

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER CELEBRATION OF THE MINISTRY OF DEACONS DAY

MAY 21, 2023

Prelude Organ improvisation on tune *Ubi caritas*

Processional Hymn 606 Where true charity and love dwell

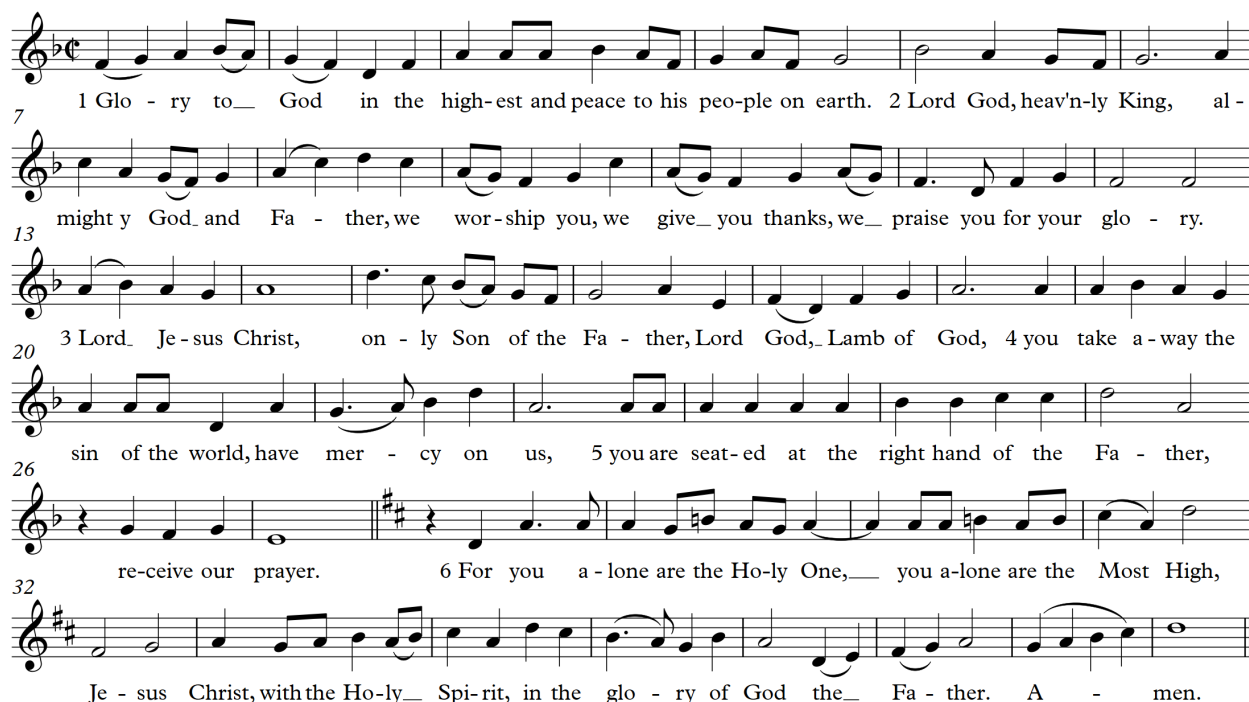
Ubi caritas

Pastor Alleluia! 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)



1 Glo - ry to_ God in the high-est and peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2 Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al -
7 might y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give_ you thanks, we_ praise you for your glo - ry.
13 3 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4 you take a - way the
20 sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, 5 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,
26 re-ceive our prayer. 6 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Most High,
32 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly_ Spi-rit, in the glo - ry of God the_ Fa - ther. A - men.

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

Gevert-12

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.

- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
 he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God; *
 his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
 the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!

A Reading from Peter's First Letter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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

Gradual Hymn 559 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Dulce Carmen

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia



Christine Gevert, for Trinity Church, 10-2017

Deacon Félix The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 17:1-11
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me,

because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Félix Rivera, Deacon

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

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Diocesan Bishops Jeffrey and Laura; for all Deacons in their service to the Church and the world, for this gathering and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. (*We read from the book and leave time for names to be added*). Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of the Holy. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

I ask your prayers for the departed (*we read from the book and leave time for names to be added*) Pray for those who have died.

On our parish cycle of prayer, I ask your prayers for Tom Ragan, Biz Rogers, Tom and Susanna Schindler and their families.

I ask you to lift up in prayer all those things for which you are thankful today... (*we leave time for*

thanksgivings to be added).

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

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.

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 531 O Spirit of the living God

Melcombe

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.

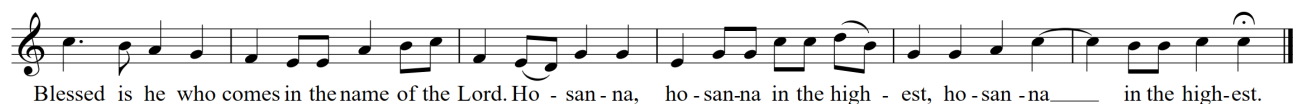
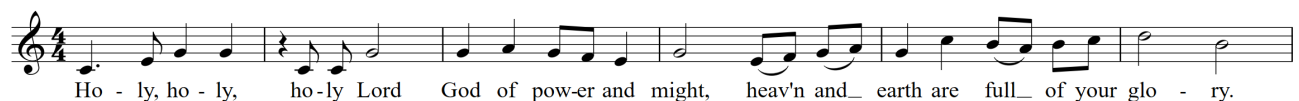
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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;

Holy, holy, holy [Easter]

Christine Gevert
For Trinity Church Lime Rock, Apr. 2019



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 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. **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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Bles - sed are those who are called to the sup - per of the Lamb. Praise the Lord, all ye na - tions.

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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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Communion Hymn 315 Thou, who at they first Eucharist didst pray

Song 1

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem

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.

Final Hymn 556 Rejoice, ye pure in heart

Marion

The Dismissal

Deacon Félix

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 *Marion*

*The altar flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Henry and Ruth Wendt by Martha Nesbitt.
and in loving memory of Alice Tweed by her family.*

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax

Music Director: Christine Gevert

Hispanic Missioner: The Rev. Félix Rivera, Deacon

Minister of Communion: Mike Cuoco

Lector: Alan Swide

Epistoler: Diane Walters

Intercessor: Jim Conzo

Altar Guild: Theresa Kenny

Flowers: Michelle Sisk

Counter: Gordon Gustafson

Greeter/Usher: Pari Forood/ Alan Swide

Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

- Sunday, May 21** Noon—Vestry meeting
4:00 PM Misa en Español
- Saturday, May 27** 10:30—11:30 New York Cycle Club visits Trinity. Please see sign up sheet in Guild Rm
- Sunday, May 28** 8:00 AM Eucharist at Trinity as usual
10:00 AM Pentecost service at Salisbury Congregational, Bishop Jim Curry preaching
- Tues. May 30** 5:30 PM ,150th Anniversary Committee meets on Zoom—ask Pastor Heidi or Geoff if you are interested in attending the meeting
- Sunday, June 4** **Trinity Sunday**
10:30 service—Congregation Beth David visits with Rabbi Jon Haddon
- Sunday, July 9** 10:30 AM —Opening celebration of our **150th Anniversary**
Bishop Laura Ahrens will join us and re-dedicate the cornerstone and bless our Chapel.
11:30 Brunch
- Friday, Sept. 15** 5—7 PM—Save the date! Opening reception for the annual Trinity Juried Art Show

Weekly Schedule

- 1st Sunday/month** Region Meeting on Zoom with our Region Missionary, Deborah Tickell
- 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 We are currently studying Acts of the Apostles.
- Saturdays** 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office every other Sat.

Music Credits for Live Stream

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