

The Seventh Sunday of Easter



Holy Eucharist

Saturday, May 20, 2023

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 21, 2023

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

TRINITY

Episcopal Church



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Holy Eucharist

The Liturgy of the Word

PRELUDE

Elegy

G.T. Thalben-Ball

HYMN IN PROCESSION

A hymn of glory let us sing

Hymn 218
DEO GRACIAS

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Hymn S 278

*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.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.*

THE FIRST READING

Acts 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.

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.

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.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,

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.

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God; *
**his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.**

How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
**the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!**

THE EPISTLE

1 Peter 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.

SEQUENCE HYMN

See the Conqueror mounts in triumph

Hymn 215
IN BABILONE

THE GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

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."

THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Carr, Priest Associate

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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Knowing and believing the love God has for us, let us offer prayers in the name of Jesus, saying: *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that we may give testimony to Christ's mission of bringing hope and healing to those in need. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that the good news of the Risen and Ascended Christ may bring forth a new flowering of peace and hope in our lives. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For a de-escalation of tension between world powers, that God will guide the work of those who seek a peaceful resolution to conflicts and disagreements. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For all who are waiting: the birth of a child, the renewal of health, or the return of a job or loved one, that they may experience God with them in this time and draw strength from the prayers and concerns of others. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For an end to gun violence in our towns and cities, that the Spirit will awaken a new sense of the dignity of human life and open alternatives to violent confrontations. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For those in need of our prayers, remembering especially Cindy, Sela and others we now name, that they may cast all their care on Christ who cares for them. *Alleluia! Hear our prayer.*

For those who have died, remembering especially those we now name, that they share in the eternal glory of Christ forever. *Alleluia! 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 Faithful God, because of your Son's great love for us, we stand redeemed as your holy people; hear our prayers and help us to embrace the name of Jesus that we may glorify you in the world and bear witness to the Risen and Ascended Christ. Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

The Liturgy of the Table

OFFERTORY

King of all ages, throned on high

Paul Isom

King of all ages, throned on high, yet saviour too of those with faith, death at your onslaught died in fear and grace triumphant rules supreme. Risen from death, the heavenly Christ receives from God the Father's hand power over all created things: a gift he could not know on earth. Then at your coming on the clouds with shining strength to be our judge, cancel the debt we owe you still, give back the glory we have lost. Glory, glory to you, O Christ, exalted from our sight, reigning for evermore, with Father and with Paraclete. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you." and the People, with the lyrics "And al - so with you." The second staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts." and the People, with the lyrics "We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

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 him 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.

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:

SANCTUS

Hymnal S128

***Holy, 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.

Celebrant Holy and gracious God: 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 maker 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, Almighty God, 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 God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant 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

Hymnal S 155

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.

ANTHEM

O Salutaris Hostia

Edward Elgar

O saving Victim, opening wide, the gate of heaven to man below! Our foes press on from every side; Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow. To Thy great name by endless praise, immortal Godhead, one in Three; Oh, grant us endless length of days, in our true native land with Thee. Amen.

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.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

HYMN


Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor

Hymn 307
BRYN CALFARIA


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



Service participants

May 21, 2023

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m.

Sheri Majczan	Altar Guild
Pat Sisson	Reader
Steve Filko	Usher

10:30 a.m.

Sara Klingner	Altar Guild
Joyce Meinke	Reader
Cindy Baser	Intercessor
Ivan Martin	Usher
Ross Mangina	Usher
Crystal Taud	Crucifer
Sara Klingner	Verger
Matt Golomb	Digital Media Producer
Sheri & John Majczan	Coffee Hour

Choir

Bailey Fulginiti, Soprano
Christina Shoemaker, Soprano
Stacy Gabel, Alto
Andrew Roberts, Tenor
Jonathan Boksan, Bass
Mark Shoemaker, Bass

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

May 21, 2023

Our Partner-Parish:

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

In the Diocese of Bethlehem:

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop
St. Peter's Hazelton; and New Bethany Ministries

In the Anglican Communion:

The Church in the Province of the West Indies



Please pray especially for:

- ❖ Cindy Grieshaber, hospitalized this past week.
- ❖ Sela (friend of Sandy Mesics), with health issues

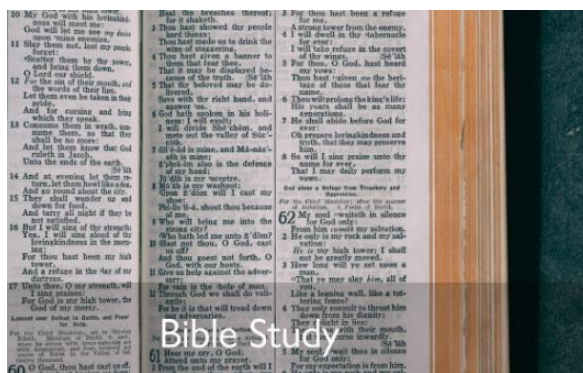
Please pray for others in need:

Susan Bennett, Loretta Brobst, Christine Buckles, Joan Dawson, Laci Erker-Hough, Connie Evans, Steve Filko, Liz Roche, Dick and Rheta Matthews, Jody Miller, Patti Pasda, Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Liz Roche, Stephan Taylor, Carol and Jack Vickrey.

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please send an email to prayerlist@trinitybeth.org - **by noon on Wednesday**. Names will remain on the list for a month.

Lectionary Bible Chat!

Please join us for a lectionary discussion at 11:45 after the 10:30 service. Grab your snack and coffee and come to the back tables. This week's discussion will be led by Cindy Baser and Marcie Lightwood. Everyone is welcome.



Events to Remember



- **May 28**—Pentecost, an official feast of the Church, celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit
- **June 4**—Trinity Sunday, our Title Service. ONE service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, followed by a luncheon in the parish hall.

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

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The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril, Priest Associate

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Marcie Lightwood

Lynn Piccolo

Pat Sisson