



TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
A house of prayer for all people

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 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

TRIO SONATA NO. 4 IN E MINOR, BWV 528

Johann Sebastian Bach

I. Adagio - Vivace

II. Andante

III. Un poco allegro

HYMN 191

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

Lux eoi

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE 292

O JESUS, CROWNED WITH ALL RENOWN

Kingsfold

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE 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.**

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
 Show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

*Let your ways be known upon earth, *
 your saving health among all nations.*

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.*

*Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
 for you judge the peoples with equity
 and guide all the nations upon earth.*

*Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.*

*The earth has brought forth her increase; *
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.*

*May God give us his blessing, *
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.*

THE SECOND READING

REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

Isaw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.
 He will dwell with them as their God;
 they will be his peoples,
 and God himself will be with them;
 he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 Death will be no more;
 mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
 for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

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 14:23-29

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

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

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise 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.**

Then says

Gracious and loving God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Please lead the Search Committee, Vestry, and people of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral to discern your will as we seek a new Dean and Rector to shepherd our parish with love, compassion, vision, wisdom and dedication. Help us to feel your presence and guidance through this time of transition. We pray that your Holy Spirit continues to open our hearts and minds to new opportunities and ideas so that we may follow where you lead — knowing that Jesus Christ walks with us each step of the way.

Empower all members of our Search Committee to use their gifts to the fullest, to share their thoughts openly and honestly, to respect the opinions of others, and to encourage humility, patience, and joy.

Finally, instill in all the people of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral a glorious vision of the your Kingdom, trusting that, guided by your Holy Spirit, we may be united in love, with enlightened minds and open arms, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The people stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And 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.

ANTHEM

SING YE TO THE LORD

Edward Bairstow

*Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously.
Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea.*

*Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light.*

*Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;
Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.
Alleluia! Amen.*

Text: Exodus 15:21,4; Robert Campbell (1814–1868)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - PRAYER A

BCP 361

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 him 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...

...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*

HYMNAL S-125

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*

HYMNAL S-155

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

COMMUNION MOTET

O LORD, GIVE THY HOLY SPIRIT

Thomas Tallis

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit in to our hearts, and lighten our understanding, that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name, all the days of our life, that we may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Text from Lidley's Prayers (1566)

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 400

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

Lasst uns erfreuen

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

POSTLUDE

PRÆLUDIUM IN G

Nicolaus Bruhns

✧ ALTAR GIFTS ✧

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ARTHUR KARL SPATZ
BY HIS DAUGHTER, BELLE

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN CELEBRATION FOR THE LIFE OF
HALLIE SHURGAR SHELL
BY HER PARENTS KAY AND JERRY SHURGAR

Notes on the notes: Edward Bairstow was Director of Music of York Minster from 1913 until his death in 1946 and composed some of the most treasured choral music in the Anglican tradition, including 29 anthems. Today's offertory anthem, *Sing ye to the Lord*, is one of the best known of these. Bairstow's accompanied choral music is notable for its use of the organ; in these works, Bairstow treats the organ far more orchestrally than his predecessors. One hears a small glimpse of this in the trumpet fanfares at the beginning and end of *Sing ye to the Lord*.

Today's postlude, the Praeludium in G major by Nicolaus Bruhns, is one of the finest examples of the North German Baroque organ school. Its most notable feature is a six-voice fugue in which each foot has its own independent part!

LITURGICAL LEADERS

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

Celebrant

The Rev. Thomas Alexander, *Curate*

Preacher

The Rev. Rob Leacock, *Chaplain, Episcopal Collegiate School*

Assisting Clergy

The Rev. Danny Schieffler, *Interim Vicar*

The Rev. Susan Payne, *Priest Associate*

Lectors

Herschel Cast, Sheila Mehaffy

Intercessor

Jane McMullin

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Greg Albert, Otis Howe

Children's Liturgy Leader

Frances Mitchell

Acolytes

Susan Grace Mitchell, Marshall Pittman

Music

Dr. Colin MacKnight, *Director of Music*

Jeremiah Mead, *Associate Director of Music*

Trinity Cathedral Choir

Trinity Cathedral Ringing Society

Ushers

Herschel Cast, Harold Joyner, Ann Morledge, George Morledge

Greeter

Denise Albert

Docent

Michelle McLellen

Searching For a New Dean Planning Our Future Together!

As an important piece of our search for a new Dean and Rector, we are inviting you to complete the Church Assessment Tool (CAT), an on-line instrument that will help leaders gauge the strength, vitality, and trends in our church. The information gained from this assessment will be valuable in helping the leaders of our church as they make decisions about the future of Trinity Cathedral and Parish.

Below is a link to the CAT. Beginning May 25th, each person, sixteen years of age or older in your household is invited to go online and use the CAT to tell us about your experiences in, and priorities for our church. Please do not discuss the survey or your answers with others as this may influence their answers.

If you need a paper copy, please come to the office, and we will provide one for you along with a self-addressed stamped return envelope. If you would like assistance with completing the online survey, we plan several assisted “computer labs” on several Sundays after the 10:30 service.

All answers are strictly anonymous. We have no way of matching any assessment to a particular person, so please feel free to candidly share your perceptions, opinions and experiences. Our future together is dependent on your participation and honest answers.

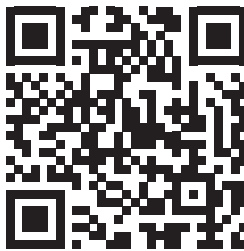
If you have questions, please contact Jack Dowling at 501-251-6667 or jack@trinitylittlerock.org.

Many thanks,

Dean and Rector Search/Recruitment Committee

Melonese Clarke and Rick Smith, Co-Chair

Link to the CAT: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TRINITYECLRAR>



Scan to go to the CAT

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 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 August 15.

As of Thursday, fifty households have sent in there pledge or contribution putting us a little over half way to our goal.

You can pledge or make a gift with the QR Codes or links below or pick up a pledge card in the back of the church.

Make a Gift



bit.ly/TrinityDebtGift

Make a Pledge



bit.ly/TrinityDebtPledge

EVENTS AND INFORMATION

This week at and around the Cathedral

Today	5 p.m., Catechumenate Class
Monday	Cathedral Offices Closed
Tuesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 12:15 p.m., Final Bach Concert of Spring 5 p.m., Trinity Ringing Society Practice 5:30 p.m., Eucharist with Healing Prayers 6:30 p.m., Book Club 6:30 p.m., Sacred Feminine Program (Harrison House)
Thursday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 5:15 p.m., Evening Prayer 7 p.m., Holy Eucharist for Ascension Day

UPCOMING EVENTS

“A House of Prayer for All People”: Discerning Cathedral Identity

Sundays, May 25 – June 15 at 9:15 am

Morrison Hall, with breakfast served

Who are we as Trinity Cathedral? And where is the Holy Spirit leading us next? Join us in Morrison Hall for a four-week series on discerning our identity as a Cathedral parish, led by Father Danny, Father Thomas, and Bishop Harmon. Breakfast will be served. This will be a great way for the congregation to participate in this season of transition as we search for our next Dean and Rector.

Ascension Day

Thursday, May 29 at 7 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate Holy Eucharist for 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.

Broadway Community Garden Maintenance and Harvesting

The Broadway Community Garden is dedicated to growing fresh produce and fostering community connections. It will only thrive with the assistance of the many members of our church. **Anyone can volunteer! No gardening experience is required!**

As a volunteer at the garden, during your assigned week, you will be asked to check in on the garden 3-4 times. We will send you a detailed instruction sheet, provide any tools you may need, and we will provide a contact who will be readily available to answer questions you have. Your tasks will include checking on the watering system and pruning and maintaining the plant beds early in the week and then harvesting produce on Fridays and storing in a church refrigerator. You are also encouraged to take home any produce you would like during your volunteer week as a thank you!

We sincerely hope that many members of the church will join us in cultivating this ministry.

Sign up at <https://bit.ly/BCGardenHelp>

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.



2025 SoMa Pride Booth Support!

Saturday, June 7

10:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Together with Christ Episcopal Church, we're hosting a downtown Episcopal churches booth at the 2025 Pride Parade on Main St! Swing by the booth anytime that day or sign up to be a welcoming and inclusive presence by working a shift. We'll have stickers, a photo booth, and an all around great time! Sign up to help here ----->

EYC @ the Travs!

Wednesday, June 11

6:15 p.m. at Dickey-Stephens Park

Come hang with other Convocational Youth (rising 6th-12th graders) at an AR Travelers game! We've got your ticket covered, plan to bring money for food/snacks. RSVP for ticket headcount by June 8. Questions? Contact Emma Mitchell at emma@trinitylittlerock.org

Trinitas Ensemble Spring Concert

Friday, June 13th at 7 pm at Trinity

The Trinitas Ensemble will present its first-ever concert at Trinity on Friday, June 13 at 7 pm! The program is bookended by two Bach motets in commemoration of the 275th anniversary of his death, and will also include works by Brahms, Howells, Pearsall, Praetorius, Daley, Antognini, Ramsey, and Chesnokov. A reception will follow the concert. Tickets cost \$15 and are free for minors. Visit tinyurl.com/38wkse2j to book tickets.

June Playground Hangout

Second Saturday, June 14

9:00-11:00 a.m., corner of 16th & Center St

Families with kids 6ish and under are invited for a casual playground hangout on Saturday morning. We'll have coffee, lemonade/juice for kids, and snacks.

Future dates: July 12, August 9. Questions? Contact Emma Mitchell at emma@trinitylittlerock.org

Summer Pick-Up Choir

This summer, beginning June 22nd, Trinity will have a weekly "pick-up" choir on Sunday mornings. The choir will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 to rehearse music for the 10:30 eucharist. This allows people to try out choir without Thursday night rehearsals, evensongs, and with relatively simple music. If you can read music and are interested in participating, please reach out to Director of Music Colin MacKnight at colin@trinitylittlerock.org!