



# TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
A house of prayer for all people

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 26, 2026, 4 p.m.

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**Welcome:** *Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member, we are honored to worship with you today. If you are searching for a church home, we would love to tell you more about this congregation and to learn more about you. Fill out a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you, drop it in the offering plate, and we'll be in conversation with you this week. Above all, please know that this is your Cathedral, and all are welcome.*

*Choral Evensong is a service of readings from the Bible and prayers for the evening, almost entirely led by the Trinity Choir on behalf of the congregation. A very brief service of Holy Communion is celebrated afterwards for those who wish to receive the Bread and Wine.*

## CHORAL EVENSONG WITH HOLY EUCHARIST

**THE PRELUDE**

FROM DOUZE COURTES PIÈCES, OP. 43

*Rachel Laurin*

*VII. Invocation*

*IX. Choral et variations*

*All stand.*

**THE OPENING SENTENCES FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE**

**BCP 61**

**THE CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling or standing*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

*The Officiant alone stands and says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*All stand.*

**THE PRECES** *Sung by the Officiant and the choir*

*Philip Moore*

*Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.*

*Choir And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

*Officiant O God, make speed to save us.*

*Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.*

*Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.*

*Officiant Praise ye the Lord.*

*Choir The Lord's name be praised.*

*All sit.*

**PSALM 103** *Benedic, anima mea*

*Sarah MacDonald (after C.H.H. Parry)*

**P**raise the LORD, O my soul \*  
and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

*Praise the LORD, O my soul \* and forget not all his benefits;*

*Who forgiveth all thy sin \* and healeth all thine infirmities;*

*Who saveth thy life from destruction \* and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;*

*Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things \* making thee young and lusty as an eagle.*

*The LORD executeth righteousness and judgement \* for all them that are oppressed with wrong.*

*He shewed his ways unto Moses \* his works unto the children of Israel.*

*The LORD is full of compassion and mercy \* long-suffering, and of great goodness.*

*He will not always be chiding \* neither keepeth he his anger for ever.*

*He hath not dealt with us after our sins \* nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.*

*For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth \*  
so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.*

*Look how wide also the east is from the west \* so far hath he set our sins from us.*

*Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children \**

*even so is the LORD merciful unto them that fear him.*

*For he knoweth whereof we are made \* he remembereth that we are but dust.*

*The days of man are but as grass \* for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.*

*For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone \* and the place thereof shall know it no more.*

*But the merciful goodness of the LORD endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him \*  
and his righteousness upon children's children;*

*Even upon such as keep his covenant \* and think upon his commandments to do them.*

*The LORD hath prepared his seat in heaven \* and his kingdom ruleth over all.*

*O praise the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength \**

*ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.*

*O praise the LORD, all ye his hosts \* ye servants of his that do his pleasure.*

*O speak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion \**

*praise thou the LORD, O my soul.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:*

*as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

EXODUS 28:1-4, 30-38

**T**hen bring near to you your brother Aaron, and his sons with him, from among the Israelites, to serve me as priests—Aaron and Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. You shall make sacred vestments for the glorious adornment of your brother Aaron. And you shall speak to all who have ability, whom I have endowed with skill, that they make Aaron's vestments to consecrate him for my priesthood. These are the vestments that they shall make: a breastpiece, an ephod, a robe, a chequered tunic, a turban, and a sash. When they make these sacred vestments for your brother Aaron and his sons to serve me as priests, In the breastpiece of judgement you shall put the Urim and the Thummim, and they shall be on Aaron's heart when he goes in before the LORD; thus Aaron shall bear the judgement of the Israelites on his heart before the LORD continually.

You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue. It shall have an opening for the head in the middle of it, with a woven binding round the opening, like the opening in a coat of mail, so that it may not be torn. On its lower hem you shall make pomegranates of blue, purple, and crimson yarns, all round the lower hem, with bells of gold between them all round— a golden bell and a pomegranate alternating all round the lower hem of the robe. Aaron shall wear it when he ministers, and its sound shall be heard when he goes into the

holy place before the LORD, and when he comes out, so that he may not die.

You shall make a rosette of pure gold, and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet, 'Holy to the LORD.' You shall fasten it on the turban with a blue cord; it shall be on the front of the turban. It shall be on Aaron's forehead, and Aaron shall take on himself any guilt incurred in the holy offering that the Israelites consecrate as their sacred donations; it shall always be on his forehead, in order that they may find favour before the LORD.

*All stand.*

**HYMN 472**

HOPE OF THE WORLD, THOU CHRIST OF GREAT COMPASSION

*Donne secours*

*All sit.*

**MAGNIFICAT: MT. ST. ALBAN SERVICE** *sung by the choir*

*David Hogan*

*My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**THE SECOND LESSON**

MARK 6:30-44

**T**he apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat.' But he answered them, 'You give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?' And he said to them, 'How many loaves have you? Go and see.' When they had found out, they said, 'Five, and two fish.' Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and

broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled; and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

**NUNC DIMITTIS: MT. ST. ALBAN SERVICE** *sung by the choir*

*David Hogan*

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**THE APOSTLES' CREED** *intoned by the Officiant, sung by all, standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*All stand or kneel.*

*The following are sung by the Officiant and the choir.*

**THE SALUTATION**

*Philip Moore*

*Officiant The Lord be with you.*

*Choir And with thy spirit.*

*Officiant Let us pray.*

*Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Philip Moore*

*Choir Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

*Officiant* O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.  
*Choir* And grant us thy salvation.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save the State.  
*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
*Officiant* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.  
*Choir* And make thy chosen people joyful.  
*Officiant* O Lord, save thy people.  
*Choir* And bless thine inheritance.  
*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord.  
*Choir* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.  
*Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us.  
*Choir* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

### ***The Collect of the Day***

*O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### ***A Collect for Peace***

*O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

### ***A Collect for Aid against Perils***

*Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

*All sit.*

## ANTHEM

## IF YE LOVE ME

*Philip Wilby*

*If ye love me, keep my commandments.  
 And I will pray the Father,  
 and he shall give you another comforter,  
 that he may abide with you forever;  
 E'en the spirit of truth.*

*Text: John 14:15-17*

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

BCP 71

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING SENTENCES FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

BCP 72

HYMN 390

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

*Lobe den Herren*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

IMPROMPTU, OP. 54, No. 2

*Louis Vierne*

*For those who wish to receive the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion, come up to the choir pews as you are able during the Offertory.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## THE SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*All stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again...

...By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ hath 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

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*People* **grant us thy peace.**

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*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**

*To receive the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion, please come forward and kneel or stand at the Altar rail. Gluten-free Bread is available upon request. If you prefer not to drink the Wine, please know that receiving only Bread is a “full Communion.” If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the Bread and Wine, come forward to the rail and cross your arms over your chest. If, for whatever reason, you prefer to receive the Bread and Wine in your pew, let your usher know.*

## **THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

*The Celebrant says,*

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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## PARTICIPATING THIS EVENING

*Officiant* The Rev. Thomas Alexander, *Curate*

*Lector* Judy Barger

*Music* Dr. Colin MacKnight, *Director of Music*

Katie Gunn, *Associate Director of Music*

Trinity Cathedral Choir

***Notes on the notes:*** This evening's music is entirely by 20th- and 21st-century composers. With the exception of Louis Vierne, they are also all composers who are currently alive or would be if not for their untimely deaths. Rachel Laurin was a French Canadian composer who sadly died in August of 2023 at the age of only 62. She is one of the most frequently performed contemporary organ composers.

Washington National Cathedral commissioned David Hogan to write the Mt. St. Alban Service, which is now one of the quintessential American settings of the evensong canticles. The work demonstrates the strong influence of Herbert Howells while remaining refreshingly original. Sadly, Hogan died in a plane explosion (TWA Flight 800 off the coast of Long Island on July 17, 1996) at the age of just 47.

We are very fortunate and grateful to have Dr. Maxine Thévenot as this weekend's guest conductor. Dr. Thévenot is an organist, conductor, choir clinician, and composer based in Albuquerque, NM, where she serves as Director of Music at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral. She is also on faculty at University of New Mexico and is the Founding and Artistic Director of *Polyphony: Voices of New Mexico*, the state's first professional resident vocal ensemble.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

QR codes provided for additional information and registrations



