

May 11, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome: If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home. To do so, please fill out one of the pew cards in front of you and drop it in the offertory plate.

Infants and Toddlers: Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers up to 4 years old. Children's engagement materials can be found near the bell tower doors. The bell tower has a speaker that allows you to hear the service if you need to step out with your child. Ask an usher or greeter for directions to either location.

Hymns are found in the red hymnal.

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Prelude	Three Settings of the Gloria Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 717 Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 711 Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 715	Johann Sebastian Bach
Hymn 625	Ye holy angels bright	Darwall's 148th
Celebrant People	Alleluia. Christ is risen. <b>The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.</b>	
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. <b>Amen</b> .	
Hymn of <b>F</b>	Praise 478 Jesus, our mighty lord	Monk's Gate

Hymn of Praise 478 ESUS, OUR MIGHTY LORD

# A house of praver for all people

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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**.

The people sit.

## THE FIRST READING

Астя 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 23 Dominus regit me

Sung by the choir to Anglican Chant

Edward Bairstow

The LORD is my shepherd; \* I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures \* and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul \* and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake. 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.

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.

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.

## THE SECOND READING

## REVELATION 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

#### Нуми 275

HARK! THE SOUND OF HOLY VOICES

Moultrie

During this hymn, children in second grade and younger who want to take part in the Children's Liturgy follow the Good Shepherd banner out of the Nave. They will return at the Peace.

## THE GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

Priest People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

A t that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

## Said by all, standing

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 VI

The Intercessor and people pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

#### Silence

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 peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and John our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

## For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

#### Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The people may add their own thanksgivings

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.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant says

Grant, Lord God, to all who have been baptized into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, that, as we have put away the old life of sin, so we may be renewed in the spirit of our minds, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

## THE PEACE

The people stand.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

During the Offertory Anthem, ushers collect an offering from the congregation. Use the QR code to make a plate offering.



During the Offertory Anthem, representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread, wine, money, and other gifts to the Celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.

الله Altar Gifts من المحمد المحم المحمد المحمد

To the glory of God and in loving memory of their mothers Paulette Williams Badly and Jill Cole Watkins by Jack Harvey and Jennifer Wilson Harvey To the glory of God and in loving memory of OTTIS, ORA AND CATHERINE CROCKER BY ELSA AND CHARLES CROCKER

## To the glory of God and in grateful thanksgiving for THE WARREN STEPHENS FAMILY BY THE SCOTT FAMILY

To the glory of God and in grateful thanksgiving for THE WEDDING OF TIMO AND PENNY ANDERSON MARRIED IN THIS CATHEDRAL VESTERDAY

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

#### ANTHEM

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Text: Psalm 23 (KJV)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - PRAYER A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

And also with you. People

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People

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

It is right to give him thanks and praise. People

> It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

> ... 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** sung by all

**BCP 361** 

HYMNAL S-125

Howard Goodall

#### The people stand or kneel.

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,...

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...

...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**.

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

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM sung by all

*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.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will direct you to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

HYMNAL S-155

## **COMMUNION MOTET**

The Lamb

Little Lamb who made thee Dost thou know who made thee Gave thee life & bid thee feed. By the stream & o'er the mead; Gave thee clothing of delight, Softest clothing wooly bright; Gave thee such a tender voice, Making all the vales rejoice! Little Lamb who made thee Dost thou know who made thee Little Lamb I'll tell thee, Little Lamb I'll tell thee! He is called by thy name, For he calls himself a Lamb: He is meek & he is mild, He became a little child: I a child & thou a lamb, We are called by his name. Little Lamb God bless thee. Little Lamb God bless thee.

Text by William Blake

Hymn 645

The King of love my shepherd is

St. Columba

#### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

If people are being sent to take the Bread and Wine to those who are absent, the Celebrant says

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People* We who are many are one, because we all share one bread and one cup. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

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**.

#### Hymn 624

Jerusalem the golden

Ewing

## THE DISMISSAL

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDEFUGA 'ALLA HANDEL,' OP. 49, NO. 6Alexandre Guilmant

## LITURGICAL LEADERS

The Rt. Rev. John T. W. Harmon, Bishop of Arkansas, Dean Pro Tempore

Celebrant	The Rev. Danny Schieffler, Interim Vicar
Preacher	The Rev. Thomas Alexander, Curate
Assisting Clergy	The Rev. Susan Payne, Priest Associate
Lectors	Charliss Russ, Diane Turner
Intercessor	Herschel Cast
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Peter Hartstein, Missy McCain
Children's Liturgy Leader	Marcia Wayland
Acolytes	Harper Bennings, Mary Eleanor Felton, Susan Grace Mitchell, Lily Morse, Marshall Pittman
Music	Dr. Colin MacKnight, <i>Director of Music</i> Jeremiah Mead, <i>Associate Director of Music</i> Trinity Cathedral Choristers Trinity Cathedral Ringing Society
Ushers	Herschel Cast, Tom Fennell, Kerry McCoy, Matt McCoy
Greeters	Eric Wippo, Mary Margaret Wippo
Docent	Tom Fennell

# TRINITY DEBT RELIEF CAMPAIGN

"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." – 2 Corinthians 9:8

Please help with Trinity's effort to pay off our financial debt! Our goal is to raise \$350,000 to make Trinity fully debt-free, which will free up nearly \$50,000 a year for ministry. Getting this debt paid will empower us to look to the future with excitement and creativity, and it will strengthen our case to call our next Dean & Rector. As of this week, we are approximately 60% toward that goal.

As a guide, we are asking parishioners to consider adding 25% of your annual gift to Trinity to your 2025 contribution and giving that toward this campaign. We are hoping to have the funds committed by June 8 and raised by September 1.

You can pledge or make a gift with the QR Codes or links below:



bit.ly/TrinityDebtGift



bit.ly/TrinityDebtPledge

# **Events and Information**

## This week at and around the Cathedral

Today	4 pm, Choral Evensong with Holy Eucharist
	5 pm, Catechumenate Class
Monday	7 am, Breakfast and Bible Study
	8:30 am, Morning Prayer
Tuesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer
	12:15 pm, Bach Organ Recital
	4 pm, Trinity Chorister Rehearsal
	5 pm, St. Cecilia Singers Rehearsal
	5 pm, Trinity Ringing Society Practice
	5:30 pm, Eucharist with Healing Prayers
	5:30 pm, Family Garden Event
	6:30 pm, Book Club
	6:30 pm, Sacred Feminine Program (Harrison House)
Thursday	8:30 am, Morning Prayer
·	5:15 pm, Evening Prayer

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Family Event at Broadway Community Garden

## Wednesday, May 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Come join us for family fun at the Broadway Community Garden on Wednesday May 14th at 5:30. Come paint rocks to decorate the garden and learn about how amazing seeds are!

"Still other seeds fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown" (Luke 8:8).

We will have fun treats and perhaps something fresh from the garden. Please meet at the lower level of the garden by going down the alley off of West 17th Street directly before the fenced parking lot starts.

# **Recognition Sunday**

## Sunday, May 18 Reception in Garth following 10:30 am service

Please join us on Recognition Sunday to honor those who volunteer their time and talents to our parish. During the 10:30 am service, we will offer prayers and recognitions. Afterwards, all are invited to a festive reception in the Garth. If you have volunteered at Trinity over the past year in any way, please stop by the reception to receive a small token of our appreciation.

# Daughters of the King Discernment and Training

## Sunday, May 18 at 11:45 a.m.

The Trinity Cathedral Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King will begin a new members class for discernment and training in June.

First, we will have an informational meeting on Sunday, May 18, in Baker Parlor right after the 10:30 service, for women who are interested in learning more about DOK and joining our chapter. If you've ever wanted to know more about the Daughters of the King and what we do, this is your chance.

Please join us! If you have questions, contact Sarah Henry @ sarahhenry501@gmail.com or 501-690-1896.

## Final Evensong of the Season

## May 18 at 4 p.m.

Join us for the last Choral Evensong service of Spring. The service will be followed by a rectption in Morrison Hall. Evensong services will return in September.

# Holy Baptism on June 1 and June 8

We will next celebrate the sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, June 1 at 10:30 am when Bishop Harmon visits Trinity, and then on Sunday, June 8 at 10:30 am for the Day of Pentecost. Please contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org) if you or any member of your family would like to be baptized on one of these days.

# Ascension Day

## Thursday, May 29 at 7 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate Ascension Day, the day we remember Jesus' ascent into heaven 40 days after his resurrection, and one of the seven principal feasts of the Church. Music will be led by the Trinity Choir and members of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra, and incense will be used. A festive reception will follow in Morrison Hall.

# Bishop's Visitation

## Sunday, June 1

Join us on Sunday, June 1 for Bishop Harmon's annual visitation to Trinity. Bishop Harmon will preach and celebrate at both the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services, and we will celebrate Holy Baptism, Confirmation, Reaffirmation, and Reception at the 10:30 am service. Bishop Harmon will lead a forum in Morrison Hall at 9:15 am. Following the 10:30 am service, join us for a parish cook-out in the Garth. The church will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and fixins. Parishioners are invited to bring sides and desserts.

# ADULT FORMATION

# Book Club: The Reason for God by Tim Keller

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Conference Room in Keller House

For Easter, Trinity's Book Club will read *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism* by the late Timothy Keller. This book addresses the frequent doubts that skeptics, and even ardent believers, have about religion—a worthwhile read for the Easter season. Tim Keller was hailed as the "C. S. Lewis for the 21st century," and *The Reason for God* was a *New York Times* bestseller. Copies of *The Reason for God* are available for order at WordsWorth Books with 2–3 day delivery and with a 10% discount available for Trinity Cathedral. To sign up, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

May 14: Chapters 8-9

May 21: Chapters 10–11 May 28: Chapters 12–14, Epilogue

# Exploring the Sacred Feminine

## Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

In the Christian tradition, the liturgical season of Easter follows Easter Sunday. The name Easter is actually an ancient name for the Great Goddess. She is imbued with the power of creation and new life, two of the primary values of the rising consciousness of the Sacred Feminine in our day.

To intentionally observe this Easter season, and to offer a balance to the penance of Lent, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral is hosting a series of speakers. They will discuss their encounters and experiences with the feminine aspect of God and the conscious role she plays in their lives. The presenters will be Susan Sims Smith, May 7; Thomas Alexander, May 14; Clarke Tucker, May 21; Larry Maze, May 28; and Lisa Thorpe, June 4.

If you have been curious about the feminine aspect of God, please join us. For more information, please email The Rev. Patricia Lewis Matthews at *executivedirector@theinterfaithcenter.org*.

# Be Still and Know That I Am God

Sundays, April 27 through May 25 9:15 a.m. in Baker Parlor

The Rev. Danny Schieffler will lead a six-week introduction to the practice of contemplation, using the method of Centering Prayer. No preparation is required. Each week, we will spend a few minutes reading aloud from *Open Mind, Open Heart* by Thomas Keating, followed by a discussion. We will then spend a few minutes in silence.

Nearly 30 years ago, I felt like my life was falling apart—and that's when someone introduced me to Centering Prayer. This practice of silence changed everything. I began to experience a peace, a healing, and a strength in my life that I had never known before.

If this sounds like something you could use in your life, please join me in Baker Parlor on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.

## Bible Study: Romans with Beverly Gaventa

Sundays at 9:15 am

Conference Room in Keller House

For Easter, our Sunday morning Bible Study will study Paul's letter to the Romans. During this five-week class, participants are invited to read *When In Romans: An Invitation to Linger with the Gospel according to Paul*, a short, accessible introduction to Romans by one of the world's leading New Testament scholars, Beverly Gaventa. Saint Paul and Dr. Gaventa will be wonderful companions to our Easter season celebrations. Copies of *When in Romans* are available for order at WordsWorth Books with 2–3 day delivery and with a 10% discount available for Trinity Cathedral. To sign up, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (*thomas@trinitylittlerock.org*).

May 18: Romans 12–14; Gaventa, Chapter 3 May 25: Romans 15–16; Gaventa, Chapter 4 and Conclusion

# **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

# Episcopal Church Women: Summer Quest

## May 30 - June 1 at Camp Mitchell

Spend a reflective weekend on the mountain at Camp Mitchell for our annual women's retreat. You are invited to join us for Friday's Quiet Day, Saturday, or the full weekend retreat. Various packages, with or without housing or Quiet Day, are available.

We are absolutely delighted to welcome renowned storyteller Kathy Culmer as our featured speaker for the retreat. Her theme is Recalling Our Stories. Encountering God Through Music, led by the Rev. Teresa Cantrell, priest at St. John's Helena in West Helena, a Quiet Day program and Bishop Harmon will be part of the program. We have a full weekend of fun and fellowship planned for you and cannot wait to welcome you to Camp Mitchell. Get with your friends and make your booking early!



# Christ Episcopal Church & Trinity Cathedral Present:

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# Open to all completed PreK-5th graders! Cost: Free!

This summer, kids are invited to explore creation through gardening, farming, and faith-filled fun! Through the week, they'll discover how God's gifts—water, soil, seeds, animals, and harvest—teach compassion, generosity, and abundant life in Christ!

Register here today!

