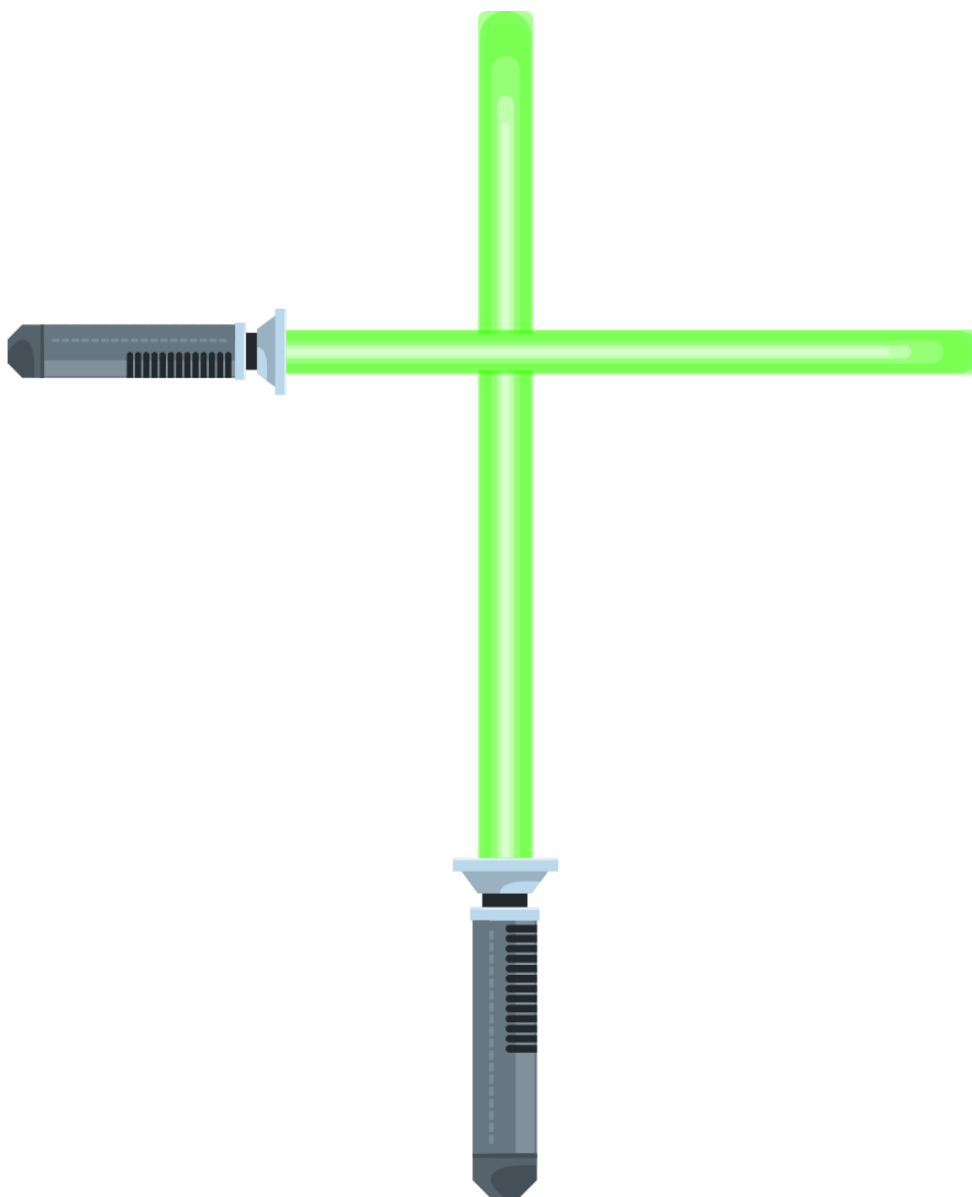




TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Progressive ✧ Inclusive ✧ Creative ✧ Downtown



THIRD Sunday of Easter



May 4, 2025

10:00 am

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

PRELUDE

Aria in F with Variations
(Ken Stoops, organ)

Johann Pachelbel

WELCOME

The Rev. Jon M. Richardson

OPENING SONG

Graves Into Gardens

Elevation Worship

***Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing, nothing is better
than You***

*I searched the world
But it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise
and treasures that fade
Are never enough*

*'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
There's not a place
Your mercy and grace
Won't find me again*

***Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing, nothing is better
than You***

***Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing, nothing is better
than You***

*You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can*

*You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can
You're the only one who can*

***Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing, nothing is better
than You***

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

***People:* Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Priest: 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 Savior. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Sung twice.

C G/B Am C/G F F/G C F/G

Glo-ry to God in the highest and peace to God's peo-ple on earth

9 C G/B Am C/G Dm7 F/G C F/C C

Glo-ry to God in the highest and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: God be with you.

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

Priest: 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.**

Trinity Kids are now invited to follow their teachers to the Clubhouse!

THE FIRST LESSON

ACTS 9:1-20

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in

Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 30

Text from Psalms for Praying by Nan Merrill

Please join in singing the Refrain- the verses will be offered by the Trinity Choir.

LEVAS #274

I will praise your name for - ev -

er, You - are Love Shin - ing Light.

REFRAIN

*I will praise You, O my Beloved, for You have raised me up,
and have not let my fears overwhelm me.
O Compassionate One, I cried for help, and You comforted me.
You, Love, released my soul from despair,
restored me to life from among those who live in fear.*

*Sing praises to the Beloved, O you saints, and give thanks to Love's holy Name.
Love withdraws when we close our hearts, yet ever awaits an open door.
In the evening we may weep,
yet joy comes with the morning.*

*In my prosperity, I had lost sight of Love,
I found power in my wealth.
In your mercy, O Beloved, my foundations You shook.
And, in recognizing my separation from You, I was dismayed. **REFRAIN***

*I cried to You for help; to You,
I pleaded for forgiveness:
 *"What profit in my riches if I am separated from Love?
 Will emptiness praise You?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?
Hear, O my Beloved, and be gracious to me! O Love, come to my assistance!"**

*And You turned my mourning into dancing;
You set me free and clothed me with gladness.
Now my soul my praise You and not be silent.
O my Beloved, I will be grateful to You forever and ever. Amen. **REFRAIN***

THE SECOND LESSON

REVELATION 1:4-8

Reader: A reading from the Revelation to John.

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

*"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"*

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

*"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"*

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sung twice.

C F C Am

Come and see what God has done. Come and see who I've be-come Ev-er since

4 G F

I met a-ma-zing grace, Ev-ery-thing has changed. Come and see

6 C Am

the joy I've found All the hope that fills me now. If you

8 G F C

need proof that God can do an-y-thing come and see.

GOSPEL

JOHN 21:1-19

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

***People:* Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them;

and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

***People:* Praise to you, O Christ.**

sermon

The Rev. Jon M. Richardson

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary**

and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

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Intercessor: Gathered at the empty tomb, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. God of Easter gladness, invigorate us with the good news of freedom to choosing a path of love and new life.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter rebirth, renew creation with rain, warmth, wonder and a creator's love. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter everywhere, charge and challenge leaders of all nations to be servants and peacemakers. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter joy, surprise, amaze, and comfort all who seek healing. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter people, hear the prayers of this community on this and every day. At this time, we invite your own prayers, silently or aloud. *(Pause.)* Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter presence, protect those who serve and work in dangerous conditions at home and abroad. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: God of Easter promises, invite us into the hope and joy of eternal life. We celebrate the life and witness of all the saints you have called by name. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your risen Son, Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Please greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY INVITATION

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OFFERTORY

Oh Happy Day *The Edwin Hawkins Singers*
(Kim Buehler and the Trinity Choir)

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when He washed (When Jesus washed)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when He washed (When Jesus washed)

*When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)
Oh, it's a happy day (Oh, happy day)*

*He taught me how (He taught me how)
To watch and fight and pray
Watch and pray*

*And live rejoicing every day
Every day*

*Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when He washed (When Jesus washed)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)*

*He taught me how (He taught me how)
To watch and fight and pray*

*Watch and pray
And live rejoicing every day (Good god)
Every day*

*Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, it's a happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, lord (Oh, happy day)
Mmm, good God (Oh, happy day)
Oh yeah (Oh, happy day)
Mmm, oh (Oh, happy day)*

✠ THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE ✠

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Prayer B (Expansive Language, trial use)

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to God**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the living God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior; who is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. Through death Christ has destroyed death, and through rising to life again Christ 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

Holy, Holy Holy

Grayson Warren Brown

1. Ho - ly Ho - ly, Ho - ly Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of Pow-er and might, Hea-ven and
2. Blessed is the one who comes in the name ____ of the Lord, in the name of the Lord, Ho -

5 earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na, in ____ the high - est.
5 san - na in ____ the high - est, Ho - san - na, in ____ the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before dying for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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, according to his command, O God,

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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: BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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. Receive this gift in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed in him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The priest will invite everyone to come forward for communion. The ushers will direct you when it is time. At Trinity we offer both fresh bread and gluten free crackers. In solidarity with our siblings in recovery, we serve only non-alcoholic wine. All are welcome.

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Princess Leia's Theme
(Grace Mauk, piano)*

John Williams

Verses



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin
 peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them.
 poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save. I, who made the
 They turn a - way. I will break their
 My hand will save. Fin-est bread I

stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
 will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
 call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
 lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Isaiah 6; Dan Schutte, b.1947
 Tune: Dan Schutte, b.1947; arr. by Michael Pope, SJ, and John Weissrock
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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Priest: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Savior Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; and the blessing of God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit of Wisdom and Truth, be among you now, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Our Strong and Tender God We Praise

*Inclusive Hymns for
Liberating Christians #80a*

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 3/8 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, corresponding to the four parts of the choir.

1. Our strong and ten - der God we praise; She dwells with - in our souls,
2. And when we pass through trou - bled lands, No foe can bring a - larm.
3. God speaks to us with gen - tle voice; She hears us when we call.
4. God's stead - fast love and faith - ful care Re - new our hearts each day.

To strength - en us through - out our days, And make us ful - ly whole.
God stretch - es out Her might - y hands, And shel - ters us from harm.
Her com - fort makes our hearts re - joice; She is our all in all.
She gives us bold new dreams to dare, For - ev - er with us stays.

Words: Jann Aldredge-Clanton

Music: Carl G. Glaser

Arr. Lowell Mason

AZMON
8.6.8.6. (CM)

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the power of the Risen Christ!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Star Wars (Main Theme)
(Ken Stoops, organ)

John Williams



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