

# The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

## Fifth Sunday *in* Lent

11:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II



April 6, 2025

# What's Happening This Week:

*Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.*

| <u>Date</u>        | <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u>   | <u>Location</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|--|-----------------|
| Sunday, April 6    | 9:30 am     | Adult Education  | Church          |
|                    | 11:00 am    | Holy Eucharist - <i>The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>  | Church          |
|                    | 12:00 pm    | Refreshments   | Church          |
|                    | 12:30 pm    | Sunday School Reunion                                      | Parish House    |
|                    | 4:00 pm     | Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing                             | Walnut St.      |
| Monday, April 7    | 10:00-3:00  | Church open  |                 |
| Tuesday, April 8   | 10:00-3:00  | Church open  |                 |
|                    | 3:00 pm     | Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing                             | Walnut St.      |
| Wednesday, April 9 | 10:00-3:00  | Church Open  |                 |
|                    | 12:15 pm    | Lenten Music Meditation - Richard Spotts                   | Church          |
|                    | 7:00 pm     | Adult Education Class                                      | Parish House    |
| Thursday, April 10 | 10:00-3:00  | Church Open  |                 |
|                    | 12:15 pm    | Healing Eucharist  | Church          |
| Saturday, April 12 | 3:00 pm     | Dedicatory Organ Recital by Alan Morrison                  | Church          |
| Sunday, April 13   | 9:30 am     | Adult Education  | Church          |
|                    | 11:00 am    | Bishop's Visitation  |                 |
|                    |             | Holy Eucharist with Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation |                 |
|                    |             | Liturgy of the Palms & The Passion - <i>Palm Sunday</i>    | Church          |
|                    | 12:00 pm    | Refreshments   | Church          |
|                    | 4:00 pm     | Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing                             | Walnut St.      |

## TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Jeannie Welsh & Ali Shott, *Lectors*

Robbin McCarthy, Deacon-in-Training, *Intercessor*

David Otwell & Jaren Auriemma, *Ushers*

Connor Gardner, *Acolyte*

Boyden Gardner, *Streaming*

Martha Lipscomb, *Refreshments*

Peg Mertz, *Welcome Table*

# Welcome! We are glad you are with us today.

*You can find more information on the back of the bulletin.*

## Our Vivid Vision

*This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.*

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshipers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

## Core Values

### **Inclusion/Welcome**

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

### **Innovation**

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

### **Collaboration**

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

### **Community Mindedness**

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

## Culture

### **Joyful**

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

### **Fearless**

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

### **Embracing**

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

### **Engaged**

Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

## Entrance Hymn 398

Forest Green

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

## The Penitential Order

*Presider* Blessed be the God of our salvation:  
*People* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*Presider* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

## The Confession of Sin

*Presider* Let us confess our sins to God.

*A brief period of silence is kept.*

*All* **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.**

## The Absolution

*Presider* 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 Kyrie S-96

Franz Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, -

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

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## Collect of the Day

*Presider*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

*Presider*     Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

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**First Lesson:** Isaiah 43:16-21

*Jeannie Welsh*

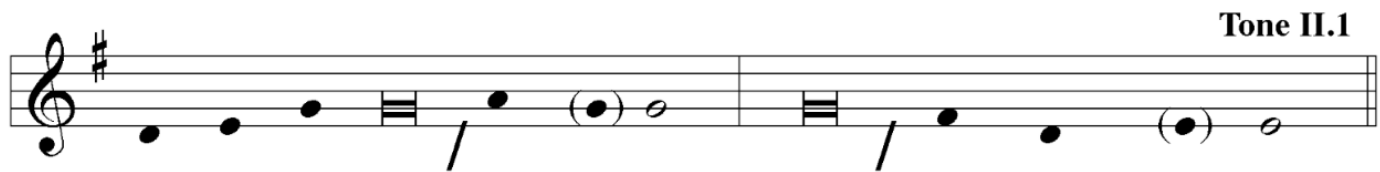
*Reader*       A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

Psalm 126 *In convertendo*

The congregation joins on the bold verses, pausing at the asterisk.



- 1 *When the LORD restored the fortunes of / Zion,\**  
then were we / like those who dream.
- 2 **Then was our mouth filled with / laughter,\***  
**and our tongue / with shouts of joy.**
- 3 Then they said among the / nations,\*  
“The LORD has done / great things for them.”
- 4 **The LORD has done great / things for us,\***  
**and we / are glad indeed.**
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O / LORD,\*  
like the watercourses of / the Negev.
- 6 **Those who / sowed with tears\***  
**will reap / with songs of joy.**
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the / seed,\*  
will come again with joy, shoulder/ing their sheaves



*Reader*      A reading from the Philippians:

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing, light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the  
 \*5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing

1 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of  
 2 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the  
 3 love up - on my way, from the cross the  
 4 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that  
 5 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of

1 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 2 cross for - sake me: lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 3 ra - diance stream - ing adds new lus - ter to the day.  
 4 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.  
 5 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872). Music: *Rathbun*, Ithamar Conkey (1815-1867).

## The Gospel: John 12:1-8

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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

**Sermon**

The Rev. John Gardner

*Following a period of silence, all rise in body or in spirit.*

**Nicene Creed**

*All*            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.

*Leader* Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers. We pray for the church, for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel, our Bishop. And for all leaders, ministers and all the holy people of God. Wash us through and through,

*People* **And cleanse us from our sin.**

*Leader* We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, for Ukraine, Sudan, Palestine and other war torn areas, for our leaders and all who govern and judge. Purge us from our sin,

*People* **And we shall be pure.**

*Leader* We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, war and violence, and those without a place to lay their head. For those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Chelsea, Christopher, Tracey, Jessica, Sydney, Shamor, Maricarmen, Shana, Scott, Erin, Barbara, Mike, Joshua, Gwenette, Debbie, Penelope, Robert, Moira, Bea, Linda, Bonnie, Silvana, Judy, Allan, and David. Make them hear of joy and gladness,

*People* **that those who are broken may rejoice.**

*Leader* We pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God. Create in us clean hearts, O God,

*People* **and renew a right spirit within us.**

*Leader* We pray for those who have died and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace. Cast them not away from your presence,

*People* **and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

*Leader* We pray for all the good things that have happened this week, and for our families, friends and neighbors. Give them the joy of your saving help.

*People* **and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**

*Presider* Gracious God, our refuge and stronghold, the God in whom we put our trust; guide your people through our Lenten wilderness, have mercy on us and answer us as we call, though Christ the Lord of all, who is generous to everyone who calls upon him. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Presider*     The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

## Welcome, Parish Notices & Celebration Blessings

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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### Offertory Sentence

*Presider*     Loving God, source of all joy, we come before you with hearts full of gratitude. As Mary poured out her love for Jesus with costly perfume, so we pour out our gifts before you, seeking to honor you with all that we have. During this reflective Lenten period, may our offerings remind us of the abundance you've poured into our lives. Help us to give extravagantly, not out of duty, but from hearts filled with joy and gratitude. Bless these gifts and use them to bring your hope to the world.  
**Amen.** *Psalm 126, John 12:1-8*

### Anthem

*Wondrous Love*

Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul.*

*When I was sinking down, O my soul,  
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb, I will sing I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on.*

*Please rise in body or in spirit*

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an  
 Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,  
 count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

*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 God 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. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: S-130

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All*

**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**



*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 for ever.

*All* AMEN.

### The Lord's Prayer

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

### Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

### Agnus Dei: S-164

Schubert

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:  
give us your peace, give us your peace.

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*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.  
*The people are seated.*

### Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and go to the altar rail to receive. You can receive bread and/or wine, depending on your preference. If you wish to receive the wine, you can retain your wafer and dip it in the cup or drink directly from the cup. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher).

### Communion Hymn 754

*Haywood's Home*

1. When from bond - age
2. When our God names
3. Through all stag - es
4. We must not lose
5. See the prize our

we are sum - moned out of dark - ness in - to light, we must  
us a peo - ple, Je - sus leads us by the hand through a  
of the jour - ney Christ is with us, night and day, with com -  
sight of Je - sus, who ac - cept - ed pain and loss, who, for  
God has prom - ised: end - less life with Christ our Lord. Now we

go in hope and pa - tience, walk by faith and not by sight.  
lone - ly, bar - ren de - sert to a great and glo - rious land.  
pas - sion for our weak - ness ev' - ry step a - long the way. Let us  
joy of love un - meas - ured, dared em - brace the shame - ful cross.  
fix our eyes on Je - sus, walk by faith in Je - sus' word.

throw off all that hin - ders; let us run the race to win! Let us

has - ten to our home - land and, re - joic - ing, en - ter in. in.

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939). Music: *Haywood's Home*, Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Tunes for Grace*.

Following the hymn, all rise in body or in spirit.

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*All* 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.

**Blessing**

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

1 We sing the praise of him who died, of  
 2 In - scribed up - on the cross we see in  
 3 The cross: it takes our guilt a - way, and  
 4 It makes the cow - ard spi - rit brave, and  
 5 The balm of life, the cure of woe, the

1 him who died up - on the cross; the sin - ner's hope let  
 2 shin - ing let - ters, God is love: he bears our sins up -  
 3 holds the faint - ing spi - rit up; it cheers with hope the  
 4 nerves the fee - ble arm for fight; it takes its ter - ror  
 5 mea - sure and the pledge of love, the sin - ner's re - fuge

1 sin de - ride: for this we count the world but loss.  
 2 on the tree: he brings us mer - cy from a - bove.  
 3 gloom - y day, and sweet - ens ev - ery bit - ter cup.  
 4 from the grave, and gilds the bed of death with light.  
 5 here be - low, the an - gels' theme in heaven a - bove.

## Dismissal

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*As a sign of fasting during the season of Lent, there will be no Postludes until the Great Vigil of Easter.*

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**Healing Prayer** – all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to join a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.

## About this service...

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**Service:** Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

**Children** are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the “Pew Pen” in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

**Restrooms** are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men’s room is straight ahead, women’s to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

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**Offering:** Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT**



**DONATE to 73256** or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give regularly with REALM ([www.htrit.org/give](http://www.htrit.org/give)).

## *Join us for these upcoming events ...*

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| <p>April 6, 12:30 pm:<br/>Sunday School Jam Session Reunion</p>  | <p>April 19, 9:00 am:<br/>Holy Saturday</p>   |
| <p>April 9, 12:15 pm:<br/>Lenten Music Meditation</p>  | <p>April 19, 8:00 pm:<br/>Great Vigil of Easter</p>   |
| <p>April 11, 8:00 pm:<br/>Thomas Jefferson University Choir Concert</p>  | <p>April 20, 11:00 am:<br/>Easter Day (<i>*No Morning Adult Education Class!*</i>)</p>                          |
| <p>April 12, 3:00 pm:<br/>Organ Dedication Recital by Alan Morrison</p>  | <p>12:30 pm:<br/>Easter Egg Hunt!</p>   |
| <p>April 13, 9:45 am:<br/>Vestry Meeting with Bishop</p>   | <p>April 24:<br/><i>*No Thursday Healing Service!*</i></p>  |
| <p>10:15 am:<br/>Confirmands Meet with Bishop</p>  | <p>April 25, 7:30 pm:<br/>Fox Chapel High School Performance</p>  |
| <p>April 13, 11:00 am: Bishop's Visit<br/>Palm Sunday with Confirmation/Reception<br/>(<i>*No Morning Adult Education Class!*</i>)</p> | <p>April 27, 11:00 am: Second Sunday of<br/>Easter<br/>Morning Prayer</p>                                       |
| <p>April 17, 6:00 pm:<br/>Maundy Thursday (<i>*No Thursday Healing Service!*</i>)</p>  | <p><i>*Undie Sunday: Parishioners Bring a Pack of Newly Bought Underwear to Donate to Open Hearts Café*</i></p> |
| <p>April 18, 12:00 pm:<br/>Good Friday</p>   | <p>April 26, 1:00 pm:<br/>Camerata Performance</p>  |
|  | <p>May 3, 4:00 pm:<br/>Chestnut Street Performers Concert</p>   |

## Easter Flowers

We invite you to give a gift to our flower fund, in thanksgiving of those you love or in memorial of those we love and see no longer. We are asking for all contributions to be made by **Monday, April 14**. Please look for the envelopes in the back of the church or ask an usher. You can also give through REALM. Please write the reason for gifts of thanksgiving or those names you wish to be remembered if you wish for your donation to be listed in the Easter bulletins. Thank you!

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## Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for an **Easter Egg Hunt** after church on **Sunday, April 20, at 12:30 PM!** Bring your (empty) Easter Egg Basket to church and join the egg hunt to fill your basket after the service). We're excited to host this fun event for the kids and would love your help in making it a success.

Help make the Easter Egg Hunt a success - We are accepting donations of **plastic eggs** and **candy to fill the eggs**. If you'd like to contribute, you can drop off **filled eggs** or **bags of candy** or **plastic eggs** at the church before Easter Sunday. Prefer to donate money instead? You can send contributions via **Venmo** (@Monica-Heuer) or **Cash App** to (\$monheuer) , and we'll purchase eggs and candy on your behalf.

Thank you for helping make this a special Easter celebration for our church family!

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