# 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.



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

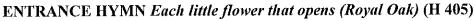
May 25, 2025

9:30 AM

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### **PRELUDE**

# **Entrance Rite**





#### **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.

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*.

# The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

The people sit.

<sup>9</sup>During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup>We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup>On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup>A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

#### PSALM: Psalm 67

Remain seated.

<sup>1</sup>May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

<sup>2</sup>Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup>The earth has brought forth her increase; \* may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

<sup>7</sup>May God give us his blessing, \*
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

#### SEQUENCE HYMN Celtic Alleluia (O'Carroll/Walker) (MHSO 20)

All stand.



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#### **GOSPEL: John 14:23-29**

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All stand.

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus [said to Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup>You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup>And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

#### THE NICENE CREED

All rise 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

All remain standing.

Holy God send your spirit to comfort, inform, direct, and guide us to your truth in this life and in the life to come. Hear and respond to us as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Gift all those who love you with the will and discipline to follow your commands. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Inspire those who fear that you are far from them. Guide us to be in their lives so that they may know with certainty that your love is always present. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Give our national and international leaders and all who hold authority over your people strong hearts filled with compassion, mercy, and justice. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Comfort those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit. Grant them an awareness of your faithful care and your deep desire for the restoration of all things. Especially we pray for those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we name silently or out loud (a period of silence):

Zella Anderson, Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Bill Besecker, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Lola Clarke, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, John Coveleski, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Pat Hendricks, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Jennifer Jenkins, Maria Jones, Diane Kitson, Nina Larkin, Vivian Larkin, John and Lindsay, Lisa, David Kirkner, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Joseph Manni, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloon, Mercedes, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Terry Oxenreider, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Cathy Shaffer, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, John Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Colby Stackhouse, Stephanie, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Catherine Thompson, Tom, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams

#### Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello

Military: PO1 Andrew Combs, MAJ Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, PO 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

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Debra Tillotson, Kathleen Deets Price, Beth Fazio and Al Carey, Sr. And for those celebrating anniversaries this week: John & Minnie Kirwin. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Guide us into vocations, relationships, study, and actions that delight and sustain us as we seek to follow your way of life and love. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

For those having died in faith, especially Barbara Thompson and Charles & Nina Thompson, for whom the altar flowers are given and for Cholena Eaton, for whom the side 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. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

#### Collect

Heavenly Father, overturn the empty doubts and fears we keep stored in the secret places of our thoughts and fill us instead with the peace that only you can give. Grant us a life lived in the joy of serving your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit dwells in love eternal. **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

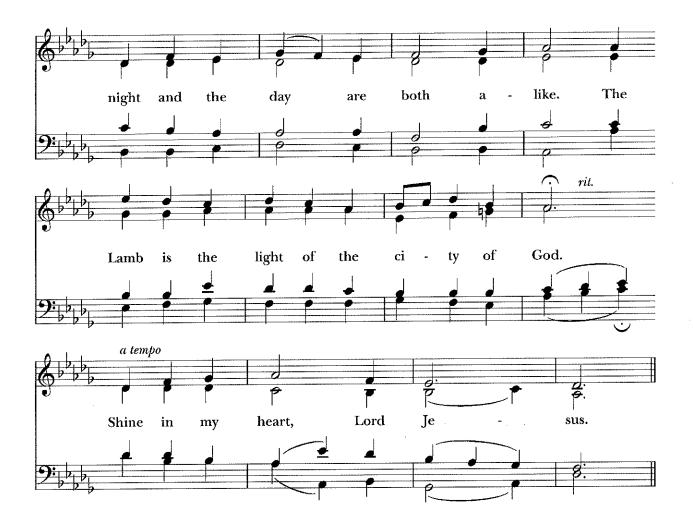
#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

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 I want to walk as a child of the light (Houston) (H 490)





# 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.

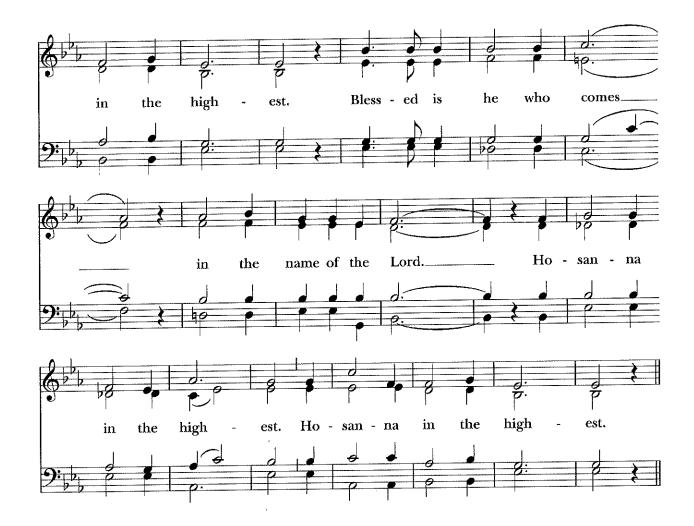
#### Presider

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, 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 Sweet, Sweet Spirit (LEVAS 120)







#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

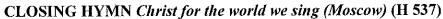
After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

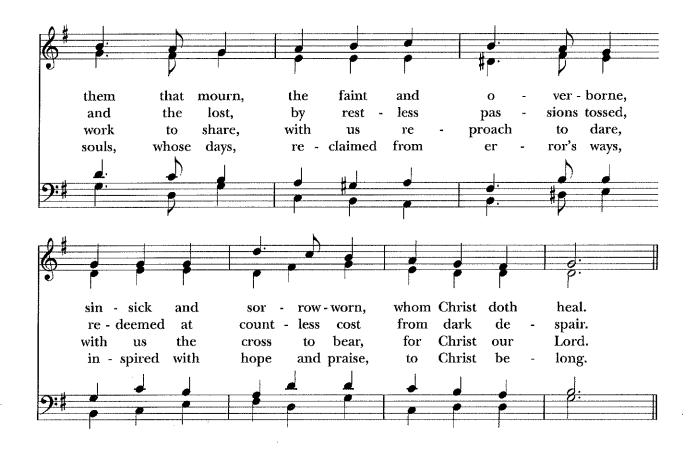
Celebrant and People

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**







#### DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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# TODAY Welcome Gail Rodgers, Guest Pianist!



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

# Barbara Thompson Charles & Nina Thompson

by Michael Thompson

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

#### Cholena Eaton

by Paul Shidlowski

#### **Announcements:**

**Healing Service on Thursday, May 29**th at Noon via Zoom. Commemorating Jeanee d'Arc (Joan of Arc) Mystic and Soldier, 1431

First Fridays and the Strawberry Festival Reimagined June 6 and Saturday, June 7

Vestry Retreat Saturday, June 28th 9 a.m. to lunch.

St. Cyril's Day Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> with guest preacher, The Rev. Emerson Cottrell of St. Paul's AME church in Coatesville.

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