

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Holy Eucharist

Sunday, May 4, 2025

8:30 a.m.

Christ Church UCC

TRINITY

Episcopal Church



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### The Liturgy of the Word

✠ *Worship in the form of quiet meditation begins with the prelude.*

PRELUDE

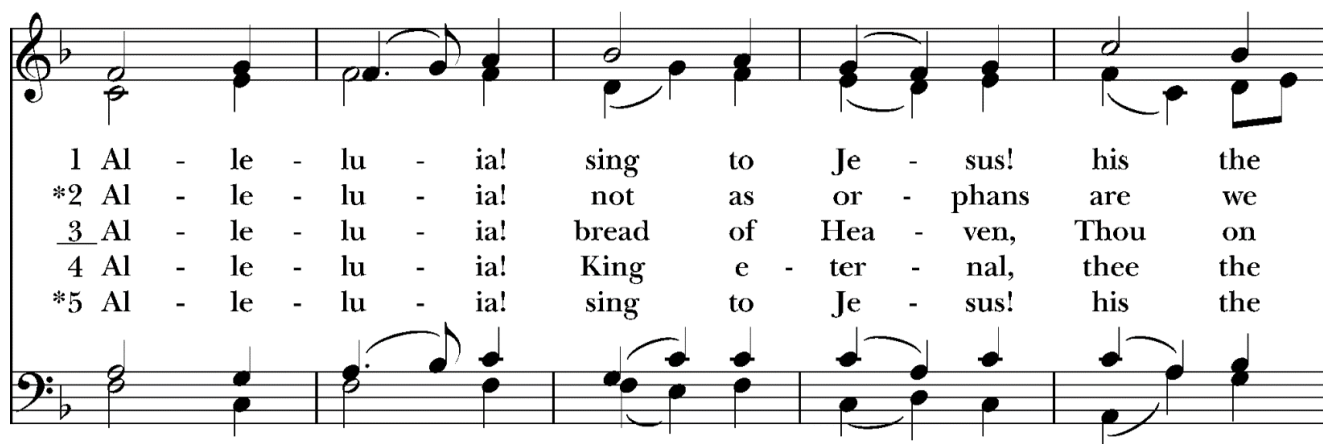
*Toccata in d minor, "Dorian"*

J. S. Bach


HYMN IN PROCESSION

*Alleluia, sing to Jesus*

HYFRYDOL



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
\*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
\*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the



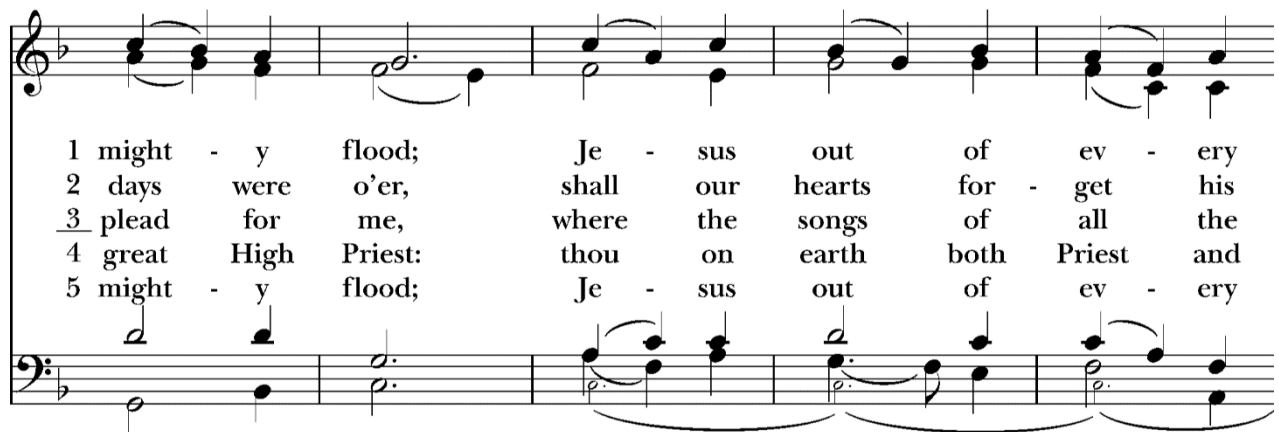
1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the



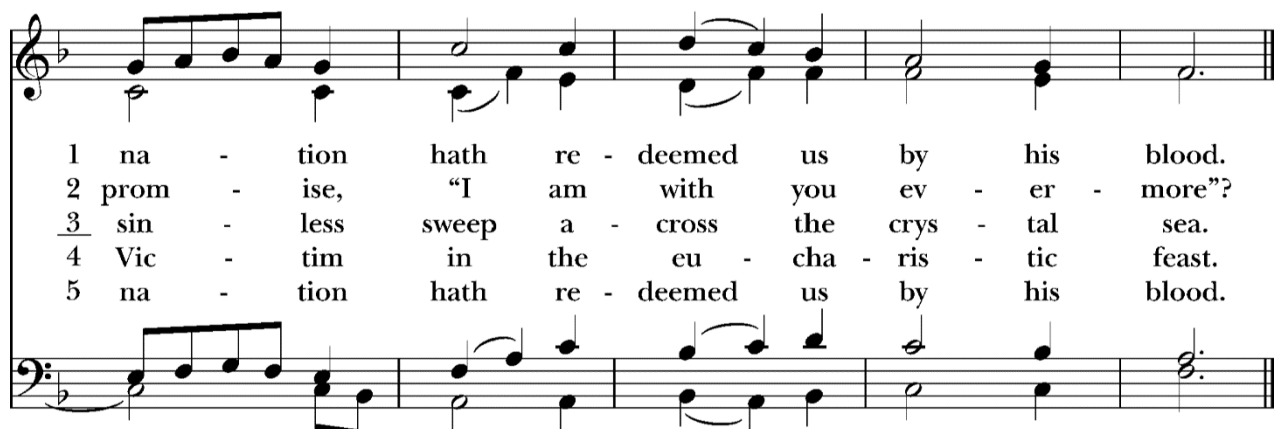
1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the



1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a



1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery



1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.*

## GLORIA

Hymnal S278

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*People And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

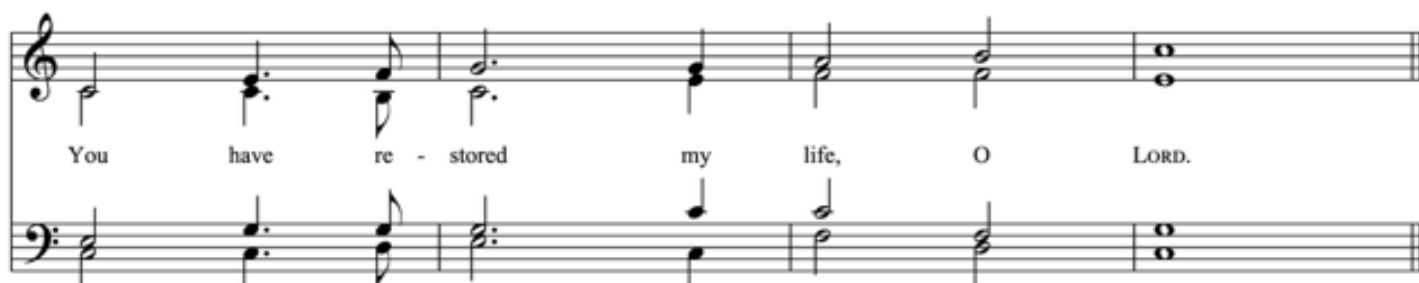
## FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-6

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

## THE PSALM

Psalm 30



I will exalt you, O LORD,  
because you have lifted me up \*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O LORD my God, I cried out to you, \*  
and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; \*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

*ANTIPHON*

Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; \*  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.

Weeping may spend the night, \*  
but joy comes in the morning.

*ANTIPHON*

While I felt secure, I said,  
"I shall never be disturbed. \*  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, \*  
and I was filled with fear.

*ANTIPHON*

I cried to you, O LORD; \*  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,  
“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; \*  
O LORD, be my helper.”

*ANTIPHON*

You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*  
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

*ANTIPHON*

## THE EPISTLE

**Revelation 5:11-14**

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!”

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

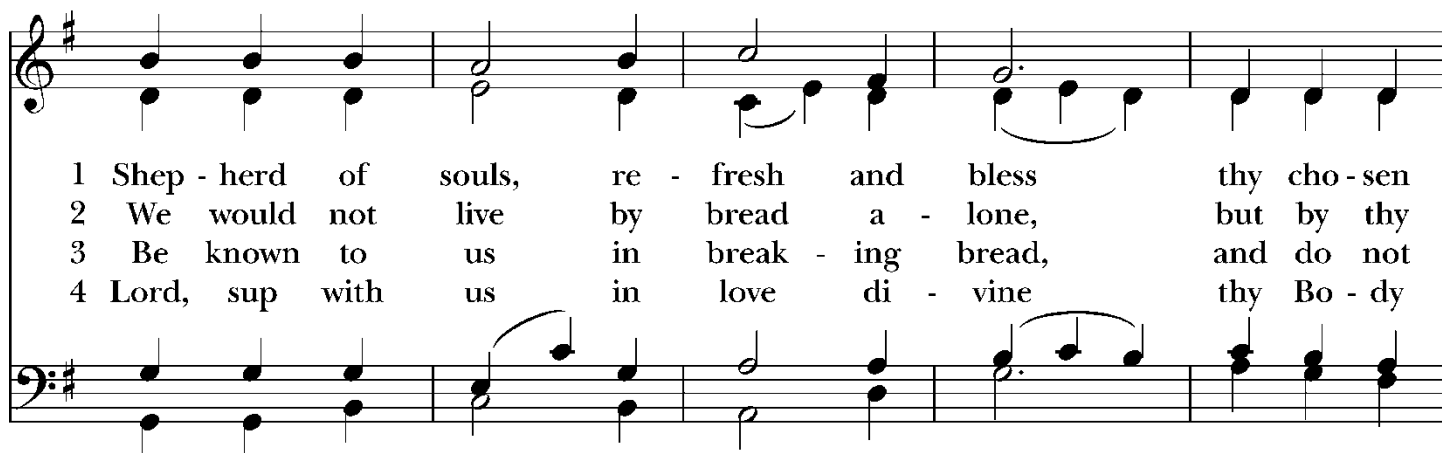
“To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshiped.

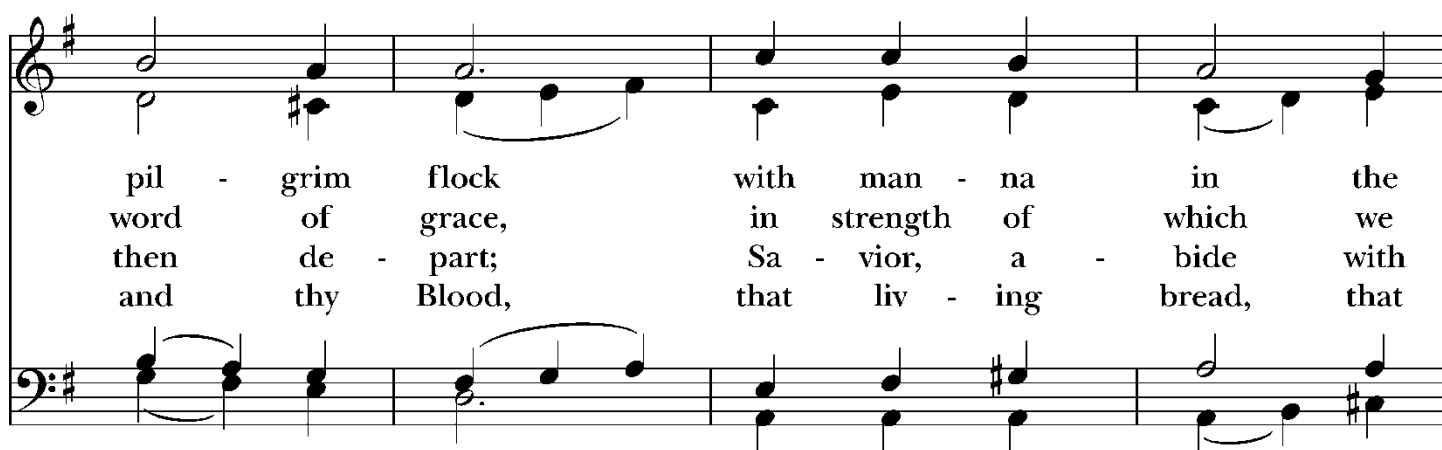
## SEQUENCE HYMN

*Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

ST. AGNES



1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy



pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bid with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that



wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

## THE GOSPEL

**John 21:1-19**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

## THE SERMON

**The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector**



## 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.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor*     Called by the Risen Christ to love and follow the Lord, let us pray to God for the needs of all people everywhere, saying: *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our bishop, and Audrey, bishop of Central Pennsylvania, that like the fishing net of the gospel, we may be rich in diversity and unbroken in unity. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For this holy gathering, that casting our nets in faith and hope, we may know the risen Christ who prospers our work and prepares a table for us. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For a new perspective on life, that God will broaden our vision to ourselves praising and serving God in harmony with all of creation. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For peace in Ukraine, Gaza and all places of conflict and violence, that God will open the hearts and minds of all leaders to seek peace and pursue it. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, remembering especially Sue and others we now name, that they may be clothed with health and joy. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who have died, remembering especially those we now name, that their voices may blend with the song of all who surround the throne of the Lamb. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.*

*Celebrant*     Blessed are you, God of glory, and blessed is the Lamb who was slain. Hear the prayers we offer this day and raise us with him to your throne in heaven. Glory to the Holy & Undivided Trinity, now and always and unto the ages of ages. *Amen.*

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant*     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        *And also with you.*

# The Liturgy of the Table

## OFFERTORY

*Christ be beside me*

Malcolm Archer

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, king of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, light of my life. Christ be in all hearts thinking about me, Christ be in all tongues telling of me. Christ be the vision in eyes that see me, in ears that hear me, Christ ever be. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

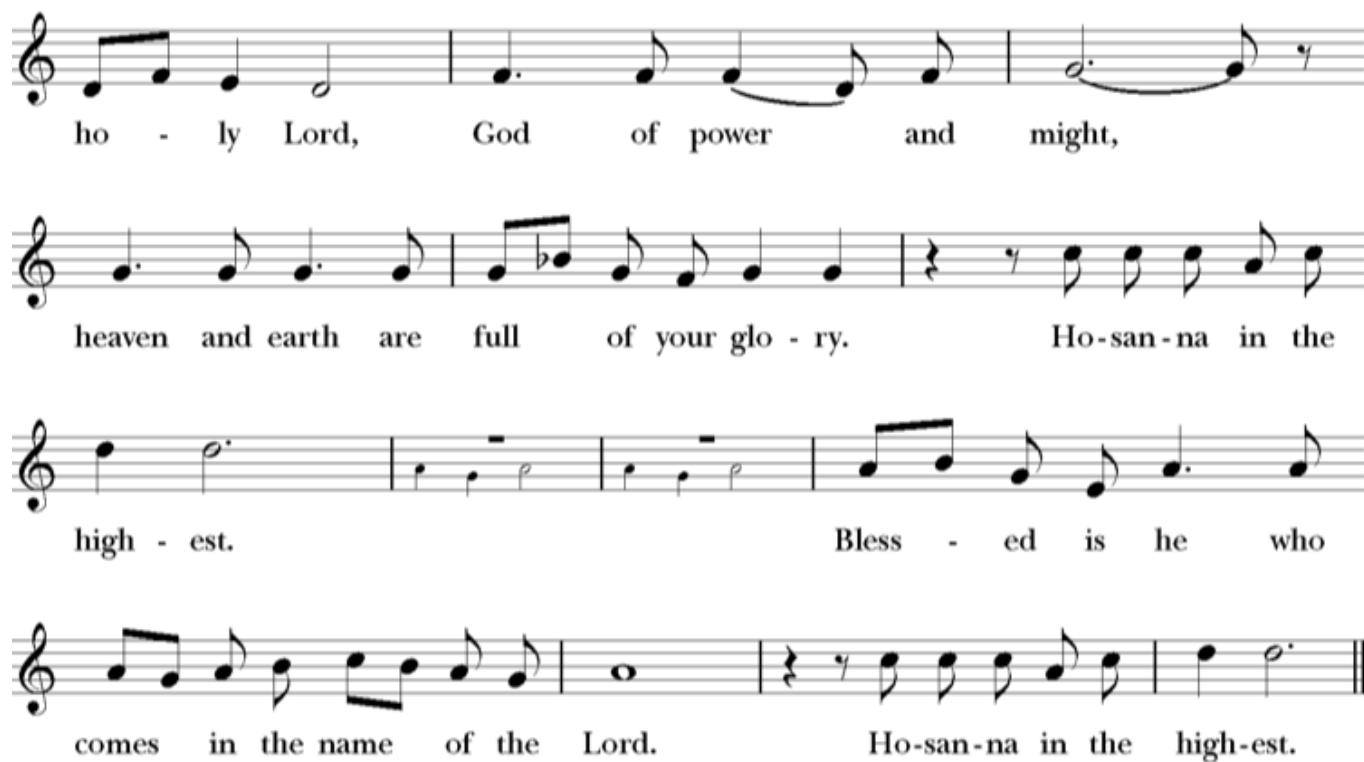
*People*  
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

**Celebrant** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly,



*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever. *Amen.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.*

#### FRACTION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

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

## HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome at God's table. You may receive communion, or you may come for a blessing. The common cup is received only by sipping. Gluten-free wafers are available.*

### COMMUNION ANTHEM

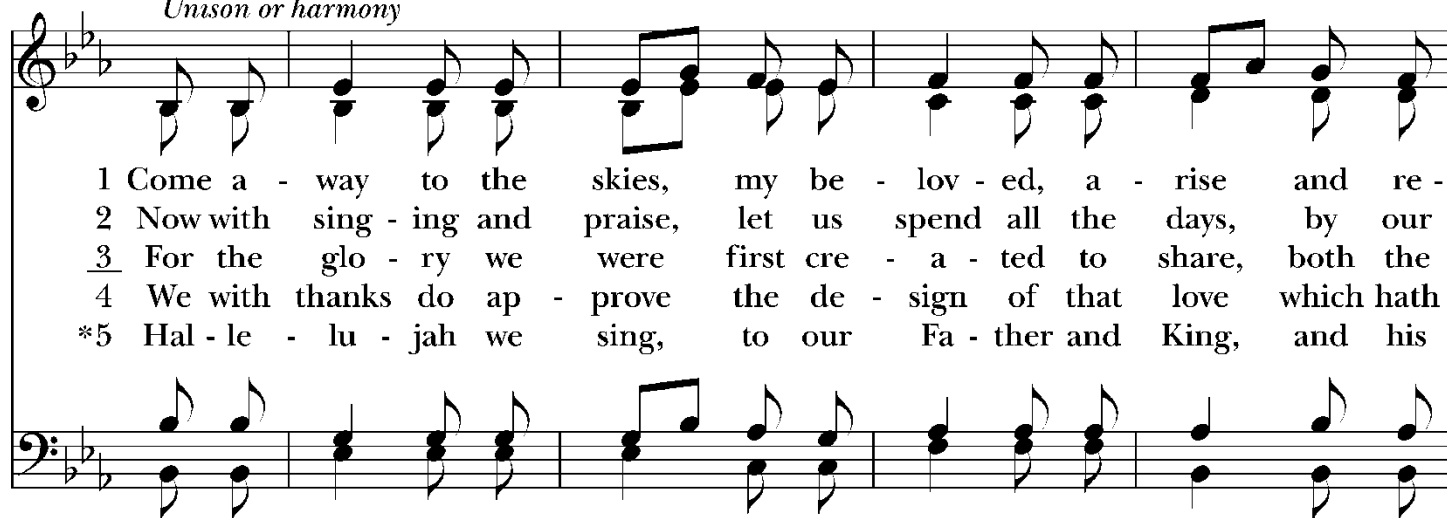
*Come, Risen Lord*

Leo Sowerby

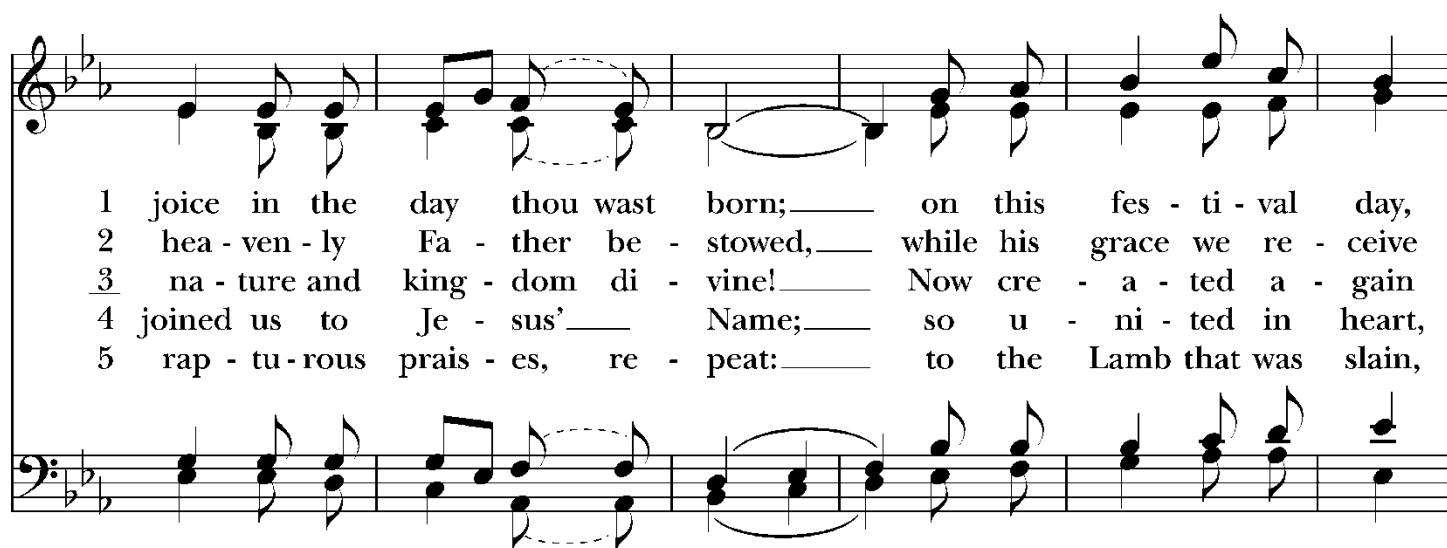
Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; Nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; Thyself at thine own board make manifest in this our Sacrament of Bread and Wine. We meet, as in that upper room they met; Thou at the table, blessing, yet dost stand: "This is my Body"; so thou givest yet: Faith still receives the cup as from thy hand. One body we, one Body who partake, One Church united in communion blest; One name we bear, one Bread of life we break, With all thy saints on earth and saints at rest

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

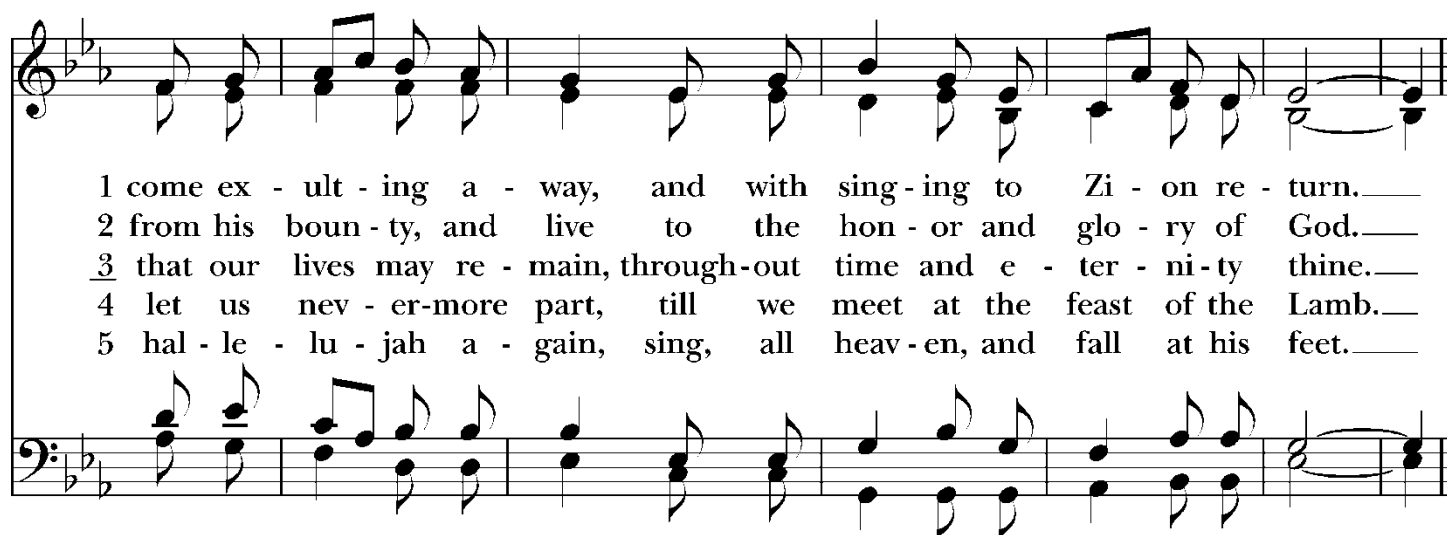
***God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us  
with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Empower us by your Spirit  
always to proclaim  
your redeeming love to the world  
and continue forever  
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

*Unison or harmony*


1 Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a - rise and re -  
 2 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our  
 3 For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to share, both the  
 4 We with thanks do ap - prove the de - sign of that love which hath  
 \*5 Hal - le - lu - jah we sing, to our Fa - ther and King, and his



1 joice in the day thou wast born;— on this fes - ti - val day,  
 2 hea - ven - ly Fa - ther be - stowed,— while his grace we re - ceive  
 3 na - ture and king - dom di - vine!— Now cre - a - ted a - gain  
 4 joined us to Je - sus'— Name;— so u - ni - ted in heart,  
 5 rap - tu - rous prais - es, re - peat:— to the Lamb that was slain,



1 come ex - ult - ing a - way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn.—  
 2 from his boun - ty, and live to the hon - or and glo - ry of God.—  
 3 that our lives may re - main, through-out time and e - ter - ni - ty thine.—  
 4 let us nev - er-more part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.—  
 5 hal - le - lu - jah a - gain, sing, all heav - en, and fall at his feet.—

## BLESSING

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon*



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia.

*People*



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune*

Nicholas Bowden





## **Liturgical Ministers**

**May 4, 2025**

**The Third Sunday of Easter**

**8:30 a.m.**

Ann Szmania  
Glen Walls  
Ross Mangina  
Ivan Martin  
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Susan Martin  
Ivan Martin

Altar Guild  
Eucharistic Minister  
Reader  
Intercessor  
Usher  
Usher  
Acolyte

### **Choir**

Garry Applegate  
Jonathan Boksan  
Bailey Fulginiti  
Stacy Gabel  
Hattye Magee  
Joyce Meinke  
Jody Miller

Sebastian Paff  
Christina Shoemaker  
Mark Shoemaker  
Stephan Taylor

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

May 4, 2025

### **Our Partner-Parish:**

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

### **In the Diocese of Bethlehem:**

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop  
Prince of Peace, Dallas; and Diocesan Youth

### **In the Anglican Communion:**

The Church of Ireland



### **Please pray for:**

❖ Sue Ditterline for continuing health issues

### **Please pray for these friends in need:**

Randy Alderman, Susan Asbury, Nicole and Rodney Bailey, Gary Battersby, Harold and Pam Basmadjian, Loretta Brobst, Owen Brunner, Joan Dawson, Jonathan Decker, Sue Ditterline, Connie Evans, Jerry and Rosanne Foreman, Linda Friday, Rheta and Dick Matthews, John Majczan, Noah, Lauren Nowenstein, Patti Pasda, Robert R., Pat Sisson, Kathy Shockley, Barry Smith, Sandy Thompson, Carol and Jack Vickrey, Deb Zapf.

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please send an email to:

**[prayerlist@trinitybeth.org](mailto:prayerlist@trinitybeth.org) - by noon on Wednesday.**

Names will remain on the list for a month.

## Announcements

### *Trinity's Night Out at Coca-Cola Park*



Wednesday, July 2 @ 7:00 PM  
Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs  
vs.  
Scranton Rail Riders  
\$13 per ticket

Must purchase tickets by June 2. For more information, please contact Steve Filko (267-736-1109) or Lynn Piccolo (610-462-2133).



Turning Point  
of Lehigh Valley

Our May collection for donations will be **on Mother's Day, May 11<sup>th</sup> (next Sunday)**. We will be collecting children's items to be donated to Turning Point, a domestic violence shelter in the Lehigh Valley.

#### Items needed are:

Children's clothing from newborn size to size 12  
Baby bottles and sippy cups  
Baby toiletries  
Diapers (sizes most needed: 4, 5 and 6) and Pull-ups  
wipes  
Crib sheets



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 29—Ascension Day  
June 8—The Day of Pentecost  
June 15—Trinity Sunday: Parish Title Feast

# About Trinity Episcopal Church

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**Livestreamed Services:** [www.vimeo.org/trinitybethlehem](http://www.vimeo.org/trinitybethlehem)

**Office Hours:** Receptionist 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Appointments:** Flexible scheduling available. Please contact the Rector to schedule an appointment.

## Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector - [pam@trinitybeth.org](mailto:pam@trinitybeth.org)

The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Carr, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Gerard R. Gaeta, Obl.S.B., Priest Associate

## Staff

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Karen Ernst, Treasurer - [bookkeeper@trinitybeth.org](mailto:bookkeeper@trinitybeth.org)

Ministers: All Baptized Members

## Vestry

Sarah Abraham (Clerk)

Garry Applegate

Linda Cortis

Ken Grieshaber (Senior Warden)

Joanne Gulya (Junior Warden)

Marcie Lightwood

Ross Mangina

Ivan Martin

Sandy Mesics

Glen Walls