CHURCH OF THE TRINITY Coatesville in the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania

Church of the Trinity is a congregation rooted in the faith and love of Christ, unified in diversity, seeking to grow and nourish the Trinity family and our Coatesville community.



"I am the way, the truth and the life."

May 7, 2023

9:30 AM

Fifth Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE HYMN Christ is made the sure foundation (Westminster Abbey) (H 518)





OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

SONG OF PRAISE (LEVAS 219 THIS IS THE DAY)



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

The people sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

⁵⁵Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Remain seated.

'In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.

²Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

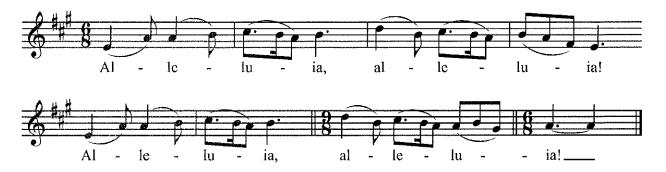
⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * for you are my tower of strength.

⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit, * for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.

15My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your lovingkindness save me.

SEQUENCE HYMN Celtic Alleluia (O'Carroll/Walker) (MHSO 20)
All stand.



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GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

All stand.

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus told his disciples,] "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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.

Empowered by the Lord's promise that he will do whatever we ask in his name, let us pray, saying: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For the church of God and for its leaders, that our lives may be for the glory of God alone, let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For more vigorous efforts to unite all Christian peoples, lest factions and jealousies prevent the spread of the gospel, let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For all who exercise the ministry of preaching, that their words may be full of the Spirit and of wisdom, let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For those among us whose hearts are troubled and anxious; for those who are sick and suffering; for all in any need, especially those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Violet Armstead, Clair Armstrong, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Tony Carroll, Lola Clarke, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Lillian Hadler, Susan Hanft, Caitlyn Hanna, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Jennifer Jenkins, Pete Jennings, Diane Kitson, Jodi Lancaster, Alison Lauren, John and Lindsay, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Kathy Lozier, Olivia Lyons, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloon, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Meredith Olseski, Betty Peirce, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Antonia Planamento, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Flora Rutledge, Judy Skoniczin, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Mary Shidlowski, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Calvin Smith, Robin Spicher, Colby Stackhouse, Debra Stackwicz, Stephanie, Linda Still, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Evans Thompson, Tom, Tom Wagner, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams

let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For all who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed who are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Police: Sgt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello

Military: PVT Austin Combs, PO2 Jason Combs, PO3 Andrew Combs, 1CPT Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, Petty Officer William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDR Michael Sracic MC, and MSgt Rewa Price

let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Connor McWilliams, Greg Bentley and Tony Carroll, let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For this local community, that our belief in God will be deepened by the word and sacrament we share, let us pray: We ask this in Jesus' name.

For those having died in faith, especially Helen Conlan and Yolanda Bush, for whom the altar flowers are given, and for all the dying, that they may know the love of God who has raised Christ up, having loosed the pangs of death, let us pray: *We ask this in Jesus' name*.

Collect

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bring these and all our needs to you, filled with confidence in the power of Jesus' name. Hear us and answer our prayers in your great wisdom and love. We ask this through Christ who is our risen Lord now and forever. **Amen.**

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

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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

All stand.

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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 Lead Me, Guide Me (LEVAS 194)







The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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 our thanks and praise.

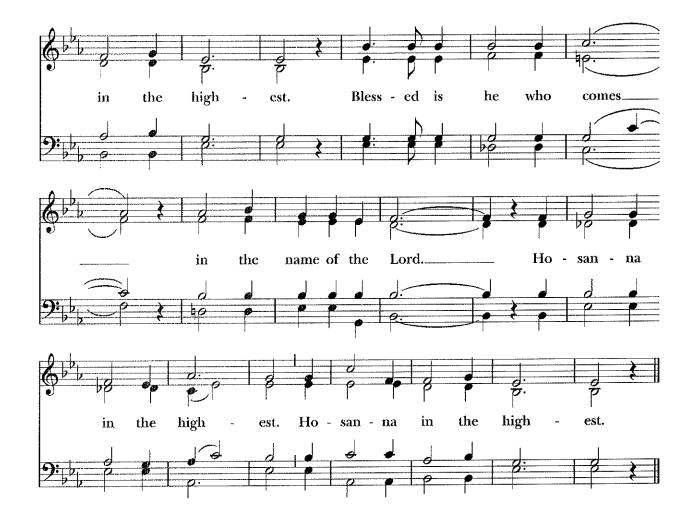
Presider

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

THE HYMNAL 1982 SERVICE MUSIC #130 S 130 Holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx) Presider and People





The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

"Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

"Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Cyril, our Patron Saint, all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER LEVAS #264

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

People and Celebrant

Our Father which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Alleluia! Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

People Be known to us Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia!

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN Here Am I, Send Me (LEVAS 126)



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

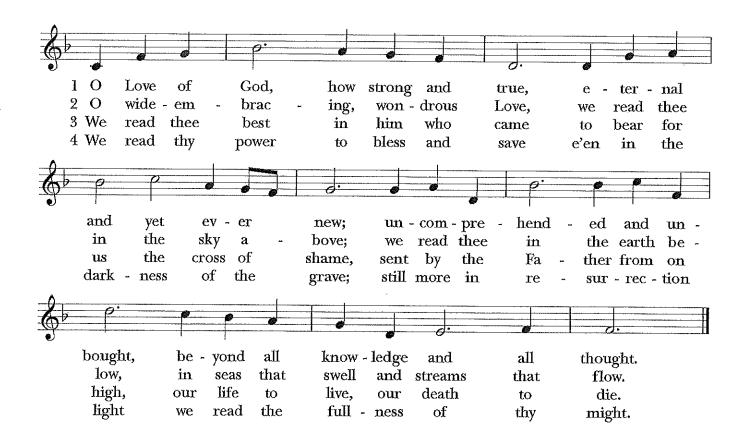
Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore. *Amen*.

CLOSING HYMN O Love of God, how strong and true (Dunedin) (H 455)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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TODAY



The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

Helen Conlan Yolanda Bush

> by Pat Bush

Announcements:

Healing service Thursday, May 11th at Noon via Zoom, commemorating Frances Perkins, Publish Servant and Prophetic Witness, 1965

Weekday Bible Study Group, meets Wednesday Evening, May 10th in the Parish Hall from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

Teddy Bears for the Teddy Bear Ministry are available to give to someone who could use a little Trinity love.

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