HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



The Liturgy of the Word

The Third Sunday of Easter: April 18, 2021

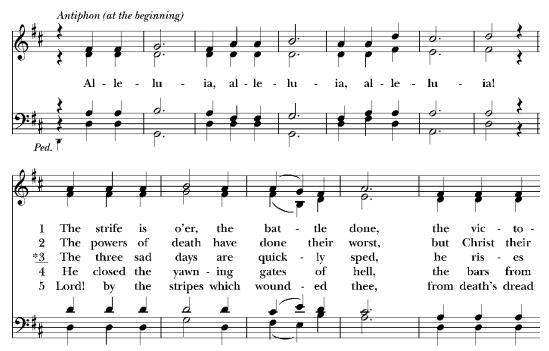
Welcome! The clergy and people of Holy Trinity are glad that you are worshiping with us today. We invite you to participate fully in the service, and we offer this bulletin to help you do so. If the Episcopal liturgy is new to you, we hope that you will follow along with the suggested congregational actions (in italics), ask for help if you need it, and participate to the extent you feel comfortable. If you are a visitor, we invite you to introduce yourself to one of the clergy following the service or join us for any of our online worship services or activities during the week. If you are looking for a parish home, we hope you will find one here.

Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of a friend by Viola Wolf.

Prelude

OPENING HYMN: ALLELUIA THE STRIFE IS O'ER

HYMNAL 208





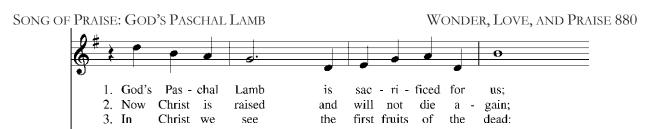
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

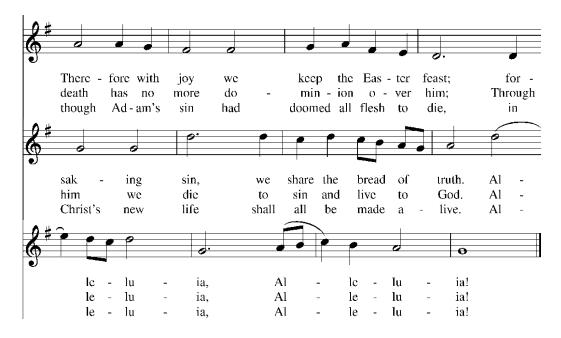
Throughout the service, the People make the responses in **bold print**.

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Officiant says the Collect for Purity and the People respond Amen.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE FIRST READING ACTS 3:12-19

¹²Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

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

PSALM 4

The psalm is said alternating between the Officiant and the People, slowly and meditatively with a slight pause at each asterisk.

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; * you set me free when I am hard-pressed;

have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; * when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin; *

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices, * and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying,

"Oh, that we might see better times!" *

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness in my heart, * more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

⁸I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; * for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

THE EPISTLE 1 JOHN 3:1-7

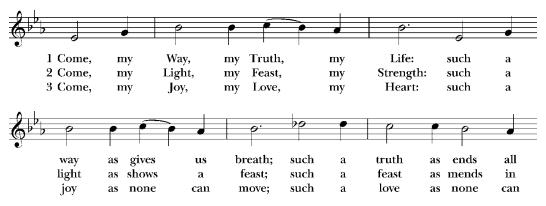
¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

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

HYMN: COME, MY WAY, MY TRUTH, MY LIFE

HYMNAL 487





THE HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 24:36B-48

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

^{36b}Jesus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "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." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

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

THE SERMON MTR. SUZ CATE

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

The Intercessor calls the People to prayer, and after each petition, the People make this response:

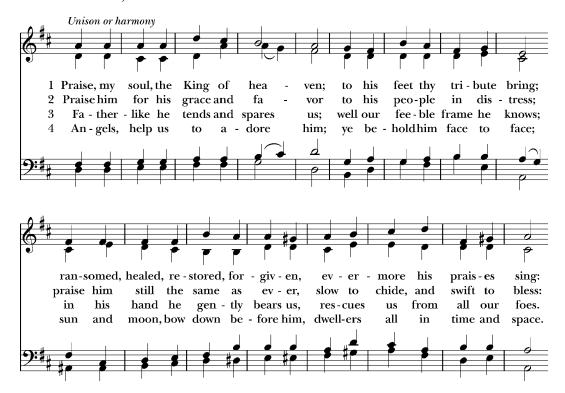
Intercessor Answer us when we call, O Lord:

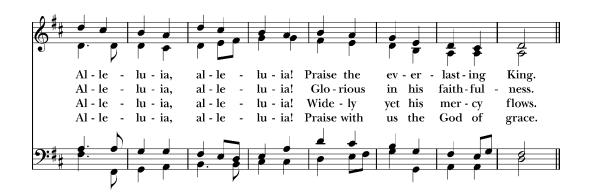
People Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

The Officiant adds a concluding prayer.

HYMN: PRAISE MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

HYMNAL 410





THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant

Let us pray in the words our Savior taught us.

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Officiant blesses the People.

POSTLUDE

"Allegro" from Concertoin D

Antonio Vivaldi

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and Andrew, our bishop; for the people and clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti, especially in Cange and Bois Joli; for the Bishop Nominating Committee and the next Bishop of Upper South Carolina; and for the clergy, staff, and vestry of our parish.

Pray for Joseph, our President; Henry, our governor; and all entrusted with authority and those who influence public opinion.

Pray for all people in any kind of need or trouble, For Dot and Bill, Violet, Jude, Roy and Charlotte, Frieda Wald, Luther, Kathy, Vicki, and Darla, Carolyn Foster, Jasy, Marcelle and Desiree, Beverly Martineau, Ann and Fred Hoffman, Emily Yanes, Irene Melton, Kathy Mugan, Dianna Salsgiver and all who have COVID and their families

Pray in thanksgiving for all who are recovering and have recovered from COVID-19, for the COVID vaccine, and for the birthdays of Connor McPeak, Don Garrett, and Will Purkerson

Pray for all victims of natural disasters, for those who have lost jobs, for healing for our nation, for people who work for justice and peace, for health care workers, for hospice care workers, for all essential workers across all industries, for all students, faculty, and staff of schools and universities, and young parish families struggling with parents work and children in school.

Pray for the souls of all the departed, Jan, Caleb, and all who have died from the coronavirus this week.

Please send us your prayers of thanksgiving as well as prayer requests. All names will be listed for three weeks unless a longer time is requested. To add a name to the list, send an email to Serena DuBose at daffydubose@gmail.com. Please consider if you need to speak to someone before adding a name to the list to prevent misunderstandings.