

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

The Second Sunday of Easter April 16, 2023

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *Puer nobis*

Processional Hymn 193 That Easter day with joy was bright

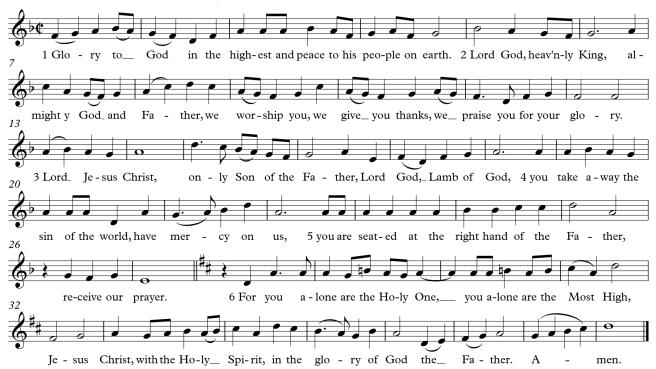
Puer Nobis

Pastor Alelluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor 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.

Glory to God - Gloria in excelsis (Canticle 20)



Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

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

Psalm 16 Gevert-5

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
 I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, * upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods * shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, * nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; * it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; * indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; * my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; * because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; * my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, * nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

Gradual Hymn 203 O sons and daughters, let us sing

O filii et filiae

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia



Christine Gevert, for Trinity Church, 10-2017

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20:19-31 People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Sermon The Rev. Heidi Truax

A time of Silent Reflection

Christ our Passover Pascha nostrum 1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *

but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, *

by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world. May people who suffer, and are caught up in the midst of natural disaster, disease or poverty, find peace through you;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all those in religious orders, for lay and ordained ministers, and all the holy people of God;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks at all times for the blessings of our lives. We lift up our thanksgivings (we leave time for people to say silently or aloud the things for which they are grateful). Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Carol and Bob Hoskins, for Bill and Shirley Jenks and for their families;

That we may serve and love them, and one another, as Christ loves us.

Have compassion on those who suffer, especially (we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added). We pray for all who are afflicted with any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those who we name (we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added). Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all the saints, those we love in this world, and in the next; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The Confession and Absolution

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.

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 Hymn 205 vss. 1, 3-5 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing Gelobt sei Gott

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 Praise God from whom all blessings flow Old 100th

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

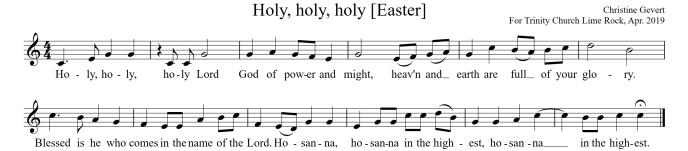
Priest Lift up your hearts.

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 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:



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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.

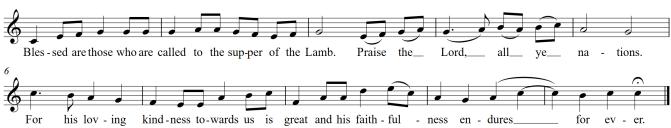
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

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]





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Distribution of Holy Communion at the altar

We offer wine and grape juice, blessed

Communion Hymn 192 This joyful Eastertide

Vruechten

Postcommunion Prayer

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Blessing

And now to our Great God who is able to accomplish in us far more than we can ask or even imagine, to him be glory for ever and ever. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 189 Love's redeeming work is done

Resurrexit

The Dismissal

Pastor Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Organ improvisation on tune Resurrexit

The lilies on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God.

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax

Music Director: Christine Gevert

Minister of Communion Mary Anne Carley

Lector: Pari Forood

Epistoler: Susanna Schindler Intercessor: Roy Bickley

Counter: Barry Anderson

Easter Flowers: Heather Chapman Ushers: Pari Forood and Michael Cuoco

Altar Guild: Beverly Becker

Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Today Noon—Vestry meeting

Sunday, April 23 9:00 AM Sunday School celebrates Earth Day (If you haven't brought plants today for

the children to plant, you could drop them off during the week.

Friday, April 28 7:30 PM Crescendo Concert "In Search of the Bridges"

Saturday, May 6 10:30 AM we visit Congregation Beth David in Amenia, NY

for Holocaust Remembrance Day

Sunday, May 21 Rev. Félix Rivera preaches at 10:30 service

Noon—Vestry meeting 4:00 PM Misa en español

Sunday, May 28 8:00 AM Eucharist at Trinity as usual

10:00 AM Pentecost service at Salisbury Congregational, Bishop Jim Curry preaching

Sunday, June 4 Trinity Sunday

10:30 service—Congregation Beth David and Rabbi Jon Haddon come to visit

Weekly Schedule

Mondays 7:00 PM Crescendo Rehearsal

Tuesdays 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous in Walker Hall

Wednesdays Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge

6:00 PM on first and last Wednesday of the month, Women's AA in Walker Hall

Thursdays 1:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom (except no class in Holy Week or Easter Week)

Saturdays 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office

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