



**Prelude**

**Entrance Hymn**

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

4/12		<i>He is risen, he is risen!</i> H 180
4/19		See Insert.
4/26	<i>Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!</i> H 205	
5/3		See Insert.
5/10	<i>As those of old, their first fruits brought,</i> H 705	
5/17		See Insert.

**Opening Acclamation**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**Collect for Purity**

*All say*

**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 of Praise**

8:00am

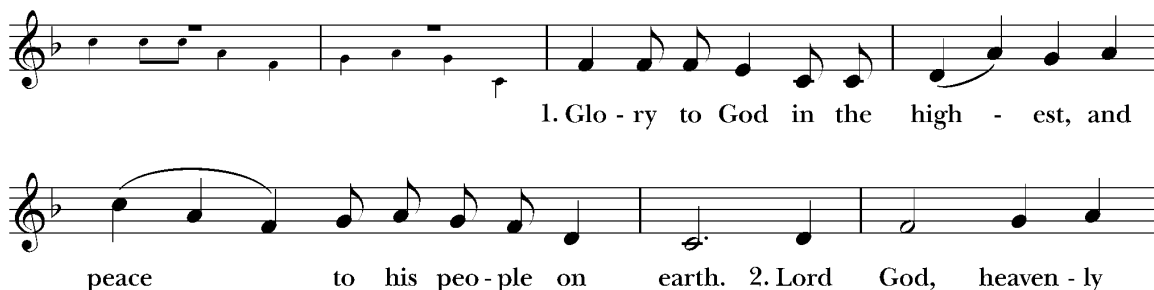
*Gloria in Excelsis*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

10:15am

*Gloria in Excelsis*

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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, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### The Collects of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**4/12** 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.**

**4/19** O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**4/26** 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.**

**5/3** 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.**

**5/10** O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**5/17** O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

### The Lessons

*Readings, responses, and sequence hymns are all found in the back of this bulletin on the following pages.*

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### The Sermon

### The Creed

*Please stand, sit, or kneel as best helps you pray.*

**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 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 and the Son. 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* God of love, we rejoice with angels, and all the host of heaven, as we celebrate the Resurrection of your Son. Bless today's joyful celebration and turn our hearts to you with new delight and commitment.

We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Intercessor* God of mercy, bring your church to new life. Awaken in us a faithfulness that manifests itself in joy, in dedication to the work of reconciliation in the world, in care for your creation, in awe of your glory. We pray not only for the Church Universal, but specifically for *[Insert Anglican and diocesan cycles of prayer.]*

We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Intercessor* God of light, bring those in authority to new life in the ways they lead their nations. Show them the path of integrity and truth that their people may live in peace, that all may have plenty.

We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Intercessor* God of Creation, bring the whole world to new life, and empower us to join in building your kingdom of love where mourning and crying and pain will be no more. We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Intercessor* God of wholeness, bring those who suffer to new life. We pray for those who bear the burden of pain and anxiety, whose relationships are shattered, whose lives are full of despair. Lead us to find ways to be present with them and reflect your love for them. We pray especially for *[Insert immediate prayer list.]*

We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Intercessor* God of eternity, we give thanks for those who have gone before us and have entered into new and everlasting life in your presence. *[Add names of recently deceased.]*

We praise you, Almighty God.

*People* **Alleluia! Amen!**

*Celebrant* Holy and Undivided Trinity, you have called us to be one as you are One, and so we offer together our Trinity prayer for mission.

*People* **Loving God, we give you thanks that you have called Trinity Church to be a caring, Christ-centered community, empowered to worship, serve, and grow in faith. Guide us and strengthen us to be ever more welcoming and inclusive, and to encourage all people to love God and one another. Amen.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

**Announcements and Blessings**

**Birthdays:** O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant/s as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anniversaries:** O God, who has given us the sacrament of marriage that we may know you through the intimacy of married love; send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and kindness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Travelers:** O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel especially these your children; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey’s end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Offertory**

*The Celebrant says*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.  
*Psalm 50:14*



*The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can give by putting cash or checks in the offering plate as it comes by or make an electronic offering by texting Trinitytowson to 73256 or using the QR code provided.*

*If you give electronically, please participate in the liturgy by placing one of the e-giving cards found in your pew into the plate. Even if you can't make a financial contribution, you can acknowledge your offering of time and talent to Trinity by using one of the "I give my heart to God" cards found in the Narthex (lobby) of the Church.*

**Offertory Hymn/Anthem**

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

- 4/12 *We walk by faith, and not by sight*, H 209
- 4/19 See Insert.
- 4/26 *Sheep May Safely Graze* by JS Bach
- 5/3 See Insert.
- 5/10 *For the Beauty of the Earth* by John Rutter
- 5/17 See Insert.

Sing we to our God above; Alleluia!  
 Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!  
 Praise God, all ye heav'nly host; Alleluia!  
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Alleluia!

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*The People remain standing as able.*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and filled them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

**Sanctus**

*You may remain standing or sitting, or you may kneel.*

8:00am

*All say* Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might!  
 Heaven and Earth are full of your glory! Hosanna in the highest!  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

10:15am

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

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*All sing.*

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

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff contains the lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The second staff contains 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -' and the third staff contains 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some phrases ending in a fermata.

### *The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

### *Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

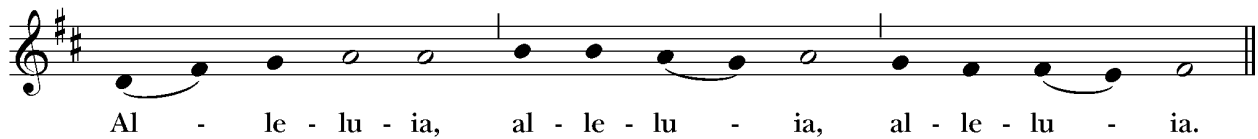
**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Alleluia! Christ our Passover*

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*The Celebrant raises the bread, breaks it, and following a period of silence all sing*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.



*The Celebrant says*

The gifts of God for the People of God. This is the Table not of the Church but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come, for it is Jesus who invites you. It is his will that those who wish to meet him should find him here.

*In the Episcopal Church we distribute both the Bread and Wine of the Holy Communion, but receiving the Bread only is a full and valid communion. Please ask for a gluten-free wafer if you need one. Our normative practice is to drink from the deeper common cup, but you may also dip your wafer in one of the shallow chalices. If you would prefer not to receive communion, we invite you to come forward with your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. The sacrament of Baptism is the ancient and normative entry point for receiving the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, **but here at Trinity no one who comes forward to receive communion is ever turned away.***

**Distribution**

*The Bread and the Cup are given to communicants with these words.*

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

**Communion Hymn**

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

- 4/12 *Jesus is Lord of all the earth*, H 178
- 4/19 See Insert.
- 4/26 *The King of love my shepherd is*, H 645
- 5/3 See Insert.
- 5/10 *Now the green blade riseth*, H 204
- 5/17 See Insert.



1 I am the bread of life;— they who  
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my  
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the  
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,  
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -  
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who  
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and  
 4 I am the life. They who be -  
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for  
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -  
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they  
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.  
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.  
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.  
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.  
 5 come in - to the world.

*Refrain*

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day.

## Post-Communion Prayer

*You may stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **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.**

## Blessing

*The Celebrant blesses the people, saying*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

*Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.*

<b>4/12</b>	<i>Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness,</i> H 492
<b>4/19</b>	See Insert.
<b>4/26</b>	<i>Jesus, our mighty Lord,</i> H 478
<b>5/3</b>	See Insert.
<b>5/10</b>	<i>Alleluia! sing to Jesus,</i> H 460
<b>5/17</b>	See Insert.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

*People* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Postlude

*Please join us for refreshments after the service in Memorial Hall.*

# Readings for the Season

*Note: The first lessons and responses for Eastertide this year are a departure from the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL). The second lessons and Gospel lessons are unchanged. These readings are the result of thirteen years of study and reflection by the Consultation on Common Texts (CCT), the ecumenical body responsible for the RCL, and are authorized for trial use. For more information, visit the CCT website: <https://www.commontexts.org/2025-update/>. Feedback on the proposed update may be offered here: <https://forms.gle/JsZmqogKe1EHrTz89>.*

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## 4/12 Second Sunday of Easter

### First Reading: Exodus 15:1-11

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord:

‘I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my might, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father’s God, and I will exalt him.

The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name.

‘Pharaoh’s chariots and his army he cast into the sea; picked officers were sunk in the Red Sea. The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone.

Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power— your right hand, O Lord, shattered the enemy. In the greatness of your majesty you overthrew your adversaries; you sent out your fury, it consumed them like stubble.

At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up, the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

The enemy said, “I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.”

You blew with your wind, the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

‘Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in splendor, doing wonders?

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

### Response: Psalm 111

Alleluia! I will give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

**Great are your deeds, O God; they are studied by all who delight in them.**

Your work is full of majesty and splendor, and your righteousness endures for ever.

**You make your marvelous works to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

You give food to those who fear you; you are ever mindful of your covenant.

**You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all your commandments are sure.

**They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

You sent redemption to your people;  
you commanded your covenant for ever;  
holy and awesome is your Name.

**The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom;  
those who act accordingly have a good  
understanding; God's praise endures for  
ever.**

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

### **Sequence Hymn**

H 194 *Jesus lives! thy terrors now, vv 1-2*

### **The Gospel: John 20:19-31**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**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 authorities, 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.**

 **4/19 Third Sunday of Easter**

### **First Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
but I blessed him and made him many.

For the Lord will comfort Zion;  
he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the Lord;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be for ever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended.

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

### **Response: Psalm 34:1-10**

I will bless God at all times,  
and praise shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the Most High;  
let the humble hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of God;  
let us exalt God's Name together.

**I sought, and God answered me  
and delivered me out of all my terror.**

Look upon the Most High and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and God heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angels encompass those who fear God,  
and God will deliver them.

**Taste and see that God is good;  
happy are they who trust in the Most High!**

Fear the Most High, you that are God's saints,  
for those who fear God lack nothing.

**The young lions lack and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek God lack nothing that is  
good.**

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

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.

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

### **Sequence Hymn**

*See Insert.*

*Be Still, For the Presence of the Lord,*  
by Tommy Walker

## **The Gospel: Luke 24:13-35**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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 to you, Lord Christ.**



## **4/26 Fourth Sunday of Easter**

### **First Reading: Ezekiel 34:7-15**

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: As I live, says the Lord God, because my sheep have become a prey, and my sheep have become food for all the wild animals, since there was no shepherd; and because my shepherds have not searched for my sheep, but the shepherds have fed themselves, and have not fed my sheep; therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord:

Thus says the Lord God, I am against the shepherds; and I will demand my sheep at their hand, and put a stop to their feeding the sheep; no longer shall the shepherds feed themselves. I

will rescue my sheep from their mouths, so that they may not be food for them.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land.

I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God.

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

**Response: Psalm 100** *chanted by Cantors*

May all lands be joyful before you, O God,  
serve you with gladness and come before  
your presence with a song.

**For we know that you are God; you yourself  
have made us, and we are yours; we are your  
people and the sheep of your pasture.**

We shall enter your gates with thanksgiving, go  
into your courts with praise, give thanks to  
you and call upon your Name.

**For you are good; your mercy is everlasting,  
and your faithfulness endures from age to  
age.**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you  
endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you

endure when you are beaten for doing wrong,  
what credit is that? But if you endure when you  
do right and suffer for it, you have God's  
approval. For to this you have been called,  
because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you  
an example, so that you should follow in his  
steps.

"He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse;  
when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he  
entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.  
He himself bore our sins in his body on the  
cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for  
righteousness; by his wounds you have been  
healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but  
now you have returned to the shepherd and  
guardian of your souls.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

H 343 *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless, vv 1-2*

**The Gospel: John 10:1-10**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who  
does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but  
climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit.  
The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd  
of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for  
him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his  
own sheep by name and leads them out. When  
he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead  
of them, and the sheep follow him because  
they know his voice. They will not follow a  
stranger, but they will run from him because  
they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus  
used this figure of speech with them, but they  
did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell  
you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came

before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



## 5/3 Fifth Sunday of Easter

### **First Reading: Proverbs 4:10-18**

A reading from the Proverbs of Solomon.

Hear, my child, and accept my words,  
that the years of your life may be many.

I have taught you the way of wisdom;  
I have led you in the paths of uprightness.

When you walk, your step will not be  
hampered; and if you run, you will not  
stumble.

Keep hold of instruction; do not let go;  
guard her, for she is your life.

Do not enter the path of the wicked,  
and do not walk in the way of evildoers.

Avoid it; do not go on it;  
turn away from it and pass on.

For they cannot sleep unless they have done  
wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they  
have made someone stumble.

For they eat the bread of wickedness  
and drink the wine of violence.

But the path of the righteous is like the light of  
dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until  
full day.

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

### **Response: Psalm 119:9-32**

How shall young ones cleanse their ways?  
By keeping to your words.

**With my whole heart I seek you;  
let me not stray from your commandments.**

I treasure your promise in my heart,  
that I may not sin against you.

**Blest are you, O God;  
instruct me in your statutes.**

With my lips will I recite  
all the judgments of your mouth.

**I have taken greater delight in the way of your  
decrees than in all manner of riches.**

I will meditate on your commandments  
and give attention to your ways.

**My delight is in your statutes;  
I will not forget your word.**

Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may  
live and keep your word.

**Open my eyes, that I may see the wonders of  
your law.**

I am a stranger here on earth; do not hide your  
commandments from me.

**My soul is consumed at all times with longing  
for your judgments.**

You have rebuked the insolent; cursed are they  
who stray from your commandments!

**Turn from me shame and rebuke, for I have  
kept your decrees.**

Even though rulers sit and plot against me, I will  
meditate on your statutes.

**For your decrees are my delight, and they are  
my counselors.**

My soul cleaves to the dust; give me life  
according to your word.

**I have confessed my ways, and you answered  
me; instruct me in your statutes.**

Make me understand the way of your  
commandments, that I may meditate on your  
marvelous works.

**My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word.**

Take from me the way of lying; let me find grace through your law.

**I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I have set your judgments before me.**

I hold fast to your decrees; O God, let me not be put to shame.

**I will run the way of your commandments, for you have set my heart at liberty.**

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner",  
and

"A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who

called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

### **Sequence Hymn**

*See Insert.*

### **The Gospel: John 14:1-14**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

"Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly,

I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



## 5/10 Sixth Sunday of Easter, Rogation Sunday

### First Reading: Ezekiel 34:1-7a

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord came to me: Mortal, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel: prophesy, and say to them—to the shepherds: Thus says the Lord God: Ah, you shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fatlings; but you do not feed the sheep. You have not strengthened the weak, you have not healed the sick, you have not bound up the injured, you have not brought back the strayed, you have not sought the lost, but with force and harshness you have ruled them. So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd; and scattered, they became food for all the wild animals. My sheep were scattered, they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill; my sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with no one to search or seek for them.

Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

**Response: Psalm 115** *chanted by Cantors*

Not to us, O God, not to us, but to your Name give glory, because of your love and because of your faithfulness.

**Why should the nations say,  
"Where then is their God?"**

Our God is in heaven,  
and whatever God wills to do comes to pass.

**Their idols are silver and gold,  
the work of human hands.**

They have mouths, but they cannot speak;  
eyes have they, but they cannot see;

**They have ears, but they cannot hear;  
noses, but they cannot smell;**

They have hands, but they cannot feel; feet, but they cannot walk; they make no sound with their throat.

**Those who make them are like them,  
and so are all who put their trust in them.**

Israel, trust in God,  
who is their help and their shield.

**O house of Aaron, trust in God,  
who is their help and their shield.**

You who fear God, trust in God,  
who is their help and their shield.

**God has been mindful of us and will bless us;  
God will bless the house of Israel  
and will bless the house of Aaron;**

God will bless those who stand in awe,  
both small and great together.

**May God increase you more and more,  
you and your children after you.**

May you be blessed by God,  
the maker of heaven and earth.

**The heaven of heavens belongs to God,  
who entrusted the earth to its peoples.**

The dead do not praise God,  
nor all those who go down into silence;

**But we will bless God,  
from this time forth for evermore. Alleluia!**

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

### **Sequence Hymn**

H 455 *O Love of God, how strong and true, vv 1 & 4*

### **The Gospel: John 14:15-21**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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



### **5/17 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

#### **First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him—  
and the gates shall not be closed:

I will go before you  
and level the mountains,  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron.

I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name,  
I surname you, though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, and there is no other;  
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,  
so that they may know,  
from the rising of the sun and from the west,  
that there is no one besides me;  
I am the Lord, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness,  
I make weal and create woe;  
I the Lord do all these things.

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

**Response: Psalm 21:1-7**

The king rejoices in your strength, O God;  
how greatly he exults in your victory!

**You have given him his heart's desire; you  
have not denied him the request of his lips,**

For you meet him with blessings of prosperity  
and set a crown of fine gold upon his head.

**He asked you for life, and you gave it to him:  
length of days, for ever and ever.**

His honor is great, because of your victory;  
splendor and majesty have you bestowed  
upon him.

**For you will give him everlasting felicity  
and will make him glad with the joy of your  
presence.**

For the king puts his trust in God; because of  
the loving-kindness of the Most High, he will  
not fall.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery  
ordeal that is taking place among you to test  
you, as though something strange were  
happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are  
sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also  
be glad and shout for joy when his glory is

revealed. If you are reviled for the name of  
Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of  
glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on  
you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty  
hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due  
time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he  
cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert.  
Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil  
prowls around, looking for someone to devour.  
Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know  
that your brothers and sisters in all the world are  
undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And  
after you have suffered for a little while, the God  
of all grace, who has called you to his eternal  
glory in Christ, will himself restore, support,  
strengthen, and establish you. To him be the  
power forever and ever. Amen.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

*See Insert.*

**The Gospel: John 17:1-11**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father,  
the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the  
Son may glorify you, since you have given him  
authority over all people, to give eternal life to  
all whom you have given him. And this is  
eternal life, that they may know you, the only  
true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.  
I glorified you on earth by finishing the work  
that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify  
me in your own presence with the glory that I  
had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those  
whom you gave me from the world. They were  
yours, and you gave them to me, and they have  
kept your word. Now they know that everything  
you have given me is from you; for the words  
that you gave to me I have given to them, and  
they have received them and know in truth that

I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer

in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**





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Trinity Towson is a caring and diverse, Christ-centered community called to create and share opportunities for all people to worship God, serve others, and grow in faith as we travel on our spiritual journey.

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