
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024 + 11:00 am Worship

As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence all electronic devices. The opening voluntary is the call to silent meditation and preparation for worship.

+ Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Choral in E

Joseph Jongen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebekah LeMon

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is the true vine,

All: and we are the branches.

One: We are grafted to one another,

All: called to bear fruit.

One: May God water and feed us, prune us, and tend us,

All: that we might grow in faith.

One: With joy and thanksgiving, let us worship the Lord our God together.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

NICEA

INTROIT

Lois Horton Young

Sing for Joy!

Sing for joy! Dance for Joy! God loves us! All day long, all night long, God loves us!

(Cherub Choirs)

+CALL TO CONFESSION

Lucy Strong

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we know that all things are made new in you. We hear your promise of new life and we hope that that promise is for us. And yet, we cling to old ways. We are slow to change, even angry when change comes our way. We are quick to defend our habits and slow to step out of our comfort zones. We hold onto grudges and stereotypes even when we know they are clouding our hearts and minds. We expect forgiveness but are slow to give it. Forgive us for all the times we pray one way and act another. Forgive us for claiming your grace while resisting the change it must bring. Prune our bad habits and the hardened places in our hearts. Loving Lord, make us new.

(silence for personal prayers of confession)

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news! In Christ, we are new creations. The old life is gone, thank God! A new life has begun. Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

O WALY WALY

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control; our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship and are freed.

(may be found as stanza 3 of Hymn #639)

ANTHEM

Ken Berg

This Is the Day/Love Your Neighbor

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it! Love, love, love, love, Christians, this is your call: "Love your neighbor as yourself, for God loves us all."

(Primary Choir)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 22:25-31

(pew Bible, NT p. 501)

ANTHEM

Mark Patterson

How Can I Give You Thanks?

How can I give you thanks, oh, Lord, when you made the stars that shine so bright? How can I give you thanks, oh, Lord, when you gave the heavens light? Oh, Lord, your works are wonderful; their beauty I can see, and yet I stand here amazed, oh, Lord, that you would give such gifts to me.

God's Love Is Alive in Us

Sing with Joy! Sing with joy! God has done great things among us, Sing with joy! Sing with joy! Come give thanks for the goodness of God's love. Like all the saints who've gathered here before us, we come to pray and bless God's holy name; but on this ancient ground let glad new praise resound: God's love is alive in us today! We look with hope for all that still awaits us: a future claimed by trusting in God's grace. So let us, young and old, go forth with spirits bold. God's love is alive in us today!

(Junior Choir)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 15:1-8

(pew Bible, NT p. 109)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Rebekah LeMon

Bearing Fruit

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(adapted from Belonging to God: A First Catechism)

We are the church: the people who believe the good news about Jesus, who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace, the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love. We believe the good news that gives us comfort: that we belong to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for our sake, so that nothing will ever separate us from God's love.

+AFFIRMATION RESPONSE

SLANE

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

(tune maybe be found as Hymn #450)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Tom Farmer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Gordon Young

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise; that we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing Alleluia! All ye servants of the Lord, praise him forever, sing Jehovah's mighty pow'r, praise him forever. Sing of his righteousness.

(Youth and Chancel Choirs)

+DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN

#641 When in Our Music God is Glorified

ENGELBERG

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

(Youth and Chancel Choirs)

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

Fanfares

G. F. Handel

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WELCOME

Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here.

Childcare

Children are always welcome in worship at Trinity, and there are worship bags available at all entrances. If you would prefer to have childcare, it is available for children from birth through pre-K in the following rooms:

Infants and One-Year-Olds D102

Two-Year-Olds – Pre-K (4 year olds) D106

Prayer Requests

If you are going through a difficult time, we would like to know how best to support you. To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, birth, death, or prayer request, or if you need pastoral care after hours, reach out to any pastor or call 404-237-6491.

Counseling

Trinity has affiliate relationships with the following for private counseling. Morgan DiOrio, M.Ed., LPC, NCC, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Children, Adolescents and Families. Call 678-935-6472. Christi Bartolomucci, Ph.D., LPC, CPCS, Clinical Director of Atlanta Innovative Counseling Center, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults. Call 770-293-1950 ext. 210. Elizabeth Earhart, M.A., CCC-SLP; M.S., LPC, NCC, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults. Call 404-631-7934.

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to individuals facing life challenges or difficulties. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. Email stephenminister@trinityatlanta.org and a Stephen Leader will be in touch with you.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon
Senior Pastor

Rev. Lucy Strong
Associate Pastor for Mission and Engagement

Rev. Tom Farmer
Parish Associate for Pastoral Care & Senior Adult Ministries

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the Adams family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Madeline Dabney Adams and Madeline Reynolds Adams. This morning's arrangement was created by the Trinity Presbyterian Flower Guild.

MUSIC

MUSICIANS

The Cherub Choir of Trinity Church
Phyllis Sommer, *Director*
Scott Morris, *Accompanist*

The Primary and Junior Choirs of Trinity Church
Scott Morris, *Director*
Nelda Greene, *Choir Volunteer*

The Youth and Chancel Choirs of Trinity Church
Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and Director of Music and Arts*

CHERUB CHOIR I

Rosie Ale
Hanle Kraft
Mills Lyddan
James Szyperski
Frances Todd
Austin Walls

CHERUB CHOIR II

Corinne Belisle
Jack Cummiskey
Søren Harris
Bess Holliday
Abby Vance Hutchison
Charles Kalen
William Kalen
Ward Strachan
Andrew Thompson

PRIMARY CHOIR

Ben Boyer
Ryan Boyer
Julia Cleaveland
Addison Cummiskey
Asa DeMichina
Caroline Diamond
Emma Frances Hutchison
Betts Kraft
Julian Ross
Owen Ross
Barrett Scott
Mary Strachan
Robert Thompson
Harriet Wall
Bebe Weaver

JUNIOR CHOIR

Sarah Bain
Maddie Beamer
Gemma DeMichina
Brooks Diamond
Alton Farr
Katelyn Gibbs
Vivian Hitchins
Mary Louise Hutchison
Emma Justice
Hodge Kraft
Cole Mathews
Samuel Ross
Emma Scott
Quincy Wall
George Weaver

YOUTH CHOIR

Noel Baskin
Louie Gump
Libby Gray Hall
Julia Holladay
Caroline LeMon
James LeMon
Ella Bleu Matthews
Kinsley Powers
Max Powers
Catherine Quillian
Margaret Quillian
Ben Reese
Anna Speer
Owen Speer
Maddie Stancil
Walton Sullivan
Zach Wall
Catherine Williams
Connor Willingham

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