TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Trinity Sunday May 26, 2024

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Restrooms are located downstairs.

Kid's bags are in the narthex. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Hymn in Procession LEVAS# 196 (standing as you are able)

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,Leaning on the everlasting arms;What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,Leaning on the everlasting arms;O how bright the path grows from day to day,

Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Leaning on the everlasting arms; I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for

ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

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*.

Song of Praise Hymn S 278

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 Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Please be seated during the reading of the Lessons and the Psalm.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29 Afferte Domino

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"
- The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn LEVAS # 120 (standing as you are able)

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

> Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with your love.

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

2 There are blessings you cannot receive Till you know Him in His fullness, and believe. You're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."

Refrain

3 If you say He saved you from your sin, Now you're weak, you're bound, and cannot enter in, you can make it right if you will yield; You'll enjoy the Holy Spirit that we feel.

Refrain

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 3:1-17 (stand as you are able)

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Very Rev. Sarah Carper Morris

The Nicene Creed (standing as you are able)

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 the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

The Prayers of the People Form III (standing as you are able)

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Thanksgiving For Heroic Service

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

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 BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

(8:30 service only)

Offertory

Celebrant **People** All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of thine own have we given Thee.

(10:30 service only)

Offertory and Doxology # 432 (standing)

O praise ye the Lord!
Thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along!
For love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!

Stand as you are able. The Celebrant faces the people and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

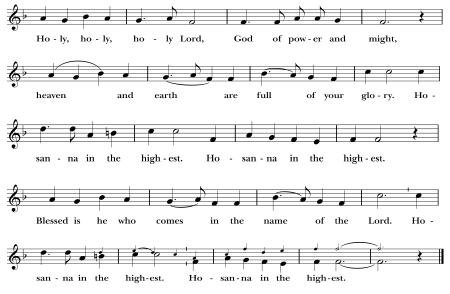
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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:

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #125



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Stand or kneel as you are able

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever.

People AMEN.

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, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Breaking of the Bread

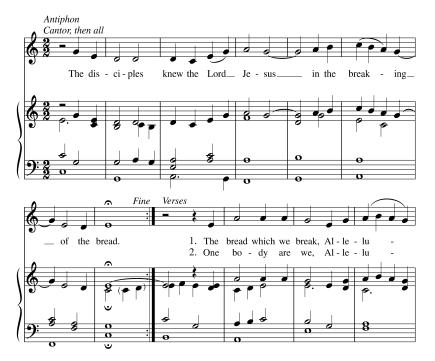
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

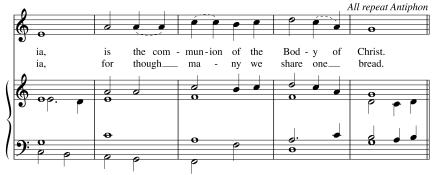
A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Fraction Anthem: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Wonder Love and Praise, #876





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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

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

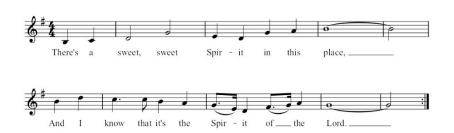
The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen*.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen*.]

Music at Communion LEVAS # 111

Come, Thou fount of every blessing,
 Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
 Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
 Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, O fix me on it.
 Mount of God's unchanging love.

- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by thy help I'm come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Surely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God. He, to save my soul from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
- O, to grace how great a debtor,
 Daily I'm constrained to be;
 Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter,
 Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 Prone to leave the God I love.
 Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it,
 Seal it from thy courts above.

Communion Meditation



After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Hymn in Procession LEVAS #114

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.

1 Upon the mountain my Lord spoke, out of his mouth came fire and smoke. All around me looked so fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.

Refrain

2 Jordan river chilly and cold,chills the body but not the soul.There ain't but one train runs this track,runs to heaven and runs right back.

Refrain

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs: Rev. Bill Pendleton Larry Wirick Jerry Wuenscher Lavonia Joanie Robbins Crystal Cook **Long Term Needs:** Helen Roop Bishop Michael Curry Locke Rowe Ann Cochrane Carol Ford Candace Sammons Steve Hines Jennifer Green John Moore Denny Shelton Scott Green Summer Stage Wade Nichols Jeffrey Holt Matthew Stevens Angie Nolfo Gus Lewis Celeste Tsaklis Lorene Ramsey Cynthia Light Scarlett Vaughn Betty Town Kitty Martin Kelli Vincen Vicky Town Kenneth Matthews Joe Waddell John Townsend Su Olchak Henrietta Williams

Sam Williams

Bill R. Pendleton

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Wesley Frye, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Grace Church, Lexington St. Alban's, Littleton

BIRTHDAYS

May 26th Marilyn Lamm

ANNIVERSARIES

May 27th Ross & Jill Borders, 31st Hunter & Abigail Appler 31st Stephen Pottorff & Vicky Town June 1st Eric & Denny Jennings

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our anniversary by Vicky Town & Stephen Pottorff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to Jim & Wendy Tatman for hosting our church picnic.

Book Group will not start a new book this summer but will meet on June 19th and July 17th and discuss any books you have been reading. Join us in the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m. for fellowship and great discussion.

First Sunday Potluck will be held on Sunday, June 2nd following the 10:30 service. Bring a dish to share and join us for great food and fellowship.

Birthdays and Anniversaries-With lots of new faces at Trinity, we are missing lots of birthdays and anniversaries. Your birthday or anniversary will be listed in the newsletter and bulletin and you can come up to the altar rail for a special blessing. If you would like to share those dates with us we would love to celebrate you.

Sunday School is on break for the summer. It will resume in the fall.

June Newsletter-If you have articles, announcements, pictures to share for the June newsletter, please send them in the church office as soon as possible. Don't forget those graduates! We would love to recognize any graduations happening in your family.

Upcoming Events-On Sunday, June 16th we will be selling hotdogs on Main Street during the downtown's car show. If you would like to help, please contact the church office.



Youth Retreat-Our youth group will be traveling to Blowing Rock Conference Center May 30th -June 1st. If you would like to contribute to our youth group fund, a \$50 sponsorship of the cost of the trip for a child or provide some of the food items they will be cooking, your donations would be greatly appreciated. We are also asking for letters of encouragement to the kids. Below is a list of names and ages if you'd like to write a letter.

Many thanks to everyone that has donated money, food and paper goods for the retreat. We could still use a few more items including drinks, snacks and chips.

Girls:

Kayden 15

Dakota 15

Breanna 14

Cadi 14

Leah 15

Jordan 15

Aleigha 11

Janiaha 12

Boys:

Keidon 16

Nemo 15

Jeremiah 15

Rickie 12

Brayden 12

Logan 13

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

| Today | Ministry | Next Sunday |
|------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Jessica Simandle | LECTOR | Vicky Town |
| Jim Couture | CHALICE BEARER | Mike Wilson |
| Benny Combs | GREETER | Pat Sanderson |
| Jim Couture | ACOLYTE | Mike Wilson |

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

| This Sunday 11:00 | Ministry | Next Sunday |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Wendy Tatman | LECTOR | James Derrick |
| Karen & Jesse | CHALICE BEARER | Brenda & Lucinda |
| Pat & Morris | GREETERS | Sandy & Ann |
| Wendy Tatman | ALTAR GUILD | Linda Michaels |
| Roxann Moore | VESTRY | Wendy Tatman |
| Aleigha & Jesse | ACOLYTE | Nemo & Wyatt |

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | Holy Eucharist |
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| | 11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist at the |
| | | Tatman's followed by our |
| | | Church Picnic |

| Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. | Loan Closet Youth Group |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Wednesday | 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. | Book Group Holy Eucharist |
| Thursday | 8:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. | Staples Art Group Loan Closet |
| Thursday-Saturday | | Youth Retreat |
| Next Sunday | 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. | Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist |

TRINITY VESTRY

Ross Borders, Roxann Moore, Jessica Simandle, Wendy Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson, Lee Wilsonwithers

No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
Who wants to have a relationship with you