

*The CHURCH of the HOLY TRINITY
An Episcopal Church*

*The Third Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026*

8:00 & 10:00 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 II

Prelude

Choral Introit 10 a.m.

Eden's Song

M. Schweizer

The Holy Trinity Choir

Processional Hymn

Rejoice the Lord is King



1. Re - joi - ce, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
2. Our Lord and Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love; When
3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The
4. Re - joi - ce in glo - rious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come And



1. joi - ce, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more: }
 2. he had purged our stains, He took his seat a - bove: }
 3. keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n: }
 4. take his ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home: }
- Lift up your



- 1-4. heart, lift up your voice! Re - joi - ce, a - gain I say, re - joi - ce!

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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 ever 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 2:14a, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know

with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

- ¹ I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, **because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.*
- ² The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; **I came to grief and sorrow.*
- ³ Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: **"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."*
- ¹⁰ How shall I repay the Lord **for all the good things he has done for me?*

- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation **and call upon the Name of the Lord.*
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord **in the presence of all his people.*
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord **is the death of his servants.*
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; **I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.*
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving **and call upon the Name of the Lord.*
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord **in the presence of all his people,*
- 17 In the courts of the Lord'S house, **in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!*

Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:17-23

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.

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 tempta - 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 - ery - 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.



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



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer.
Je - sus knows our ev - ery 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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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke *People: 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 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.

Prayers of the People

As faithful members of the body of Christ, let us now pray for the Church, the nation and the world. Saying, *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

Almighty God, we acknowledge you with grateful hearts and the One in whom we live and move and have our being. Thank you, O Lord, for your love, your goodness and your mercy. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. In our weekly prayer intentions we pray for: (*read the names on the prayer list*)...

<i>Joel</i>	<i>Lisa Strang</i>	<i>Lisa McDougall</i>
<i>Deborah Barbour</i>	<i>Andy Coleman</i>	<i>Mike McMillen</i>
<i>Brendan Fuller</i>	<i>Betty Jo Mackart</i>	<i>Steve Smith</i>
<i>Ritzi Miller</i>	<i>Betty Mackart</i>	<i>Ray Sattler</i>
<i>Rich Wagner</i>	<i>Elsbeth Ritchie</i>	<i>Karen Walbridge</i>
<i>Connor Frank</i>	<i>Owen M.</i>	<i>Fr. Ambrose Boyd</i>
<i>Eleanor Dallam</i>	<i>Sue Schulze</i>	<i>Dick Barnes</i>
<i>Ron Fisher</i>	<i>Shaun</i>	<i>Dan O'Neill</i>

Michael Delean

Polly Obermeier

Leslie Howells

Carole Pfeiffer

Lisbeth Drake

Jackson Beaumont

Donna Richards

David Harrell

Gary Kaufman

James Turrell

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart.*(pause)*... *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, *Catherine Welch*, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We remember especially the members of our military who died in service to our country and we pray for comfort and solace for their families.

Are there others? You may name them aloud or silently in your heart...*(pause)* ... *Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

10 a.m. By The Way You Love

P. Choplin

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

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

Anniversaries

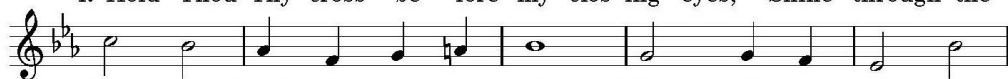
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Recessional Hymn

Abide With Me



1. A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide; The dark - ness
2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day; Earth's joys grow
3. I need Thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour; What but Thy
4. Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes; Shine through the



deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide: When oth - er help - ers
dim, its glo - ries pass a - way; Change and de - cay in
grace can foil the tempt - er's power? Who like Thy - self my
gloom, and point me to the skies: Heaven's morn - ing breaks and



fail, and comforts flee, Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me!
all a - round I see: O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me!
guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O a - bide with me!
earth's vain shadows flee: In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

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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 our Susie Wheeler & Corrie James for hosting Fellowship hour.

Altar Guild General Meeting

On **Thursday, May 7th at 4:00pm**, there will be a general meeting for all Altar Guild members in the **Parish Hall**. Snacks and drinks will be provided! We'll review schedules and teams and wish Ginny Wagner our best as she steps down from the Directress position.

Also, if anyone has wanted to know more about joining the Altar Guild, Please Come! New volunteers are always welcomed and needed. Training is provided and you will work with experienced team members. Any questions-please reach out to Nancy Roberts (609-647-2622) or Sandy Wrightson (410-822-0205). Please RSVP to Connie

Worship Service Schedule

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

First Sunday of the month 9:30 am

<p><u>Monday - April 20</u> 5:00 pm - Men's Bible Study</p>	<p><u>Thursday - April 23</u> <u>Friday - April 24</u> OFFICE CLOSED 8:30 am - Vestry Meeting 10:00 am - Choir Practice</p>
<p><u>Tuesday - April 21</u> 7:30 am - Soupmasters 8:30 am - Prayer Group 9:30 am - Grief Group 4:00 pm - Mission Meeting</p>	<p><u>Saturday - April 25</u> OFFICE CLOSED</p>
<p><u>Wednesday - April 22</u> 8:30 am - Lunch Bunch 5:30 pm - Dinner Church</p>	<p><u>Sunday - April 26</u> 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist 10:00 am - Holy Eucharist</p>

Vestry Members

Margot McConnel Sr. Warden	Connie Greenhawk, Secretary	Margaret Munsch, Registrar
Dick Deerin, Treasurer	Bill Ritchie & Michelle Mactavish, Co-Junior Wardens	Gordon Fronk - Emeritus
Martha Callahan	Tom DeMarco	Susan Grauel
Dick Deerin	Art Dent	Trish Malin
Laura Cassidy	Walda Roseman	Al Sikes

Dr. Cora Bruner - Organist and Choir Director

Worship Leaders	8:00 am	10:00 am
Reader	Beverly Rohman	Corrie James
Acolyte	Beverly Rohman	Kathy Becker
Usher	John Pepe	Rene Van Erven
Vestry Greeter	Art Dent	Walda Roseman
Altar Guild	Sandy Wrightson, Pam Dent, Ginny Wagner	
Flower Guild	Ingrid Blanton, Pam Dent, Susan Middleton, Karen Parker, Chloe Pitard	

OXFORD DAY PLANT SALE



Spring is here.....*please* plan on buying your garden plants, hanging baskets and a lot more at the

HOLY TRINITY PLANT SALE ON OXFORD DAY

Saturday, April 25, 2026

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

*Volunteers are needed for any time you can share:
Friday afternoon 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm – setting up
Saturday from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm – selling and clean
up*

*If you would like to help with the Plant Sale, please
contact*

Beverly Rohman at 410-829-9561 or Linda Wilson at
410-236-1340

ALL proceeds go to support Local Missions!