



A Service of Holy Communion
April 13, 2025
Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

If you would like to receive more information about Trinity Church, please sign our guest book located near the entrance. Everyone is welcome to enjoy refreshments and conversation after worship. Trinity Church is an Episcopal Church in the Diocesan Partnership of Western New York and Northwest Pennsylvania and is a part of the Anglican Communion which is based in England but found worldwide.

This centering prayer comes from the Iona Community's Wild Goose Worship Group.

Cover image: "Mystical Procession" by Matt Lincoln, 2020

Welcome to Trinity's gathered community! We are together on-site and online!

The people of Trinity Church gather around a table piled high with spiritual food, and there is a place for you and everyone at the table, whatever your religious practice may be. If you are at Trinity in person, know that this congregation supports anyone who wears a mask to reduce risk of infection. Please feel free to receive communion and participate in the service as fully as you want. If you are watching the Facebook Live Stream, you may add comments, likes, etc. to the comment section at any time! If you are on-site, you can use your mobile device to join the Facebook Live Stream to connect with other worshippers in the comment section. Just make sure your volume is all the way down! WiFi internet access is publicly available. Use the "Trinity Open" network with the password "Welcome!"

Trinity Church is a metropolitan house of prayer, a community of worship and spiritual inquiry, welcoming all people. Recognizing our common brokenness, yet rejoicing in the reconciling love of God through Jesus Christ, we nurture one another in our spiritual life together. This communal worship service is many things, including an offering of your prayers. You may light a candle on one of the candle walls at any time during worship as a tangible way to make that prayer offering, or if you are online, request a candle lighting in the comments, and someone on-site will light a candle on your behalf. If you are not on-site, rest assured that your presence online is felt and valued.

Children, with all their sounds and movements, are a welcome part of the gathering for worship. It is perfectly appropriate to keep your kids with you in the pew. If your baby or toddler would be happier being able to crawl around and play, there are Kids' Corners in both side aisles. These are enclosed and safe spaces for small children (attended by their parents) to play quietly on the floor while staying in church. Additionally, there is a room in the back left corner of the church that has a rocking chair and a changing table where you can attend to your child's needs. That same room is also currently serving as the nursery, which is available for toddlers through age 5.

Name tags are not required, but they sure help! You'll find sticky tags and markers on a table in the red carpet area near the entrance.

PRELUDE

"ROMANZA" BY ROLAND MARTIN

CENTERING PRAYER

Let us pray responsively.

Humble and riding on a donkey,

We greet you.

Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

We cheer you.

Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

We salute you, Christ our Lord.

You are giving the beasts of burden a new dignity;

You are giving majesty a new face;

You are giving those who long for redemption a new song to sing.

With them, with heart and voice, we shout "Hosanna!"

After telling the crowds a parable, Jesus went ahead and ascended to Jerusalem. Approaching Bethphage and Bethany, near what is called the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of the disciples with these instructions: “Go into the village ahead of you. Upon entering it, you’ll find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and lead it back. If anyone should ask you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Rabbi needs it.’”

They departed on their errand and found things just as Jesus had said. As they untied the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you doing that?” They explained that the Rabbi needed it. Then the disciples led the animal to Jesus and, laying their cloaks on it, helped him mount. People spread their cloaks on the roadway as Jesus rode along. As they reached the descent from the Mount of Olives, the entire crowd of disciples joined them and began to rejoice and praise God loudly for the display of power they had seen, saying,

“Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest!”

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” Jesus replied, “I tell you, if they were to keep silent, the very stones would cry out!”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

BLESSING THE PALM FRONDS

May God be with you!

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to praise you, Gracious God, for your love sustains us and leads us into life, just as your Son Jesus led his disciples into Jerusalem. Let these branches be signs of the joy and gratitude of all who have followed him, from that time to this, and give us grace to share in that joy with full hearts. Inspire us to choose, as Jesus did, to rely on the innocence of a young colt, rather than the power of a war horse. Give us courage to offer our lives in the service of peace and justice, that we may live in a city made holy by your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE PROCESSION

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

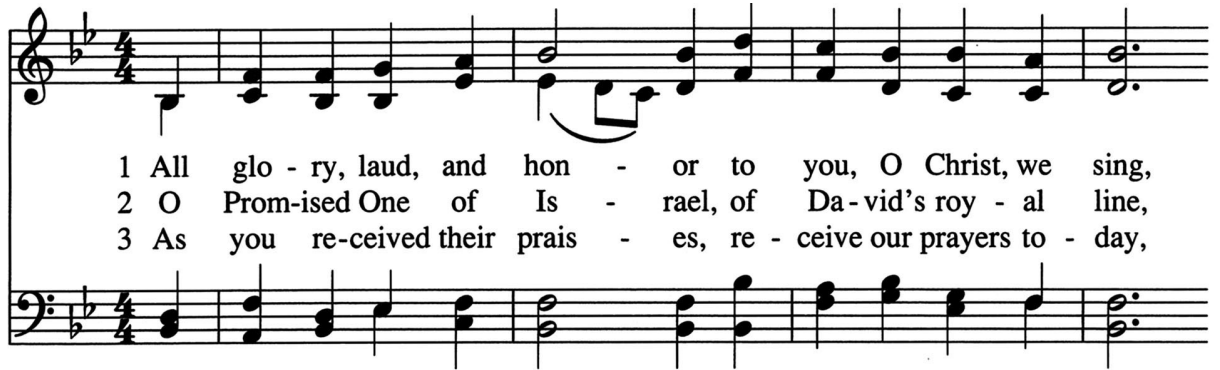
The Bible readings are taken from The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation by Priests for Equality.

Nobody set out to write The Bible. The Hebrew Scriptures were created over many centuries by many people to record the Jewish People’s experience of God. The same is true of the Christian Scriptures, some of which were letters written to a specific audience in response to specific needs—and were then found to be helpful to the faithful even after fulfilling their original purpose.

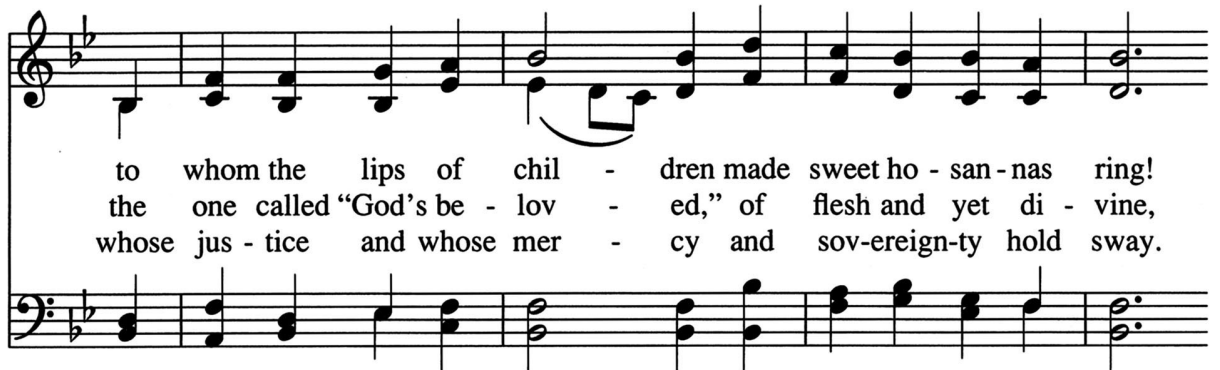
*In spirit or in body,
the congregation
stands to sing
hymns.*

HYMN

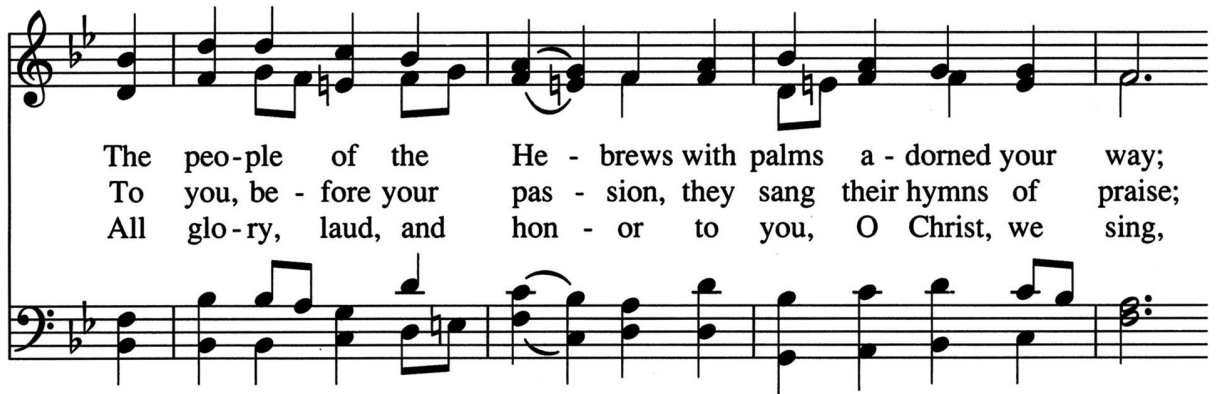
“All glory, laud, and honor”



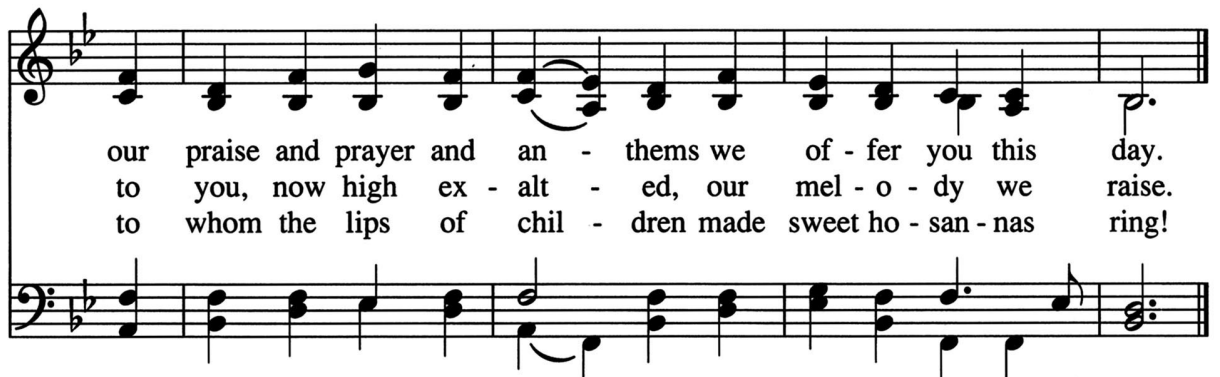
1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,
2 O Prom-ised One of Is - rael, of Da - vid's roy - al line,
3 As you re-ceived their prais - es, re - ceive our prayers to - day,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
the one called “God’s be - lov - ed,” of flesh and yet di - vine,
whose jus - tice and whose mer - cy and sov-ereign-ty hold sway.



The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms a - dorned your way;
To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,



our praise and prayer and an - thems we of - fer you this day.
to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Brought to France by Charlemagne, Theodulph became bishop of Orléans but was later imprisoned by Charlemagne’s successor. According to legend, he was released when the king, Louis the Pious, heard him sing this hymn from prison.

Tune: ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.
(VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN)
Melchior Teschner, 1615
For another setting, see 217

MIDDLE READING

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

Your attitude must be the same as that of Christ Jesus:
Christ, though in the image of God,
didn't deem equality with God
something to be clung to—
but instead became completely empty
and took on the image of oppressed humankind:
born into the human condition,
found in the likeness of a human being.
Jesus was thus humbled—
obediently accepting death, even death on a cross!
Because of this, God highly exalted Christ
and gave to Jesus the name above every other name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee must bend
in the heavens, on the earth and under the earth,
and every tongue proclaim to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ reigns supreme!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

THE REV. MATT LINCOLN

MUSICAL REFLECTION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God, who is the source of all creation, seen and unseen.

We trust that God's divine life is conceived by God and was born in the human form of Jesus, through his mother Mary.

In his life, death and resurrection, Jesus embodied God's self-giving love for the world and God's will to regenerate life, and to reclaim us from the oblivion of death.

We trust that the Spirit of God is present in this world, in our hearts, and within the community of faith, guiding us into all truth and inspiring us to love as we have been loved, to create as we have been created.

Amen.

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The sermon invites your curiosity and thoughtfulness about the theme of worship, and is intended to evoke your thoughts rather than direct them. A recording of the sermon is posted to the parish website each week, usually by Tuesday.

In spirit or in body, please stand.

This affirmation, written by Matt Lincoln, is an adaptation of the Nicene Creed. Like the the creed on which it is based, it is an expression of faith intended as a symbol of solidarity with other Christians throughout history but not as a pledge of allegiance required for membership.

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*These prayers are
an effort to pray
with one voice even
though we have a
diversity of needs
and hopes.*

In particular, we have been asked to pray for:

Kathy Chase, recovering from a car accident
Ansie Baird, recovering from a fall
Karen Hock - in rehab for two broken
kneecaps
Pete - throat cancer
Jack LaMothe - continued healing
Onofrio Palazzo - successful surgery and
recovery
Linda Harris - battling stage 4 lung cancer
Sandy Delano - recovering from pneumonia
Michael Shanley

Antoinette O'Donnell
Chris Cuccia
Maryanne Nowacki - battling multiple
myeloma
Paul Werner- recovering from a stroke
Alphonso and Marcia O'Neil-White
Betsy and Peter Curtis
For those who have died and those who
mourn them - Timothy Schreier (Liz
Schreier's son)

Gracious God, we pray for these members of our community trusting that you are already doing more than we can ask or imagine.

O Lover of Souls, you call us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Give us vision and wisdom, and the strength and trust to respond to your call.

Where we can help, give us the determination and generosity to do so.

When our neighbor needs only the courage to face difficulty, give us the patience and wisdom to listen and encourage in love.

When we need to combine our strengths, show us that we are one in you.

When we feel torn apart and alienated from each other, again: show us that we are one in you.

We pray for those who struggle in poverty or under oppression, and for those who care for them.

We pray for those in any need or trouble.

We pray for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

We pray for equity, mutual regard, and peace.

We pray for those who are sick or sick at heart. We pray for all who suffer from illness or injury, from mental illness or heartbreak, sadness or loneliness.

We pray for those who have died and those who are bereaved. We pray for consolation and hope.

We pray for human community, for oneness transcending difference and hostility, for peace and justice.

We pray for all who have labored and suffered for a fairer world where the dignity and freedom of all are protected.

We pray for all who study the natural world and seek to preserve our resources and environment.

We pray for the wisdom to see that preserving our way of life will require change and adaptation.

We pray for the generosity of spirit to forgive those who betray us.

We pray for the courage to face our own faults, and to seek forgiveness when we fail to love our neighbors as ourselves, trusting that we are all beloved in your sight, O God.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Now would be a great time to add a comment to the Live Stream!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

A stable lamp is lighted
whose glow shall wake the sky;
the stars shall bend their voices,
and every stone shall cry.
And every stone shall cry,
and straw like gold shall shine;
a barn shall harbour heaven,
a stall become a shrine.

This child through David's city
shall ride in triumph by;
the palm shall strew its branches,
and every stone shall cry.
And every stone shall cry,
though heavy, dull and dumb,
and lie within the roadway
to pave his kingdom come.

“A STABLE LAMP IS LIGHTED”

Yet he shall be forsaken,
and yielded up to die;
the sky shall groan and darken,
and every stone shall cry.
And every stone shall cry
for gifts of love abused;
God's blood upon the spearhead,
God's blood again refused.

But now, as at the ending,
the low is lifted high;
the stars shall bend their voices,
and every stone shall cry.
And every stone shall cry
in praises of the child
by whose descent among us
the worlds are reconciled.

SHARING THE OPEN TABLE

All are welcome to receive Communion at Trinity Church. No Exceptions!

All things come of thee, O Lord;

and of thine own have we given thee.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Now is the time to give you thanks when rage and spite deface your image. You are the undying one whose gift of life never ceases; **you journeyed with your people to break the bonds of slavery**; you gave the law of justice to free them from lifeless idols; **you called the prophets and judges to speak for the dispossessed.**

When empires ruled you gave your Beloved to systems which silenced what they could not control and wormed their way into our colluding hearts. **In his self-offering love the wound of torment became a healing spring, the place of execution a gateway into life.**

Therefore we stand with all the victims, the faithless and the treacherous, and the ones who only followed orders, knowing we depend on grace to sing of life renewed:

Your financial support is not only a practical necessity. It can also be a very meaningful symbolic gesture, expressing your gratitude for the blessings in your life and your hope for health in the world. You can place cash or a check in the collection plate when it is brought around during the offertory or [donate online here](#), or initiate an online donation by texting TRINITYBUFFALO to 73256. You can also get there by scanning the QR code.



This Eucharistic Prayer is from Steven Shakespeare's Prayers For An Inclusive Church.

Plainsong

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth
 are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Plainsong, Mode 2; Mass 12; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947)

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We are following a pattern of going back and forth between using an alternative interpretation of the Lord's Prayer for a few weeks and then using the traditional Prayer Book version for a few weeks.

This version of the Lord's Prayer is what many of us grew up learning. It is also the version shared at the end of many 12 Step meetings. Although it is important to stay fresh and engaged by the words of our prayers, it is also important to be reminded that we as individuals are part of a great cloud of witnesses who have been inspired to turn to God in prayer throughout the ages.

**Jesus revealed a new, personal sense of relationship with God by addressing God as something like "Papa." Always feel free to use your most meaningful name for God in saying the Lord's Prayer.*

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that they may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: **"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."**

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: **"This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me."**

Therefore we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Author of blessings, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Now, as 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 disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Were not our hearts burning within us as we walked along the road?

RECEIVING COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive communion, regardless of religious background or affiliation. For those of you online, you are invited to have a morsel of bread and a sip of wine (or any substitutes you choose) during the time that communion is being shared.

For those in the building, you are invited to come forward and make a large circle around the perimeter of the open area, where you will be offered a morsel of bread dipped in wine. Please let the ministers of communion know if you prefer not to have your bread dipped in the wine. Also, let them know if you need a gluten-free wafer instead of wheat bread.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray:

**Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and remembering the body of Christ,
which has been broken for the life of the world.
Now give us grace to trust that we are
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed.
Give us the courage to proclaim your love to the world,
and to continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things, and the blessing of God, the Holy and undivided Trinity, be with you always. **Amen.**

CHOIR ANTHEM

"GOD OF MERCY, LEAD US HOME" GREG FUNDERBURK ARRANGED BY EARLENE RENTZ"

*In the darkness of the cross, we gather here.
In the sorrow of the soul, our God is near.
In the pain of shadowed love, for mercy we long.
In the night of darkened song, our God leads us home.*

*My soul longs for light, when the darkness shall end,
And peace is the gift of your presence within.
Your light is our guide, your grace is our song.
Awaken, God of mercy, and lead us home.*

Refrain:

*God of mercy, lead us home, lead us home.
Give comfort in this place, and return us to your grace.
Awaken, God of mercy, lead us home.*

Narrator	Then Jesus went out and made his way as usual to the Mount of Olives; the disciples accompanied him. When they reached the place, Jesus said to them,
Jesus	“Pray that you not be put to the test.”
Narrator	Then Jesus withdrew about a stone’s throw from them, knelt down and prayed,
Jesus	“Abba, if it’s your will, take this cup from me; yet not my will but yours be done.”
Narrator	When Jesus rose from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping, exhausted with grief.
Jesus	“Why do you sleep? Wake up, and pray that you not be subjected to the trial.”
Narrator	While Jesus was still speaking, a crowd suddenly appeared with Judas, one of the Twelve, at their head. Judas came over to Jesus to embrace him.
Jesus	“Judas, are you betraying the Chosen One with a kiss?”
Narrator	Those who were around Jesus, realizing what was going to happen, said,
Disciples	“Rabbi, should we strike them with our swords?”
Narrator	One of them struck the attendant of the high priest, cutting off an ear.
Jesus	“Stop! No more of this!”
Narrator	Then Jesus touched the attendant’s ear and healed it. But to those who had come out against him—the chief priests, the chiefs of the Temple Guard and the elders—Jesus said,
Jesus	“Why do you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a robber? I was with you in the Temple every day, and you could have laid hands on me any time you wanted. But this is your hour—the triumph of darkness!”
Narrator	They arrested Jesus and led him away, arriving at the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance and sat down in the midst of those who had kindled a fire in the courtyard and were sitting around it. One of the high priest’s attendants saw him sitting there at the fire, and she stared at him and said,
Attendant	“This one was with Jesus, too.”
Peter	“I do not know him!”
Narrator	A little later, someone else noticed Peter
Bystander	“You’re one of them too!”
Peter	“No, I’m not.”
Narrator	About an hour later, someone else insisted,
Bystander	“Surely this fellow was with them, too. He even talks like a Galilean.”
Peter	“I don’t even know what you are talking about!”
Narrator	Just then, as Peter was still speaking, a rooster crowed. Jesus turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered Jesus saying, “Before a rooster crows today, you’ll deny me three times.” Peter went out and wept bitterly.
	Meanwhile, those who held Jesus in custody were amusing themselves at his expense. They blindfolded and slapped him, and then taunted him.
Soldiers	“Play the prophet! Which one struck you?”

Narrator	And they hurled many other insults at him. At daybreak the Sanhedrin—which was made up of the elders of the people, the chief priests and the religious scholars— assembled again. Once they had brought Jesus before the council,
Sanhedrin	“Tell us, are you the Messiah?”
Jesus	“If I tell you, you’ll not believe me. And if I question you, you won’t answer! But from now on, the Chosen One will have a seat at the right hand of the Power of God.”
Sanhedrin	“So you are God’s Own?”
Jesus	“Your own words have said it!”
Sanhedrin	“What need do we have of witnesses? We have heard it from his own mouth!”
Narrator	Then the whole assembly arose and led Jesus to Pilate. They began to accuse Jesus by saying,
Sanhedrin	“We found this one subverting our nation, opposing the payment of taxes to Caesar and even claiming to be Messiah, a king.”
Narrator	Then Pilate questioned Jesus:
Pilate	“Are you the King of the Jews?”
Jesus	“You have said it.”
Pilate	“I find no guilt in him!”
Sanhedrin	“He stirs up the people wherever he teaches, through the whole of Judea, from Galilee to Jerusalem.”
Narrator	On hearing this, Pilate asked whether Jesus was a Galilean, and learning that Jesus was from Herod’s jurisdiction, sent Jesus off to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at this time. Now, at the sight of Jesus, Herod was very pleased. From the reports he had heard about Jesus, he had wanted for a long time to see him. Herod hoped to see Jesus perform some miracle. Herod questioned him at great length, but Jesus wouldn’t answer. The chief priests and religious scholars stood there, accusing Jesus vehemently. So Herod and the soldiers treated Jesus with contempt and ridicule, put a magnificent robe upon him and sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate, who had previously been set against each other, became friends that day. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the ruling class and the people.
Pilate	“You have brought this person before me as someone who incites people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for any charge against him arising from your allegations. Neither has Herod, for Jesus has been sent back to us. Obviously, he has done nothing to deserve death. Therefore, I will punish Jesus, but then I will release him.”
Narrator	Pilate was obligated to release one prisoner to the people at festival time. The whole crowd cried out as one,
All	“Take him away! We want Barabbas!”
Narrator	Barabbas had been imprisoned for starting a riot in the city, and for murder. Pilate wanted to release Jesus, so he addressed them again. But they shouted back,
All	“Crucify him, crucify him!”
Narrator	Yet a third time, Pilate spoke to the crowd.
Pilate	“What wrong has this Jesus done? I’ve found nothing that calls for death! Therefore, I’ll have him flogged, and then I’ll release him.”

Narrator But they demanded that Jesus be crucified, and their shouts increased in volume. Pilate decided that their demands should be met. So he released Barabbas, the one who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and Jesus was handed over to the crowd. As they led Jesus away, they seized Simon—a Cyrenean who was just coming in from the fields—and forced him to carry the cross behind Jesus. A large crowd was following, many of them women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. At one point, Jesus turned to these women.

Jesus “Daughters of Jerusalem, don’t weep for me! Weep rather for yourselves and for your children! The time is coming when it will be said, ‘Blessed are the childless, the wombs that have never given birth and the breasts that have never nursed.’ Then people will say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us!’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us up!’ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Narrator Two others were also led off with Jesus, criminals who were to be put to death. When they had reached the place called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there—together with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

Jesus “Abba forgive them. They don’t know what they are doing.”

Narrator Then they divided his garments, rolling dice for them. The people stood there watching. The rulers, however, jeered.

Sanhedrin “He saved others, let him save himself—if he really is the Messiah of God, the Chosen One!”

Narrator The soldiers also mocked him. They served Jesus sour wine and said,

Soldiers “If you are really the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

Narrator There was an inscription above Jesus that read, “This is the King of the Jews.” One of the criminals who hung there beside him insulted Jesus, too:

Criminal 1 “Are you really the Messiah? Then save yourself—and us!”

Narrator But the other answered the first with a rebuke:

Criminal 2 “Don’t you even fear God? We are only paying the price for what we have done, but this one has done nothing wrong! — Jesus, remember me when you come into your glory.”

Jesus “The truth is, today you’ll be with me in paradise!”

Narrator It was about noon, and darkness fell on the whole land until three in the afternoon. While the sunlight failed, the curtain in the sanctuary was torn in two.

Jesus “Abba, into your hands I commit my spirit.”

Narrator Saying this, Jesus breathed for the last time. The centurion who saw this glorified God, saying,

Centurion “Surely this one was innocent.”

Narrator When the crowds that had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their breasts and weeping. All the acquaintances of Jesus and the women who had come with him from Galilee stood at a distance, looking on.

There was a member of the Sanhedrin named Joseph, who had not consented to their action. Joseph was from Arimathea and lived in anticipation of the reign of God. He approached Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Joseph took the body down, wrapped it in fine linen and laid it in a tomb cut out of rock, where no one had yet been laid.

Please leave in silence.

PASSION READERS

Narrator: Don Ingalls

Jesus: John Clayton

Attendant, Disciples, Criminal 1: Jane Kearns

Peter, Disciples: Julie Gibert

Bystanders, Disciples, Criminal 2: Patti Nisbet

Soldiers: Men of the Choir

Sanhedrin: Full Choir

Pilate: David Devereux

Centurion: Joanne Dunnigan

Purchase tickets



Volunteer to help



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Krista Seddon's Trinity Jazz Series

"Four Crown Jewels of Buffalo's Musical Heyday: The Artists, Their Stories, Their Music"
May 9 @7pm "Shea's Performing Arts Center"

All concerts are held in the Trinity Chapel, 371 Delaware Ave.

[Purchase tickets here.](#) Tickets also available at the door.

If you'd like to help make this evening a success, please [sign up here](#) to volunteer or scan the QR code. There are various roles needed including tickets sales and reception setup and cleanup.

Easter Flower Donations

You can help provide the beauty of flowers for Easter with a special donation. Write a check marked "Easter Flowers" in the memo line or make an online [donation here](#). If you donate by 5pm, Tuesday, April 15, we can include memorials in the Easter worship guide.

Holy Week Services- You are welcome to gather at church in person or online.

Wednesday 4/16 12pm

A celebration of Holy Communion including the readings for Easter, prayers for each other and the world, and an opportunity to reflect together, in person or on Zoom, as usual

Maundy Thursday 4/17 7pm

A service commemorating Jesus' last supper, in person or on Facebook or YouTube

Thursday 4/17 7pm

12-Step Service Based on the spirituality of the 12 Steps. There will be no Zoom this week.

Good Friday 4/18 Noon

The reading of the passion, solemn prayers for the word, in person or on Facebook or YouTube

Easter Sunday 4/20 10:30am

A full celebration of the hope of new life that overcomes death, in person or on Facebook or YouTube

Sunday 4/20 Trinity @7: NO SERVICE

Sunday 4/27 no childcare services during the 10:30 service.

Worship Helpers Needed

Are you willing to be involved with reading from the altar, greeting people at the door and helping direct them with what to expect, providing hospitality by baking for coffee hour, or helping serve communion to the gathered community? Please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4fafa629a3f58-trinity2> or reach out to Jeffrey Tooke at jeffreytooke@outlook.com to be placed on a list of volunteers when we have worship volunteer slots to fill. If you are interested in being more involved, but aren't interested in any of these roles, you can also plan on helping during services by bringing a device to connect to Facebook viewers and responding to comments during the service.

Altar Prep Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to assist with maintaining and preparing the altar for communion. Duties include any combination of the following: preparing communion elements, washing dishes from communion, laundering altar linens, coordinating altar decorating for special services. Contact Tim Lane t.w.lane@outlook.com for more details.

Visiting Trinity

The church is open by appointment for private prayer or meditation. Contact our parish administrator, Colleen O'Neill, at coneill@trinitybuffalo.org to schedule an appointment.

Comfort and Care Team

The Comfort and Care Team is here to help and support you or someone you know experiencing health or other life challenges. Email any one of us to request prayers, a caring phone call, notes, information on resources, a friendly visit, or arranging meals.

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Partnership with Hamlin School Academy through Say Yes Buffalo

Trinity has a partnership with Hamlin School Academy, grades Pre-K through Grade 8. A Wellness Fair organized by Say Yes Buffalo will be held for families at Hamlin School Academy on Saturday, May 3. Trinity is collecting items for this fair. Taking into consideration the ages of the students, the following is a list of suggested items:

Body wash	Hand wash	Dental hygiene products
Socks and underwear	Deodorant	Household cleaning products
Neosporin	Hand sanitizer	Cleansing wipes
Baby care products	First aid supplies such as Band-aids	

Say Yes Buffalo's mission is to support a more equitable and thriving environment in which all Buffalo students have the opportunity to reach their full potential. A Say Yes representative is located in each school to support the school's mission and to provide special family programs.

If you are shopping, consider purchasing some of these items and bring them to the bin in the red carpet area of the main church or the bin in the chapel by **Sunday, April 27**.

Questions? Email Patti Nisbet, tudorspace@aol.com, or Sue Doherty, susandoherty50@hotmail.com.

Parking at Trinity's Franklin Street Lot

Trinity has a parking lot behind the church on Franklin Street. Parking is available for no fee on Sundays from 9am - noon. You can use the lot any other time you are in the neighborhood so that Trinity gets the parking fee! Use your smartphone to pay. You may wish to download the Premium Parking app ahead of time to make it easier to park and go.

Explore Buffalo - April 25 is the next date scheduled

Learn more about Trinity's windows and the impact they have had on American art history. Share this Buffalo treasure with your friends! Explore Buffalo leads tours of Trinity's windows as part of its Sacred Spaces series. Check the website listed below or scan the QR code for the schedule. <https://explorebuffalo.org/sacred-spaces/trinity-episcopal-church/>

Computer Ministry Opportunity

We are looking for a couple computer savvy volunteers who would be interested in volunteering as cyber sacristan to help with the livestream for the Sunday morning service and/or the Trinity @7 service. One only needs to be comfortable with using a computer and computer programs; the rest are easily learnable skills. If you'd like to know more or are interested in this volunteer ministry, please contact Jeffrey Tooke at jeffreytooke@outlook.com

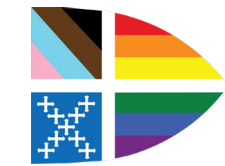


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Cyber Sacristan: Christian Eshelman

Greeters: Christian Eshelman, Susie Green

Prayers: Marie Keane

Readers: Palm Narrative: Lisa Kruger, Middle Reading: Patti Nisbet

Announcements: Connie Ervin

Ministers of Communion: Linda Wagner, Ed Fries

Guest musician: Bryan Eckenrode, cello

Counters: Jane Kearns, Emily Carlin

All services are in person AND online:

Sunday @10:30am

In-person worship while live streaming on Facebook and YouTube. The Sunday online Live Stream service remains accessible as a video recording on Trinity's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages after the service is over.

Sunday @7:00pm

Featuring poetry and jazz, in person in the Chapel and on Zoom. There will be no Trinity @7 next week.

Wednesday @Noon

Prayer and holy conversation, in person and on Zoom

Thursday @7pm

The wisdom and fellowship of 12-Step recovery, in person and on Zoom

Email your request for a [link to the Zoom worship services here](#).

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