



# **The Sixth Sunday of Easter - Ascension Day May 5, 2024 Welcome!**

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Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Mark Moore

## **Welcome guests to our Faith Community!**

Holy Trinity is a place where you can connect with people you can relate to and where you'll find lasting relationships. Worship Service is Sunday at 10:00 am.

**THANK YOU FOR BEING QUIET BEFORE THE SERVICE SO PEOPLE CAN PRAY! Please turn off all electronic devices throughout the service out of respect for others and the liturgy!**

### **Our Mission Statement**

Holy Trinity is a diverse, multi-cultural, church unified in Holy Communion and grounded in the Gospel. We embrace all people as equally beloved children of God. We are committed to acting as the hands and feet of Jesus, expressing God's love in the world while lifting each other up in community.

## Prelude

Bea Bastyr

*Please stand as able.*

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Processional Hymn

"Hail Thee, Festival Day"

Hymn #216

vs 1, 3, 5

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

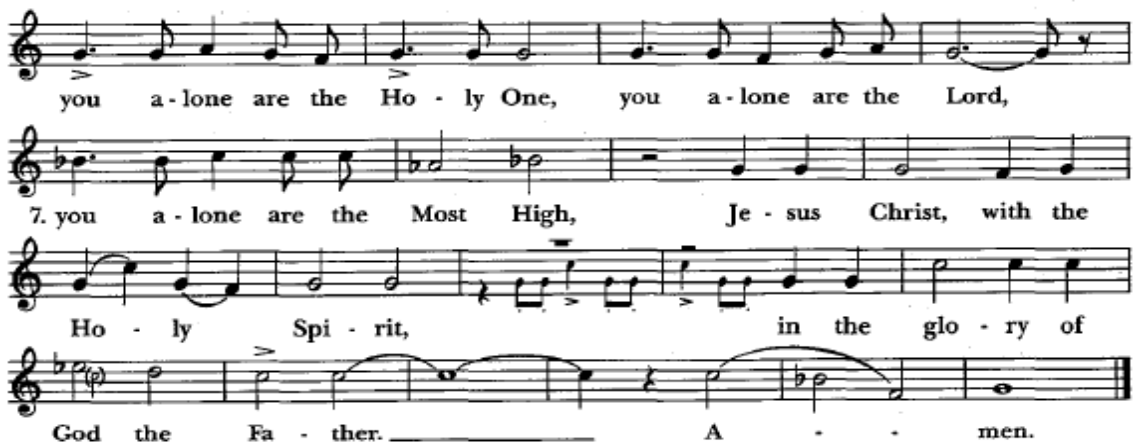
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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.**

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For



## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

**God of justice, in your wisdom you create all people in your image, without exception. Through your goodness, open our eyes to see the dignity, beauty, and worth of every human being. Open our hearts to repent of attitudes, behaviors, and speech which demean others. Open our ears to hear the cries of those wounded by oppression and discrimination, and their passionate appeals for change. Fill us with courage that we might seek to forgive and be forgiven, and establish peace and equality for all in our communities. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## The First Lesson

**Acts 1:1-11**

*Reader* A Reading from Acts.

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going

and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

*(pause)*

*Reader*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 47**

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; \*  
shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; \*  
he is the great King over all the earth.
- 3 He subdues the peoples under us, \*  
and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He chooses our inheritance for us, \*  
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
- 5 God has gone up with a shout, \*  
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; \*  
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- 7 For God is King of all the earth; \*  
sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; \*  
God sits upon his holy throne.
- 9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \*  
with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, \*  
and he is highly exalted.

## **The Second Lesson**

## **Ephesians 1:15-23**

*Reader*

A Reading from Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the

age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.  
(pause)

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn**    "The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns"    Hymn #483  
vs 1-3 Only

*Please stand as able.*

## **Gospel**

**Luke 24:44-53**

*Celebrant*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Celebrant*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sequence Hymn**    "The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns"    Hymn #483  
vs 4-6

## **The Sermon/Message**

**The Rev. Mark Moore**

*Please stand as able.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**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.**

## **Prayers of the People**

*People stand as able.*

*Celebrant* Christ has ascended high that he might fill all things: Listen to our prayers, O Holy One, as we proclaim the riches of your glorious inheritance and the immeasurable greatness of your power for us who believe, saying, Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

*Leader* Source of glory, the Gracious God of our Lord Jesus Christ, give to your Church a spirit of wisdom and revelation as we come to know you, that we may be your witnesses to the ends of the earth. Clap your hands, all you peoples;

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

You reign over the nations, and all the rulers of the earth belong to you: Put your power to work among those who hold authority throughout the world, that they may establish your peace and reconciliation among all people. Clap your hands, all you peoples;

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

Cover the earth with your grace, O Compassionate One, that all who suffer from any threat or oppression may know the power of your goodness. Clap your hands, all you peoples;

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

Fill our community with your blessing, O Loving One, that with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know the hope to which you have called us. Clap your hands, all you peoples;

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

Receive our prayers, dear God, for all for whom we are called to pray.

Hear our song of praise and thanksgiving as we lift our gratefulness to you.

You raised Christ from the dead and seated him at your right hand: Receive into your divine dwelling those who have died. Clap your hands, all you peoples;

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Wonderful and Everliving God, Christ reigns far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named: Put all things under Christ's feet and fill the earth with your divine fullness, through the power of the Holy Spirit, for you are One God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Offertory**

"Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor"

Hymn # 307  
vs 1, 4, 5

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### **The Doxology**

*Please stand as able.*

*Celebrant and People*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymn #380 vs 3

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

### **Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

*Celebrant and People*

The musical score is written on five staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The text is: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est." The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
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high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

*Celebrant*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.



As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

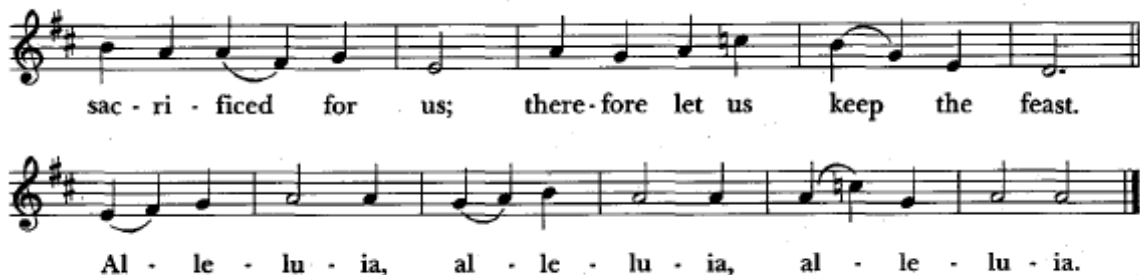
*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Fraction Anthem Hymn #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.

*This is God's table and all are invited to receive communion. You may kneel or stand to receive the Holy Sacrament. If you cannot come to the front, we will bring Communion to you.*

## Communion Hymns

"Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise"

Hymn #214

"See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph"

Hymn #215

## Prayer after Communion

*Please stand as able.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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.**

## Announcements

### Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Announcements

### The Final Blessing

*Please stand as able.*

God has raised up Christ from the dead and brought him into the fullness of life: Live boldly in the victory God has given to you. **Amen.**

Christ has ascended into heaven carrying humanity into the heart of God: Dwell there in the peace and triumph that is your glorious inheritance. **Amen.**

The Spirit has filled all creation with heavenly life: Let the eyes of your heart be enlightened with wisdom and revelation, that you may know the immeasurable greatness of God's power. **Amen.**

And the blessing of our exalted God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and dwell in you, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Hymn #494  
vs 1, 3, 4, 5

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Postlude

Bea Bastyr

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***Thank you to The Rev. Mark Moore for leading us in worship today!***

***Please pray for these Trinitarians and their loved ones this week.***

For ourselves, and for our families, and all those we love, especially for Broten, Olive, Gail, Rosemary, Sheri, Doug, DuWayne, Don, Ed, Lyle, Cindy, Carmen, Art, Vestry members, all the residents and staff of Guardian Angels, Guardian Angels Board of Directors, Open Doors for Youth, Feed My Starving Children, Meals on Wheels, and CAER Food Shelf.



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