards.

Future First Sundays Organ Recital Series, and Evensong, at 5:00 p.m., Spring 2025

March 2 Jerome Lenk (Mission Dolores, San Francisco) April 6 David Troiano (Gross Point Park, Michigan)

May 4 Evensong and Concert with the Choir of Trinity†St. Peter's

June 1 Dr. Michael Szostak (Warsaw, Poland)

We're glad you joined us this Sunday! If you'd like to learn more about T+SP, please feel free to contact us using the information below or visit our website: trinity-stpeters.org

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