



MORNING PRAYER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 29, 2018

AT 9:30 AM

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. Pete Gdula, Deacon

Justin Holoviak, Co-officiant

Judith Schwenk, Co-officiant

Elinor Borrell, Pianist

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! 2 Corinthians 5:17

OPENING HYMN

Come away to the skies

Blue Hymnal 213

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Let us confess our sins to God. (*kneel or stand as able*)

All: God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER *(please stand as able)*

Officiant: O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People: And your glory all the day long.

All: Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Alleluia Amen.

Officiant: Our God is full of compassion and mercy: O come let us worship.

Officiant: Please join in reciting Psalm 67:1-5 (Enriching Our Worship)

O God, be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of your countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Officiant: Please join in singing Psalm 22:22-30 using tune #531

1. O praise the Lord, you that fear him,
O Israel's offspring, stand in awe;
All you who are of Jacob's line
Give glory always to the Lord.
2. The Lord does not despise the poor,
But when they cry, he hears their plea;
I will praise God and make my vows,
I will perform them publicly.
3. The poor shall eat and have their fill;
Those who seek God shall give him praise;
All nations shall turn to the Lord
And bow before His throne always.
4. Kingship belongs to God the Lord,
He rules the nations from his throne;
All those who sleep within the earth
Bow down to worship him alone.

5. My soul shall live for him, my heirs
Shall serve the Lord at his command,
To people yet unborn make known
The saving deeds of his right hand.

All: Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the
(spoken) beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON (*bulletin insert*)

Acts 8: 26-40

CANTICLE D A Song of the Wilderness (*read in unison*)

Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, *
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
It shall blossom abundantly, *
and rejoice with joy and singing.
They shall see the glory of the Lord, *
the majesty of our God.
Strengthen the weary hands, *
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to the anxious, "Be strong, do not fear! *
Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you."
Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, *
and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.
Then shall the lame leap like a deer, *
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness *
and streams in the desert;
The burning sand shall become a pool *
and the thirsty ground, springs of water.
The ransomed of God shall return with singing, *
with everlasting joy upon their heads.
Joy and gladness shall be theirs, *
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

THE SECOND LESSON (*bulletin insert*)

1 John 4:7-21

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: Please join in singing the canticle to the tune of #494

CANTICLE 21— You are God

1. You are the God we praise,
The Lord whom we acclaim,
Eternal Father, all the world
Bows down at your great Name;
To you angelic hosts
And all the powers of heaven,
The Cherubim and Seraphim,
Sing praises without end.
2. Holy, thrice-holy Lord,
The God of praise and might,
The heavens above and earth beneath
Are filled with glorious light;
The apostolic band,
Prophets and martyrs praise,
Throughout the world the holy Church
Acclaims you Lord always;
3. Father, of majesty,
Your only Son and true,
And Holy Spirit, Advocate,
To you all praise is due;
Lord Christ, the Father's Son,
In glory, King above,
You did not shun the Virgin's womb
To set us free in love.
4. You overcame death's sting
And opened heaven's door
To all the faithful where you reign
In glory evermore;
Come, then, and help all those
For whom your blood was spent
And bring us with your holy saints
To glory without end.

THE THIRD LESSON *(bulletin insert)*

John 15:1-8

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY

Rev. Pete Gdula

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(please stand)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PEACE

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please greet each other with the peace of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(please be seated)

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Officiant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows unto the Most High.

Officiant: All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.
Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Now the green blade riseth

Hymnal 204

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS *(please stand as able)*

Officiant: Hear our cry, O God

All: **And listen to our prayer**

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader We pray for those who are sick in body, mind, heart, or spirit, and those who have asked for our prayers, especially Esther Hippensteele, Joan Fischetti, Betty H., Dana Sterner, Debbie Primrose, Piera Ansel, Megan, Nathan, the Holt family, Ann Jacobs, Elizabeth, Charles, Meghan, Penny, Chris, Jane, Nicky, Bev., Hayley, Misty R., Billie Gaskin, Barb Renaud, the family of Sarah Dodder Furr, Robert, Joseph & Barbara Hargadon, Missy C., Patricia, Zoila, Victor, Gloria, Rosanna, Daniel Hull, the family of Pat Lalley, Marta, The Rev. Pete Gdula, Helen Gdula, the family of Harold Gabler, Ken & Eleanor Pulsifer, Katie, Juson & Logan Gray, Charles Metzzar, Jessica Morris, Sarah, Wally Koster, Palmer, Rob Freeman, John Laurel Nathan, McCorry family, the family of Gricel Torres, the family of The Rev. Allie Harper, the people of Corpus Christi Church and all LARC churches; and for those serving in the military, especially Ivy, Robert, and Keziah.
Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

SUFFRAGES *(read responsively)*

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. And your wonders among all peoples.

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

R. Never forget the lives of your poor.

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty 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.*

PRAYER FOR KNOWLEDGE OF GOD'S CREATION

Almighty and everlasting God, you made the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures: Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more truly, and more surely fulfill our role in your eternal purpose; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE RIGHT USE OF GOD'S GIFTS

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GENERAL THANKSGIVING *(in unison)*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS *(in unison)*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt,
faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is
sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be
understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we
receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born
to eternal life. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we
can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the
Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THIS WEEK

- Today – **The Fifth Sunday of Easter**
April 29, 2018 9:30 am – Morning Prayer
- Monday – 7:00-9:00 pm – Toastmasters Club (Parish Hall)
April 30, 2018 5:00 pm – Bell Choir (Parish Hall)
- Tuesday – 9:30-11:00 am – Beginner ESL Class (Parish Hall)
May 1, 2018
- Wednesday – 12:00 Noon – Healing Service with Eucharist (Church)
May 2, 2018
- Thursday – 7:00-8:30 am – Free Breakfast
May 3, 2018 9:30-11:00 am – Beginner ESL Class (Parish Hall)
9:30 am – ESL Class (Commons Room)
3:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal (Church)
5:30-7:00 pm – Girl Scouts (Parish Hall)
- Next Sunday – **The Sixth Sunday of Easter**
May 6, 2018 9:30 am – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PARISH LIFE

We wish **Sandy Zoeller (5/3)**, a happy Birthday! As you grow in years, may you grow in wisdom and grace.

We wish **Ann & Burr Loomis** a happy Anniversary on **May 3rd**.

The **Flowers** are given by Marion Wible, to the glory of God and in remembrance of her wedding anniversary.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Parish Cycle of Prayer – We pray for Florence Betts, Duane Bidlack and Phyllis Borden.

Anglican & Diocesan Cycles of Prayer – In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Dioceses of Central Florida and Central Gulf Coast. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. John the Baptist, York.

Prayer Requests – Esther Hippensteele, Joan Fischetti, Betty H., Dana Sterner, Debbie Primrose, Piera Ansel, Megan, Nathan, the Holt family, Ann Jacobs, Elizabeth, Charles, Meghan, Penny, Chris, Jane, Nicky, Bev., Hayley, Misty R., Billie Gaskin, Barb Renaud, the family of Sarah Dodder Furr, Robert, Joseph & Barbara Hargadon, Missy C., Patricia, Zoila, Victor, Gloria, Rosanna, Daniel Hull, the family of Pat Lalley, Marta, The Rev. Pete Gdula, Helen Gdula, the family of Harold Gabler, Ken & Eleanor Pulsifer, Katie, Juson & Logan Gray, Charles Metzzar, Jessica Morris, Sarah, Wally Koster, Palmer, Rob Freeman, John Laurel Nathan, McCorry family, the family of Gricel Torres, the family of The Rev. Allie Harper, the people of Corpus Christi Church and all LARC churches; and for those serving in the military, especially Ivy, Robert, and Keziah.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The attendance for April 22nd was 42.

Thank you and farewell to parish secretary Peggy Phister. Peggy has served faithfully and with great dedication as Trinity's parish secretary for the past eight years. She is retiring June 1st, so **we will acknowledge and thank her as a congregation on May 6th, in worship and with a luncheon** to follow in the Parish Hall. Please plan now to be present on May 6th as we wish her well on the next part of her journey.

We will begin a new **prayer list for Sunday worship to be offered during May and June.** Please add names to the new Prayer Request List and transfer any you want continued from the old list, located next to the guest book registry in the back of the church.

Concert today, April 29th at 3:00pm at Central Presbyterian on the Square featuring Jason Payne, Organist, "Hymn Festival". Free Admission and donations welcome.

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Altar Guild: Carol Cooper

Co-officiants: Judith Schwenk & Justin Holoviak

Greeters: Ruth Alpaugh & Sandy Snyder

Intercessor: Judith Schwenk

Lectors: Duane Bidlack & Bob Pyatt

Pianist: Mr. Elinor Borrell

Deacon: The Rev. Pete Gdula

Mission Statement

We are a community of faith where each person's spiritual journey is unique and personal. Our goal is to promote a thoughtful dialogue about what God is calling us to do and be.

Leadership

Diocesan Bishop The Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan

Rector The Rev. Carenda Baker

Deacon The Rev. Pete Gdula

Organist & Choir Director Peggy Lacey Craig

Parish Administrator Ken Dotson

Vestry

Cheryl Stearn – *Senior Warden*

Merle Dentler – *Junior Warden*

Stephen Holoviak – *Treasurer*

Ruth Alpaugh – *Clerk*

Duane Bidlack

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