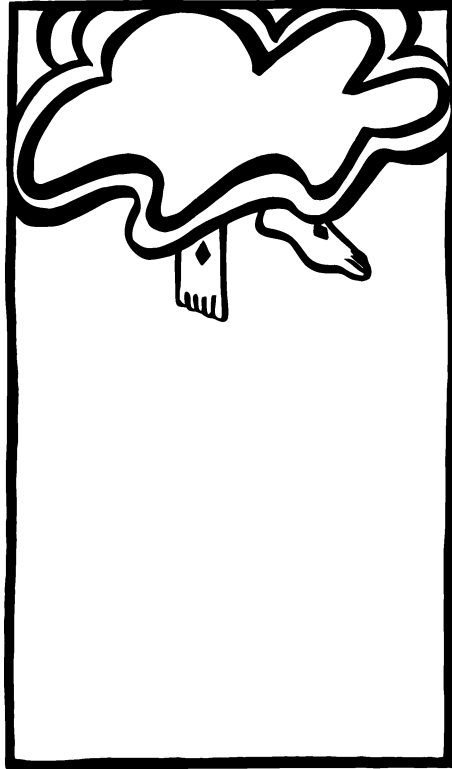


Welcome to  
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



*Sunday after Ascension*

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# Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

*A Total Ministry Congregation*

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Christ in all persons and all Creation.

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# A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing



1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New  
 2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -  
 3. To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why  
 4. O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All



hymns through-out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 praise to you let earth ac - cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un - trod. As -  
 lu - ia! And with his faith - ful fol - l'wers see Their  
 lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" Thus they say, "This  
 lu - ia! You are, while end - less a - ges run, With



cends un - to the throne of God.  
 Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 is his glo - rious tri - umph day!"  
 Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

(Lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People)

**Celebrant:** Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**People:** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant says

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 Lord. **Amen.**

## Gloria

Mass of a Joyful Heart  
Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. —

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and  
to Verses |

peace to his peo - ple on earth. —

*Fine | mf*

1. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -  
1. might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you *D.S.*

1. thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. —

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of  
2. God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; —

2. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - *D.S.*  
 ther: re - ceive our prayer.

3. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 for you a - lone are the Most High,

3. Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the  
 3. glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## ***First Reading***

*Acts 1:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

*Reader*      Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## ***Psalm 47***

# Psalm 47: God Mounts His Throne

Ostinato Refrain\*

1. 2.

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy, O

sing your praises to the Lord!

Verses

1. All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God in gladness, the Lord we must fear, king of all the earth.
2. God goes up to shouts of joy, sound the trumpet blast. Sing praise to our God, praise unto our king!
3. God is king of all the earth, sing with all your skill to the king of all nations, God enthroned on high!

## ***Second Reading***

## ***Ephesians 1:15-23***

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**Reader** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People** Thanks be to God.

*All who are able, please stand.*

## **Gradual Hymn**

*Mass of a Joyful Heart*

Refrain: All

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

(Ord. Time) 1. Let your heart re - joice in the Lord. Let your word pro - claim his deeds. Let your voice sing out to the world that our God has come to save.

## **Holy Gospel**

**Luke 24: 44-53**

**Deacon** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to his disciples,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup>and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Deacon*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*      Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please be seated*

## ***Sermon***

*All who are able, please stand.*

*People and Celebrant*

*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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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***

*In the power of the Risen Lord who intercedes on our behalf, let us pray, saying: Lord, have mercy.*

That we might be your faithful witnesses, even to the ends of the earth, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

That Christians everywhere might ask the Spirit of God to rule their lives, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

That repentance and forgiveness of sins might be preached to the nations, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

That those who are paralyzed by fear or doubt might be healed and renewed, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

That all who are destitute and all who are ill might share in God's good life, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

That we might learn to trust in the immeasurable greatness of God's power at work in us who believe, we pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all those in any need, especially Tia Martins, Ashley Kostiuk, Kris & Steve McClenney, Robin Monahan, Karen Race, Michael Valdez, Meghan Finlayson, Mike Solomon, Wade Howe, Dave Karraffa, Kristi Jorgenson, Karen Cendejas, & Sue Vidor. We pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

We pray for all academic graduates, for all educational institutions, and for the specialized chaplaincies in those institutions. Remember especially Breck School and Shattuck-St. Mary's and their chaplains, University Episcopal Community and all those who work with campus ministries. For St. Johns' Anglican Church (*Fort Frances, Ontario*), and First Lutheran Church (Int'; Falls). We pray:

***Lord, have mercy.***

*God of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we celebrate the ascension of your Son, teach us to trust that he lives to intercede on our behalf, now and forever.*

Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

*Silence.*

## ***The Peace***

Celebrant    The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Please be seated*

## ***Announcements***

## ***Holy Communion***

*The celebrant says*

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us.

*All who are able, please stand*

## ***Offertory Hymn***

# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the  
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans Are we  
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of An - gels, Here on  
 4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the



scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia!



his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;  
 he is near us, Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:  
 here the sin - ful Flee to you from day to day:  
 born of Mar - y, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne:



Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der  
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, When the  
 In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -  
 You, with - in the veil, have en - tered, Robed in



like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of  
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -  
 deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of  
 flesh, our great high priest; Here on earth both



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood.  
 get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

# Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

***People*** **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The Celebrant proceeds (Lines in **Bold** are spoken by the People)*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

***Celebrant and People***

*Mass of a Joyful Heart*  
Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of might. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo -  
- ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,



Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever:



*The people may stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant then continues*

As our Savior Christ  
has taught us,  
we now pray,

***People and Celebrant***

**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 forever and ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the bread*

*A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

***Communion is open to everyone***

***Communion Hymn***

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*All who are able, please stand or kneel*

***Celebrant and People***

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth  
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

***Blessing***

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children  
through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches  
of his blessing. **Amen.**

***Closing Hymn:***

# Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise



1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. There for him high tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. High - est heav'n its Lord re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!



To his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Yet he loves the earth he leaves: Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
He has con - quered death and sin; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!



Re - as - cends his na - tive heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Take the King of glo - ry in. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!

## ***Dismissal***

***Deacon*** Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

***People*** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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***Next Sunday: May 24<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist***

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***Tues. May 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Vestry 5:00 pm***



***May 17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Thatcher Jenkinson  
~ Jill Tanem***

***Congratulations to you: May your faith be true &  
may God's love and blessing descend upon you!***

