

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER

APRIL 27, 2025

10:30 AM

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

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER P. 351

VOLUNTARY

The People stand for the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing • *Gelobt sei Gott* • Hymnal 205

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

PASCHA NOSTRUM

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us • WLP 880

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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 People are seated for the Lessons.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 5:27-32

WHEN the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM *Sung by the choir*

Setting: C.V. Standford • Psalm 150

Hallelujah!
Praise God in his holy temple;*
praise him in the firmament of his power.
2 Praise him for his mighty acts;*
praise him for his excellent greatness.
3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn;*
praise him with lyre and harp.

- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath *
praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:4-8

JOHN to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand for the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Awake, arise, lift up your voice • *Richmond* • **Hymnal 212**

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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

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

The People are seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett

The people stand for the Nicene Creed, the Prayers of the People and the Peace.

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

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Everliving God, on this day you have created new heavens and a new earth. We give thanks for new life in you, for the love of your son and the hope of the world given in his resurrection.

**The Lord is our strength and our song
and he has become our salvation.**

We give you thanks for the beauty of this earth, for the resurrections that surround us every day. We pray for the wisdom to care for creation, for water and skies and mountains and all living things, through seasons of birth and rebirth, for generations yet to come.

**We will be glad and rejoice forever
in what you are creating.**

We celebrate our shared humanity, the stories we carry, the diversity of voice and gift, the harmonies our music makes. We pray for ears to listen and hearts to hear, that we practice peace rather than violence, welcome instead of fear. We pray for an end to war, for victims of injustice and oppression here and around the world, especially in Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Russia, Sudan and Haiti.

**The wolf and the lamb shall feed together;
All shall be at peace on your holy mountain.**

We lift up the work of your love in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, for the Episcopal Church, and for Trinity, and for bishops, priests, deacons, and all ministers and teachers of your Word in the wider church.

**The stone which the builders rejected
became the chief cornerstone.**

We ask you to guide the leaders of this nation and of those around the world, with compassion, wisdom and concern for the common good of all people. We pray for our president, Donald, our governor, Glenn, our mayor, Michele and our county chair, Gerald. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.

We ask your presence with all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, for those afflicted by illness, injury, poverty, homelessness. We pray for **Brandon Adkins, Hattie and Wren Anhold, The Bruce Cole Family, Lindsay Curren, Barbara Golden, Jamie, Annie Katz and Family, Ellie Knape, Leslie Long, Loretta, Patricia, Cynthia Polhill, and Ramona.** For Christ has been raised from the dead – **no more shall the sound of weeping be heard.**

We ask your blessing on those celebrating birthdays this week. We pray for **Claudette Obenschain, Leandro Palacio Harton, Kristin Reichert, Katy Laser, Roland Carlton, Jr., Ryan Bolena, Bob Duke, Christi Crittenden, Aaron Jensen, Piper Boeckmann, and Zayden Byrd.**

They shall be offspring blessed by the Lord,
and their descendants as well.

We remember all who have died and entered into your kingdom. We pray for them, and for their loved ones who grieve, including **Dr. Norman Clayton Peeler, Thomas Opie, Archibald Alexander Sproul and Margaret Pratt Sproul.**

We shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

ADMISSION OF NEW DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

THE PEACE

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

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Most glorious Lord of life • William H. Harris
(1883-1973)

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make thy triumph over death and sin, and having harrowed hell, didst bring away Captivity thence captive, us to win. This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom thou diddest die, being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live forever in felicity: and that thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love thee for the same again; and for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain. So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought; Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

The people remain 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.



PRESENTATION HYMN

O friends, in gladness let us sing • *Lasst uns erfreuen*
Hymnal 618, stanza 4

O FRIENDS, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

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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 our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly
 Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est.
 Bless ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The People stand or kneel.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body,

one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM

Gerald Near • Hymnal S 155



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.

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!

COMMUNION HYMNS

We walk by faith, and not by sight • *St. Boltolph* • Hymnal 209
Let all mortal flesh keep silence • *Picardy* • Hymnal 324

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*

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness • *Finnian* • Hymnal 492

DISMISSAL

After the dismissal, the people respond —

Thanks be to God.

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and in loving memory of

ARCHIBALD ALEXANDER SPROUL

MARGARET PRATT SPROUL

Our continued prayers are offered for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Vickie Anderson, Cowles Andrus III, Ava, Audi Barlow, Tom Beam, Bill Bigelow, Boger Family, Al Bourgeois, Judy Bristow, Carol Brown, Martin Brown, Libbey Buckley, Margaret Burns, Judy Burtner, Padi Burtner, Calder, Charlotte, Clyde Callison, Rhea Carter, Gloria Cline, Zhanna Davydova, Charlotte Dickson, Angie Deitz, Natalie Dodge, Dorothy, Judith Edwards, Emily, Ken Farley, Lois Fisher, Sean Flanders, Susan Green, William Haupt, Valerie Heard, Lynn Hogg, Ernest Holley, Alice Karny, Katalina, Kate, Kevin, Richard Landreth, Linda Mahler, Marcus, Mike Martin, Matthew, Maxine McKinney, Ken Monroe, Mary Anne Motley, Damon Newsome, Cheryl Owens, John Parrott, Anita Pence, Mike Quayle, Ronald, Tanner Rosebrook, Katherine Shaver, Bill Thompson, JoAnn West, Pat Williams, and Christopher Whittington.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Preacher: The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett

Celebrant: The Rev. William AJ Heine

Organist and Director of Music: Virginia Bolena

Assistant Organist: Joel VanderZee

Lectors: Diane Fechtel and Tom Fechtel

Eucharistic Ministers: Iris Odell and Grace Rice

Crucifer: Anne Moody

Choir Crucifer: Remy Athey

Priest Server: Adrienne Fiechtl

Torchbearers: Claire Fiechtl and Zoe Hill

Altar Guild: Molly Brown

Digital Technician: Joe Fiechtl

Ushers: Joie Tankard and Richard Tankard

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, *Bishop*

The Rev. William AJ Heine, *Rector*

The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett, *Associate Rector*

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Ana Duncan, *Parish Administrator*

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