



**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 18, 2025**  
**8:00 a.m.**



The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, *Bishop*  
The Rev. Dr. Paul Jacobson, *Rector*  
Established 1855 in the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri

Welcome! We are blessed by your presence with us this morning and hope that you will find strength, comfort and fulfillment through our worship. Children are welcome to stay through the service. We welcome all seekers of God to Holy Communion and look forward to meeting you following the service.

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# 8:00 A.M. THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*      ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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. ***Amen.***

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Here is sung or said*

Lord, have mercy upon us,

***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***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.*

### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*      ***And with thy spirit.***

*Celebrant*    Let us pray.

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

**N**ow the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment

three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

## **Psalm 148**

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
praise God in the heights.

2 Praise the Lord all you angels; \*  
sing praises, all you heavenly host.

3 Praise the Lord, sun and moon; \*  
sing praises, all you shining stars.

4 Praise the Lord, heaven of heavens, \*  
sing praises, you waters above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; \*  
who gave the command and they were created,

6 who made them stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
who gave them a law which shall not pass away.

- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;
- 9 mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, \*  
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 young men and young women, \*  
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, \*  
whose name only is exalted,  
whose splendour is over earth and heaven.
- 14 The Lord has raised up strength for this people \*  
and praise for all loyal servants,  
the children of Israel, \*  
a people who are near to the Lord.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

## Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

**I** saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

## **The Gospel**

John 13:31-35

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

*People* ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

**A**t the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

## **The Sermon**

The Venerable Harry Leip

## **The Nicene Creed**

***We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.***

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

**Prayers of the People for Easter** *adapted from Common Worship*

*Celebrant* Let us pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity.

*Intercessor* Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of thy gospel  
to the nations...

Jesus, Lord of life,  
*in thy mercy, hear us.*

Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry, and nourish us all with thy word...

Jesus, Lord of life,

***in thy mercy, hear us.***

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow thee in the way. Deepen our appreciation of thy truth and fill us with thy life...

Jesus, Lord of life,

***in thy mercy, hear us.***

Jesus, Good Shepherd who didst give thy life for thy sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures. We pray especially for Etta, Barbi, Sam, Helen, Glenda, Thomas, Nan, Gloria, Dolores, John, Steven, Julien, Joan, Kevin, David, Betsey, Pat, Ray, Denver, Gwen, Charlene, and Bruce,

Jesus, Lord of life,

***in thy mercy, hear us.***

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give thee thanks for all who have lived and believed in thee. Raise us with them to eternal life. We pray especially for...

Jesus, Lord of life,

***in thy mercy, hear us, accept our prayers, and be with us always.***

***Amen.***

## **The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And with thy spirit.***

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*



# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer II*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

The Lord be with you.

*People*      ***And with thy spirit.***

*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.

*People*      ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People*      ***It is meet and right so to do.***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.***

*Here may be added*

***Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

*The people kneel or stand.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst

give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated*

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

*People and Celebrant*

***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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter Season.*

*The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here*

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.***

*Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

*or with these words*

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [**Amen.**]

*or with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

*During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.*

*When necessary, the Celebrant consecrates additional bread and wine, using the form on page 408.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The People may join in saying this prayer*

***Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are***

*very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing*

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.**

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people, who respond*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**



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### Notes on the service for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

- The Rev. Stephen Weissman

The collect, composed for the 1549 Prayer Book, calls Christ the way, the truth, and the life, as Jesus will describe himself eight verses after today's Gospel passage. **The Way's extension to all humanity** is a theme of the readings.

After Peter had revived Dorcas of Joppa, as reported last Sunday, he had a vision of being commanded to eat foods which were not kosher. Meanwhile in nearby Caesarea, a Roman centurion, Cornelius, had also had a vision.

Cornelius was commanded to send to Joppa for a man called Peter. When the two met in the centurion's house, Peter grasped that God intended him to preach to this God-fearing Gentile's household. When he did, the Holy Spirit entered them in an event which turned into a "Gentile Pentecost." Cornelius and his household were forthwith baptized, the first non-Jews recorded to have joined the Christian movement. A centurion was a member of the Roman establishment, not one of the oppressed.

Departures from approved Jewish practice, such as entering a Gentile's house and eating non-kosher foods, neither of which Jesus was ever reported having done, caused repercussions. Today's first reading is Acts' account of Peter's defense of his actions before the conservative Jewish Christian leaders in Jerusalem. Their concurrence to Peter's actions and to Paul's evangelization of Gentiles, an instance of which will be read next Sunday, would legitimate the Way's eventual transformation into a universal religion.

"Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world ... praise the Name of the LORD...." exhorts Ps. 148:11. Cornelius the centurion might be counted as a ruler among the peoples, *i.e.*, Gentiles, who praise God with "the children of Israel, a people who are near him," v 14. In the new heaven and earth Gentiles and Jews alike engage in that praise.

After death and hell have been cast into the lake of fire, in the penultimate scene of Revelation, John sees the holy city Jerusalem coming. There, all suffering is done away, and all thirst is slaked by the Alpha and Omega.

Today's Gospel is excerpted from a soliloquy by Jesus at the Last Supper. When Judas has left, Jesus declares that now he is about to be glorified. Jesus' "glorification," as John's Gospel understands it, *is* his suffering. Where Jesus is about to go, he says, his disciples cannot yet follow. In the context of the Last Supper, Jesus means that they cannot follow him to crucifixion at that time. However, used devotionally, as today, "not yet follow" means the disciples must remain behind when the risen Jesus ascends. Christ's glory will remain behind for all in the disciples' love.

Commemorated on May 20 will be Alcuin, Deacon and Abbot of Tours, who served as Charlemagne's advisor and administrator. He died in 804.

## Sunday Service Schedule

8:00 AM Rite I – Spoken Eucharist  
10:30 AM Rite II with music

## Weekday Service Schedule

7:00 AM on Thursdays

## Parish Office Hours

Sunday 7 AM-1 PM, Wednesday & Thursday 8 AM-4 PM,  
Friday 8 AM-Noon

Trinity Food Ministry Schedule		
<i><b>Food Pantry &amp; takeout hot meal</b></i>	<i><b>Cafe - drop in for a meal &amp; conversation</b></i>	<i><b>Sunday Hot Lunch</b></i>
Tues: 1:30pm - 3pm Thurs: 4pm - 5pm	Wed: Noon - 2pm	Sunday: 2pm - 2:30pm

## Served in April

Pantry 307 Households, 735 individuals served  
Pantry Hot Meals (Tuesday & Thursday) meals 360  
Wednesday Cafe 125 meals  
Sunday Hot Lunch 360



**Breakfast** will be served this Sunday, May 18, in the South Parish Hall following the 8:00 a.m. service.



## From Father Paul

Dear Ones,

I am looking forward to being back with you this weekend. Many thanks to Fr. Steve Weissman for making a Sunday off possible, for Fr. Kevin McGrane for making the trip up to St. Louis this past Sunday as part of our Companion Parish swap day and, of course, to The Venerable Harry Leip for keeping the wheels on the bus!

I had a lovely weekend off (although it's always a little strange), and a splendid time this past week in St. James with the people of Trinity. It's a very different setting, but they are a community that is equally as joyful and vibrant as we are here. I look forward to our communities getting to know each other better.

In last Sunday's gospel lesson, we hear Jesus say, "my sheep know my voice." In these days, there are many voices competing for our attention. Some find their origin in the Good Shepherd; others are echoes of the imposter. In light of this, I want to lift up the voice of the Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Sean T. Rowe. You may have seen in the news this week the announcement that The Episcopal Church will be ending our refugee resettlement grant agreements with the U.S. federal government. There's a link to Bp. Rowe's full letter below, but here is a pertinent paragraph.

"It has been painful to watch one group of refugees, selected in a highly unusual manner [i.e., white Afrikaners from South Africa whom the U.S. government has classified as refugees], receive preferential treatment over many others who have been waiting in refugee camps or dangerous conditions for years. I am saddened and ashamed that many of the refugees who are being denied entrance to the United States are brave people who worked alongside our military in Iraq and Afghanistan and now face danger at home because of their service to our country. I also grieve that victims of



religious persecution, including Christians, have not been granted refuge in recent months.”

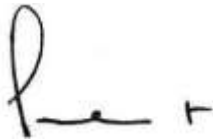
The full text of the letter:

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/publicaffairs/letter-from-presiding-bishop-sean-rowe-on-episcopal-migration-ministries/>

God be praised for this clear display of the voice of the Good Shepherd. This very public challenge to the spirit of the world gives me hope! But, what if you're not the Presiding Bishop? Or an organizer of protesters? Here is a link that explains the work of the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations, and how you can play a role in making the voice of liberal Christianity clearer: Your Voice Matters!

Keep on feasting!

Easter blessings,



### **Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed**

On Sunday, May 25, Trinity will prepare and serve a hot lunch for our neighbors. If you can assist from 1 - 3pm, please sign-up on the white

board in Trinity's entryway. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Harry (<mailto:henry@trinitycwe.org>).

### **Archdeacon Harry's Sabbatical**

**Update:** I want to thank everyone who shared a kind word about my sabbatical. Since several persons asked, Ed & I will be tending the Mission Point Lighthouse just outside of Traverse City, MI for a week:

<https://www.missionpointlighthouse.com/>

**Bishop Deon Johnson invites churches throughout the Diocese of Missouri to observe "Wear Orange Sunday" on Sunday, June 1st, 2025, to remember the more than 43,000 people who are killed with guns and approximately 76,000 who are shot and wounded every year. Wear Orange Weekend is observed June 6-8th, 2025 around the country. Because**

Pentecost falls that weekend, the Diocese of Missouri will be observing WEAR ORANGE SUNDAY one week early - June 1st. On this day, we are called to honor gun violence survivors, remember gun violence victims, and call for meaningful action to save lives. On June 1st we are asking our members to Wear Orange to church in solidarity with this important nationwide movement. For more information go to [wearorange.org](http://wearorange.org).



## Gun Violence Prevention

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MISSOURI

### ***What can I do?***

**1**

#### **write a letter**

Write a letter to the editor of your local paper promoting sensible gun legislation.

**2**

#### **contact your rep**

Contact your representatives (local and federal) and ask them to make sensible gun laws a priority. Be sure to support candidates that support sensible gun laws.

**3**

#### **prioritize safety**

Prioritize safety at home. Visit [besmartforkids.org](http://besmartforkids.org) to learn more and schedule a BeSMART presentation for your church or group through [gunsafetydiocesemo.org](http://gunsafetydiocesemo.org).

**4**

#### **pray**

Pray for the hundreds of people killed by gun every month in this country, for their loved ones, for the children traumatized by living with this level of violence, and for a collective change of heart.

**5**

#### **learn**

Learn more about this issue at: [Everytown.org](http://Everytown.org), [GunViolenceArchive.org](http://GunViolenceArchive.org), [BradyUnited.org](http://BradyUnited.org), or many more.

**WEAR  ORANGE**



## TRINITY SUNDAY - JUNE 15TH WELCOMING AND INCORPORATING NEWCOMERS

June 15th is Trinity Sunday, our parish's feast day, and this year we will be recognizing people who have come to our community during the past three year, the interim period between Fr. Jon Stratton's leaving and Fr. Paul Jacobson's beginning his ministry with us.

We plan to do something formally incorporating you into our congregation, acknowledging that this is your place and we are your people. This church is home to all of us!

We don't have a record of when folks first start coming to Trinity, so we hope you'll alert us if you are "new" within the last three years. Please let me know that you'd like to make it official in this way - and plan to be at church Sunday June 15th.. Let us celebrate you!

Thanks, Adrienne Fly, Senior Warden,

Text/Call 314-805-8254 or email [AdrienneAFly@gmail.com](mailto:AdrienneAFly@gmail.com)

### **Sojourners Voice of the day**

"Tyranny and hate and despair never win, not for long and not forever and certainly not now, so I pray that you would be blessed with a stubborn hope that keeps believing and keeps enduring."

- Sarah Bessey, "12 Christian Women Shaping the Church in 2025"  
(<https://act.soho.net/s/3584497/RZSPBrel>)



**TRINITY**  
FOOD MINISTRY  
SAINT LOUIS

I spent too long this morning reading online news accounts of our current state of the Union. Sadly, it all was full of tyranny, hate, and despair. When I checked email, my daily Sojourner quote felt like a blessing reminding me that we are called to be in this world yet not to be part of it. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are to turn from greed and prejudice and fully embrace the Way of Love.

However, difficult times may be for our psyches or our pocketbooks, times for the people we have served over the past decades are not that much different. Poverty is poverty and no political party has a solution (or concern) for those the scriptures labels “the least of these.” That is why TFM is here. It is why we do what we do. Our goal is not only to help provide food for those who need the help, but to broaden the scope of God’s Love.

Those who are poor will always be with us. Jesus said so. As more and more fall into that poverty category and our times seem more dire, let us not forget Jesus’ words. You feed them. Give food to those who are hungry, drink to those who thirst. Love God; love one another. There is no half way of following Jesus. Be steadfast in that “stubborn hope.”

It does take a certain amount of “stubborn hope that keeps believing and keeps enduring.” Just as the people who come to TFM for help, solace, and Love continue to endure, let us fully take on the task of changing the world as it now exists, one stubborn hope at a time.

Love always; always Love  
/Barbi

### **Needs at Pantry this Week**

Vienna sausages

Ravioli with meat

Cooking needs: oil, flour, sugar, spices

Chicken Noodle soup



### **Food Ministry Amazon Wishlist**

Scan or click on the QR code to go to the Food Ministry's Amazon Wishlist.



**Pride Night with the St. Louis Cardinals - Friday, June 6 at 7:15 PM**

Join members of the LGBTQIA+ and Allies fellowship group as we celebrate Pride Month at Pride

Night with the St. Louis Cardinals. All are welcome!

(<https://www.mlb.com/cardinals/tickets/specials/theme-tickets/pride>).

\$20-\$45 (TBD - depending on the group rate and if you want the Pride Night jersey)

Contact Michelle Hampton for more information at [mhampton517@gmail.com](mailto:mhampton517@gmail.com) (<mailto:mhampton517@gmail.com>)

**This Week's Core Value: Anglo-Catholic Worship**

We believe that devotion to the Real Presence on the Altar leads us to devotion to the Real Presence in our neighbor. We gather for a multi-sensory experience, rooted in consistency and ancient rhythms that anchor our wandering bodies and souls.



**May 18: The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church (1947) in Sikeston and Edie, their Priest.

\* In our companion Diocese of Puerto

Rico, we pray for St. Timothy (Misión San Timoteo) in Bayamón .

\* In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

**We keep in our prayers those who are ill or in need:**

Etta Taylor, mourning the death of her daughter Kate, who died on 9/15/24 in Louisville.

Barbi Click  
Sam Kincade  
Helen Hendry  
Glenda Wiman  
Thomas Kirk  
Nan Sweet  
Gloria Winston  
Dolores Friesen  
John Biggs  
Steven Forsyth  
Julien Worland  
Joan Dunbar  
The Rev. David K. Fly  
Betsey Gardner  
Pat Way  
Ray Becvar  
Denver Wright  
Gwen Sims  
Charlene Wright  
Bruce Baldwin

**Friends and Relatives:**

Taylor Kaiser, Deacon Harry's family, mental health challenges  
Michael, the son of Jeff and Mark's neighbors.  
Denise Huber  
Angela Salvador, friend of Brian Alms, breast cancer  
Dennis Jones, friend of Sharron Underwood.  
Lou Adams, Al Adams' brother, degenerative disk disease, colon cancer.  
Amanda, Deacon Barbi's daughter  
Bruce Deal and Harry Forbes, New York friends of Michael Shepley  
Tiffany Cruz, friend of Lisa Carpenter, breast cancer  
Joe Richardson (Of Feed My People), friend of Jerry Martin, multiple health issues.  
Karla, friend of Cathy Tierney, heart issues  
Ken, Molly Perling's grandfather  
Warren Frank Moseley (Cynthia and Patrick Fox's son), and his friend, Janese  
Julien for comfort and healing  
Hope, health challenges.  
Romerico Lansang, friend of Brian Alms, lung cancer.

Phyllis, the Rev. Steve Lawler's mother-in-law  
Teresa, Eliza Williamson's stepmother, chronic illness  
Mike, Jeannette Lehrmann's brother, prostate cancer.  
Buelane Daugherty, friend of Brian Alms, increasing dementia  
Pat R., friend of Cathy Tierney, bladder cancer  
Frank Menkhuis, Pat Way's friend with heart problems  
Sally Moylan, Pat Way's friend with multiple health problems

**For Diocesan Clergy:** The Rev. Helen Ludbrook, the Rev. David K. Fly,  
and the Rt. Rev. Hays Rockwell.

**For Trinity Food Ministry** and its volunteers.

**For service members** in harm's way.

**Birthdays May 18-24:** Dave Mundy, Langdon Thacher.

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## Readings for Sunday, May 25

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29

*or* John 5:1-9

Psalm 67



## Vestry

**Senior Warden:** Adrienne Fly

**Junior Warden:** Ben Kiel

**2026**

Fritzi Baker  
Skip Coburn  
Dave Hilditch

**2027**

Adrienne Fly  
Ben Kiel  
Mary Patton  
Perry Trolard

**2028**

Carlos Daughaday