

TRINITY CATHEDRAL
OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



APRIL 28, 2024 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B
FAMILY SUNDAY
10:00 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

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WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this service bulletin will help. Masks are optional within the Cathedral buildings. Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces. Thank you for helping us to remain as safe as possible while enjoying in-person worship. "This is how we love one another!"

Please stand as indicated and be seated for lessons

Prelude

Prayer in F

Charles-Valentin Alkan
Martin Jones, organ

Remain standing

Processional Hymn Hymnal # 379

God is Love: Let Heaven Adore Him

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant: 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.**

All sing

Hymnal # S-278

Gloria in Excelsis

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.**

The people are seated

First Reading

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (8:26-40)

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get ready and go south to the road that goes from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This road is not used nowadays.) So Philip got ready and went. Now an Ethiopian eunuch, who was an important official in charge of the treasury of the queen of

Ethiopia, was on his way home. He had been to Jerusalem to worship God and was going back home in his carriage. As he rode along, he was reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah. The Holy Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to that carriage and stay close to it." Philip ran over and heard him reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah. He asked him, "Do you understand what you are reading?" The official replied, "How can I understand unless someone explains it to me?" And he invited Philip to climb up and sit in the carriage with him. The passage of scripture which he was reading was this: "He was like a sheep that is taken to be slaughtered, like a lamb that makes no sound when its wool is cut off. He did not say a word. He was humiliated, and justice was denied him. No one will be able to tell about his descendants, because his life on earth has come to an end." The official asked Philip, "Tell me, of whom is the prophet saying this? Of himself or of someone else?" Then Philip began to speak; starting from this passage of scripture, he told him the Good News about Jesus. As they traveled down the road, they came to a place where there was some water, and the official said, "Here is some water. What is to keep me from being baptized?" The official ordered the carriage to stop, and both Philip and the official went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord took Philip away. The official did not see him again, but continued on his way, full of joy. Philip found himself in Azotus; he went on to Caesarea, and on the way he preached the Good News in every town.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated; sung by the Choir

Psalm 22:24–30

Deus, Deus meus

Edward John Hopkins



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- 24 My praise is of him in the ¹great as¹sembly; *
 I will perform my vows in the ¹presence of ¹those who ¹worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
 and those who seek the ¹LORD shall ¹praise him: *
 “May your ¹heärt ¹live for ¹ever!”
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and ¹turn to the ¹LORD, *
 and all the families of the ¹nations shall ¹bow be¹fore him.
- 27 For kingship be¹longs to the ¹LORD; *
 he ¹rüles ¹over the ¹nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow ¹down in ¹worship; *
 all who go down to the ¹düst ¹fall be¹fore him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
 my des¹cendants shall ¹serve him; *
 they shall be ¹known as the ¹LORD’s for ¹ever.
- †30 They shall come and make known to a ¹people yet un¹born *
 the saving ¹deeds that ¹he has ¹done.

Remain seated

Second Reading

A Reading from the First letter of John (1 John 4:7-21)

Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Whoever loves is a child of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. And God showed his love for us by sending his only Son into the world, so that we might have life through him. This is what love is: it is not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven. Dear friends, if this is how God loved us, then we should love one another. No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in union with us, and his love is made perfect in us. We are sure that we live in union with God and that he lives in union with us, because he has given us his Spirit. And we have seen and tell others that the Father sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. If we declare that Jesus is the Son of God, we live in union with God and God lives in union with us. And we ourselves know and believe the love which God has for us. God is love, and those who live in love live in union with God and God lives in union with them. Love is made perfect in us in order that we may have courage on the Judgment Day; and we will have it because our life in this world is the same as Christ's. There is no fear in love; perfect love drives out all fear. So then, love has not

been made perfect in anyone who is afraid, because fear has to do with punishment. We love because God first loved us. If we say we love God, but hate others, we are liars. For we cannot love God, whom we have not seen, if we do not love others, whom we have seen. The command that Christ has given us is this: whoever loves God must love others also.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal # 448

**O Love, How Deep, How Broad,
How High**

Remain standing

The Gospel: John 15:1-8

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

“I am the real vine, and my Father is the gardener. He breaks off every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and he prunes every branch that does bear fruit, so that it will be clean and bear more fruit. You have been made clean already by the teaching I have given you. Remain united to me, and I will remain united to you. A branch cannot bear fruit by itself; it can do so only if it remains in the vine. In the same way you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me. “I am the vine, and you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will bear much fruit; for you can do nothing without me. Those who do not remain in me are thrown out like a branch and dry up; such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, where they are burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, then you will ask for anything you wish, and you shall have it. My Father's glory is shown by your bearing much fruit; and in this way you become my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Kimme Carlos

All stand as able and say together

A Statement of Faith based on Galatians 3:26-28

Celebrant: Let us renew our pledge to work for unity, justice, and peace.

We are all children of God.

**There is no longer Jew or Greek.
There is no longer slave or free.
There is no longer male and female.
For we are all one.
We believe Jesus lived for this and died for this.
We pledge ourselves with God's help and the support of each other to make this become a reality.**

All stand
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.**

Remain standing

Prayers of the People

The Lector and People pray responsively

Deacon: Let us join through prayer with everything that lives. Let us acknowledge to God the one life we share, saying: O God, who makes us one, hear our prayer.

Lector: O God, your Holy Spirit is alive in all the earth. Your Spirit that moved and shaped land and sea, trees and beasts still moves and shapes us into creation. Through Christ we know your one Holy Spirit, for you are God of all. That all the world may know your Spirit, we pray: O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: Open your world before our eyes, so that we see far and near. Show us newly what lives around us, over and behind and within. Give us the mind of Christ. O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Frank Castellón, Malcolm Emmanuel Newman, Cyrus Ketter, Rachel Mathis, David Monte, Jennifer Ahaghotu, Sewon Bestman, Matthew McDermott, Nanette R. O'Brien, Kumeiwo Ngwayah, Debbie Raab, Laretta Ketter and Samuel Richards.** O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: Bring us to one another, that we may hear and understand each other. Bring trust and sympathy between the peoples of the world. Make all nations one household with many rooms. O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: We commend to your prayers this day all persons deployed in the service of our country. May they dwell safely under the protection of Almighty God. O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: Heal us who are sick. Cheer us who are guilty. Love us who are alone. Join us who are distant. Call all the world to yourself. O God, who makes us one,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: We remember before you those who are sick, or in any other special need, especially the residents of Hamilton Grove Care and Rehabilitation Center; along with **the People of Ukraine and Russia, the People of Israel and Palestine, the People of Haiti, Anita Hill, Amarachi Ngozi Okere, Brenda Smith, Elizabeth Nidweski, Eileen Cera, the**

Williams family, the Saunders family, the Davis family, Tom & Sherri Wheeler, Fred Cohen, Maggie Boczar, Ashley, Sabrina, Joshua, Donald Brokate, Ricardo Rosario, Michael & Leetta Tamn, Husayne Ferguson, Janet Thompson, Tresa Thompson, Gail Mitchell & family, Sandra & the Pemberton family, the Immordino family, Jane Bridge, and Bruce Montgomery. O God, who makes us one,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember those who have died, especially **William “Mitch” Mitchell, Jr., Jerry Immordino, and Mandisa**, the victims of violence in our neighborhoods, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world. O God, who makes us one,

People: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Enliven the church with the Spirit of Christ. Through us give your loving Spirit to a world in need of comfort. Make our many gifts one offering for the world. O God, who makes us one,

People: Hear our prayer.

Deacon: We remember God's holy catholic church, including Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; Sally, our Bishop; René, Dean of this Cathedral; Bruce, John, Peter and Noel, priest associates; Carol and Chris, our Deacons, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Anglican Christians around the world, especially Church of Bangladesh; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including Joe Morris, Sylvestre and William, retired Bishops, The Rev. Cn. Jayne J. Oasin, and The Rev. Dcn. Karen B. Lewis. O God, who makes us one,

People: Hear our prayer.

Silence ~ The People may add their own petitions

Celebrant: O God, keep our minds inside your love, for we are many parts and need to be one. We beg for this unity which only your Spirit can give, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain in your pew for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Holy Communion

Please remain seated while Ushers collect the offertory

Offertory Anthem

Gift of Love

arr. Hal Hopson

The Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir

All stand, as able

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal # 704

O Thou Who Camest from Above

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, food donations to the Cathedral Food Pantry, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or Celebrant.

The Great Thanksgiving:

Eucharistic Prayer A

Chalice bearer: Cn. Clara Gregory

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds . . .

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People:

Hymnal # S-128

Sanctus

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues . . .

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray . . .

Celebrant and People:

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.

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be said . . .

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Hymnal # S-165

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All Baptized Christians are welcome to make their Communion at the Lord's table.

Communion Solo

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, POP 106
Johann Pachelbel
Martin Jones, organ

Communion Hymn Hymnal # 487

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

The People are seated

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People:

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

All stand, as able

Recessional Hymn LEVAS # 62

In Christ There is No East or West

Blessing

Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

Postlude

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring, BWV 147
Johann Sebastian Bach
Martin Jones, organ

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Following Christ, joining the Cathedral – We invite you to accept the invitation to follow Christ, to become a Christian and to become a member of Trinity Cathedral. We encourage you to fill in one of the pew cards and place it in the offering plate, or please contact one of the clergy.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lectors for the 10:00 am Mass on 5/5 are:

Fay Manicke, Sue Gummere, Frances O'Brien & Erica Warner (alternate)
Hilary Cox (chalice bearer)

We are looking forward to our Fashion Show FUNdraiser coming up on June 8th! To help reach our fundraising goal, we are planning a basket raffle to be held at the event. Can you donate an item(s) to help us fill our baskets? Here are some theme ideas: Movie Night, Game Night, Baby Basket, Bathroom Basket, Hair and Nails, Car Wash, Basket of Cheer (wine or spirits), Beach/Pool, Mexican or Italian Specialties, Relaxation Day, and Lottery Tree. We are also open to Father's Day-specific basket ideas: Dad's Day is right around the corner! **Gift cards are welcome, and can be used as the centerpiece of each basket.** If you would like to talk about donation ideas, please call Patrice in the office or speak with Margaret Nartey on Sundays. For more information on our event, please see the flyer posted on the main hallway bulletin board.

A Model Sign-up Sheet is out! – Want to join our June 8th FUNdraiser? “Fellowship and Fashion . . . from Your Closet” will include a Cathedral fashion show, where our models will wear two outfits from their closet: one casual, and one dressy or “semi-formal”. We are looking for male and female models of **all ages**. You can do this! It’s fun, and low-key. ☺ If you want to participate, please sign up on the sheet on the literature table in the main hallway. Speak with Margaret Nartey for more information, or call Patrice in the office. See our flyer for event details; tickets available next week!



Spring has Sprung at the Altar Guild Shop! Stop in and see the new arrivals ... Mother’s Day is May 12th and graduations are just around the corner! FREE Gift Wrapping! Don’t need a gift? Check out our new **reusable** beverage containers, garden pots, prayer books & beads, aprons, cook book, jewelry for all ages, inspirational home décor and much more! **The Shop will be open May 5, May 18 & May 19.** If you need something before those dates: Contact Lucy Adams for an appointment or online ordering at: trinitycathedralags@gmail.com

Need a Mother’s Day or bridal shower gift? “A Taste of Joy – Recipes of Trinity Cathedral” cookbook is still available! - Proceeds from the sale of the books are going to provide fresh produce to our Food Pantry. **Get yours today at the Cathedral Altar Guild Shop for just \$10 or contact Lucy Adams at trinitycathedralags@gmail.com.** Also, if you are interested in selling the books, let Lucy know. **Thank you for your support!**

Sanctuary Road: An oratorio with orchestra, soloists and full chorus, is a powerful retelling of the book by the prolific Underground Railroad conductor **William Still**, and the stories (collected by personal interviews) of those he helped to find freedom. Composed by the award-winning duo of Paul Moravec and librettist Mark Cambell, this work will be presented by Princeton Pro Musica on Sunday, May 5th at 4:00 pm in Richardson Auditorium of Princeton University. Tickets available at: <https://princetonpromusica.my.salesforce-sites.com/ticket/> . This formidable work will expand and deepen audience members' understanding of the human and inhumane dimensions of our nation's saddest legacy. See choir members Bernard McMullan or Fran Perlman for more information.

The UrbanPromise Summer Camp - is just around the corner. Please let me know if you are willing and able to provide snacks for one week of summer camp. Camp starts July 1st and runs through August 8th. Camp runs Monday - Thursday each week with the exception of July 4th! Be in touch to discuss and/or brainstorm possibilities. Looking forward to hearing from you at (609) 273-3351 or via E-mail at: gkoenig@urbanpromisetrenton.org. If you E-mail, please put Summer Snacks in the Subject line! Thank you in advance for all of your support over the years. It has been a blessing to many children and their entire family, and to me! ~ Georgia Koenig, Volunteer Coordinator

We are re-starting our Lay Eucharistic Ministry to Hamilton Grove Care & Rehabilitation Center – We will lead worship and administer communion every first and third Sunday of each month to the facility's geriatric, infirm, and convalescing patients. Service leaflets are provided and we make every effort to send folks in pairs so they have assistance. Flu shots and TB vaccines are mandatory for anyone participating (must provide proof). COVID shots are welcomed but not mandatory. Please speak to Larry Spears or Dean John if you are interested in serving this community.

We are in need of 1-2 Greeters on Sunday mornings – if you would like to sign up, there is a clipboard on the literature table in the main hallway outside of Synod Hall. If you have any questions, please speak with Margaret Nartey.

The next Food Pantry distribution date is – Saturday, May 11th (2nd & 4th Saturdays this month) from 9-11:00 am.

Each Thursday, we distribute hot dinners “to go” from 4:15–5:30pm at the Overbrook Avenue entrance as a satellite location for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen.



THIS WEEK'S CATHEDRAL SCHEDULE

TODAY (4/28)

9:15 am

10:00 am

10:30a – 12:30p

The Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ Family Sunday

Choir warm-up

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP

Tues. (4/30)

9 – 9:45 am

Weekly Zoom check-in for parishioners: For more info. on how to join us, call or text Nancy Hood-Boczar at (267) 614-5746, or E-mail shaktisocialwork4@hotmail.com

Wed. (5/1)

12:10 pm

Wednesday Healing Eucharist (in-person only) - CHP

Thurs. (5/2)

4:15 – 5:30 pm

8 – 8:30 pm

TASK Meals – SH

Society of Mary Rosary Devotions via Zoom and phone access: Please E-mail Erica Warner at yassose@aol.com for information on how to join us

Sat. (5/4)

Trinity Strings music lessons in downstairs classrooms

Sun. (5/5)

8:30 am

9:15 am

10:00 am

10:30a – 12:30p

1:00 pm

The Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ Altar Guild Shop open

Rite I Eucharist in All Saints Chapel (in-person only)

Choir warm-up

Rite II Eucharist in the Cathedral (+ livestreamed, when available)

Full Gospel Community Church service – CHP

Adult Christian Education, via Zoom