



TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
A house of prayer for all people

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026, 8 a.m.

***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.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant and People **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 66:7-18 *Jubilare Deo*

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.

If I had found evil in my heart, *
the LORD would not have heard me;

But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

THE SECOND READING

1 PETER 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in

you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 14:15-21

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O 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

Deacon Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*At this time ushers collect an offering from the congregation.
Use the QR code to make a plate offering. Today's cash offerings and designated checks are given to the Bishop's Fund.*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All stand.

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.**

The Celebrant continues

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

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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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.**

THE DISMISSAL

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

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

∞ ALTAR GIFTS ∞

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN GRATEFUL THANKSGIVING FOR

KATHERINE ALLEN

BY JACKSON, THOMAS AND WALLIS ALLEN

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

LITURGICAL LEADERS

Celebrant and Preacher

The Right Rev. John T. W. Harmon, *Bishop of Arkansas*

Assisting Clergy

The Very Rev. Andrea McMillin, *Dean and Rector*

Deacon

The Rev. Dr. Susan Loy Lyon

Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister

Charliss Russ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Please join us for coffee and continental breakfast after the service in Morrison Hall.

This week at and around the Cathedral

Today	4 p.m. Choral Evensong 4 p.m., EKC 5 p.m., EYC	Thursday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 5:15 p.m., Evening Prayer 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal
Monday	7 a.m., Breakfast Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer		
Tuesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer		
Wednesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 12:15 p.m., Organ Recital 4 p.m., Chorister Rehearsal 5 p.m., Trinity Ringing Society 5:30 p.m., Eucharist with Healing Prayers 6:30 p.m., Book Club		

UPCOMING EVENTS

QR codes provided for additional information and registrations

What is the Holy Spirit?

Sunday, May 24 at 9:15 am

Morrison Hall

On Pentecost, the Church celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit—but what does that actually mean? Who is the Holy Spirit, and what does the Spirit do? In this one-session class on Pentecost Sunday, we will explore the Spirit's role in Scripture and in the life of the Church, and make space for honest questions and conversation. Whether you are new to the faith or simply looking to go deeper, this is an opportunity to engage one of the most mysterious and vital aspects of Christian life. To learn more, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

America250: A Christian Response

Sundays, May 31 – July 5 at 9:15 am

Morrison Hall

As the United States recognizes its 250th anniversary, how might the Christian respond? This six-week class will explore the history and identity of our nation through the lens of Christian faith. Together, we will consider themes such as freedom, the role of the Church in American life, the responsibilities of civic participation, and the challenges posed by Christian nationalism. This is not a partisan conversation, but a theological one: rooted in Scripture, shaped by the tradition of the Church, and oriented toward faithful Christian living in our own time. Come and join us, and bring a friend. To learn more, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

Choral Music Attendance Challenge

An anonymous donor has pledged to donate \$50 (up to \$5,000) to Trinity Cathedral's music program for every person who attends Holy Eucharist for Ascension Day on May 14 at 7 p.m., or the final Choral Evensong on May 17 at 4 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to support your cathedral's music program at no cost to you; simply attend one or both of these services and bring friends and family.

Holy Eucharist for Ascension Day

Thursday, May 14 at 7 p.m.

All are invited to join us for Trinity's annual celebration of the Ascension of our Lord, when we remember Christ ascending into heaven 40 days after his resurrection. The Trinity Choir will sing Mozart's Coronation Mass with orchestra. (Qualifies for attendance challenge)

Final Evensong

Sunday, May 17 at 4 p.m.

Reception in Garth following the 4 pm service

Join us for the last Choral Evensong service of Spring. The service will be followed by a reception in the Garth. Evensong services will return in September. (Qualifies for attendance challenge)

Broadway in Bloom

Saturday May 16 from 1-3 p.m.

Morrison Hall

Join us for an inspiring afternoon celebrating community, beauty, and sustainability in the heart of Broadway.



Enjoy a relaxed, sit-down lunch followed by engaging presentations from two remarkable voices in the world of gardening and storytelling: P. Allen Smith and Michelle Johnson from Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds.

Following the presentations, guests will transition to the scenic Trinity Garth for a special 15-minute musical performance featuring the Trinity Choir bringing a joyful and beautiful close to the

afternoon.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Broadway Community Garden.

A special thanks to Broadway in Bloom Steward Sponsors: Arkansas Life, Terri & Chuck Erwin, Jeanne & Harold Joyner, Julie & Chris Keller, Laura & Christoph Keller, Cathy & Mike Mayton, Frances & David Mitchell, Jr./Rose Law Firm, Olivia & Joe Ramsey, and Mary Olive & John Stephens.

Recognition Sunday

Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Reception to follow in the Garth

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 senior acknowledgements, chorister awards, prayers and formation participation recognition.

Trinitas Ensemble Spring Concert: Music for Choir and Orchestra by Handel and Bach

June 5, 2026 at 7 pm at the Cathedral

The Trinitas Ensemble's spring concert will be its first with orchestra. The program will consist of two sacred, virtuoso works: Handel's *Dixit Dominus* and Bach's Mass in G minor, BWV 235. Handel wrote this dramatic and fiery setting of Psalm 110 when he was only 22 and was living in Italy. Bach's Mass in G minor sets the Lutheran mass, meaning it comprises only a Kyrie and Gloria. Like most of Bach's masses, it recycles material from his cantatas, presumably for the purpose of making music that had been written for specific occasions usable at almost any time. It is therefore reasonable to assume that these masses include some of Bach's own favorites!



SOMA Pride

Saturday, June 13

On Saturday, June 13 Trinity and Christ Church will co-host the Episcopal Church booth at the SOMA Pride Parade and Festival. We'll have postcards for people to leave and take notes of love and encouragement and information about being an affirming church. If you'd like to be a welcoming presence at the booth that day, sign up for a 1 hour shift using the QR code. Questions? Email *emma@trinitylittlerock.org*



Bible School week! VBS is open to all rising Kindergartners - rising 5th graders. Youth going into 6th-12th grade are invited to be volunteers and help lead the week. Adult volunteers we need you too. Sign up today and help make this week fun and memorable as we explore peacemaking together.

Saturday, June 6: Convocational Youth Event: LR Rangers Game (7:00 p.m.)

Saturday, June 13: Playground Hangout (9-11 am) & SOMA Pride (Main St, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm)

IN THE COMMUNITY

17th Annual Sandra Wilson Cherry Award Dinner Honoring

Ellon Cockrill, Benefiting The Gaines House

Thursday, May 14, 2026 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Chenal Valley Country Club

10 Chenal Club Boulevard, Little Rock, Arkansas

Trinity parishioner Ellon Cockrill is being recognized for her faithful work with The Gaines House. All are invited to support her and to support the work of this important organization.

\$100 per person

Find out more at *thegaineshouse.org*.

CHILDREN & YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

For all program questions contact Emma Mitchell,
emma@trinitylittlerock.org

Koinonia Wednesdays

4:00 p.m. Trinity Choristers

5:00 p.m. St. Cecilia Singers

5:30 p.m. Community Dinner (Morrison Hall)

6:00 p.m. Koinonia Eucharist (Cathedral)

Join us on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, for children's choir, St. Cecilia Singers, Community Dinner, and family-friendly worship! We are looking for a few volunteers to host dinners and lead worship, please let Emma know if you can volunteer for one of these roles.

EKC/EYC for May

4:00 - 5:00 EKC

5:00 - 5:30 Shared Dinner

5:30 - 6:30 EYC

May 10: EKC/EYC (Trinity Gym)

May 17: Last EKC/EYC of the year!

June Events For Children & Youth

June 1-5: **Vacation Bible School**

Registration is live for our annual Vacation

