

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Torrington, Connecticut

Sunday of the Resurrection  
April 20, 2025



*Happy Easter and welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church as we gather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus!  
Whoever you are and wherever you may be on your spiritual journey, we are glad you have joined us for worship.*

*May you know the presence of the living God who welcomes you here.*

*Everything you need to participate in today's service is included in this leaflet,  
and you are invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able.*

*Ushers are available to answer any questions or direct you as needed. May God bless you now and always.*

***A note on children:*** *Children are a gift from God. Jesus welcomed the little children, and so do we!*

*We can abide with a little "joyful noise" at Trinity.*

*We are excited you're here and believe children's voices are the sound of new life in church.*

*If you need to step out for any reason, the Upper Parish Hall*

*(found through a doorway in the front left of the sanctuary, behind the organ console)  
has restrooms with a changing table, as well as an area with couches and a children's area.*

*Please make yourselves comfortable and know that you are welcome.*

### **Assisting in Today's Liturgy**

<b>Presider, Preacher</b>	The Rev. Carrie Combs
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ella Frauenhofer
<b>Lector</b>	Mark Church
<b>Intercessor</b>	Lydia Babbitt
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Naomi Cardello
<b>Ushers</b>	Ed Wilmot, Charlie Schapp
<b>Vestry Greeter</b>	Lydia Babbitt
<b>Counters</b>	Roger Coutant, Gary Grant
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sue Carroll, Becky Carroll, Judi Pfeffer, Joyce Gustavson, Connie Hall, Jill Morrison

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# The Word of God

All stand

Opening Hymn 207, *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

Tune: *Easter Hymn*

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

## Opening Acclamation

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## Song of Praise, S-278

Setting: Wm. Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-  
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
5. you are scat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-  
ceive our prayer. 6. For  
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
God the Fa-ther. A men.

### The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

*There is space for silent prayer, after which The Priest concludes with the collect.*

People: **Amen.**

*The people are seated*

### First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 *Prayed in unison*

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.**

**Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever."**

**The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.**

**There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:**

**"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

**I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.**

**The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death.**

**Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

**"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter."**

**I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.**

**The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

**This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

## Second Reading: First Letter to the Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand

Hymn 212, *Awake, arise, lift up your voice*

Tune: *Richmond*



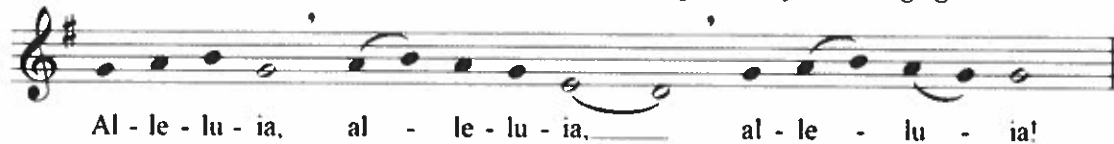
1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let  
 2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the  
 3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in  
 4 His en - e - mies had sealed the stone as  
 5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - joice in Christ, a -  
 2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their  
 3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to  
 4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less  
 5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -

1 gain re - joice and on his prais - es dwell.  
 2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,  
 3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.  
 4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.  
 5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

### Alleluia Verse

*Sung first by the Cantor then repeated by the Congregation*



### The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

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

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

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

*After the Gospel:*

**Presider:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### Sermon

The Rev. Carrie Combs

*A period of silence for meditation and reflection follows the Sermon.*

### Affirmation of Faith

*In place of the Nicene Creed, Trinity has received permission from our bishop to use the Renewal of Baptismal Vows as an alternative statement of faith through Eastertide.*

*All stand*

**Presider:** Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People:** I do.

**Presider:** Do you believe in God the Father?

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

**Presider:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People:** 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.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **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.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

### The Prayers of the People

*adapted from Intercessions for the Christian People*

Presider: In the power of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Lord, hear or prayer.

Leader: For the whole bright earth... let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Other prayers and intercessions continue in this manner.*

Leader: Your own prayers are welcomed at this time, silently or aloud.

*Space is left for individual prayers.*

Presider: We pray for the many milestones in our lives and those who celebrate with us, for celebrations of all kinds. Do we have any birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate this week?

### A Prayer for Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N. as *she* begins another year. Grant that *she* may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen *her* trust in your goodness all the days of *her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A Prayer for Anniversaries

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church. Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

People: Amen.

### The Peace

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

*You are invited to share a sign of Christ's peace with those around you.*

### A Note on Communion at Trinity:

All are welcome at the Table of the Lord, either for communion or a priestly blessing. An usher will guide you up the center aisle if you choose to come forward. For those who desire communion, you may receive the bread (or gluten free wafer) at the front of the altar. We have two chalices: one on the **right for sipping**, and one on the **left for intinction** (dipping). As always, receiving communion in one kind (bread or wine) is considered valid. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come to the altar with your arms crossed over your chest, and the priest will be honored to bless you. If you need communion brought to your pew, please speak to an usher.

**A note on safety:** Hand sanitizer is available to the right of the altar. The priest handling the bread has sanitized her hands and has been fully vaccinated and boosted. You are invited to space yourself as you feel comfortable when approaching the altar.

## The Holy Communion

### At the Offertory

At the Offertory as the Table is set, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically, through the bread and wine, anthem sung by the choir, and the money and gifts we give. You are invited to give as you feel called, either by placing your offering in the plate as it is passed around or by going to our website, [www.trinity-torrington.org/donate](http://www.trinity-torrington.org/donate)

### Offertory Anthem:

Resurrection Hymn

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend  
Arranged by Steven Strite

Alleluias...

See what a morning gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem.  
Folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light, as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"  
See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, Borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluias...

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;  
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name; It's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again.  
The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,  
Will sound 'til He appears, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluias...

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty,  
Honor and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and authority.  
And we are raised with Him, death is dead, Love has won, Christ has conquered.  
And we shall reign with Him, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!  
Alleluias...

All stand

Presentation Hymn: Hymn 380, verse 3

\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

*Cantor* *People*  
The Lord be \_\_\_ with you. And \_\_\_ al - so with you.  
*Cantor*  
Let us give thanks \_\_\_ to the Lord \_\_\_ our God.  
*People*  
It is right \_\_\_ to give him thanks and praise. \_\_\_

The Presider adds a preface, then continues:

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:

### Sanctus and Benedictus, S-128

Setting: Wm. Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Presider: Holy and gracious Father... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father... now and for ever.

People:

- A - men. -

### The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People: **Our Father, who are 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.**

The bread is broken and silence is kept. Then, all sing:

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

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

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

### Communion of the People

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### The Postcommunion Prayer *All stand*

BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### Vestry Greeting and Announcements *All seated*

**Blessing** *All stand. After each bidding the people respond with "Amen."*

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the  
 2 His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his  
 3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do  
 4 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in  
 5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing  
 2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn  
 3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee  
 4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon  
 5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther

1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
 2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
 3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
 4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.  
 5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

**Dismissal**

Presider: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Postlude:**

*Variations on 'Now Thank We All Our God'*

Timothy Alexandre Wallace

Variation III: *Maestoso con moto*

*Please maintain quiet in the Sanctuary during the musical postlude.*

## What is Easter?

The feast of Christ's resurrection. According to Bede, the word derives from the Anglo-Saxon spring goddess Eostre. Christians in England applied the word to the principal festival of the church year, both day and season.

Easter Day is the annual feast of the resurrection, the pascha or Christian Passover, and the eighth day of cosmic creation. Faith in Jesus' resurrection on the Sunday or third day following his crucifixion is at the heart of Christian belief. Easter sets the experience of springtime next to the ancient stories of deliverance and the proclamation of the risen Christ. In the west, Easter occurs on the first Sunday after the full moon on or after the vernal equinox. Easter always falls between Mar. 22 and Apr. 25 inclusive. Following Jewish custom, the feast begins at sunset on Easter Eve with the Great Vigil of Easter. The Eastern Orthodox Church celebrates Easter on the first Sunday after the Jewish pesach or Passover (which follows the spring full moon). Although the two dates sometimes coincide, the eastern date is often one or more weeks later.

The Easter Season is called the Great Fifty Days, from Easter Eve through to the Day of Pentecost. From early times the Greek word pentecost (fiftieth day) has been used for the whole Paschal season. During this season there is no fasting. The Council of Nicaea (325) directed that Christians are to pray standing. The word "alleluia" (praise the Lord) is said or sung repeatedly, and added to the dismissals and responses, contrasting sharply with Lent when the alleluia is omitted. The color of liturgical vestments and hangings is white, and it is customary for the Paschal candle to burn at all services of the Easter season. The traditional Christian Easter greeting ("the Lord has risen indeed" Lk 24:34) begins each eucharist during the Easter season.

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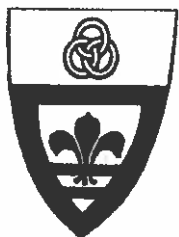
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## Mission Statement:



"We are an inclusive and accepting downtown community, welcoming all to join us on our journey to seek and share God's abundant love through worship, the arts, and service in our community."

## Sunday Worship at 9:00 AM:

Holy Eucharist 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

Morning Prayer 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

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