

9:45 AM

MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

Sunday, April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter



TRINITY CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON



TrinityEvents

FYI: You can listen to our Easter Day podcast [at this link](#)

NEW TO TRINITY?



Whether you're new among us or you've been worshiping here for years, we look forward to helping you make a home for faith here at Trinity.

Fill out the form at [this link](#) so we can get to know you better.

VISIT TRINITY

Parishioners Can Register for Eastertide 'Touching Home' Visits

Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays, beginning 4/14; [Register at this link](#)

To celebrate the new life offered in this spring season of Resurrection, Trinity invites you to join a procession back to our Copley Square altar. The next round of 'Touching Home' visits begins on Wed., April 14. On Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays, during the hours listed [on the linked page](#), parishioners can visit the church, pray our sacred space, and receive Communion for home.

MID-WEEK WORSHIP

Choral Evensong

*Wednesdays,
5:45 pm, [on Zoom](#)*

The beloved Trinity Choristers lead and sing weekly Evensong on Wednesdays at 5:45 pm, as they have on Wednesdays during the program year since 2009.



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FORMATION

Forum Series Into The Acts:

The After-Easter Lives of the First Disciples

Sundays, 7 pm, [on Zoom](#)

Adult Christian Formation gathers each Sunday at 7 pm this spring on Zoom for learning and conversation. Between Easter and Pentecost we'll explore the very beginnings of Christian identity by a close look at scripture and art.

- April 11 The Acts of the Apostles: patterns and preoccupations (overview)
- April 18 Peter in Jerusalem
- May 2 Peter's Vision at Joppa
- May 9 The Conversion of Paul
- May 23 The Pentecost



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Interested in Hosting an Eastertide Home for Faith Small Group?

In both Advent and Lent, a total of 19 small groups each met for three one-hour Zoom sessions to connect around shared interests, including cooking, parenting, poetry, gardening, grieving, anti-racism, retirement, the new John Lewis biography.

If you'd like to host a 3-session discussion and fellowship group yourself, email Patrick Ward, at pward@trinitychurchboston.org, by 5 pm on Wed., April 21.

For more parish news about Eastertide, please see the TrinityVoices section at the end of this document.

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OPENING RITE

Prelude 'Christ lag in Todesbanden (The tune of Hymn 186)'
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Welcome

Hymn 182 'Christ is alive! Let Christians sing'

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Sentences of Scripture

THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

Invitatory

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Worship at Trinity

When the text of this worship
booklet is in **bold**, it is spoken or
sung by all.

Leaders of the service will also
lead these **bold responses** for
the benefit of those worshipping
from home.

In celebration of Jesus' passage
from death into life, we omit the
Confession during the Easter
season.



Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more;
death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once;
but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin,
but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.
For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 133

We will pray the psalm in unison.

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

THE LESSONS

Reading Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his children and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting,
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Reading John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 192 'This joyful Eastertide'

Unison or harmony

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
 2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the
 3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son

sor - row! My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath
 riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my
 slum - ber, till trump from east to west shall

Refrain

sprung to life this mor - row.
 pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was
 wake the dead in num - ber.

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son, our faith had been in

vain; but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en.

The Apostles' Creed

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 PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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 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.

Suffrages B

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Day by day we bless you;
We praise your Name for ever.
Lord, keep us from all sin today;
Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we put our trust in you.
In you, Lord, is our hope;
And we shall never hope in vain.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Collects & Intercessions

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Hymn 209 'We walk by faith, and not by sight'

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
may our faith a - bound, to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are re - joice, and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Collects are prayers that "collect" our intentions for any given occasion. In addition to the "Collect of the Day," the Officiant will pray additional collects appropriate for this Sunday.

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Sermon The Rev. Dr. William W. Rich, *Vicar*

Offertory Anthem 'The Dawning'
Richard Webster (b. 1952)

Awake, sad heart, whom sorrow ever drowns;
Take up thine eyes, which feed on earth;
Unfold thy forehead, gathered into frowns;
Thy Saviour comes, and with Him mirth:

Awake, awake,
And with a thankful heart His comforts take.
But thou dost still lament, and pine, and cry,
And feel His death, but not His victory.

Arise, sad heart; if thou dost not withstand,
Christ's resurrection thine may be;
Do not by hanging down break from the hand
Which, as it riseth, raiseth thee:

Arise, Arise;
And with His burial linen drie thine eyes.
Christ left His grave-clothes, that we might, when grief
Draws tears or blood, not want a handkerchief.

TEXT: GEORGE HERBERT (1593-1633)

All we have and all we are is of God, and everyone has a faithful offering to make. All gifts received today will support Trinity's ministry, empower our service to the community, and sustain our historic buildings.

To make a gift online, please [click here](#) and you will be taken to the secure form on our website.

Blessing

Hymn 205 'Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!' vv. 1, 3-5



1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Postlude 'Toccata on 'O filii et filiae' (The tune of Hymn 206)
 Lynwood Farnam (1885-1930)





TrinityVoices

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

April 6, 2021

Dear Trinity Church and friends,
Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Grace and Peace and Resurrection greetings! I hope this message finds you and yours staying safe and well.

I give thanks to God for the engaging worship that enriched our Holy Week, and I pray you found the experiences meaningful. In steps measured by our commitment to keep one another safe, we continued our procession back to Copley Square with in-person, outdoor events on both Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Between those West Porch moments, we shared creative liturgies leveraging the best of the “From Home” format – a deliberate pandemic strategy we have preferred to attempting mere recreations of our customary services. Thereby, we cooked and suppered together on Maundy Thursday; we prayed the Good Friday Passion entirely in song; and, on Easter afternoon, we walked with the disciples and Jesus on our way to Emmaus. In this way, we have learned new skills and shared new experiences that I trust God will use in unexpected, enlivening ways when the pandemic finally recedes.

In the weeks ahead, we will continue our in-person procession and our innovative digital engagements.

Register Now for Eastertide “Touching Home”

To celebrate this spring season of Resurrection, we invite you to our next round of “Touching Home” pilgrimages on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays, beginning April 14. During these visits, parishioners can make a scheduled visit to the church, pray our sacred space, and receive Communion for home. Sign up is easy, and **can be accomplished here.**

Sign up for a
Touching Home visit
by clicking here.



More than 100 people made their way to Copley Square on Easter Day to add flowers to the cross on the West Porch.

Scheduling Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals

As foreshadowed in my Annual Parish Address, our first indoor services will also take place on days other than Sunday, and we will focus these initial opportunities on those whose baptisms, weddings, and funerals have been postponed by the pandemic. We have kept careful track of those known to us to have been impacted, and, in the next week, we will be reaching out to those affected about scheduling for May and June. When the time comes, the constraints for these small-group services will be informed by the state of the pandemic in Boston and the Commonwealth, the recommendations of engineers expert in the virus’ transmission, and our Regathering Task

Force. So that our outreach may be as complete as possible, I invite all who have had one of these services delayed to email the Director of the Rector’s Office, Alison Poor, at apoor@trinitychurchboston.org.

Adult Formation Continues at 7 pm on Spring Sundays

Between now and summer, our formation opportunities continue. Beginning this Sunday, April 11, our Adult Forum will return to 7 pm, and we will explore the theme “Into The Acts: The After-Easter Lives of the First Disciples.” Together, we will study the very beginnings of Christian identity through a close look at scripture and art.

ABBS: Space, Sound, and now Spirit, with the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows

Finally, please mark your calendars for Sunday, May 16, for the third and final installment of our Anne Berry Bonnyman Symposium Forums. Organized annually, the ABBS invites Trinity Church and our Boston community into deeper understanding of systemic racism and its impacts. At 7 pm on May 16, we will welcome the Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows for a discussion of “Spirit,” as we experience its movement in our liturgy and sacraments.



A native of New York City, Bishop Baskerville-Burrows serves as the Bishop of Indianapolis – the first African-American woman elected to serve as a bishop-diocesan in The Episcopal Church. Holding a bachelor’s degree in architecture with a minor in urban studies from Smith College, an M.A. in historic preservation planning from Cornell University, and an M.Div. degree from Church Divinity School of the Pacific (CDSP) in 1997, she will bring to us and the ABBS her expertise in the historic preservation of religious buildings, stewardship and development, race and class reconciliation, and spiritual direction.

In all the above, I hope you will take heart in everything ahead of us – as a parish and as a world. This pandemic crucible has touched and tested every micron of our being, yet God has been with us in every endeavor, every struggle, and – now – in every promise of our fellowship’s fullest return. As we look forward to the glad time, I invite you to pray with me this powerful collect from Good Friday:

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Easter blessings,

The Rev. Morgan S. Allen
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