



HOLY TRINITY
ANGELICAN CHURCH

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The Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

Holy Communion

WELCOME

Welcome!

We're so glad you've joined us this morning. Whether you've been following Christ for years or are investigating the Christian faith for the first time you are welcome at Holy Trinity.

As an Anglican church our time together in worship is shaped by ancient liturgies accompanied by old hymns, new choruses and the preaching of God's word. On most Sunday mornings we share Holy Communion together, but on the final Sunday of each month we worship following the service of Morning Prayer. Our services come from the Anglican Church in North America's 2019 Book of Common Prayer. Everything you need to know for our service—like when to sit or stand, song lyrics, corporate prayers and readings can be found here in your bulletin.

Our nursery is open during the whole service for children up to 5 years old. There is a "Little Sanctuary" for nursing moms and young children in between the exit doors on the side closest to the nursery. Kids grades K-5 will be invited to their own time of bible teaching before the sermon. All leaders are vetted and trained folks who will love your kids well! Please make sure you have checked in your son or daughter at the check-in station near the young children's wing.

Want to know more about us? Please complete one of the welcome cards located on the large table in the Courtyard Lobby, or speak with a member of our clergy after worship. Thanks again for visiting with us this morning. I look forward to meeting you!

Yours in Christ,



Rev. Dr. John Yates III

A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

WELCOME

INTROIT

All things shall perish, thou dost remain

All things shall perish, thou dost remain; and all those in thee shall live again.

Thou dost remain, thou dost remain; all things shall perish, thou dost remain.

Thou dost remain, thou dost remain; and all those in thee shall live again.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The strife is o'er



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from



1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his



1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Officiant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY *(prayed together)*

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.

THE GLORIA *(sung by all)*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly living: Give us grace thankfully to receive his inestimable benefits, and daily to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS *(please sit)*

The Old Testament: Isaiah 42:1-9

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Red Bible, page 602

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Worship

Children grades K-5 are invited to join the teachers and follow the cross at the front of the sanctuary for their own time of kid's worship. They will return to the sanctuary during the announcements.

THE GOSPEL HYMN

Psalm 27

*Chorus: Lord, You are my shelter,
God of my salvation, I am not forsaken,
Lord, my shield and protector,
Waiting on Your promise,
I will see Your goodness, O Lord.*

The Lord is my light and my salvation,
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life,
Of whom shall I be afraid? *Chorus*

When troubles arise, no foe can harm me,
You are my peace, You are my peace.
You lift me above the raging storm,
You conquer my enemies. *Chorus*

One thing I have asked: to see Your beauty.
This I will seek, this I will seek,
To dwell in Your house, to walk in Your ways,
Your presence is all I need. *Chorus*

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THE GOSPEL

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

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

John 8:12-20

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Red Bible, page 894

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. John W. Yates III

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(all are invited to sit or kneel)*

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially within the Diocese of the Carolinas.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Almighty and most merciful God, you have told us not to think of ourselves only, but to remember the needs of others. We pray for all in want or need, for all who have strayed from your way, for the sick in body or mind, for the poor and lonely, for those in distress and despair or any other adversity especially Lydia Aldridge; Zara Best; Lawrence Bivins; Claire Bonney; Jonie Bowie; Larry Crumpler; Gay Eatman; Woody Eatman; Julie Gilbert; Laci Hamilton; Nan Hamilton; Jim Harris; Frank Hill; Liz Holzner; Ann Johnson; Julia Kane; Holland McPeake; Mary B. Raiford; Margaret Steed; Brittany Swanger; Tom Vestal and Ed Weems.

Heavenly Father, we pray for all those expecting the birth of a child, especially Rachel and Michael Bittler; Whitney and Stuart Couch; Virginia and Derek Eason; Scottie and Eddie O’Herron; Amber and Patrick Hill; and Jenny and Hart Roberts. Grant comfort and peace to all who desire to conceive, or adopt, and in your time, we pray, give them the joy of children.

We pray for our loved ones serving in the military, especially Jeb Baker; Samuel Bedor; Chase Duncan and Brennan Hodges — keep them safe, enfold them with your protection and fill them with courage each day.

Please add your own petitions or thanksgivings silently.

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(Silent Confession)

CONFESSION *(said by all, kneeling)*

**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.**

ABSOLUTION

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 & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Easter Carol, Alfred Fedak

"Christ, the Lord, is ris'n today,"
All creation joins to say;
Raise your songs and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply.
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal:
Christ has burst the gates of hell!
Death in vain forbids him rise;
Christ has opened Paradise!
Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
Where thy victory, O grave?
Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head;
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies!
Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be given;
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the resurrection, thou!
King of glory, Soul of bliss,
Everlasting life is this:
Thee to know, Thy pow'r to prove,
Thus to sing, and thus to love!
Alleluia!

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND GIFTS (*Doxology*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia 5x**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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.**

(please remain standing)

Heavenly Father, we lift our hearts to you as we gather at your table. You are worthy at all times and in all places to receive glory, honor, thanks and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord: For He is Your living Word from before time and for all ages; by Him you created all things, and by Him you make all things new.

When we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death you, in your tender mercy, gave Your Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, offered once and for all time, for the sins of the whole world. By His death He reconciled us to you, satisfying your just demands. By His rising to new life He has secured eternal deliverance for His people.

We thank You Father, that on the night before He died, Jesus took bread; and when He had given You thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." After the meal, He took the cup, and again giving You thanks He gave it to His disciples, saying, "Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the New Covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore Father, we thank You for these gifts of bread and wine. By the power of your Holy Spirit we pray that all who eat and drink them, believing our Savior's word, may share His body and blood. **Amen.**

(please kneel or sit)

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

Friends, at just the right time, when we were weak and unable to help ourselves Christ Jesus died for the ungodly. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Jesus Christ died for you and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Receiving Communion: The ushers will guide you to the front or rear of the church via the center aisle. All baptized Christians are welcome to share in communion by extending your hands to receive the wafer, which you may then dip in the chalice. If you are not baptized, please cross your arms in front of you and the priest will offer a prayer for you. Once you have received, please return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available.

During Communion two prayer ministers will be available to pray with anyone who would like prayer for any reason. They will be stationed in the Prayer Corner, which is in the left transept.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands, Johann Crüger

Words for quiet meditation:

*Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands, For our offenses given;
But now at God's right hand he stands And brings us life from heaven;
Therefore let us joyful be And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of hallelujah. Hallelujah!*

Be unto your name (sung by all)

**Chorus: Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain!
Highest praises honor and glory, be unto Your name, be unto Your name.**

**We are a moment, You are forever, Lord of the ages, God before time.
We are a vapor, You are eternal. Love Everlasting, reigning on high! Chorus**

**We are the broken, You are the Healer, Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save.
You are the Love song we'll sing forever, bowing before You, blessing Your name! Chorus**

We are the broken . . . (repeat verse) Chorus x 2

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Only a Holy God (sung by all)

**Chorus: Come and behold Him, the One and the Only,
Cry out, sing, "Holy! Forever a Holy God!
Come and worship the Holy God!"**

**Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God.**

**What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God. Chorus**

**What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God. Chorus**

**Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God. Chorus x 2**

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

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.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is alive

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
He comes to claim the here and now
and conquer every place and time.

Not throned above, remotely high,
Untouched, unmoved by human pains,
But daily, in the midst of life,
Our Savior with the Father reigns.

Christ is alive! His Spirit burns
Through this and every future age,
Till all creation lives and learns
His joy, His justice, love and praise.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth rejoicing in the good news of Christ!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Immediately following the service we invite any who desire confidential prayer for any reason to come to the left transept area to pray with a member of our healing prayer team.

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