
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 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

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus arr. Hart Morris
(Westminster Ringers)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebekah LeMon

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 1)

One: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked.

All: We delight in God's Word; we meditate on God day and night.

One: Our worship grounds us in God, like trees planted by streams of water,

All: God helps us yield good fruit. We do not wither in God's presence.

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

+OPENING HYMN

#321 The Church's One Foundation AURELIA

+CALL TO CONFESSION

Lucy Strong

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, as we come to the end of the season of Easter, we confess that we are prone to wander. We invite you into our lives for a time, only to get distracted and to treat our faith as a seasonal practice. You persist, calling and inviting us to abide in your love, but we prioritize so many other things. Thank you for your patience with us. Lord, remind us of the gift of renewal and flourishing you offer; bring us back to your living water. Train our focus back on life in you, that we might know again the joy of our salvation.

(silence for personal prayers of confession)

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: How much does God love us? Enough to send the divine heart, hope, and spirit to us, not to condemn us, but to save us.

All: Not by our speaking or doing, but by God's good and precious grace are we saved. Thanks be to God! Amen.

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

(may be found as stanza 1 of Hymn #649)

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

Peter Barratt, Tony Breuer, Steven Darst, Jerome Holt, & Lyn Knapp

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 1 (pew Bible, NT p. 489)

ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
(Westminster Ringers)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 17:6-19 (pew Bible, NT p. 111)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon

Belonging to the World

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

Tom Farmer

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

+AFFIRMATION RESPONSE

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise God for the grace and favor shown our forebears in distress; God is still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing our Maker's faithfulness!

(may be found as stanza 2 of Hymn #619)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

F. Melius Christiansen

Beautiful Savior

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

+DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN

#320 The Church of Christ in Every Age WAREHAM

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The Peace of God Henry Purcell

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

Finale from Fantasy in G, BWV 572 Johann Sebastian Bach

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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.

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

George & Bebe Weaver
Acolytes

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Mr. & Mrs. Mark West to the glory of God and in loving memory of his parents, Marjorie Eichenlaub West and Charles Berry West, and her mother, Susan Heisey Been. This morning's arrangement was created by the Trinity Presbyterian Flower Guild.

MUSICIANS

The Chancel Choir of Trinity Church

Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and Director of Music and Arts*

The Westminster Ringer of Trinity Church

Scott Morris, *Director*

Anne White
Katherine Murray
Joel Craft
Kathleen Poe Ross
Scott Calhoun
Ruth Marston
Tom Stow
Eric McGilvray
Steven Darst
Tom Welch
Chris Halwig

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