

**Weekly Readings for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany  
Year C, February 9, 2025**

**Collect of the Day**

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading— Isaiah 6:1-8**

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!"

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 138** (*read responsively by whole verse*)

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.**

7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.

**8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.**

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

## **Second Reading— 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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## **Gospel Reading—Luke 5:1-11**

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

**People:** **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Announcements** (if you have an announcement to share, please contact Rev. Sarah by Wednesday.)

- **Super Bowl Potluck**- Join us this evening at 6pm down in the fellowship hall as we come together to watch football, or the commercials, or the halftime show, or just be in community! If you're able, bring a dish to share. All are welcome!
- **Job Bible Study**- Our weekly bible study of Job takes place on Zoom and in person at 10 am on Wednesdays. All are welcome!
- **Ash Wednesday**- On March 5th, we will have both an Ashes to Go offering in the Trinity parking lot from 8:30-10 am, and an evening Eucharist at 5:30 pm. All are welcome as we begin the season of Lent.
- **Dinner and Dreaming in Lent**- Lent is a time where we prepare ourselves for the miracle of new life and resurrection. Join us Wednesdays in Lent for a 6pm soup dinner (following Evening Prayer). Each week, we will explore different areas of ministry as the community comes together to dream and discern how the Holy Spirit may be calling us. Stay tuned for more details!
- **Evening Prayer**- Every Wednesday evening at 5:30, Trinity offers the service of evening prayer. All are welcome to attend this contemplative, quiet service as a respite from the week.

**Service Leaders for 2/9/25**

Reader- George Miller

Prayers of the People- Dave Courey

Usher- Chris Peyser

**Rev. Sarah's time:** Please reach out for pastoral needs or time with me by email at [sarahdienschlitt@gmail.com](mailto:sarahdienschlitt@gmail.com). Office hours: 10-4 Tuesdays-Thursdays. I observe sabbath on Mondays, and don't typically answer emails on Saturdays and Mondays. If the situation is an emergency, please call or text me at 218-341-0900.

**Trinity Episcopal Prayer List**

*Please hold the following people in your prayers. If you have names you would like added to this list, please see your Trinity email or connect with Rev. Sarah.*

RaRa Schlitt; James Wade; Jim and Linda; Amber; Kat; Evelyn; Gabriela; Chris; Steve; Charlie; George; Jack; Alex and John; Lisa; Thomas; Jeanie Cox Jensen; Susan and Jonah; Blade.