

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Sunday, April 5, 2026 — 9 A.M. Service



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The Mission of Holy Trinity Church, Tiverton, under Jesus Christ, is to further the spiritual growth of all; to love, minister to, and affirm one another; and to be a force for God in our community.

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9am Easter Sunday — April 5, 2026
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday

Please silence all electronic devices during the service.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 175: Hail thee, festival day! (*Salve festa dies*)

Welcome

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.*

Gloria in Excelsis [S-280] - Robert Powell

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of Easter Sunday

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.* *[Please be seated.]*

A Reading from The Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 31:1-6

1At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. 2Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, 3the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. 4Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. 5Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. 6For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24



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- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is ¹ good; *
his mercy endures for ¹ ever.
- 2 Let Israel now pro ¹ claim, *
"His mercy endures for ¹ ever."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my ¹ song, |
and has become my sal ¹ vation. ||
- 15 The voice of joy and deliverance is in the dwellings of the ¹ righteous; |
the right hand of the Lord brings mighty things to ¹ pass. ||
- 16 The right hand of the Lord is e ¹ xalted; |
the right hand of the Lord brings mighty things to ¹ pass. ||
- 17 I shall not die, but ¹ live, |
and declare the works of the ¹ Lord. ||
- 22 The same stone which the builders re ¹ fused |
has become the chief ¹ cornerstone. ||
- 23 This is the Lord's ¹ doing, |
and it is marvelous in our ¹ eyes. ||
(repeat second half of chant)
- 24 This is the day that the Lord has ¹ made; |
we will rejoice and be glad in ¹ it. ||

A Reading from Acts 10: 34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. *[Please stand.]*

Gradual Hymn 204: Now the Green Blade Riseth (*Noël nouvelet*)

[Verses 1 & 2 are played before the Gospel; Verses 3 & 4 after the Gospel]

Holy Gospel: John 20:1-18

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell

me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. K Casenhiser

Nicene Creed *All stand and together say*

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, adapted from Form VI

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. [*Silence*] For all people in their daily life and work;

***People* For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

***People* For all who work for justice, liberation, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper preservation of your creation;

***People* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

- Intercessor* For the empowerment of the Holy Spirit as we work towards an inclusive and equitable society;
- People* **For all persons, laws, and customs to uphold the dignity of all persons.**
- Intercessor* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
- People* **For those who minister to the sick, the lonely, and the needy.**
- Intercessor* For the peace and unity of the Church of God and all Holy Assemblies;
- People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**
- Intercessor* For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Nicholas, our own Bishop; and for all the clergy and ministers. In our Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Peace of Jerusalem, and for the Anglican Church of Mexico.
- People* **For all who serve God in the Church.**
- Intercessor* For the special needs and concerns of our congregation, praying especially for Kathy & Brian, Sheila & Steven, Karen, Cathy, Alex, Maryann, Jonah, Freddy Hester's family, Ann, Rachel, Mickey, Joni, John, Brayton, Joan, and those we now name ...
- Silence is kept. The community is invited to share their personal thanksgiving aloud or reflect on them silently in their hearts.*
- Intercessor* Hear us, Lord;
- People* **For your mercy is great.**
- Intercessor* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We remember those in our parish who are celebrating birthdays this week: Courtnie Smith, Cindy Cwalina, Pamela Haskell, John Campbell, and Jordan Potocki.
- Intercessor* We will exalt you, O God, Source of Life and Love,
- People* **And praise your Name forever and ever.**
- Intercessor* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
- Intercessor* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
- People* **Who put their trust in you.**
- Celebrant* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*
- Celebrant and People* God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.
- Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*
- The Exchange of Peace**
- Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- People* And also with you.

Holy Communion

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory: Lord of the Dance (*Simple Gifts*)

Soloist, Lynne Leco

Doxology Hymn 380, verses 1 & 3: From all that dwell below the skies (*Old 100th*)

Eucharistic Prayer A [*Please remain standing.*]

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.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus [S-130] - Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Please stand or kneel as you are able. *The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love ...

After the consecration of the bread and wine the Celebrant says:

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

and the Celebrant and People together say:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant concludes the Eucharist Prayer: ... By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant & People:

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| Our Father, who art in heaven, | as we forgive those |
| hallowed be thy Name, | who trespass against us. |
| thy kingdom come, | And lead us not into temptation, |
| thy will be done, | but deliver us from evil. |
| on earth as it is in heaven. | For thine is the kingdom, |
| Give us this day our daily bread. | and the power, and the glory, |
| And forgive us our trespasses, | forever and ever. Amen. |

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei [S-164] - Franz Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace. Give us your peace.

All are warmly welcome to come forward to the altar rail and receive Holy Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than Holy Communion, you may indicate so by simply crossing your arms over your chest. If you need to have Holy Communion brought to you in your pew, please inform the usher ahead of time.

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.

Communion Hymn 207: Jesus Christ is Risen Today! (Easter Hymn)

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant & People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Blessing

Celebrant 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn 210: The Day of Resurrection (*Ellacombe*)

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Serving today:

Celebrant: The Rev. K Casenhiser

Altar Guild: Phyllis Brower, Susan St. Amour,
Vicki Revier, Carol Scanlon

Organist: Rob Currier

Soloist: Lynne Leco

The Choir

Eucharistic Minister: Dean Holt

Lector: Judy Harrison-Bates

Ushers: Alec Grande

Coffee Hour: Colleen Ramos

Announcements

Books & Bread resumes on April 15th at Holy Trinity. We will be reading The Book of Joy by Desmond Tutu and the Dalai Lama.

Bible Study resumes April 19th, continuing to read Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices.

Last Weekend's Attendance Record

9 at 5pm Saturday; 15 at 8am Sunday; 40 at 10am Sunday = 64

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