

# Trinity Church

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter*  
May 11, 2025  
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 193

*That Easter day with joy was bright*

## THE WORD OF GOD

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

GLORIA HYMNAL S280

(8:00 am said)

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

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## THE LESSONS

ACTS 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall  
fear no evil; \*

for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

#### REVELATION 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 708

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us*

## THE GOSPEL JOHN 10:22-30

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Wrathall

## THE NICENE CREED

(EOW53)

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

Presider: The Good Shepherd provides all that we need. Let us respond in faith with our prayers for others and ourselves, saying, *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

Leader: That the Church throughout the world, birthed by the death and resurrection of Jesus, may proclaim the hope and power of the resurrection to a weary and divided world, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

That Donald our President, the Congress, the Courts, and all those who hold authority in our common life may be strengthened and led to wise and just decisions, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

That the reconciling love of God may overcome war and conflict, poverty and racism, and lead to justice and peace, especially in Ukraine, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

That we will follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd with courage and joy, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

In thanksgiving for mothers and mother-figures, and for all our gifts from our gracious and loving God, which we name now either silently or aloud (SIGNIFICANT PAUSE), we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us risen Lord.*

For all who are ill and have asked for our prayers: *Judy, Marie, Carl, Lee-Ann, Jim, Patrice, Ben, Barbara, Bev, George, Ginny, Becca, Bruce, Cory, Gabi, Henry, Tim, Sandy, Joan*, and those we name at this time, (PAUSE), that they may know the healing presence of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. For those celebrating birthdays, *Kim Ellinwood (5/12); Katie Duncanson (5/12)*; those celebrating anniversaries, and those we now name (PAUSE), we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially those whom we remember now, (PAUSE), that they may be drawn ever closer to the heart of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Hear us, Risen Lord.*

With confidence in Jesus who calls us into new life through the power of the resurrection, let us continue to offer our prayers, either silently or aloud.

*Presider concludes with a Collect*

## THE PEACE (*Please stand*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*And also with you.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY *Ave Maria*

*Anthony DeMarinis, soloist*

(8:00 am said)

## THE DOXOLOGY

All things come of thee O Lord.

*And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.*

(10:00 am sung)

All: 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 (BCP *Eucharistic Prayer A*)

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Presider inserts the Proper Preface*

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:

*Presider and People*

(8:00 am said)

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.

10:00 am sung

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*The Presider continues*

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: (*together*)

*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. AMEN.

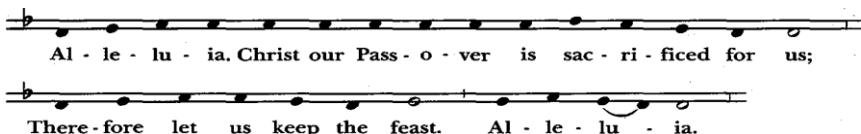


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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

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*This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.*

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

## COMMUNION

*All the baptized are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. Please come forward to receive communion or to receive a blessing. You may intinct the wafer (dip the wafer into the wine), or you may receive directly from the cup. Those who are unable to come forward for communion are served first, then the congregation is invited to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available.*

COMMUNION HYMNS 178     *Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

(BCP365)

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN 645     *The King of love my shepherd is*

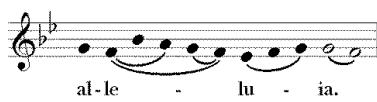
EASTER DISMISSAL

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*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

## PARTICIPANTS

Altar Guild: Angela Butler, Wayne Barnes, Kelley Elderkin, Dawn O'Hara  
Presider: The Reverend Susan Wrathall

8:00 AM

Chalice: Scott Avedisian

Lector: Jeannette Hogan

Acolyte: Becca Seamans

Usher: Tom Hogan

10:00 AM

Chalice: Tom Hobin

Lector: Ginny Simms

Acolytes: Kevin Cliff ; Rob Duncanson

Usher: Kelley Elderkin

Video: Margaret Thomas

*Names are kept on our prayer list for eight weeks. Should you wish to add someone to the prayer list, or should you wish to remove a name from the list, please email the office at [office@trinitycranston.org](mailto:office@trinitycranston.org)*

For routine communication, please email Mother Susan Wrathall  
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For pastoral emergencies, contact Mother Susan at 401-617-0380.

## THIS WEEK

Sunday, 5/11

Sunday School, Education room, 9:45 am

Monday, 5/12

Christian Meditation, Church, 6:00 pm  
AA, Parish Hall, 7:30 pm

Tuesday, 5/13

Men's Group, Education Room, 9:30 am  
Knitters, Bay room, 9:30 – Noon  
Perspectives, Parish Hall, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm.  
Vestry, Bay room, 5:30 pm  
PVA, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, 5/14

Pawtuxet Rangers, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm

Thursday, 5/15

A Look at the Gospel, Education room, 9:00 am  
Music Together, 9:30 am, church lawn  
Perspectives, Parish Hall, Noon to 3:00 pm  
AA, Big Book, women's group, Bay room, 7:00 pm  
AA, Big Book, men's group, Parish Hall, 7:00 pm

Saturday, 5/17

Pathways to Healing/Men's Group, Bay room, 10:00 am

*Altar flowers courtesy Golden Gate Studios*



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