

The CHURCH of the HOLY TRINITY
An Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday of Easter
May 4, 2025

9:30 am

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GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

"I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

"The prelude begins our service. Once it begins, please take a moment for silent prayer/meditation so that we enter into our worship with quieted, prayerful minds. Thank you."

Holy Eucharist Rite I

Prelude

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

T. Keesecker

Processional Hymn

Christ Is Alive! vs. 1-3

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The Word of God

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

*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.*

Gloria



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-
ginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A - men. A - men.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect

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.

Scripture

First Lesson

Acts 9:1-20

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he

might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 30

- ¹ I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up **and have not let my enemies triumph over me.*
- ² O LORD my God, I cried out to you, **and you restored me to health.*
- ³ You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; **you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.*
- ⁴ Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; **give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.*
- ⁵ For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, **his favor for a lifetime.*
- ⁶ Weeping may spend the night, **but joy comes in the morning.*

- 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. **You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains.**"
- 8 Then you hid your face, **and I was filled with fear.*
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD; **I pleaded with the Lord, saying,*
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? **will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?*"
- 11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; **O LORD, be my helper.**
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; **you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.*
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; **O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.*

Second Lesson

Revelation 5:11-14

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gospel Hymn

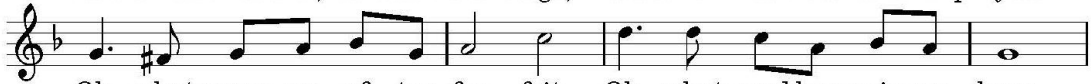
What a Friend We Have In Jesus



1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3. Are we weak and heav - y la - den, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, Oh, what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness, Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

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Gospel

John 21:1-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No."

He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the

kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Reverend Kevin M. Cross

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Litany of Healing

Lord Jesus, you healed all who came to you in faith and sent forth your disciples to preach the Gospel and heal the sick; *We praise and thank you, O God.*

God of grace, you nurture us with a love deeper than we know, and

your will for us is healing and salvation; *We praise and thank you, O God.*

God of love, you enter into our lives, our pain and our brokenness, and you stretch out your healing hands to us wherever we are; *We praise and thank you, O God.*

Touch and heal our hearts burdened by anguish, despair and isolation, and set us free through your love; *Hear us and make us whole.*

We pray for those in need of healing this day:

<i>Joel</i>	<i>Rich Wagner</i>	<i>Keri Ann Thomas</i>
<i>Deborah Barbour</i>	<i>Susan Deerin</i>	<i>Gordon Fronk</i>
<i>Mary Ann Hensinger</i>	<i>Michael Delean</i>	<i>Ron Fisher</i>
<i>Barbara Sheridan</i>	<i>David Blanton</i>	<i>Anne Slack</i>
<i>Brendan Fuller</i>	<i>Kai Nathan Gunn</i>	<i>Donna Richards</i>
<i>Will Straub</i>	<i>Mike Landau</i>	<i>Judy Madole</i>
<i>Sarah Kadish</i>	<i>Connor Frank</i>	<i>Bill Shrieves</i>
<i>Tim Wilson</i>	<i>Eleanor Dallam</i>	<i>Carole Pfeiffer</i>
<i>Ritzi Miller</i>	<i>Lisa McDougall</i>	<i>Bill Dial</i>

Give your wisdom in ample measure to doctors and nurses, that with knowledge, skill and patience they may minister to the sick; *Hear us and make us whole.*

Break the bonds of our imprisonment to fear, compulsion and addiction; *Hear us and make us whole.*

Give us liberty from old hurts and painful memories; *Come with your healing power, O God.*

Fill us with peace in our grief from separation and loss; *Come with your healing power, O God.*

We remember those who have passed on to eternal life. We pray for

comfort and solace for their families.

We also remember in our prayer those in our military who have fallen. We pray for comfort and solace for their families.

Work through all who share in your ministry of healing and renew us in compassion and strength; *Come with your healing power, O God.*

God of Strength, you fill us with your presence and send us forth in love and healing among those we meet; *We praise and thank you, O God.*

The Altar Flowers are Given by Midge Menzies in Loving Memory of Her Mother, Marjorie McCaffery, Birthday

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people in the war torn areas of the world today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you will hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace. *Dear God, hear our prayer.*

All: God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to all who wait or work in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make them the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring them courage to endure what cannot be avoided for your will is health and wholeness; you're God and we need you. Amen.

A period for personal meditation is observed

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

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

Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also, with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

One Bread One Body

arr. M. Hayes

The Holy Trinity Choir

Doxology *(please stand)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Presider: All things come from Thee O Lord.

People: And of thy own we have given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

Preface

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:

Sanctus

Arr. Malcolm Archer

Ho - ly Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord
God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He 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 Lord 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 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."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: *Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I reaffirm your presence in my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion

Lord, Holy God Above, Have Mercy

J. M. Stevens

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Saviour 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

Birthdays

Al Smith, 5/6	Claire Cross, 5/8
Mary Anne Hensinger, 5/7	Rick Richards, 5/8
Ron Kaufman, 5/7	Eric Neustadt, 5/8

Anniversaries

Recessional Hymn

Jesus Calls O'er The Tumult



1. Je-sus calls us o'er the tu-mult Of our life's wild rest-less sea; Day by
2. Je-sus calls us from the wor-ship Of the vain world's gold-en store, From each
3. In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease, Still He
4. Je-sus calls us: by Thy mercies, Sav-ior, may we hear Thy call, Give our



day His sweet voice sound-eth, Say - ing, "Chris-tian, fol - low Me!"
i - dol that would keep us, Say - ing, "Chris-tian, love Me more."
calls, in cares and plea-sures, "Chris-tian, love Me more than these."
hearts to Thine o - be-dience, Serve and love Thee best of all.

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Sending Forth

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Thank you Victoria Chandler and Walda Roseman for hosting
Fellowship hour.*

Worship Service Schedule

Holy Eucharist with Music Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:00 am

First Sunday of the month 9:30 am

<u>Monday - May 5</u>	<u>Friday - May 9</u> OFFICE CLOSED
<u>Tuesday - May 6</u>	<u>Saturday - May 10</u> OFFICE CLOSED
<u>Wednesday - May 7</u> 9:00 am - Women on a Journey	<u>Sunday - May 11</u> 8:00 am -Holy Eucharist 10:00 am -Holy Eucharist
<u>Thursday - May 8</u> 8:45 am - Office Angels	

Vestry Members

John Dillon, Senior Warden	Connie Greenhawk, Secretary	Margaret Munsch, Registrar
Dick Deerin, Treasurer	Bill Ritchie & Michelle Mactavish, Co-Junior Wardens	Gordon Fronk - Emeritus
Ginny Wagner	Margot McConnel	Lee Phillips
Martha Callahan	Tom DeMarco	Susan Grauel
Dick Deerin	Art Dent	Trish Malin

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

<u>Worship Leaders</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>	
Reader	John Malin	
Acolyte	Mickey Terrone, Justin Callahan	
Usher	Trish Malin	
Vestry Greeter	Lee Phillips	
Altar Guild	Nancy Roberts, Mary Pat Blanton, Karen Walbridge, Ginny Wagner	