

Trinity Episcopal Church

Offering companionship along the Way

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

Prelude Organ improvisation on *St. Columba*

Processional Hymn 645 The King of love my shepherd is

St. Columba

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Priest: 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.

Glory to God “Gloria in excelsis” *Sung by all – see pew card.*

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray together our collect:

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

A Reading from 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 478 Jesus, our mighty Lord, our strength in sadness

Monk's Gate

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia, Christ is risen”

See pew card.

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Pastor: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 10:1-10**

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

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Kathleen Killian

Minute of silence for reflection

The 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.**

The Prayers of the People Form 6

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation especially Geoff and Judy Brown
(leave time for names to be added.) Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. On our parish cycle of prayer we pray for
Russell and Cheryl & Christopher Duntz, Courtney Duntz and Chris Pavia,
Cole and Caleb Pavia , and their families. We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Especially
Rev. Mitzi Noble, the first female rector of Trinity Church and Brian Coon, brother of Nancy
Hiller. (We leave time for other names to be added.) Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon
them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 419 Lord of all being, throned afar

Mendon

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

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

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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 5 everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord *See pew card.*

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his

sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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 Anthem “Blessed are those” *See pew card.* *Gevert 2026-04*

The Gifts of God for the People of God

Communion Hymn 343 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless *St. Agnes*

Everyone is welcome to receive communion. Both wine and grape juice are offered.

Postcommunion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 411 O bless the Lord, my soul *St. Thomas (Williams)*

The Dismissal

Pastor: Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Organ improvisation on *St. Thomas (Williams)*

The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God.



Serving Today

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Kathleen Killian

Minister of Communion: Peri Forood

Lector: David Beers

Epistler: Hotchkiss Student , alt: Linda Lloyd

Intercessor: Rachel Lamb

Flowers: Marilyn Anderson

Counter: John Lloyd

Altar Guild: Mike Cuoco

Greeter/Usher: Rachel Lamb & Roy Bickley

Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Sunday, April 26	4:00 PM Crescendo presents "Stepping into Song" A Choral Concert of Palmeri's "Misatango" & "Jewish Cantata" at Saint James Place Concert of Palmeri's "Mi
Sunday, May 3	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Rev. Marilyn Anderson, Preacher & Celebrant
Thursday, May 7	6:00 PM National Day of Prayer at the Town Hall Salisbury
Sunday, May 10	8:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:30 AM Morning Prayer

Weekly Schedule

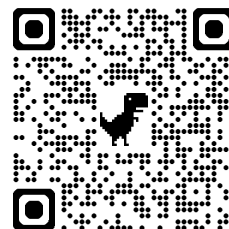
Mondays	5:00 PM Crescendo rehearsals in Walker Hall
Tuesdays	9:00 AM to 12:15 PM Taichi Practice with Christopher Kiely in Walker Hall 5:30 PM Crescendo rehearsals in Walker Hall
Wednesdays	6:00 PM Women's AA in Walker Hall 6:15 PM Trinity Choir Rehearsals
Saturdays	9:00 AM till Noon— Parish Administrator, Patricia Signorelli every Sat. Admin@trinitylimerock.org

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