



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025

7:30AM

Welcome to a life of grace, forgiveness and hope in Jesus Christ.

WELCOME TO EASTER TIDE!

This great fifty day feast kicks off on Easter Sunday. Since the Resurrection of our Lord is the high point of the church year it makes sense that we would have a massive party - after all, the main point of the gospel is to prepare us for an eternal celebration with our Lord (*Rev 19:7-9, Heb 12:22-23, Is 25:6*).

While the Lenten fast lasts forty days (not including Sundays), the Easter feast lasts fifty. As Jesus said, fasting will pass away (*Matt 9:15*), but the Great Feast of the Lamb is eternal. Let the feasting begin!



FIND OUT MORE & LET'S CONNECT

If you are new to Trinity please scan the QR code, or text CONNECT to 904-966-4717. Be sure to stop at our coffee cart in the lobby to receive a gift!



For more information about our nursery, children, and youth, contact Fr. Caleb Jones — caleb@trinitysta.org

THE WORD OF GOD

ACCLAMATION

Standing

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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.

People: Amen.

TRISAGION

Celebrant: Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,

People: Have mercy upon us.

GLORIA

All: 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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING *Acts 9:1-11, 17-20*

Seated

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. ³ As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

⁵ "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. ⁶ "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

⁷ The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. ⁸ Saul got up from the ground, but when he



opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹ For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.

¹⁰ In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!"

"Yes, Lord," he answered.

¹¹ The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. ¹⁷ Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, ¹⁹ and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. ²⁰ At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalms 30*

¹ I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

² **O Lord my God, I cried out to you, ***
and you restored me to health.

³ You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴ **Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; ***
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

⁵ For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
his favor for a lifetime.

⁶ **Weeping may spend the night, ***
but joy comes in the morning.

⁷ While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. *
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

⁸ Then you hid your face, *

and I was filled with fear.

⁹ I cried to you, O Lord; *

I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

¹⁰ "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *

will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

¹¹ Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; *

O Lord, be my helper."

¹² You have turned my wailing into dancing; *

you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

¹³ Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *

O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT *Revelation 5:11-14*

¹¹ Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. ¹² In a loud voice they were saying:

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!"

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be praise and honor and glory and power,
for ever and ever!"

¹⁴ The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



THE GOSPEL *John 21:15-19*

Standing

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

¹⁵ When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." ¹⁷ The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹ Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON The Rev. Matt Marino

Seated

NICENE CREED *BCP pg. 326*

Standing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *BCP pg. 328*

Remain Standing

While many churches omit the confession during The Great Fifty Days, we are still in need of forgiveness. Instead we will follow the ancient rubric from the Council of Nicaea not to kneel during Eastertide.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION *BCP p. 330*

OFFERING

Seated

THE HOLY COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING *BCP pg. 333*

Standing

BREAKING OF THE BREAD *BCP pg. 337*

PEACE

We move the peace to the fraction in accordance with the BCP rubric on p. 407

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

The people extend God's peace to one another.

INVITATION

Seated

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive holy communion.

Please let an usher know if you need to have communion brought to you.

Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

All are invited into baptism and life in the body of Christ.

If you find yourself drawn to life in Christ, we would be honored to answer any questions and have a conversation with you about baptism.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *BCP pg. 339*

Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seated

BLESSING

Standing

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

HOW TO GIVE

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