

*The CHURCH of the HOLY TRINITY*  
*An Episcopal Church*

*The Seventh Sunday of Easter*  
May 17, 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

### Processional Hymn

#### *All Creatures of Our God & King*



1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice with us and  
2 O rush-ing wind so wild and strong, white clouds that sail in heaven a -  
3 Cool flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to  
4 Earth ev - er fer-tile, day by day bring forth your bless-ings on our  
5 Peo - ple and na-tions, take your part; sing praise to God with all your



sing: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! O burn - ing sun with gold - en  
long, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! New ris - ing dawn, in praise re -  
hear; al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fierce fire, so mas - ter - ful and  
way; al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and fruits that in you  
heart: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Let all things their Cre - a - tor



beam, and shin-ing moon with sil - ver gleam,  
joice, you lights of eve - ning, find a voice:  
bright, pro - vid - ing us with warmth and light, O praise him, O  
grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:  
bless and wor-ship him in low - li - ness:



praise him, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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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, 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.*

## **Scripture**

### **First Lesson**

*Acts 1:6-14*

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain

women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord

*People: Thanks be to God*

### Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

<sup>1</sup> Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *\*let those who hate him flee before him.*

<sup>2</sup> Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *\*as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.*

<sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *\*let them also be merry and joyful.*

<sup>4</sup> Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *\*YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!*

<sup>5</sup> Father of orphans, defender of widows, *\*God in his holy habitation!*

<sup>6</sup> God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *\*but the rebels shall live in dry places.*

<sup>7</sup> O God, when you went forth before your people, *\*when you marched through the wilderness,*

<sup>8</sup> The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *\*at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*

- <sup>9</sup> You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *\*you refreshed the land when it was weary.*
- <sup>10</sup> Your people found their home in it; *\*in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.*
- <sup>33</sup> Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *\*sing praises to the Lord.*
- <sup>34</sup> He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *\*he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.*
- <sup>35</sup> Ascribe power to God; *\*his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.*
- <sup>36</sup> How wonderful is God in his holy places! *\*the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!*

## Second Lesson

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

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.

The Word of the Lord

*People: Thanks be to God*

### **Musical Selection**

*On Eagles' Wings*

M. Hayes

Melissa Wise, Soprano

### **Gospel**

*John 17:1-11*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
*People: 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 Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ*

**Sermon**

*The Reverend Charlie Osberger*

**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**

### **Prayer for Discernment**

*O God our Comforter, who guides us in the ways of justice and truth and holds us close in times of uncertainty: Inspire us with your grace and wisdom, that we might do everything according to your will and ground ourselves in your love. Give us a sense of openness about the future ministries and mission of the Diocese of Easton. Help us remember that we do not hold all of the answers, nor do we need to. Encourage us when we are anxious about change, reminding us that all things are in your hands: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*

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>Mike McMillen</i>
<i>Deborah Barbour</i>	<i>Andy Coleman</i>	<i>Dick Barnes</i>
<i>Brendan Fuller</i>	<i>Betty Jo Mackart</i>	<i>Dan O'Neill</i>
<i>Ritzi Miller</i>	<i>Betty Mackart</i>	<i>Leslie Howells</i>
<i>Rich Wagner</i>	<i>Elspeth Ritchie</i>	<i>Jackson Beaumont</i>
<i>Connor Frank</i>	<i>Owen M.</i>	<i>Courtney</i>
<i>Eleanor Dallam</i>	<i>Shaun</i>	<i>Carey Miller</i>
<i>Michael Delean</i>	<i>Fr. Ambrose Boyd</i>	<i>Peter Zukowski</i>
<i>Carole Pfeiffer</i>	<i>Lisbeth Drake</i>	<i>Ron Kaufman</i>
<i>Donna Richards</i>	<i>David Harrell</i>	<i>Polly Obermeier</i>
<i>Gary Kaufman</i>	<i>James Turrell</i>	

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, *Mollie Vann*, 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*

*The Altar Flowers Are Given By Cora Bruner  
In Honor of the Holy Trinity Choir*

## **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 am, Holy Spirit, Breath of Heaven*

C. McKibben

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** *(Prayed with those joining us from home and hospital bed)*

*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**

*8 am The Prayer*

Arr. Mark Hayes

Melissa Wise, Soprano

*10 am You Are Mine*

Arr. L. Larson

Melissa Wise, Soprano and Dan Wright, Tenor

## **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.**

## Birthdays

Gene Williams, 5/13	
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## Anniversaries

Rick & Nancy Richards, 5/18	Doug & Kathy Becker, 5/22
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## Blessing

### Recessional Hymn

#### *God Will Take Care of You*



1. Be not dis-mayed what-e'er be-tide, God will take care of you;
2. Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;
3. All you may need he will pro-vide, God will take care of you;
4. No mat-ter what may be the test, God will take care of you;



be-neath his wings of love a-bide, God will take care of you.  
when dan-gers fierce your path as-sail, God will take care of you.  
trust him and you will be sat-is-fied, God will take care of you.  
lean, wea-ry one, up-on his breast, God will take care of you.

#### REFRAIN



God will take care of you, through ev-'ry day, o'er all the way;



he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

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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 Carol Van Erven for hosting Fellowship hour.*

*Thank you Melissa Wise, Dan Wright and The Holy Trinity Choir for your wonderful voices.*

## 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><b><u>Monday - May 18</u></b> 11:00 am - WOHT Luncheon</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday May 19</u></b> 8:30 am - Prayer Group 9:30 - Grief Group</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday - May 20</u></b> 9:00 am - Women on a Journey</p> <p><b><u>Thursday - May 21</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Friday - May 22</u></b> OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 am - Choir Practice</p> <p><b><u>Saturday - May 23</u></b> OFFICE CLOSED 3:00 pm - Catherine Welch Funeral Service</p>
	<p><b><u>Sunday - May 24</u></b> 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

<b>Worship Leaders</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
Reader	Beverly Rohman	Dan Wright
Acolyte	Beverly Rohman	Mickey Terrone
Usher	Chloe Pitard	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	

**Organ Dedication Concert**  
Monte Maxwell, Concert Organist  
Sunday May 31, 2026 4 p.m.  
Church Sanctuary



Monte Maxwell designed the new three manual Walker Technical digital organ, installed at The Church of the Holy Trinity this past February. We are excited to share this state-of-the-art organ designed to play organ literature from all periods and styles of music. You will hear the intimate sounds of the strings and flutes, the subtle woodwinds, intimate horns, festive brass, and exciting strength of the full organ. The sounds you hear were specifically chosen pipe organ sounds from organs across our nation and throughout the world for this Sanctuary. An afternoon of beautiful music performed by one of our country's most talented and in demand concert organists. Presently Monte Maxwell serves as Director of Chapel Music and Chapel Organist with the United States Naval Academy.

*This concert is a gift from The Church of the Holy Trinity to the community. We would like to request attendees bring a non-perishable food item in support of Talbot County's food pantries. No offerings will be taken at this concert.*

