

Trinity Episcopal Church

Staunton, Virginia

Founded in 1746



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 27, 2025

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.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery hast 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The People are seated for the Lessons.

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.

H ALLELUJAH!

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

J OHN 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.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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.

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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.

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 BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

After the dismissal, the people respond—

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The altar arrangement is given to the glory of God
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

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett
Lector: Gail Dunn
Eucharistic Minister: Sally Mueller
Altar Guild: Molly Brown
Usher: Ted Cathey

CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, *Bishop*
The Rev. William AJ Heine, *Rector*
The Rev. Cara Ellen Modisett, *Associate Rector*
Virginia Bolena, *Organist and Director of Music*
Joel VanderZee, *Assistant Organist*
Muffie Newell, *Pastoral Care*
Ana Duncan, *Parish Administrator*
Autumn Nolen, *Communications Coordinator*
Vinny Ross, *Maintenance Manager*
Emmy O'Shea, *Sunday Attendant*



VESTRY

Susan Palmer, *Senior Warden* • Mary Faulkner, *Junior Warden* • Molly Brown, *Treasurer*
Lee Beam, *Assistant Treasurer* • Phillipa Holley, *Clerk*
Tom Bell • Emily Cochran • Holly Moody • Susan Palmer
Paul Bugas • Mary Faulkner • Fred Odell • Jean-Paul Shibus
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