Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

April 21, 2024

The Word of God

Opening Hymn No. 205

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen today! Sing songs of praise along his way; let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Music: Gelobt sei Gott, Melchior Vulpius
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All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is Risen

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

The Celebrant says

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 in Excelsis

The following is said, all standing

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Acts 4:5-12

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; *

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those

who trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the day of my life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Epistle 1 John 3:16-24

A Reading from the First Letter of John

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn No. 664

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name; in pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; O may thy house be mine abode, and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Words: Isaac Watts; Music: Resignation David Hurd

The Holy Gospel John 10:11-18

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The 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 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

All remain standing.

Jesus, you are the good shepherd of your people. Hear the cry of your flock as we pray, "Good Shepherd, receive our prayer."

Good Shepherd, you call us to follow where you lead. Give us ears to hear and know your voice. Give us the courage and strength to lay down our lives for one another, as even you laid down your life for us.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, gather to yourself the people of the world so there will be one flock under your reign. Forgive us for our hatred and divisions.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, you have blessed us with green pastures and still waters—places in your world where we find rest and renewal. We thank you for the beauty of the earth.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, even when wolves attack, you never leave your loved ones; even in the valley of the shadow of death, you are present. Be with all victims of violence. Comfort them in their distress.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, you love us so much that you call us each by name: we pray for the healing of our brothers and sisters in your name.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Good Shepherd, you are our salvation. Grant all who have died a dwelling place in your house forever.

Good Shepherd,

People: Receive our prayer.

Celebrant adds a concluding collect

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People together say

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 Priest stands and says

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Hymn Hymnal 645

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

> Words: Henry Williams Baker, para of Psalm 23 Music: St. Columba

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to 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 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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 for ever. AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Celebrant and People

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

A period of silence is kept.

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (*St. Alphonsus de Liguori*, 1696-1787)

Communion Hymn

No. 343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless thy chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.

We would not live by bread alone, but by thy word of grace, in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.

Be known to us in breaking bread, and do not then depart; Saviour, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

Lord, sup with us in love divine, thy Body and thy Blood, that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

Words: James Montgomery
Music: St. Agnes, John Bacchus Dykes, harm Richard Proulx
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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together say

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Festal Easter Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

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.

Closing Hymn Hymnal 208

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done, the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun.

Alleluia!

The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed: let shout of holy joy outburst.

Alleluia!

The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises glorious from the dead: all glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!

He closed the yawning gates of hell, the bars from heaven's high portals fell; let hymns of praise his triumphs tell!

Alleluia!

Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live and sing to thee.

Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: Latin, tr. Francis Pott; Music: Victory, Giovanni Pierluigi de Palestrina, adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia

Notes and Announcements April 21, 2024

PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Church of Australia...

<u>Diocesan Calendar of Prayer</u> for Members and Ministry of the Discerning Our Common Call Steering Committee...

Parish Calendar of Prayer for all those who volunteer...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenney, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie, Charley... For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Denise, Dan Sr., Stephen, Matt, Mark, Tanya, Bernadette, Joseph, Dot, Renee, Julia, Olivia, Bea, Lisa, Craig, David, Amanda, Rita, John, Lyn, Sue, Nicole, Bob, Dennis, Alex, Lisa, Ben, David, Sylvia, Joe, Gus, Briana, McKensie, Margie, David R, Bill, , Virginia, Jan & Rob, Brigid, Sharon C, Kate, Louise, Dorothy, Karen, Janie, Megan, Lisa & Frank...

<u>Altar Flowers</u> are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Andrew Staszewski given by Carol and Robert Staszewski ...

PLEASE CONTINUE TO WELCOME The Rev. Martin Gutwein who is with us again this week.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 27 – Indoor Cleanup Day 9:00 a.m. Saturday, May 4 – CCC Town-wide Yard Sale "see insert" Thursday, May 9 – Ascension Day Service 7:30 p.m.

And a Bit Further Out

Saturday, May 25 - Mayfair Saturday, June 15 - Collingswood House and Garden Tour

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH FELLOWSHIP will meet TODAY, April 21st from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Activities include a children's chapel service, followed by age-appropriate activities for children and youth from pre-K through high school. If you have children or grandchildren who might be interested in attending, contact Theresa Hoyt-Chattin (609) 941-1651 for more information.

INDOOR CLEANUP DAY – Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 27 when we'll be doing a bit of spring cleaning inside the church. Help will be needed tidying, dusting, sweeping, mopping, and otherwise spiffing up our church interiors. More information to come.

2024 ALTAR FLOWER CHART – is hanging at the back of the Church. If you would like to sponsor flowers for the Altar on any Sunday, please sign next to the desired date, if available or call the office at 856-858-0491. Flowers are \$45.00.

ONLINE GIVING – To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering, just follow the link on the Holy Trinity website to send your contribution electronically through **Vanco**. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you all for your continued financial support of the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity Church.

UPCYCLING GREETING CARD PROGRAM – Please bring in no longer wanted greeting cards. They will be given to St. John of God Community Services in Westville. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Services group will remove the front of each card to create a new greeting. You may leave your cards in the box at the back of the Church. For further information contact Craig Burgess at 856-667-2003.



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Community Yard Sale Rent Space to sell your used, unwanted stuff!

Saturday, May 4, 2024 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Rain Date Saturday, May 11, 2024)

Registration Information

Rental includes Outdoor Space 12 ft x 12 ft, table 8 ft long x 2 ½ ft wide & 2 chairs.

Non - Refundable Rental cost: \$20 per space/table

Checks made payable to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Return your check and registration form to the address listed above.

Vendor Set-up time: 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.	
Event time: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.	
Registration deadline: April 30, 2024	
You will receive an email confirmation once payment & registration form is received.	
Registration Form	
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I have enclosed my non-refundable registration fee \$20.00 per Space/Table	

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