



The Holy Eucharist
Third Sunday of Easter
April 14th, 2024
Trinity Episcopal Church - Manassas, VA

PRELUDE

ARIA

FLOR PEETERS

The people stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #182

CHRIST IS ALIVE!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on this your servant 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

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Gracious God, we bring before you this couple. Keep them safe all the days of their lives comfort them in adversity and support them in prosperity as you fill their home with blessings. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says:

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Celebrant then says

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.**

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

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.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit

Reader A reading from the book of Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 4

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Reader A Reading from 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN #186

CHRIST JESUS LAY IN DEATH'S STRONG BANDS

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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

THE HOMILY

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Celebrant Let us stand and say what we believe.

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 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
The people standing or kneeling

Leader With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
 “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and, community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
To you, O Lord our God.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

LEAD ME

LORD WESLEY

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

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 Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's rising to life again he has won for use everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ 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 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.**

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

7:30am and 8:30am

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

11:00am

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

RICKARD

Congregational Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o -
- ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us
keep the feast, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation:

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

HYMN #305

COME, RISEN LORD, AND DEIGN TO BE OUR GUEST

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, *standing or kneeling*

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members
of 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 Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #193 THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

PSALM 19

MARCELLO

Parish Prayer List

Please pray this list at home: Pete & Betty Anastasi, Dave Critchley, Patricia Cruz, Ervie Anne Edgerly, Florie, Juliet Franklin and Family, Joseph Frye, Lesley Goodnow, Catharine Guest, Christina Harrigan & Family, Sharyn Henderson & Family, Shearin Henegar, Mary Hicks, Lillian Hicks, Patti Johnston, Paul & Sue Martin, McCant Family, Richard Morin, Muschlitz Family, Molly Newman, Melissa Neviaser, Gretchen Schneider, Smith Family, Stokely Family, LaWanda Wilson & Mark Yow.

We kindly invite individuals to submit their prayer requests for the parish prayer list. Each request remains active for a period of two months.

Please email info@trinityepiscopalchurch.org or visit trinityepiscopalchurch.org.

The flowers and greens on the altar and in the narthex are given to the Glory of God.

Worship Leaders:

Vestry: Anne Burns

Altar Guild: Ginger Critchley, Sandy Lefever

Flower Guild: Judy Schneider, Sallie Ronan

Videographer: Karl Baetcke

7:30am Service

Altar Assistant: Joanne Georg

Readings/Prayers: Barbara Rackette

8:30am Service

Ushers: Jean & Nick Duray

Greeters: Joanne Georg, Carrie Cirbee

Altar Assistants: Sallie Ronan, Ginger Critchley

Readings/Prayers: Holly Golliver

Acolytes: Luke Kessler

11am Service

Ushers: Barbara Wright & John Davies

Greeters: Carrie Rainoff, Somer Robison

Altar Assistants: Joanne Georg, Jerry Pankey

Readings/Prayers: Marian Patey

Acolytes: Lily Overmiller, Ryan Robison

Announcements

Food Ministry/Food Pantry: Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, the Food Pantry will be open from 11am to 1pm to serve the community. The next date is April 24th.

Food Needs are as follows: Chicken or Tuna Lunch Kits, Canned Black Beans, Mild Rotel, Boxed Macaroni and Cheese, and Vegetable oil.

Food Ministry Update:

Goodness and mercy FLOW from this place! As I write, 35 dinner bags and 70 lunches are prepared and await our community of guests to come to Trinity. And as you read, they will have come to be seen, to be served, to be loved and their families will be fed.

Your heartfelt contributions this week have included:

“Here’s a check”

“I want to contribute two bags”

“I will be there to help this week”

“Our service organization meets at Trinity and members would LOVE to help stock the pantry”

“What a joyful experience this is”.

My personal favorite is when children join in. Grandchildren and Grandparents working together to serve are a most powerful sight indeed.

Your donations of food to share is no less than an outpouring! Guests will be able to make a few individual choices. The need is great and, as always, goodness and mercy flow from this place. Peace be with you.

Game Night – Thank you to everyone who joined us last week for Game Night. We always have such a good time. Our next game night will be Friday, April 12th at 6:30pm. Join us for fun, pizza and friendship. Please RSVP to JJ so we know how much pizza to order.

Book Club – Join us on Wednesday, April 24th, 2024 at 6pm in the Parish Hall to discuss our April Book Club selection, *The Wounded Healer* by Henri J. M. Nouwen. Trinity owns three copies that will be available to check-out on a first come first served basis.

Easter Journey 2024 Ideas

“Bless us to thy service and make us ever mindful of the needs of others.”

April 15th - Mindful Monday - Smile at and encourage parents of young children, especially when you see them struggling.

April 16th - Teaching Tuesday- Visit www.episcopalrelief.org to learn how you can join others to aid people in need around the world.

April 17th - Wildcard Wednesday – Plan to visit Manassas Farmers Markets, now open till fall! Thursdays at Harris Pavilion and Saturdays at Prince William Street Commuter Lot, 8 am – 1 pm.

April 18th - Thankful Thursday - UN says 25% of people in the world have no drinkable water within 5 miles of home. Give thanks for water treatment plants.

April 19th - Farmer Friday - Nat’l Garden Assoc says Apr 23 is the frost-free date to start planting in our region. Get ready!

April 20th - Scripture Saturday - Read tomorrow’s gospel (John 10:11-18). As the Good Shepherd, Jesus protects, guides, and nurtures us. Reflect on how well you do this within your family or social circle, and pray that God will use you to shepherd those in your life who most need it.

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