

Trinity Church

Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



We are glad you are here today.

If you are looking for a place to say your prayers, seek God, and discover companions for the journey, you are invited to be at home here. If you are new, please complete a pew card and place it in the collection plate. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to tell you about life at Trinity.

Prelude

Processional Hymn: #180

He is risen

The Word of God

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

All:

(S280)

**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

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light,

we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: #209

We walk by faith

The Gospel John 20:19-31

Prsider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Susan Wrathall

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 truly human. 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. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who 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

The Leader and People pray responsively:

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

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 bishops, priests, and deacons, and join with parishes throughout the Diocese to pray for the retired clergy of the Diocese.

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.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially, Gail P., Dick, Richard R., Richard C., Paul, Mary, Becca, (*Pause; please name your petitions aloud.*)

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; (*Pause, please name your petitions aloud.*)

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Grady Weaver (4/13), those celebrating their anniversaries, and for those blessings we now name aloud. (*Pause; please name your petitions aloud.*)

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

The Presider concludes with a collect.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn: 490

I want to walk

Doxology

8:00 am said

Presider: All things come of thee O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

10:00 am sung

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

The Great Thanksgiving

The musical notation consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. 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.'

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; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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 for ever.



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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, forever and ever. Amen.

(8:00 am)

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the Feast. Alleluia!

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The Holy Eucharist

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

This setting is not used in Lent.

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

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.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and rose for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion

All the baptized are welcome to receive communion. Please come forward for communion or a blessing (cross your arms at your chest.) Wine may be consumed from the chalice or through intinction (when you dip the bread in the vessel reserved for this purpose.) Those unable to come forward will be served first. Please ask if you need gluten-free wafers.

Communion Hymn: #693

Just as I am

Presider: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

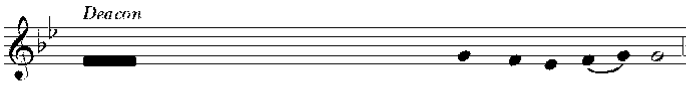
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Announcements

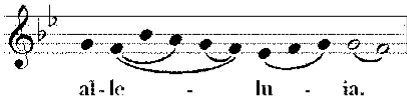
Recessional Hymn: #210

The day of resurrection!

Easter Dismissal S175



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



al - le - lu - ia.



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

Postlude

*Today the altar flowers are given
to the glory of God, and in memory of
Benjamin Haight on his 30th birthday
by Nancy & Nick Haight*



*The sanctuary candle is lit today
in memory of William Leonard
by Merlyn, Bill, Matt & Cindy Leonard*

Participants

Altar Guild: Angela Butler, Wayne Barnes, Kelley Elderkin, Dawn O'Hara

8:00 AM

Chalice: Scott Avedisian

Lector: Jeannette Hogan

Acolyte: Becca Seamans

Ushers: Colleen Burg
Donna Blue-Tobin

10:00 AM

Chalice: Cathi Beattie

Lector: Ann Walter

Acolytes: Rob Duncanson
Kevin Cliff

Ushers: Marjorie O'Hara

Video: Margaret Thomas

Prayer List: Betty, Jeanne, Gail P., Dick, Richard R., Richard C., Paul, Mary, Becca, Cindy, Daniel, Billy, Bruce, Eric, Gabi, Corey, Henry, Sandy, Manny, Tim, Barbara, Peg.

Names are kept on our prayer list for eight weeks. Should you wish to add someone to the prayer list, or should you wish for someone for whom you've requested prayer to be on longer than eight weeks, please email the office at office@trinitycranston.org

*Sunday School (ages 5-11) in the education room
& childcare provided in the nursery for the 10:00 am service.*

*Please join us for coffee & conversation
in the Bay room following each service.*

THIS WEEK

Monday, 4/8

**Sunday School, education room, 9:45 am
Christian Meditation, in the church, 6:00 pm
AA, parish hall, 7:30 pm**

Tuesday, 4/9

**Men's Group, education room, 9:00 am
Knitters, Bay room, 9:30 – Noon
Vestry, Bay room, 5:30 pm
PVA, parish hall, 6:00 pm**

Wednesday, 4/10

Pawtuxet Rangers, parish hall, 6:00 pm

Thursday, 4/11

**Music Together, lawn, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
AA, Big Book, parish hall, 7:00 pm
AA, Women's Big Book, Bay room, 7:00 pm**

Friday, 4/12

Music Together, lawn, 9:00 am - Noon



For online giving, please scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera. Thank you.

**For routine communication, please email Mother Susan
at rector@trinitycranston.org**

For pastoral emergencies, contact Mother Susan at 401-617-0380.

Altar flowers courtesy Jay Lane, Golden Gate Studios

About Trinity Church

The church building was built in 1910, the work of noted architect Norman Isham. Most of our members live nearby but we are also a destination parish for those farther away. We participate in village activities, holding community worship services during Gaspee Days and Christmas in Pawtuxet, hosting breakfast on Gaspee Parade Day and dinners and outreach events for our community throughout the year. Trinity Church is committed to helping its neighbors through outreach. We collect food for distribution to people in need through local schools, food pantries, and agencies. Our Men's group prepares and distributes hundreds of food bags to the homeless every year. Our buildings are used by many community organizations for their meetings and events. Call the office for details.

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