

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Lime Rock, CT

Saturday, April 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Please take a candle and gather with us outside under the porte cochere.

The Invitation

The Kindling and Blessing of the New Fire

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The Procession and The Exsultet

Repeated three times as the Paschal candle proceeds to the front of the nave.

Cantor The Light of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The cantors continue:

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels,
and let your trumpets shout Salvation
for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth,
bright with a glorious splendor,
for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church,
and let your holy courts, in radiant light,
resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame,
pray with me to God the Almighty
for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light;
through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with God,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

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

The cantors continue

It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people. This is the night, when you brought our ancestors, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land. This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life. This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave. How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving-kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son. How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord. How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and we are reconciled to God. Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning; he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE STORY OF GOD'S PEOPLE - OUR STORY

A reading from the Book of Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13

The LORD said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights. On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons entered the ark, they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind-- every bird, every winged creature. They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in. The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

In the six hundred first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, "Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh-- birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth-- so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Solo "Go down, Moses" – Negro Spiritual

arranged by Harry Thacker Burleigh (1866-1949)
Tivon Hall-Love, baritone

A reading from the Prophecy of Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and

flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

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

Solo "Deep River" – Negro Spiritual

arranged by Harry Thacker Burleigh (1866-1949)
Tom Schindler, baritone

EASTER BEGINS!

Pastor Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
Pastor Cristos anesti!
People **Alethos anesti!**

Ring the bells!

Pastor The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Letter of Paul to the Romans

6:3-11

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we

have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

Gradual Hymn 199 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia



Al - le lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Christine Gevert, for Trinity Church, 10-2017

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to Luke
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

The Homily

The Rev. Heidi Truax

A moment of silent reflection

The Apostles' Creed

C. Gevert

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther al - migh- ty, cre - a - tor of heav-en and earth."

1. I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther al - migh- ty, cre - a - tor of heav-en and earth.

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "I be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, his on - ly Son, our Lord."

2. I be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, his on - ly Son, our Lord.

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "He was con-ceived by the pow - er of the Ho-ly Spi - rit and born of the Vir-gin Ma - ry."

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A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "He suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, was cru - ci- fied, died, and was bur- ied."

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A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "He des - cend - ed to the dead. On the third day he rose a - gain."

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A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "He asc - end - ed in - to heav-en, and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther."

He asc - end - ed in - to heav-en, and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther.

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "He will come a - gain to judge the liv - ing and the dead."

He will come a - gain to judge the liv - ing and the dead.

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the ho - ly ca - tho - lic Church,"

3. I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the ho - ly ca - tho - lic Church,

A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "the com - mun - ion of saints, the for-give - ness of sins, the re-sur - rec - tion of the bo - dy,"

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A musical staff in G clef, common time. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are: "and the life ev - - er - - last - - ing. A - - - - men."

and the life ev - - er - - last - - ing. A - - - - men.

*Pastor
People*

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem “Christ rising again – Christ is risen again” by William Byrd (1543-16230)
Text: Romans 6:9-11, I Corinthians 15:20-22 Jennifer Tyo and Christine Gevert, solo sopranos

Doxology: Hymn 380, verse 3

Old 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

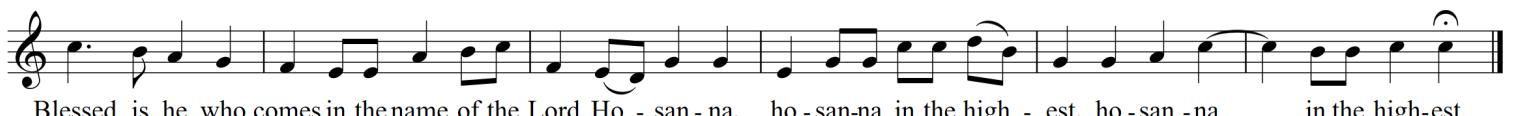
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy [Easter]

Christine Gevert
For Trinity Church Lime Rock, Apr. 2019



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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our savior Christ has taught us we are bold to pray:

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: Blessed are those [Easter]

Christine Gevert
For Trinity Church Lime Rock, Apr. 2019

Bles - sed are those who are called to the sup- per of the Lamb. Praise the_ Lord,___ all___ ye___ na - tions.

For his lov - ing kind - ness to-wards us is great and his faith - ful - ness en - dures_____ for ev - er.

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Pastor These are the gifts of God for you and me, the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lives for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Harp Solo Passacaille in A minor (Manuscrit Bauyn, ca.1660)

Luigi Rossi (?-1653), Arr. Christa Patton

The Post-Communion Prayer

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn 207 Jesus Christ is risen today

Easter Hymn

Dismissal

Postlude Courante in C from *Pièces de Clavecin* (1689)

by Jean-Henri D'Anglebert (1629-1691)
Arr. Christa Patton, Christa Patton, harp

SERVING THIS EVENING

The Rev. Heidi Truax, Rector

Christine Gevert, vocals and direction

Vocal Soloists: Tivon Hall-Love, Tom Schindler and Jennifer Tyo

Harp: Christa Patton

Minister of Communion: Mike Cuoco

Readers: M. E. Freeman, Susanna Schindler, Linda Lloyd

Usher: Mike Cuoco

Easter Flowers: The Flower Committee

Altar Guild: Bev Becker

Keepers of the New Fire: Jeremy Dakin and Russell Duntz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sun., April 17** 8:00 AM Festive Easter service with hymns
 10:30 AM Festive hymns 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
- Sun., April 24** at the 8:00 and 10:30 AM Services please bring plants for our church gardens
 in honor of Earth Day, April 22.
- Mon., April 25** 11:00 AM Regionwide hike at Kent Falls
- April 29-May 13** Pastor Heidi will be in Jerusalem at St. George’s College.
 The Rev. Marilyn Anderson will preside at services on May 1 and May 8.
- Sun., May 15** 4:00 PM Crescendo Concert "Carissimi's *Jephte and Missa L'Homme armé*"
<http://www.crescendomusic.org>
- Sun., May 22** Noon: vestry meeting
- Mondays** 7:00 PM Crescendo Rehearsal
- Tuesdays** 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous in Walker Hall
- Wednesdays** Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge and Sharon Hospital



EASTER FLOWER GIFTS

By:

Marilyn and Barry Anderson
Pari Forood
Helen Symons

In Honor of:

Our family
grandson Henrik Sandberg
Jim Conzo

By:

All of us

Beverly Becker

In Memory of:

Roy Bickley
Heather Chapman
Cheryl Duntz and Alison Tripp
M. E. Freeman

Martha Baer
Jacqueline Kuhn
Alice Tweed
Virginia Sturges Ferranti, Gail Sturges Capozzi
Stephen Sturges
Roy and Evelyn Bickley
Harry and Ida Chapman, Anne FitzRoy
Tom and Alice Tweed
Francis W. Freeman, Elizabeth I. Freeman
Marie Claire Tabard, Nan S. Ivester, Mary O. Gregorie
Zoe Nesbitt, Ezekiel Nesbitt
Ted Rogers
Cathy Jean Sisk
George Tuttle and Anne Tuttle Roller
William B. Warren

Martha Nesbitt
Biz Rogers
The Sisk Family
Jane Tuttle
Arete Warren

Permanent Flower Memorials

George, Marie and Robert Brown
Rydon Ronshaugen
Jean Wright Israel
Elsie Leonard
Pauline Murray
Helen and Scott Walker
Millidge Walker
Reed Williams
Edith Talmadge
Helene K. Brown
Agatha Dakin
Maye Ronshaugen
Emma Belter
Trudy Washburn

Trinity Altar Guild Memorials

The Trinity Vestry

Linda Lloyd, Senior Warden
M. E. Freeman, Junior Warden and Treasurer
Bev Becker, Clerk
Barry Anderson, Mike Cuoco, Al Dorf
Theresa Kenny, Scott Frost, Alan Swide

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Passacaille in A minor (Manuscrit Bauyn, ca.1660) Luigi Rossi (?-1653), Arr. Christa Patton

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