

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 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 # 292 (standing as you are able)

- 1 O Jesus, crowned with all renown,
since thou the earth hast trod,
thou reignest and by thee come down
henceforth the gifts of God.
Thine is the health and thine the wealth
that in our halls abound,
and thine the beauty and the joy
with which the years are crowned.

- 2 Lord, in their change, let frost and heat,
and winds and dews be given;
all fostering power, all influence sweet,
breathe from the bounteous heaven.
Attemper fair with gentle air
the sunshine and the rain,
that kindly earth with timely birth
may yield her fruits again:
- 3 that we may feed the poor aright,
and, gathering round thy throne,
here, in the holy angels' sight,
repay thee of thine own:
That we may praise thee all our days,
and with the Father's Name,
and with the Holy Spirit's gifts,
the Savior's love proclaim.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

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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 # 210

- 1 The day of resurrection!
 Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
 the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
 from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over
 with hymns of victory.

- 2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
 that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
 of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents,
 may hear so calm and plain
his own “All hail!” and, hearing,
 may raise the victor strain.

- 3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
 let earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
 and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
 their notes together blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
 our joy that hath no end.

The Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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

The First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight
of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the
house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory
of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn # 581 *(standing as you are able)*

- 1 Where charity and love prevail
 there God is ever found;
 brought here together by Christ's love
 by love are we thus bound.

- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear
 his charity we learn;
 let us with heart and mind and strength
 now love him in return.

- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well
in Christian holiness.
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease;
be his the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace.
- 5 Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his Body joined
we are in him made one.
- 6 Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's Name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel: John 15:9-17 (*stand as you are able*)

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

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 *(standing as you are able)*

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, O Holy God, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light, hear the prayers we offer in the hope of eternal glory, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live forever in the joy of the resurrection. Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

The Peace

BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 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 *Lasst uns erfreuen (standing)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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

People The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give 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.

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: Christ Our Passover Hymnal S155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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 # 455

O love of God, how strong and true!
Eternal and yet ever new;
Uncomprehended and unbought,
Beyond all knowledge and all thought.

O wide embracing, wondrous love,
We read Thee in the sky above,
We read Thee in the earth below,
In seas that swell, and streams that flow.

We read Thee best in Him who came
To bear for us the cross of shame;
Sent by the Father from on high,
Our life to live, our death to die.

We read Thy power to bless and save,
E'en in the darkness of the grave;
Still more in resurrection light,
We read the fullness of Thy might.

Communion Meditation *Eat this Bread* by Taizé

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Trust in him and you will not thirst.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; 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 # 400

- 1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

- 2 Great rushing winds and breezes soft,
you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,
stars nightly shining, find a voice,

Refrain

- 3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,
you give to us both warmth and light,

Refrain

- 4 Dear mother earth, you day by day
unfold your blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show:

Refrain

- 5 All you with mercy in your heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O sing now: Alleluia!
All you that pain and sorrow bear,
praise God, and cast on him your care:

Refrain

- 6 And even you, most gentle death,
waiting to hush our final breath,
O praise him, Alleluia!
You lead back home the child of God,
for Christ our Lord that way has trod:

Refrain

7 Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

Refrain

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen
Christ. Alleluia, alleluia

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:

Jane Carper
Bishop Michael
Curry
Carol Ford
Gus Lewis
Cynthia Light
Kitty Martin
Clara Powell
Joanie Robbins
Helen Roop
Locke Rowe
Summer Stage
Matthew Stevens

Celeste Tsaklis
Scarlett Vaughn
Kelli Vincen
Henrietta Williams
Larry Wirick
Jerry Wuenscher

Long Term Needs:

Ann Cochrane
Steve Hines
John Moore
Wade Nichols
Angie Nolfo
Bill R. Pendleton
Rev. Bill Pendleton
Lorene Ramsey
Candace Sammons
Betty Town
Vicky Town
John Townsend

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

St. Christopher's, High Point
St. Mary's, High Point
St. Matthew's, Hillsborough

BIRTHDAYS

May 5th Sandy Hutchens, 6th Ann Cochrane,
9th Denny Jennings & Mac Sammons
10th Larnette Snow

ANNIVERSARIES

May 7th Robert & Sarah Morris

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Donna by Margie Martin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to Norma Johnson for playing the organ for us today.

The loose offering on the first Sunday of each month is designated for the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**. This offering helps the Rector provide pastoral care, medicines, utilities, rent and other assistance.

Join us today following the 10:30 service for our **First Sunday Pot Luck Lunch**-Enjoy good food and fellowship in Trinity's Parish Hall for a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service. This is our opportunity to meet our fellow parishioners some of whom are new to Trinity.

"Give Up Your Silence" The Postcard Campaign for Advocacy Day-We are taking part in the Diocesan Campaign to share issues of concern with our elected officials. We have a table set up in the Parish Hall with materials and project guidelines.

Book Group-Our book discussion on Wednesday mornings from 10:30-12, continues on May 8th: *Being Mortal, Medicine and What Matters in the End*, by Atul Gawande. All are welcome to join us.

Theology Group-Are miracles real? Can we accept both scientific predictability and God's intervention in the physical world? Can we live as Christians if we do not accept that miracles have happened and are still happening today? Please join Theology Group Thursday, May 9th, at 5:30 p.m. to examine this challenging issue of faith. Pizza will be served.

Mark your calendars! The church picnic will be held on Sunday, May 19th at the Tatman's.

Altar Guild booklet inserts for 2024 are in the sacristy for those who have not picked up your new copy.



Save the date! Everyone is invited!

**Trinity Parish 11:00 a.m. church service followed
by the picnic both at the Tatman's
1891 Simpson Mill Rd
Mount Airy, NC**

Sunday, May 19th 11:00 a.m.-until

Hot dogs/burgers ready about 12:30

Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

You may also bring lawn chairs and games.

Easy access and convenient, ample parking.

**Please sign up on the bulletin board downstairs or email
Wendy at: wbtatman@yahoo.com**

Meat, buns, beverages and paper plates, etc. will be provided.

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Vicky Town	LECTOR	Nancy Dixon
Jim Couture	CHALICE BEARER	Mike Wilson
Mike Wilson	GREETER	Ted Ashby
Jim Couture	ACOLYTE	Mike Wilson

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Ann Vaughn	LECTOR	Jackie Thornhill
Karen & Jackie	CHALICE BEARER	Roxann & Lucinda
Bill & Janet	GREETERS	Gloria & Larry
Beckie Derrick	ALTAR GUILD	Pat Sanderson
Ann Vaughn	VESTRY	Lee Wilsonwithers
Wyatt & Jackie	ACOLYTE	Nemo & Roxann

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist First Sunday Potluck
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Loan Closet
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Group
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Book Group
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
	1:00 p.m.	Art Group
	3:00 p.m.	Loan Closet
	5:30 p.m.	Theology Group
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	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*