TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024 ~ 10:30 am

The Rev. David S. Sugeno *Rector*
The Rev. Claire Field, *Associate Rector*

Trinity's Mission: ***to follow Christ through the ministries of worship, education, and service.***
Trinity's Vision: ***to be a major Christian presence in the Highland Lakes area, proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.***

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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Prelude

✠ The Processional *Good Christians all, rejoice & sing!* *Hymnal 205*

The Opening Acclamation

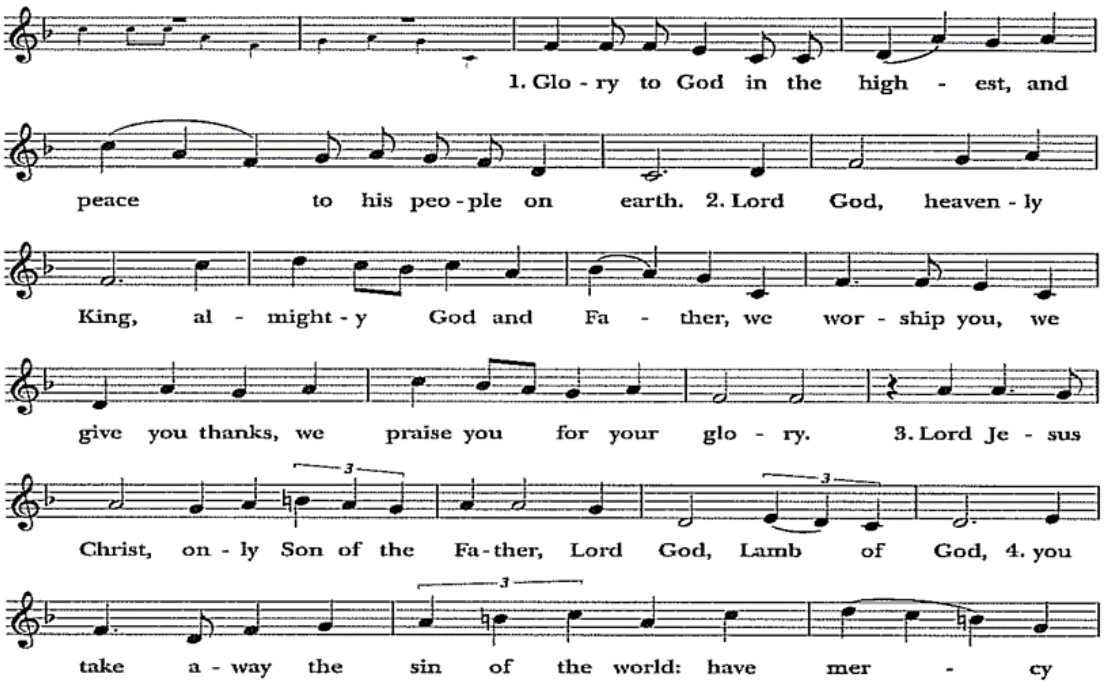
Alleluia. Christ is risen.

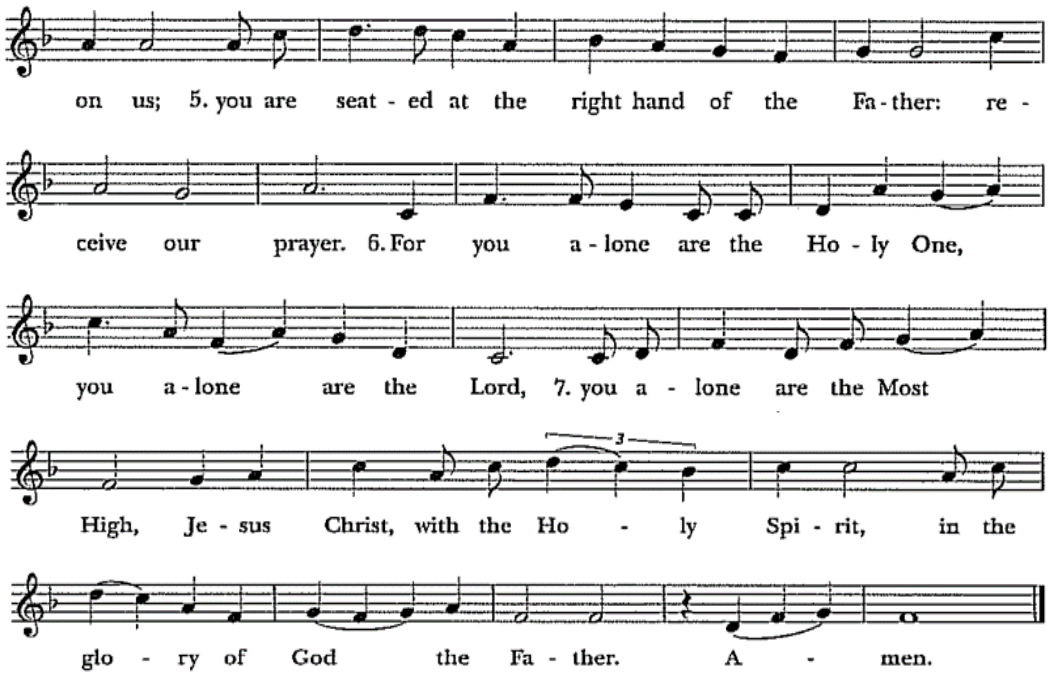
✠ **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

✠ The Gloria in Excelsis





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.**

Please be seated.

The First Reading *Acts 4:5-12*

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?"

Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

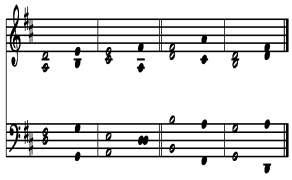
`the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God.**

✠ The Psalm *The people chant the Psalm* *Psalm 23*



The Lord is my **shepherd;** *
I shall not be in **want.**

He makes me lie down in green **pastures** *
and leads me beside still **waters.**
He revives my **soul** *
and guides me along right pathways for his **Name's sake**.
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.**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who **trouble me;** *
and my cup is running **over.**

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.**

The Second Reading *1 John 3:16-24*

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

✠ **Thanks be to God**.

The Sequence Hymn *We walk by faith and not by sight* *Hymnal 209*

The Holy Gospel *John 10:11-18*

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

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Claire Field

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 — Form III

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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our Bishops; Dave and Claire, our Priests, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

✠ **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for Joseph, our President; Greg, our Governor; Dave, our Mayor; Mike, our City Manager, and 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;

✠ **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

✠ **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

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.
We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays:

We commend to God's gracious care and keeping all of the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad.

I invite your thanksgivings and petitions, either silently or aloud.
(The People may add their own petitions.)

The presider adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

✠ **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.**

The Absolution

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

The Offertory

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Me Parish Choir

The Festive Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer B

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

✠ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

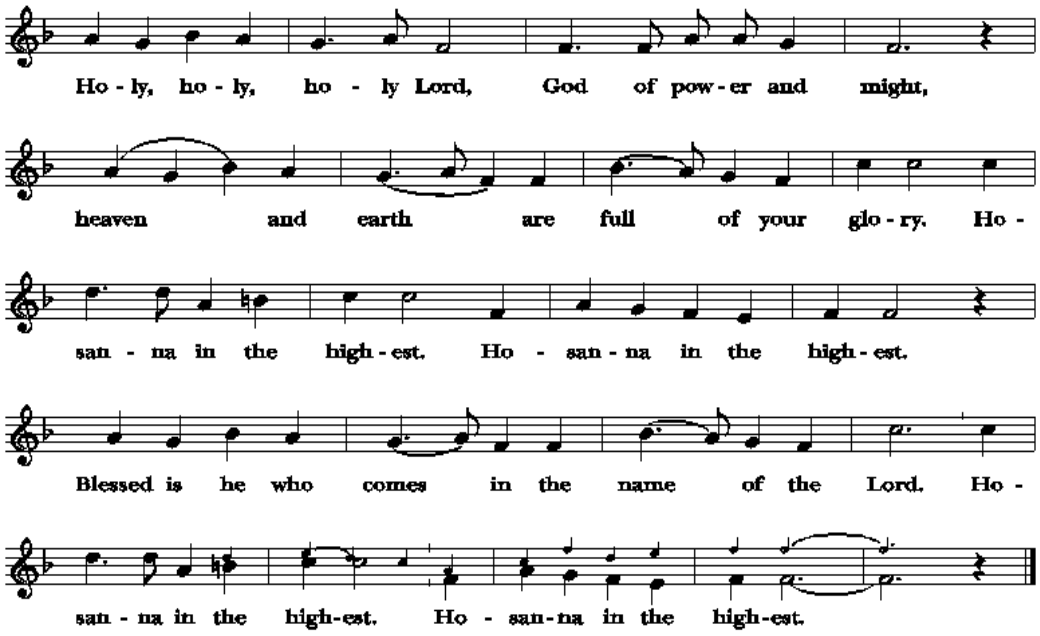
✠ **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

Here a proper preface is said.

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:

✠ The Sanctus



The People may stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

✠ **We remember his death,**

✠ **We proclaim his resurrection,**

✠ **We await his coming in glory**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

✠ **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. Those worshiping virtually are invited to say the following prayer while communion is being distributed to the in-person gathering :

✠ Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, and we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. Loving you above all things, we long to be united to you in love. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen. Adapted from St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

The Communion Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is *Hymnal 645*

Shepherd of souls refresh and bless *Hymnal 343*

The Post-Communion Prayer

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 Blessing

✠ The Recessional *Savior, like a shepherd lead us* *Hymnal 708*

The Dismissal

The Priest announces the dismissal, after which the congregation responds:

✠ **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

The Postlude

LIFE AT TRINITY

Food Pantry Sunday

Today is Food Pantry Sunday at Trinity. Please leave your items at the Helping Center display in the Narthex**.** Cash and checks are also welcome. Make checks payable to the Helping Center and place in the display envelope.

Worship & Picnic Time Again!

Sunday, April 28, 11:00am - 1:00pm

Johnson Park, on the shady side by the playground at Pavilion 1

230 Avenue J

Marble Falls, TX, 78654

Please join us for a day of shared Christian fellowship. We'll be sharing worship with four other churches: Fellowship Baptist, St. Andrew Presbyterian, St. Frederick's Baptist, and St. Peter's Lutheran. Worship will be followed by a tasty picnic. If you need it, have an extra bit of fun with golf cart transportation from your car to the worship site.

Let us know if you plan to worship with us on April 28 so we'll know how much food to prepare. Please either sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex or email Georgia at admin@trinitymarblefalls.org.

Wear your Trinity T-Shirt

Bring your own Lawn Chair

Sunday Adult Education

9:15 - 10:15am in the Parish Hall Classroom

Adult Christian Education Weekly

April 21—Mark's Good News

We'll look at an overview of the Gospel of Mark & its distinctive, engaging, confounding characteristics. Do you have favorite passages? What stories in this Gospel make you wonder and want to dig deeper?

April 28—No Class, Worship in the Park

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, April 21

8:15 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II & Sermon
9:15 AM Adult Christian Ed
10:30 AM Children's Chapel
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II & Livestream

Tuesday, April 23

9:00 AM Worship in the Courtyard

Wednesday, April 24