



TRINITY

EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
A house of prayer for all people

The Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery hast established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through the same 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 2:14A,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the LORD, "You are my LORD,
my good above all other."*

*All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.*

*But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.*

*Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.*

*O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.*

*My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.*

*I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.*

*I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.*

*My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.*

*For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.*

*You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.*

THE SECOND READING

I PETER 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now

for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-31

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

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

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.*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 333

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 and People

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.**

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 LOVING MEMORY OF
DAVID D. AND ADOLPHINE FLETCHER TERRY, DR. MERLIN J. AND ELIZABETH PENICK KILBURY,
WILLIAM L. AND ELIZABETH KILBURY TERRY, AND ELLEN FLETCHER TERRY
BY SUSAN TERRY BORNE AND FAMILY

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PEARCE WILSON
BY MARY WILSON

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE BIRTHDAY OF
MY SISTER BARBARA ACKER PENICK MCNAMEE
BY MARY PENICK HODGES

LITURGICAL LEADERS

Celebrant and Preacher

Deacon

Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister

The Rev. Thomas Alexander, *Curate*

The Rev. Susan Loy Lyon

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	11:45 a.m., Canterbury Pilgrimage Meeting No Choral Evensong 4 p.m., EKC 5 p.m., EYC 5 p.m., Catechumenate	Wednesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 12:15 p.m., Organ Recital 4 p.m., Chorister Rehearsal 5 p.m., St. Cecilia Singers 5 p.m., Trinity Ringing Society 5:30 p.m. Community Dinner 5:30 p.m., Eucharist with Healing Prayers 6 p.m., Koinonia Eucharist 6:30 p.m., Book Club
Monday	7 a.m., Breakfast Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer	Thursday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 5:15 p.m., Evening Prayer 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer 1 p.m., SAGEing Group	Saturday	9 a.m., Invite Welcome Connect Workshop

UPCOMING EVENTS

A Living Church: Transformed by Christ

Sundays at 9:15 am, Morrison Hall

Led by the Very Rev. Andrea McMillin

Trinity Cathedral is a vibrant expression of the Body of Christ, and we are called to invite, welcome, and connect our neighbors more deeply into that life. As a resurrection people, we share in the ongoing work of becoming a living church formed by grace, grounded in community, and sent out in love.

In this Easter season, as we proclaim the resurrection of Jesus, we at Trinity Cathedral will gather to explore how we are continually being renewed and transformed as the Body of Christ in this place. Together, we will reflect on how we grow as a community, how we are shaped as disciples, and how God calls us to live Christ-shaped lives in the world.

Andrea as our new Dean and Rector will lead us along with guest presenters as we listen, learn, and discern together.

Book Club: Surprised by Hope: *Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church* by N. T. Wright

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, Conference Room

What do Christians believe about life after death? In this famous and accessible book, N. T. Wright gives an account of the Christian hope while also debunking many misunderstandings about the resurrection of the dead. This will be a wonderful class for the Easter season. To sign up, contact the Rev. Thomas Alexander (thomas@trinitylittlerock.org).

April 15: Chapters 3–4, April 22: Chapters 5–6, April 29: Chapters 7–9

May 6: Chapters 10–12, May 13: Chapters 13–15

SAGEing Group

Tuesday, April 14 at 1 p.m.

Baker Parlor

If you would like to join with others who seek ways to age with wisdom, grace and joy, the Sageing Group will meet in Baker Parlor on Tuesday, April 14 at 1pm. Gini Freemyer will talk about Journaling practice. If you are already journaling, bring your ideas and experience. If you are not currently journaling, learn how this can enhance your spiritual journey. Several techniques to explore include visual/art, travel, morning pages, reflective/personal diary and Bullet journals. Come and share tea and talk.

Invite. Welcome. Connect. Workshop

Saturday, April 18 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Trinity Cathedral

This workshop is to learn more about the Invite - Welcome - Connect ministry as a resource which equips and empowers individuals and congregations to practice evangelism, hospitality, and connectedness. This workshop is for any parish and congregational leaders (clergy, wardens, vestry members, committee and group leaders).

Cost: \$30, includes lunch and materials.

Koinonia Earth Day Dinner and Liturgy

Wednesday, April 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Treadway Garden

Join us for a meal and simple liturgy celebrating the Earth and the beauty of all creation. All ages encouraged. RSVP with the QR Code. ---->



Broadway Community Garden Spring Garden Fair

Friday, May 1 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

In the lower garden area

Come celebrate the season at this fun for all ages event. There will be activity booths, music, games snacks, treats, and refreshments.

CHILDREN & YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

QR codes provided for additional information and registrations

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.

Family Ministry Zoo Day

Sunday, May 3

1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Little Rock Zoo

Along with Children's Ministry at St. Mark's, we will host an afternoon at the Little Rock Zoo for families on May 3. Spend time getting to know some fellow Episcopal families while enjoying time at the zoo in the spring! Plan to meet us at the carousel at 1:00 p.m. If you don't have a membership, let us know and we'll cover your entry fee. A headcount is helpful, let us know how many people in your family are coming by May 1!



Episcopal Night @ The Travs

Friday, May 8

7:05 p.m., Dickey-Stephens Park

Let's go out to the ballgame! Trinity Cathedral is invited to join other Episcopalians in and around the Little Rock area for a night out at the ballpark with the Arkansas Travelers! **Deadline to register is Friday, April 24th.**

Tickets for age 5 and up are \$20 per person, but please list 4 and under in the registration for the

headcount. Ticket price includes food, which will be available at a buffet near the block of seats reserved in the Club Car area. Game starts at 7:05pm. On gameday, look for the Episcopal check-in table outside the gates to pick up your entry ticket(s) and food wristband(s).



Vacation Bible School

June 1-5, 2026

Registration is live for our annual Vacation 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.



IN THE COMMUNITY

Seeking the Sacred Feminine: an exploration of the Abrahamic faiths

Third Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 pm

March 18 – The Rev. Patricia Matthews (Christian)

April 15 – Francesca Rubinson, M.Div. (Jewish)

May 20 – Imam Mohammed Nawaz (Muslim)

Join The Interfaith Center and Spring House for a three-session interfaith speaker series exploring how Judaism, Christianity, and Islam speak about the Sacred through feminine imagery, stories, and attributes. Guest speakers from each tradition will reflect on how God is described and experienced within their own faith and will share stories of significant women from their tradition's sacred history.

This series seeks to balance and broaden our spiritual imagination by expanding the ways we imagine God—masculine, feminine, and beyond—so that our connections to the Divine may be deepened and enriched. By engaging sacred texts, theology, and lived tradition, we will consider how feminine language and metaphors for the Divine have been present—sometimes prominently, sometimes quietly—across all three faiths.

Reserve a spot at springhouselr.org

Shrek: The Musical

Presented by Episcopal Collegiate School

April 16, 17, and 18 at 7 p.m.

Jackson T. Stephens Campus 1701 Cantrell Rd.

Admission \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

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.

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