



TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MAY 18, 2025

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 A.M. – HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL

At Trinity Church, we believe God's love is expansive and unconditional and that through Christ, God has called us to love one another as God loves us. We welcome all people regardless of gender, race, age, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, economic circumstances, family configuration, or difference of ability. We celebrate the worth, dignity, and gifts of every person as a child of God.

THE WORD OF GOD

all stand as able

HYMN 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
 3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.
Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (b. 1907)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **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.**

HYMN S 278

Glory to God

William Mathias



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,



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

all sit

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 148

John Goss



- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise the ¹LORD from the ¹heavens; *
— ¹praise him ¹in the ¹heights.
- 2 Praise him, ¹all you ¹angels of his; *
— ¹praise him, ¹all his ¹host.
- 3 Praise him, ¹sun and ¹moon; *
praise him, ¹all you ¹shining ¹stars.
- 4 Praise him, ¹heaven of ¹heavens, *
and you ¹waters a ¹bove the ¹heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the ¹Name of the ¹LORD; *
for he com ¹manded, and ¹they were cre ¹ated.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ¹ever and ¹ever; *
he gave them a law which ¹shall not ¹pass a ¹way.
- 7 Praise the ¹LORD from the ¹earth, *
you ¹sea-monsters and ¹all ¹deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, ¹snow and ¹fog, *
tempestuous ¹wind, ¹doing his ¹will;



9 Mountains and 'äll' hills, *
— 'fruit trees and 'äll' cedars;

10 Wild beasts and 'äll' cattle, *
creeping 'things and 'wingèd' birds;

11 Kings of the earth and 'äll' peoples, *
princes and all 'rulers' of the 'world;

12 Young 'men and 'maidens, *
— 'old and 'young to 'gether.

13 Let them praise the 'Name of the 'LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is 'over 'earth and 'heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his 'loyal 'servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are 'near him.
'Halle'lujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

all sit

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Lector
People

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

all stand as able

HYMN 603

When Christ was lifted from the earth

St. Botolph

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his
2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and
3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -
4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,
al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us
vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels
I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.
as his friends and loves us as we are.
but a face, a per - son, and a name.
cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)

Music: *St. Botolph*, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

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GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Gospeller The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Nancy J. Hagner

THE NICENE CREED

all stand, as able

People **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became 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, 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

Intercessor We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity.

Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations. Jesus, Lord of life,
People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry, bless those caring for people suffering from food insecurity, and nourish us all with your word. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow you in the way. Deepen our appreciation of your truth and fill us with your life. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick, and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Ellie, Barbara, Colby, Susie, Christine, Ryan & Kim, Peter, Caroline, Jinna, Barbara, Cameron, Irina, Andrew, Arthur, Frank, Jenny, Donald, Will, Spencer, David, John, Duncan, Michael, Chris, Andrew, Helen, Dan, Ben, Barbara, Michelle, Scott, John, Robert, Mart, Priscilla, Anne, Linda, Susan, Tassy & Tino, Jamie, Ellen, Kevin, Scott & Randall, Dawn, Linnea, Weyden & Angel & family, Gail, Mary, Amy, Bill, the Klein Family, Tommy, Walter, Josette, Jim, Sally, Cindy, Lauren, Jim, Anne & Brian, and Lee. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in you, especially Jim Wood, and Deborah and Jim Stoessel, whose funeral was held here yesterday. Raise us with them to eternal life. Jesus, Lord of life,

People **in your mercy, hear us, accept our prayers, and be with us always. Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

I saw a new heaven

Edgar Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:

For the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with
men,

and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people,

and God himself shall be with them and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;

And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying;

neither shall there be anymore pain,

for the former things are passed away.

HYMN 182 VS. 1, 5

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Truro

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands

5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with

5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.

5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), rev.

Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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Celebrant

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer, at your table we present bread and wine and this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name.
Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I

Enriching our Worship 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

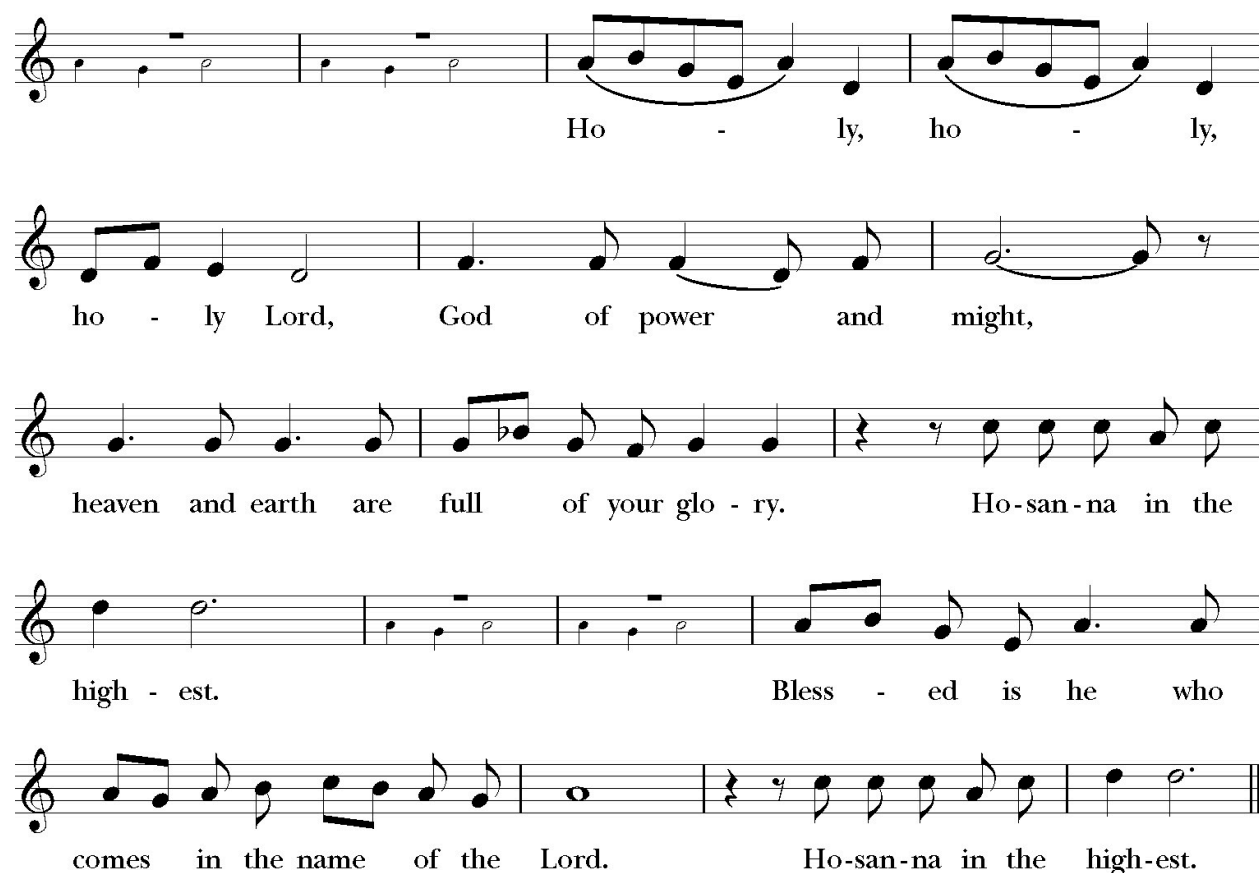
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

HYMN S 128

Holy, holy, holy Lord

William Mathias



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

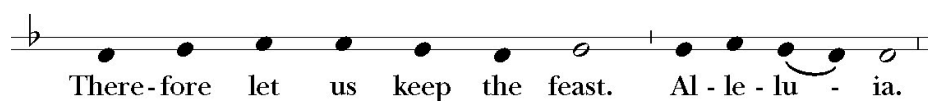
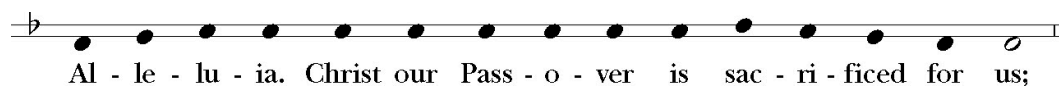
People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant
People

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF BREAD



INVITATION AND COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist as One Body in Christ. Please come forward as directed by the ushers. You are welcome to receive wine from the common cup, but there is no intinction. We are always ONE Body in Christ.

HYMN 315

Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray

Song 1

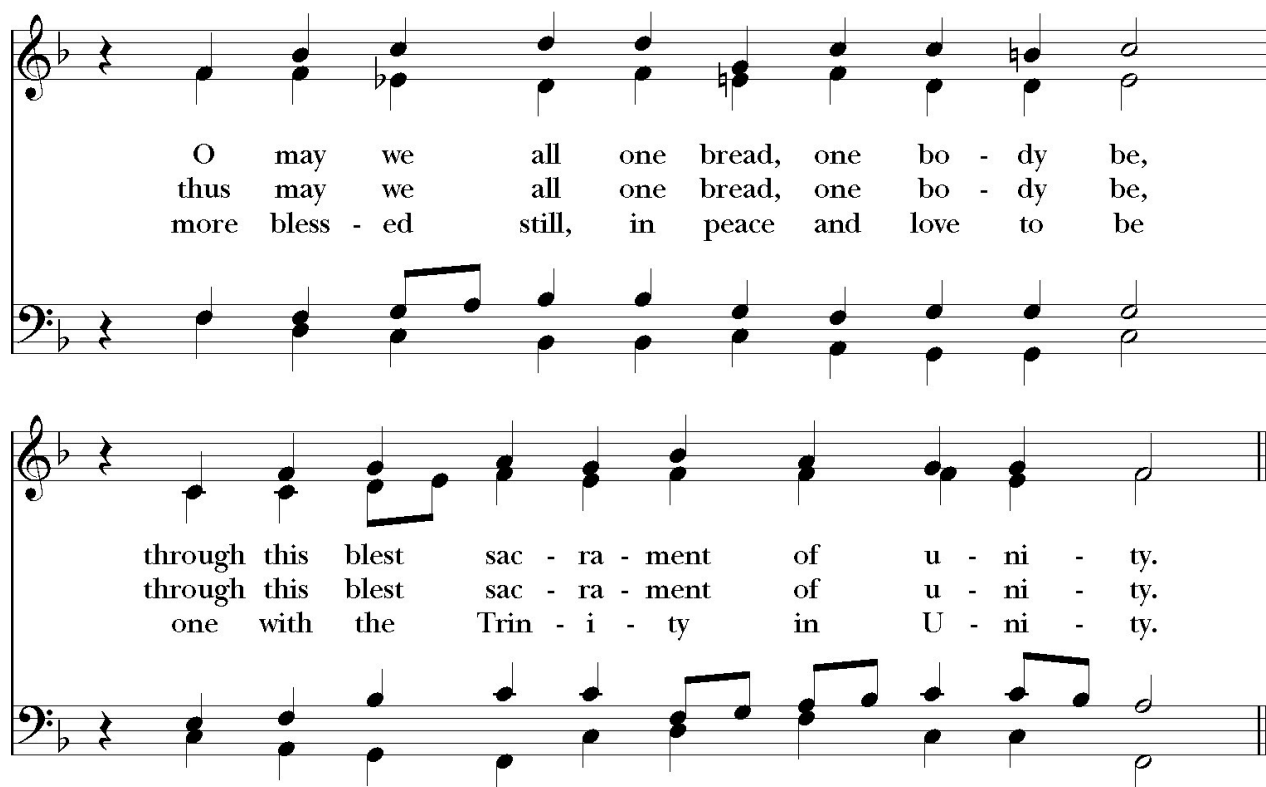
Unison or harmony

1 Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray
 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;
 3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,
 make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;
 may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say
 draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,
 one with thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
 by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;
 one with thy saints in one un - bound - ed love;



O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,
 more bless - ed still, in peace and love to be

through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.
 through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.
 one with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.

Words: William Harry Turton (1856-1938)

Music: *Song 1*, melody and bass Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

HYMN 470

There's a wideness in God's mercy

Beecher

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt.

Music: *Beecher*, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C Major

Henry Smart

Altar flowers are in loving memory of Deborah and Jim Stoessel

Altar Guild & Flowers

Rachel Ross

Debbie Scarff

Win Wilbur

Molly Stone (flowers)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Jace Tilton

David Tocki

Streaming Technician

John Sun

Director of Music

Robert Barney

Lectors

Tracy Barron

Ed Prewitt

Preacher

The Rev. Nancy J. Hagner

Special thanks to Trinity's Choirs for the musical offerings. Our liturgy this morning is from the *Book of Common Prayer* and *Common Worship (Church of England)*.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Faith Formation

As summer approaches Trinity is offering two opportunities for adults to deepen their faith in community. First is an on-line program from Forward Movement's Good Book Club to read the Psalms--some of the oldest writings in the Bible. The Psalms give us language of lament, longing, and joy.

The second is a book study in 3 parts using Henri Nouwen's "Reaching Out: The 3 movements of the Spiritual Life" in which he explores how one might understand the spiritual life as a journey from Loneliness to Solitude; from Hostility to Hospitality, and from Illusion to Prayer. More detail below for each offering. Please do join in one or both! Questions? Reach out to Rev. Nancy

Summer 2025 | Psalms

Reading the Bible is one of the best ways to grow spiritually, especially if you are able to join in the company of fellow travelers on the journey. The Good Book Club offers you a chance to join with others—whether locally in your church or globally online—in an immersive experience in a book of the Bible. Learn more and register at goodbookclub.org

REACHING OUT: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life, by Henri Nouwen

This is a book in 3 parts. Participants will gather on three Wednesdays at 12.30-1.30 pm in the Library over the summer to discuss the sections in order. You will need to purchase your own book.

Wed. June 18 @
12.30-1.30

Loneliness to Solitude

Wed. July 16 @
12.30-1.30

Hostility to Hospitality

Wed. August. 13 @ 12.30
-1.30

Illusion to Prayer

Sunday, June 8 is Pentecost – WEAR RED!! - Special program for children at 10 a.m.

Maranyundo School

Thank you all for a successful Lenten Offering of the Mite Boxes. The total is \$3,146 from both the Mite Boxes and the Lenten Envelopes to date. The money will be used for scholarships to support two girls for one year at Maranyundo Girls School, Nyamata, Rwanda. It costs about \$1,500 per year for room and board for each girl. This is Trinity's 14th year that we have been able to sponsor girls with financial needs so that they may continue their education past the 6 th grade, which is when many girl's education ends. The school is a STEM school and is a very highly rated school in the country.

The Gallery at Trinity

The new artist in our Gallery is Liz Wilkinson who has colorful abstract art pieces to share with us. The bright colors bring us right into spring. She will be at coffee hour this Sunday, May 18th to meet and greet everyone. There is also a record album that she designed the cover for on sale and the musician is Michael Goodwin, Doris Kearns Goodwin's son.

