

**Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Morning Prayer**  
**April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter**

**Opening Hymn: To Be Announced**

**Welcome and Children's Time**

**The Penitential Rite (BAS pg. 45)**

**Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.**

**Isaiah 55.6, 7**

**Invitation (BAS pg. 45)**

**Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.**

**Confession (BAS pg. 46)**

**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**

neighbours 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.

**Absolution (BAS pg. 46)**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Officiant:** Lord, open our lips,      **(BAS pg.47)**

**People:** And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**Officiant:** O God, make speed to save us.

**People:** O Lord, make haste to help us.

**All:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**Venite (BAS pg. 49)**

Come, let us sing to the Lord;\* let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving\* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God,\* and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth,\* and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea

is his for he made it,\* and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,\* and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.\*Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### The Proclamation of the Word

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with

us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." **All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. **Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. **I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.**

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. **For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit.**

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### **A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER 1:3-9**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to

result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual Hymn: To Be Announced

### THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN 20:19-31

**Reader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

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

**People:** **Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send

you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Reader:** The Gospel of Christ.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Sermon**

## Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (BAS pg. 52)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Offertory Hymn: To Be Announced

## Prayers Over The Gifts

ALL: God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Prayers of the People #15 pg.122-123

In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, "**Hear us, Lord of glory!**")

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

### Collect of the Day

**ALL:** Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Lord's Prayer (BAS pg. 54)

**Officiant:** And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn: To Be Announced**

**Leader:** The worship is over.

**All:** Our Service begins.