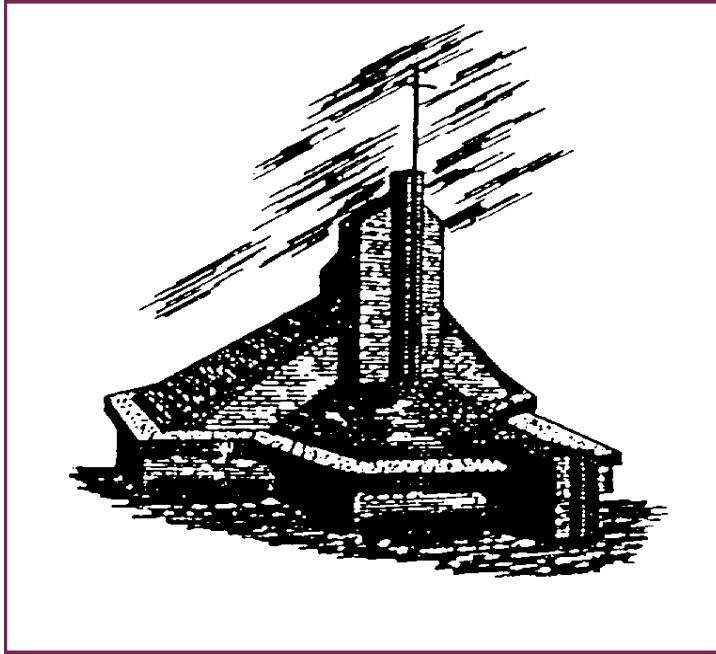


Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist Rite II

Ascension Sunday

May 12, 2024 8 & 9:30a.m.

(The Lines in bold italics are spoken by the people.)

We are all guests at the Lord's Table. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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Prelude

Tim Davis

Processional Hymn: 494 “Crown Him with many crowns” (vs. 1,3,4)

1. *Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.*

3. *Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.*

4. *Crown him of Lords the Lord, who over all doth reign,
who once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain,
now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing
their songs before him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King.*

The Word of God

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord has risen indeed. Alleluia.***

Collect for Purity

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.***

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
People ***Christ, have mercy.***
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

The Lessons: (*we sit*)

The First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his

own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Second Reading: (read responsively)

Psalm 47

1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; *

shout to God with a cry of joy.

2 For the LORD Most High is to be feared; *

he is the great King over all the earth.

3 He subdues the peoples under us, *

and the nations under our feet.

4 He chooses our inheritance for us, *

the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

5 God has gone up with a shout, *

the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; *

sing praises to our King, sing praises.

7 For God is King of all the earth; *

sing praises with all your skill.

8 God reigns over the nations; *

God sits upon his holy throne.

9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together *
with the people of the God of Abraham.

10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, *
and he is highly exalted

The Epistle Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

(We all stand)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

The Gospel Luke 24:44-53

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law

of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

The Sermon (we sit) Rev. Becky

The Nicene Creed (we 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.

Prayers of the People, Form III *(we kneel if able)*

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 Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Justin & Dabney our Bishops, Greg & John our retired bishops;

Becky our priest, Pattie our Deacon, and Russell our seminarian. 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.

We give thanks for those who are serving our country: Gabe Bales, Clayton Neese, Matt Davis, Marc Miller, and Naomi & Kolten Webster. We pray for Gabriel Brown, Eladio Pagan, Keith Miller, James Pike, Jonah Pike and Ethan Chojnacki who are deployed in service to our country. We also pray for our first responders, especially John Munoz, Ben F. & Zachary Spiess. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for our Members: James & Michelle Cobb, Nolan, Sharon, Sylvia,

Allene, Susie & Dabney. We pray for our Family & Friends: **Craig Smith, Chad Anderson**, Wanda, Tinley Sylvain, Tanya Goodman, Brandon Johnson, Rac, Lori Lenas, Gary Wilson, Ken Wiggins, Stephanie Smith, Patricia Parker, Kacey Terry, Cynthia McDanal, Tommy Stokes, Linda, Ramona Ray, Susan McMillan, Diane, Victoria Howell-Lykins, Chuck Filyaw, Al Smith, Mary Helen, and Mike Daniels, and we offer prayers for those not able to join us; especially Denny and Karen; 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.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for the churches in our Diocese: All Saints, Winter Park; and for St. Richard's Church, Winter Park; Please pray they continue to discover God's grace; change their lives and change the world.

O Lord our Governor, whose glory fills all the world: We commend this Nation to your merciful care, that we may be guided by your providence, and dwell secure in your peace. Grant to the President of this Nation, the Governor of this State, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them continually mindful of their calling to serve this people in reverent obedience to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. ***Amen.***

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

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

Leader and People saying together

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 the absolution.

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 *(we stand)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And also with you.***

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

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries

***Happy Birthday to you! To Jesus be true!
May the Lord Bless and keep you,
Your whole life through.***

Offertory

Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music

Tim Davis

The Doxology sung together

Hymn 380

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

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant and People (we stand)

Celebrant 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; through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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

Hymn S-130 Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (sung)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

The Celebrant continues (we kneel or sit, as able.)

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.

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.***

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

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia***

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Communion Music

Tim Davis



The Body and Blood of Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Now in thanksgiving, let us pray together.

Almighty and everliving 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.

The Blessing *The Priest blesses the people.*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 460 “Alleluia, sing to Jesus” (verses 1, 3, 5)

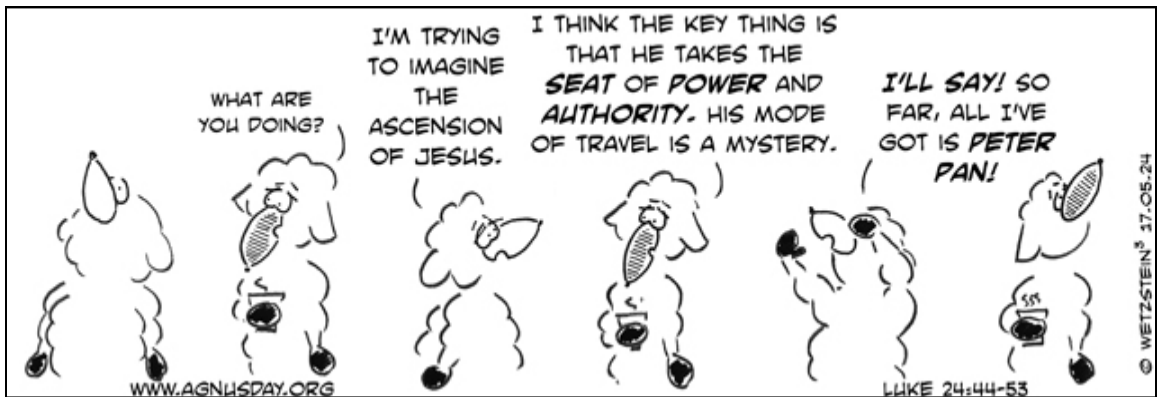
- 1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation Hath redeemed us by his blood.**

- 3. Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, Thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! Here the sinful Flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, Earth’s Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless Sweep across the crystal sea.**

- 5. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone;
Hark! The songs to holy Zion Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation Hath redeemed us by his blood.**

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



Happy Mother's Day



The Altar Flowers are Given Today in Loving memory of James & Nicki Abbitt by their daughter Alice and Son Jim and family



The Sanctuary Candle is Burning Bright to the Glory of God and dedicated to our friend, Penny Goebel by the Biggs Family

Serving Us Today: Altar Guild Team:
George Ann & Martin Hodges
Sarah & Nim Korda

May God Bless your special day!

Birthdays

May 15—George Clements

May 16—Marjorie Symes

May 16—Becky Toalster

Anniversaries



- Friday 8am Parish Breakfast
- There is no Youth Group today—Mother’s Day
- Still several openings to sign up for altar flowers or candle on the sheet in the Narthex.
- Rev. Becky will be out of town May 13-17th, please adjust emergencies accordingly
- Pentecost picnic May 19th—sign up for sides/desserts in the Narthex. All services that day will be in Carleton Hall.

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Worship Attendance— 51

Tithes & Offerings— \$ 7,649.00

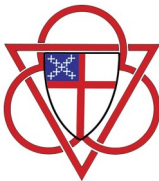
Weekly Budget—\$4,470.00

May 19, Readings: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Acts 2:1-21

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15



Bishop: *The Rt. Rev. Justin Holcomb*

Assisting Bishop: *The Rt. Rev. Dabney Smith*

Rector: *Rev. Becky Toalster*

Deacon: *Deacon Pattie Behnstedt*

Senior Warden: *Sharon Camden*

Co-Junior Wardens: *James Clements & Byron Walker*

Parish Administrator/Sexton: *Wayne Troxler*

Accompanist: *Tim Davis*

Nursery: *Dalmaris Suarez*