

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

8:00 AM

**WHEREVER YOU ARE IN YOUR FAITH JOURNEY,
YOU ARE WELCOME AT TRINITY CHURCH!**

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER P. 323

The People stand.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

THE GLORIA

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O GOD, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the Lessons.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:14a,36-41

PETER, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with

many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM *Spoken by all*

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

I LOVE the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the Lord *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
is the death of his servants.

14 O Lord, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

IF you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to

believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. William AJ Heine

The people stand.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively.

In the morning light of resurrection, we lift up the Prayers of the People.

We pray for the Church universal, gathered together as the body of Christ, for all faithful people, for those who preach and teach, sing and pray. We pray especially for our Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion, for our Presiding Bishop Sean, our bishop-elect Karin, for Archbishop of Canterbury Sarah and for clergy and congregations in this diocese and around the world.

Stir up your church,
and love the world through us.

We pray for this country and for those who govern it, for wisdom and empathy, compassion and equity, that all who are vulnerable may be protected, that justice may be love acted in the public square. Reconcile where there is division, rebuild where there is rubble.

Stir up your church,

and build bridges in the world through us.

We pray for the nations of this world, where there is war, suffering and death, for all places where human rights are oppressed and communities struggle with poverty. We pray for peace in the Middle East, for Gaza, Israel and Iran, for Haiti, Sudan, Ukraine and Russia, and for peace in our own country.

Stir up your church,

and breathe peace through us.

We pray for our planet home, that our governments and our people care for your creation so that it outlives us and our grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Slow us down that we might more gently dwell in and care for this land, its water and air and trees and open spaces.

Stir up your church,

and walk with us in your garden.

We pray for our community and neighbors, those whom we know and those we do not. We pray for those who do not have safe shelter, health care or enough food, for those who struggle with daily life, those who are isolated, imprisoned, detained or living at the margins.

Stir up your church,

that we center and lift up others ahead of ourselves.

We pray for all those who suffer in mind, body and spirit, including **Richard Adams, Paul Allen, Ana, Dick Bell, Betsy, Derek Bowan, Jennifer Becker, Christopher Byrd, Roland Carlton, Jim Coffey, Jan Coleman, Dave, Stephen Edelstein, Eliza, Barbara Firehock, Hope Hazan, Pete Holberg, Jack Holt, Kean Ivey, Julia, Dan Klem, Jessie, Lee, Mary Kate, Mary Lou, Randy McElroy, Linda Miller, Catherine Morrison, Sara O'Hare, Cynthia Polhill, Mike Quayle, Rick Seyford, Kim Shelton, Loyst Rodgers, Stephanie, Stewart, Susie, Bill Tate, Forest Thompson, and Timothy.** We pray for those serving in the armed forces, and all others we name silently or aloud. [silence]

Stir up your church,

that we remember our call to care for all.

We pray for all those celebrating birthdays this week, including **Patty Gristo, Nancy McDaniel, Brooks James, April Temple, Ruth Bugas, Ted Cathey, Sojung Ogden, and Melissa Albrecht.**

Bless your church,

all who are part of the body of Christ.

We pray for those who have died, and for those who love and grieve for them, including **The Rev. Webster Maughan, Kaori Patterson-Moore, Ann McPherson Archibald Alexander Sproul, Margaret Pratt Sproul** and all others we name silently or aloud. [silence]

Comfort your church,
for we have all received the gift of resurrection in you.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people remained seated while the people's monetary gifts are received. During the offertory, we respond to all that God has given us by offering our gifts to sustain God's work in the world. If you wish to make your offering electronically, please scan the QR code.



THE PRESENTATION

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

You are welcome at the Lord's table! All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist. Ushers will guide you to the altar rail, where you can either stand or kneel. Both bread (including gluten free, just ask) and wine are offered. When it comes to the wine, you can choose to "sip, dip, or skip." If you choose to "dip," please hold the wafer up so that the chalice bearer knows your intention. If you are not receiving, please come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest).

If you are unable to come forward, please let the usher know and we will happily come to you! And if you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to life in Christ, please let our clergy know. We love questions and baptisms!

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

We send you out to share Communion this day.

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.

May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all, standing*

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THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

After the dismissal, the people respond—

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of

ARCHIBALD ALEXANDER SPROUL
MARGARET PRATT SPROUL

and in Thanksgiving for the marriage of

AHMET BERK ALBAYRAK & MAEVE DIXON EDWARDS

Our continued prayers are offered for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Austin, Cowles Andrus III, Ava, Boger Family, Carol Brown, Martin Brown, Padi Burtner, Charlotte, Gloria Cline, Charlotte Dickson, Natalie Dodge, Emily, Ken Farley, Denis Finnegan, Lois Fisher, Sean Flanders, Barbara Golden, John Goodloe, William Haupt, Ernest Holley, Ian, John Payne, Alice Karny, Katalina, Kate, Kevin, Ellie Knape, Marcus, Matthew, Maxine McKinney, Cheryl Owens, John Parrott, Patricia, Anita Pence, Tanner Rosebrook, Katherine Shavers, and Christopher Whittington.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. William AJ Heine

Lector: Sally Mueller

Eucharistic Minister: Sally Mueller

Altar Guild: Molly Brown

Usher: Perry Swope

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. William AJ Heine, *Rector*

The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett, *Associate Rector*

Virginia Bolena, *Organist and Director of Music*

Joel VanderZee, *Assistant Organist*

Katie Faulkner, *Community Life Coordinator*

Ana Duncan, *Parish Administrator*

Autumn Nolen, *Communications Coordinator*

Jeff Selkirk, *Maintenance Manager*

Emmy O'Shea, *Sunday Attendant*



VESTRY

Paul Bugas, *Senior Warden* • Mary Faulkner, *Junior Warden* • Molly Brown, *Treasurer*

Lee Beam, *Assistant Treasurer* • Phillippa Holley, *Clerk*

Paul Bugas • Mary Faulkner • Fred Odell • Jean-Paul Shibut

Lindlee Baker • Rick Chittum • James Dungan • Kristin Reichert

Kathy Frazier • Zeb Riley • Donald Romanik • Karen Tate

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