TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 3, 2022

Prelude Organ improvisation

Opening Hymn 635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

THE WORD OF GOD

Pastor Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever. Amen.

Priest 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.*

Trisagion: see pew card Christine Gevert (2016)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

A reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert

The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Psalm 126 Tonus Peregrinus

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
 "The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gradual Hymn 601 O day of God, draw nigh

St. Michael

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12:1-8

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal

what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Heidi Truax

A moment of Silent Reflection

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.

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Keep us mindful of the people of Ukraine and the surrounding countries that suffer under the continued war with Russia. Whatever is in our power to help, may we do it. And especially, we keep all the people involved in our daily prayers.

Lord, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

We give thanks to you, Lord God, for all your blessings. We pray in gratitude for the celebrations of our lives (we lift up in prayer all those things for which we are thankful.) Lord in your goodness: **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours. On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Courtney Duntz and Chris Pavia, for Pari Forood and for M.E Freeman, and their families. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as God loves us.

Lord, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (we read from the list and leave time for names to be added.) Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died (we read from the list and leave time for names to be added.) We pray that your will for them may be fulfilled, and that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Confession

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 Absolution

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.**

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory Anthem "Hear the voice and prayer"

by Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Hear the voice and prayer of Thy servants, that they make before Thee this day.
That Thine eyes may be open toward this house day and night, ever toward this place, of which Thou hast said:
"My Name shall be there."

And when Thou hearest have mercy on them. [2 Chronicles 6:19-21]

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy: see pew card Christine Gevert (2016)

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN*.

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.

Fraction Anthem: see pew card

Christine Gevert (2016)

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

The Communion (on the floor level of the nave—bread and wine offered)

Communion Hymn 615 Thy kingdom com! On bended knee

St. Flavian

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen*.

The Blessing

The peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God's son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 624 Jerusalem the golden

Ewing

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Organ improvisation on tune *Ewing*

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax
Music Director: Christine Gevert
Minister of Communion: Mary Anne Carley

Lector: Pari Forood
Epistoler: Mary Anne Carley
Intercessor: Linda Lloyd
Altar Guild: Theresa Kenny

Daffodils: The Rev. Marilyn Anderson

Counter: Bev Becker Greeter/Usher: Mike Cuoco Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Sun., April 10 8 and 10:30 AM Palm Sunday services

We begin in Walker Hall with blessing of the palms

Fri., April 15 12:00 Noon—Way of the Cross in Church and Walker Hall

7:00 PM—Reflections by six ecumenical ministers with music:

Lamentations for Baroque Keyboard (Virginal) by Froberger, Bryd and Philips

Taize Song: In manus Tuas (In your hands)

Sat., April 16 7:00 PM—Easter Vigil begins outside at the Porte Cochere with New Fire

Contemplative Hymns and Songs, the Great Exsultet Chant

Verse Anthem à 6 by William Byrd "Christ rising again from the dead"

Sun., April 17 8:00 AM Festive Easter service with hymns

10:30 AM Festive hyms and Easter Motet à 5 "Angelus Domini descendit"

Attrib. to Leonara d'Este,

Verse Anthem à 6 by William Byrd "Christ rising again from the dead"

Trinity Choir, Crescendo Singers and period instruments

Mon., April 25 11:00 AM Regionwide hike at Kent Falls

Mondays 6:30 PM—book group on Zoom led by the Rev. Marilyn Anderson.

Rooted: Life at the Crossroads of Science, Nature, and Spirit.

See Trinity Update for more info.

Tuesdays 7:00 PM—Overeaters Anonymous meets in Walker Hall

Thursdays 12:30—1:30 PM Bible Explorers meet. We will read Exodus until Easter.

Please consider donating to help the people of Ukraine. Episcopal Relief and Development is a tried and true organization to support in this effort. Go to Episcopalrelief.org

Easter Flower Memorials—The sign up sheet is on the Guild Room bulletin Board or email Pastor Heidi with your names to be honored or remembered.

Sign up to host coffee hour: It's not difficult! Just bring a box of cookies or some cheese and crackers. Bring lemonade or iced tea or ask Pastor Heidi to help you make coffee.

At our Sunday services: The 8:00 AM service is now mask optional. And we continue to ask that all people wear masks at the 10:30 AM service whether vaccinated or not.

Please remember that we are filming this service and wait to have private conversations until after you have left the nave.

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