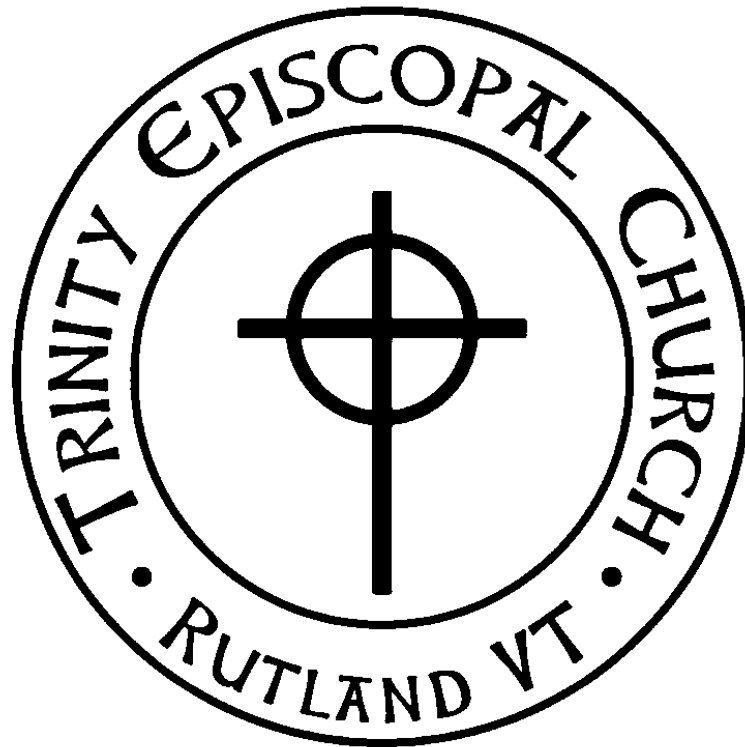


TRINITY CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

9:30 a.m.



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY CHURCH FAMILY!

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*Seeking God * Growing in spirituality * Serving all with compassion * Embracing courageous hope*

The Rev. Sarah C. Ginolfi, Rector

9:30a.m. Fourth Sunday of Easter – Holy Eucharist

The Invitatory

Prelude

Prelude on “St. Columba”

Robin Milford

Processional Hymn #645

The King of Love my shepherd is

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

Celebrant: 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 S 277 (*service music is found in the front section of the hymnal*)

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.*

The Word of the Lord

Lessons of the Day

First Lesson:

Acts 4:5-12

Reader: 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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: *Thanks be to God.*



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- 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 days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading

1 John 3:16-24

Reader:

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #334

Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing

Gospel

John 10:11-18

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *Glory to you, O Christ.*

Celebrant: 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.”

The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Sarah Ginolfi

The Nicene Creed (Congregation)

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

People: 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.

Intercession Prayers

Reader: Alleluia! O God, may the empty tomb fill our hearts with faith. Alleluia! Loving God, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive in our world, our church, and our hearts. Renew and strengthen us in the risen life we share in Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Reader: In the work we do this day,

People: May the risen Christ teach us.

Reader: In the challenges we face this day,

People: May the risen Christ guide us.

Reader: Through the people we meet this day,

People: May the risen Christ renew us.

*Reader: In our cycle of prayers, we pray for **The Anglican Church of Australia; St. John the Baptist Church, Hardwick; the Rev. John Perry.** For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Shannon, our Bishop; and Sarah, our priest, and for all bishops and other ministers; through the church we worship God this day,*

People: May the risen Christ empower us.

Reader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for:

Lindi, Rebekah, Kathy, Joe, Kyle, Nanci, Jane, Gary & Elaine, Hawa, Tom, Ryah. We pray that the children under the protection of Orphan Care Volunteers Association in Uganda receive those blessings necessary to sustain their physical and spiritual well-being. For all the friends and family we care for this day,

People: May the risen Christ sustain us.

*Reader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray especially for those parishioners celebrating birthdays and anniversaries: **Altar flowers are given in celebration of the birthday of Lois Jaworski; we also celebrate Brian Patrick, Andrew Morgan, John Maitland, Randy Hawkins, Christopher Creed, Richard Kaufman, Jim Harder, Romeo Cormia.** In the celebrations we share this day,*

People: May the risen Christ bless us.

Reader: We pray for all who have died. In the remembrances we recall this day,

People: May the risen Christ console us.

Reader: Guide us as we grow in spirituality, serve all with compassion, and embrace your courageous hope in the world. And, as we respond to the hungers and hurts of this world,

People: May the Spirit of the risen Christ strengthen us.

Celebrant: O God of peace, who has taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of God be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Thank you for your financial commitment to the life of Trinity Church. Your faithful stewardship helps us dare to dream alongside God's mission of Love. The offering plate is located at the top of the center aisle on the way to the altar.

Offertory Anthem

The Lord is my Shepherd

Howard Goodall

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving S 120

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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:

Sanctus S 124

*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.*

Eucharistic Prayer A (People stand or kneel as able.)

Celebrant: 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: 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 Lord's Prayer

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

*All: 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 Fraction S 152

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: *Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

The Invitation

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.

You are welcome at God's table! To join in this sacred meal, proceed up the center aisle and either stand or kneel along the railing. The inside rows go first up the center aisle and then the outside rows dismiss to the back of the church and then up the center aisle. If that's too far a walk, please come to the railing in whatever way you are most able, or alert an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat. There are two options to receive the wine: by sharing from the common chalice (cup) or by intinction (dipping the wafer) into the Communion Bowl. Please do not use the common cup for dipping. Gluten free wafers and/or grape juice are available upon request. Finally, those wishing to receive a blessing instead of Communion are invited to cross their arms as a signal to the priest.

Communion Hymn #649

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: *Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Blessing

Celebrant: May the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.

Closing Hymn #178

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

Dismissal

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

People: *Thanks Be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude

Grand Choeur (from the oratorio "Joshua")

G. F. Handel

Exiting: Your presence is a blessing! Thank you for this gift.