

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

18 May 2025

Trinity Episcopal Church Wilmington, Delaware in The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware

Welcome!!! We are Glad you are Here

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INTRODUCTIONS TO TODAY'S LESSONS

Acts 11.1-18

Peter has been instrumental in the conversion of a Gentile to Christianity. Cornelius, an officer in the Roman army, has received the Holy Spirit and has been baptized – as have members of his household. Peter has now returned to Judea where members of the Christian community who are of Jewish origin seek an explanation as to why Gentiles have become Christians.

Revelation 21.1-6

The book of Revelation is "the revelation of Christ" made through John. It is prophecy which reveals secrets of heaven and earth. In a vision, John has seen the destruction of the old city, and of the old heaven and earth. Now he sees the new creation, of divine origin and free of evil forces – for ultimately God's love will prevail.

John 13.31-35

Jesus is preparing his followers for his departure. After the Last Supper, he has washed the feet of his disciples, a symbol of servanthood. He has predicted his betrayal. Judas Iscariot has gone out into the night – a symbol of the dark deed he is about to commit.

PRAYER LIST

Week of Sunday, May 18th to Saturday, May 24th, 2025

This list combines all the prayer and thanksgiving requests we have received for this week, along with "cycles" of prayer for the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Delaware (The Episcopal Church in Delaware). We invite you to have your prayer requests and thanksgivings listed by calling the Parish Office at 302.652.8605 or sending an email to office@TrinityParishDE.org or contacting Dr Marta at Marta@TrinityParishDE.org or Fr Kirtley at FrKirtley@TrinityParishDE.org. Names will remain on the list for a period of two weeks. Should you wish for a name to be renewed, please contact the Parish Office with a status update.

In addition to being listed here, those who are sick or have special needs will be mentioned by Christian name in the Prayers of the People at each liturgical service. Anyone who has died this week will be remembered by using their full name.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

For the Church: Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, the Anglican Consultative Council.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Clergy and Congregation of St. Paul's Church, Camden.

Rector Search Committee, Trinity Forward: Greg, Rachel, Betsy, Steve, Brian, Doug, Angelica, Toni.

For Government Leaders: Donald our President; Matt our Governor; John our Mayor.

For Health and Healing: Jim, Andy, Phil, Tritstina, Richard, Jesús, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Alyse, George, Richard, Debbie, Marilyn, and Diane.

For Anniversary of their Birth: Jay, Luke, and Alyson.

For those celebrating the Anniversary of their Marriage: Michael & Cee.



Altar Flowers

The flowers are given in memory of Frances Vaughan Finletter and Ruth Gerstell Debevoise.

WELCOME TO TRINITY EPISCOPAL PARISH. We are glad you are here!!! We are a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware. The Episcopal Church welcomes all who worship Jesus Christ, in 106 dioceses and one mission area in 22 nations or territories. The Episcopal Church is one of 42 member provinces of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and contains all of the material needed for this service.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude (Organ and Piano) Come, Ye Faithful, Raise The Strain!

Tune: Arthur S. Sullivan Setting: Lani Smith

Welcome to Trinity Parish

A period of silence is kept.

Processional Hymn *Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing With Gladness*

Please stand, if able; sung by all

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Easter Greeting *remain standing, if able*

The Celebrant proclaims

ALLELUIA. **†** CHRIST IS RISEN.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity *remain standing, if able*

The Celebrant and People then say

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.

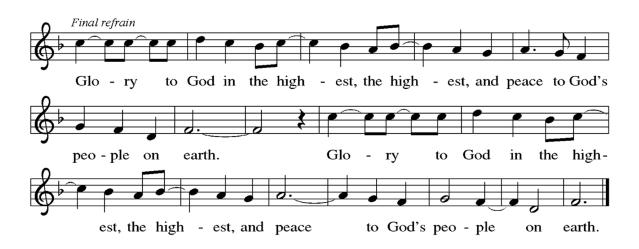
Gloria Glory to God In The Highest

Setting: Dennis Friesen–Carper









Collect of the Day *remain standing, if able*

The Celebrant saysThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

All pray in silence for a space.

A LMIGHTY 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.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lesson

Acts 11.1-18

The Lector first says

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The APOSTLES AND THE BELIEVERS who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

After the Lesson, the Lector says

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

A period of silence is kept.

Gradual Psalm 148

Laudate Dominum

The Congregation remains seated. The psalm is recited in unison.

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; * praise him in the heights.

- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; * for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; * he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;

- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, * old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, * for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Please remain seated.

The Epistle

Revelation 21.1-6

The Lector first says

A Reading from the Revelation to John.

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

After the Lesson, the Lector says

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

A period of silence is kept.

Please stand, if able; sung by all

Hymn at the Gospel

Blessed City, Heavenly Salem

Tune: *Regent Square*; Henry T. Smart, 1833-1879 in "Psalms and Hymns for Divine Worship", 1867



- Blessèd city, heavenly Salem, vision dear of peace and love, who of living stones art builded in the height of heaven above, and, with angel hosts encircled, as a bride dost earthward move;
- 2 from celestial realms descending, bridal glory round thee shed, meet for him whose love espoused thee, to thy Lord shalt thou be led; all thy streets and all thy bulwarks of pure gold are fashionèd.
- Bright thy gates of pearl are shining; they are open evermore; and by virtue of his merits thither faithful souls do soar, who, for Christ's dear Name, in this world pain and tribulation bore.
 - 4 Many a blow and biting sculpture polished well those stones elect,
 in their places now compacted by the heavenly Architect,
 who therewith hath willed for ever that his palace should be decked.

5 Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three, and ever One, consubstantial, co-eternal, while unending ages run.

The Holy Gospel remain standing, if able

John 13.31-35

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The **†** Holy Gospel of our **†** Lord Jesus Christ **†** according to John. *People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

A T THE LAST SUPPER, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

After the Gospel, the Priest says

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

The Sermon

The Rev'd Dr Kirtley Yearwood SR

A period of silent reflection is kept.

The Nicene Creed standing, if able; said by all

\ / E 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 *remain standing, if able*

The Celebrant bids the Intercessions with these words

NITED in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Silence

The intercessor then leads the Prayers

Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Bless Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, the Anglican Consultative Council and all ministers of your Church, especially in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, the Clergy and Congregation of St. Paul's Church, Camden, for Kirtley and Marta our Priests, our Staff, and Wardens and Vestry of our Parish, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit, that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Touch and heal all those whose lives are in illness, especially Jim, Andy, Phil, Tritstina, Richard, Jesús, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Alyse, George, Richard, Debbie, Marilyn, and Diane that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us who have been well– pleasing to you from eternity; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom and grant us your peace at all times. Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Silence

At the end of the Intercessions, the Celebrant adds the following concluding Collect.

ALMIGHTY GOD, we give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace *remain standing, if able*

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated.

Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence *remains seated*

An Offering of money is collected for the work of mission and ministry OR <u>you may scan the QR</u> <u>Code below</u>:

If you would like to give online to Trinity Parish, please scan the QR code on the right.



Musical Meditation (Piano)

Reflection on "Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New" John L. Bell

The Choir sings:

Offertory Anthem

This Is The DayMusic: Daniel ForrestText: Adapted from Psalm 118 by Daniel Forrest

This is the day the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my song, He has become my salvation. The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my song, You are my God, I will exalt you.

This is the day the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Please stand, if able, as the gifts of bread and wine and alms are brought forward.



Sursum Corda

The people standing, if able. The Celebrant says,

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 our thanks and praise.

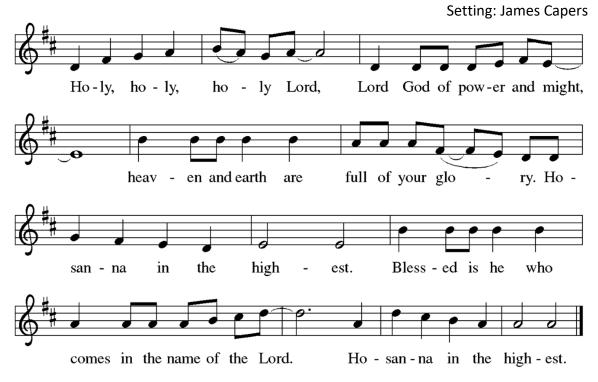
Preface of Easter

Then, the Celebrant proceeds

⊤ 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 & Benedictus qui venit remain standing, if able; sung by all

Eucharistic Prayer *remain standing, if able*

Then the Celebrant continues

HOLY AND GRACIOUS FATHER: In of all, 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, 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.**

A period of silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer remain standing, if able; said by all

The Celebrant says

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

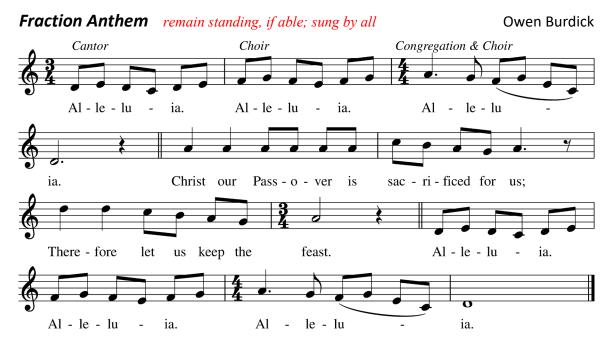
People and Celebrant

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 *remain standing*, if able

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.



The Communion of the People

The Episcopal Church invites all Christians of any age to the Lord's Table. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the consecrated Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered, by gently guiding the base with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you are not baptized, or if you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms).

Gluten-free wafers are available at the Altar rail. Please speak to the priest when you come forward for Communion.

Handbells at Communion As We Gather At Your Table

Tune: from The Sacred Harp, 1844 Setting: Lloyd Larson

The Choir sings:

Communion Anthem Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Music: Picardy, 17th Century French carol; melody from Chansons populaires des Provinces de France Choral Setting: Gustav Holst Text: Liturgy of Saint James; Translated from the Greek by Gerald Moultrie

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly-minded for with blessing in His hand, Christ our Lord to earth descendeth our full homage to demand. King of Kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth, He stood, Lord of Lords, in human vesture in the Body and the Blood He will give to all the faithful His own Self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way As the light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At His feet, the six-winged seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice, they cry, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya Lord Most High! Amen. Amen.

A period of silent prayer is kept.

Prayer after Communion standing, if able; said by all

Celebrant 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.

Prayer for the Calling of a Rector

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY GOD, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and so guide the mind of the Discernment Team, Trinity Forward, who shall recommend to the Vestry of Trinity Parish, a Rector for this congregation, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING FORTH

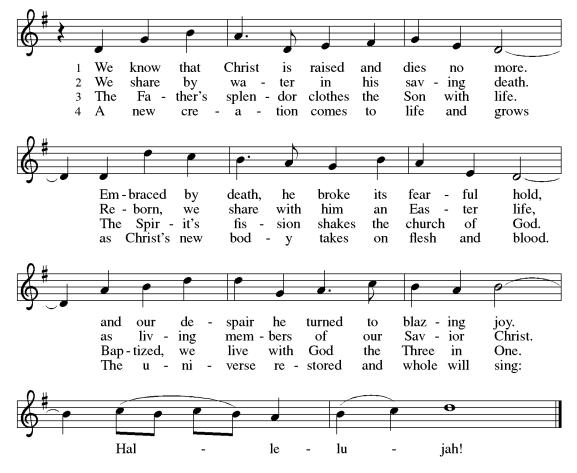
Easter Blessing remain standing, if able

The Celebrant gives the blessing

THE GOD OF PEACE, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, **†** the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn We Know That Christ Is Raised

remain standing, if able; sung by all



Text: John B. Geyer, b. 1932 Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924 Text © John B. Geyer.

Dismissal remain standing, if able

The Celebrant dismisses the people

Alleluia, alleluia. With the risen life of Christ within you, Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude (Organ and Piano) Alleluia, The Strife Is O'er

Tune: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina Setting: Lani Smith

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Thank you for worshiping with us today. Come, See...Go and Tell

Announcements

Save the Date! Bishop Brown is coming to Trinity on June 22nd, which will also be Confirmation Sunday. The Bishop will preside over the 10 am and 12 pm services. We will not have an 8 am service on June 22nd. A special coffee hour will be held after both services. We hope you can join us either in person or online.

HELP NEEDED! The very old Steinway baby grand piano in the upstairs choir room here at Trinity, the piano which the choir uses to rehearse each Thursday evening for our Sunday services, is in extremely bad condition and the poor quality of the sound has impeded our rehearsals. The problem goes well beyond anything a tuning or minor work can fix. It has developed a large crack in the soundboard and frame and all the piano experts who have looked at it agree that it would cost far more to fix it and renovate the piano than it would to get a solid replacement piano. If you would be interested in providing the funds needed to purchase a suitable new (or used) baby grand piano for the choir room, please email our Director of Music, David Simmons at: david@trinityparishde.org

Service Participants

David Simmons—Organist and Choir DirectorKerry DietzDoug McQuirter—AVJim & AshlAlice Anthony, Betsy Chapin—ReadersTom HoppRay Stiles—Master of CeremoniesSarah BerrFlowers arranged by Kathleen David.Flowers arranged by Kathleen David.

Kerry Dietz – Assistant Organist/Pianist Jim & Ashlin Bray—Ushers Tom Hopper—Intercessor Sarah Berninger—Chalice

Team 4: Ava Vandergast, Amelia Welch-Wierzbicki—Altar Guild



The Right Reverend Kevin S. Brown – Bishop, Diocese of Delaware The Reverend Dr. Kirtley Yearwood SR—Interim Rector The Reverend Dr. Marta Illueca—Associate Rector David Simmons—Director of Music Aniela Meinhaldt – Office Manager Bob Kahn – Maintenance Manager Alyse Calder – Sunday School Coordinator

Vestry

Bid Hukill (Sr. Warden), Catherine Dean (Jr. Warden) Daphne Arrindell, Rachel Berninger, Robbie Smith – 2025 Class Brenda Demanczyk, Bob Emeritz (Secretary), James Maxwell – 2026 Class Steve Dooley, Janet Gordon, Ray Stiles – 2027 Class Ann Hamilton (Treasurer)

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