

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024

10:30 am

## Trinity Episcopal Church



**Invite, Include, Inspire**

*A Christian community for the realization of God's presence  
through worship, relationship, and outreach.*

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**Prelude: Siciliana and Giga**

**by G. F. Handel**

**Flutist: Christina Roberts**

*Please stand.*

**Processional Hymn: In Christ There is No East or West**  
**H529 vss 1-3**

*Unison or harmony*

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system contains three verses of lyrics. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system concludes the lyrics. The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature.

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in  
2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Celebrant: Let us pray

**Collect:** Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**People: Amen.**

***Glory and Gratitude and Praise***

CAYP pg 80-81

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise now let earth to hea - ven raise. Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise: these we of - fer to God." The final note of the melody is a half note G4, which is held over the end of the line.

*Please be seated.*

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### **The First Christian Scripture: Acts 8:26-40**

**Lector 1:** A reading from Acts.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it."

So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Lector: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: 22:24-30**

Lector: Let us read Psalm 22 by alternative half verses. I will begin.

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*

**I will perform my vows in the presence of those who  
worship him.**

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*

**"May your heart live for ever!"**

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*  
**and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.**

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
**he rules over the nations.**

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
**all who go down to the dust fall before him.**

29 My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him; \*  
**they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.**

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
**the saving deeds that he has done.**

## **The 2nd Christian Scripture:**

**1 John 4:7-21**

Lector: A reading from John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us.

Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Lector: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

**The Gradual Hymn: *Thou Art the Way, To Thee Alone***

**H457 vss 1-4**

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 Thou art the Way, to thee a - lone from sin and death we flee;  
2 Thou art the Truth, thy word a - lone true wis - dom can in - part;  
3 Thou art the Life, the rend - ing tomb pro - claims thy con - quering arm;  
4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant us that way to know.

and all who would the Fa - ther seek, must seek him, Lord, by thee.  
thou on - ly canst in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.  
and those who put their trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.  
that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

*Please remain standing.*

**The Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8**

Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.

You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Lord.**

*Please be seated.*

**The Homily: The Rev. Eileen C. O'Reilly**

*Please stand.*

### **THE NICENE CREED**

Lector 2: Let us stand and affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

**Hymn:            *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*   X 2            LEVAS 249**

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord". It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord; In - cline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace." The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and single notes.

## **Prayers of the People**

*(Peoples' response in bold)*

**Lector:** We give you thanks for those who offer their best as leaders of your people—for our bishops, priests, deacons, and lay volunteers. Pray for those who carry out your mission under their leadership.

**People: Pray for God's Church.** *Silence*

We offer our prayers for the leaders of our nation — for our president, our governor, our Congress, and the courts of this land. Give them courage and wisdom and a heart for justice.

**People: Pray for Justice and Peace.** *Silence*

We pray for mercy for those who suffer from hunger, in poverty; in the wake of violent storms, after earthquakes, sustain them in their struggles and give them hope. We are thankful for compassionate people who answer their call for help.

**People: Pray for those who suffer around the world...** *Silence*

We pray for those who are ill, for those who live in fear and whose spirits are restless. Give comfort for those who are dying and those who stand beside them as they find their way home.

**People: Pray for new and unending life in this world and the next.** *Silence*

We pray for those who have died.....

**Celebrant:** Our hearts are full this day, Lord, as we embrace new life in you. We give you thanks for the gift of song and joyful spirits.

**People: Amen.**

## **The Peace**

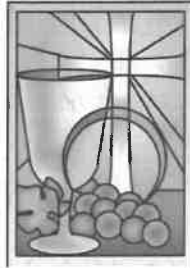
**Celebrant:** Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

**People: By this shall the world know that you are my disciples.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Announcements**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



### The Offertory

#### The Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God.

#### Presentation of Bread and Wine

#### Offertory Music

**Presentation Hymn: *We The Lord's People* H51 vs 4**

4 In the Lord's ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may  
take them, bless them, break, and give them to all his peo - ple,  
his own life im - part - ing, food ev - er - last - ing.

**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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Sanctus**

**Holy, Holy**

**Introduction**  
*Instrument*

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Hosanna in the Highest". It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the second staff.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People.*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior As our Savior Christ Christ has taught us, has taught us, we are bold to say, we now pray,

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

# The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is Sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

## Fraction Anthem: *In Remembrance of Me* LEVAS 149

1. In re - mem - brance of me,  
2. (In re - )mem - brance of me,

1. eat this bread. In re - mem - brance of me, drink this wine. In re -  
2. heal the sick. In re - mem - brance of me, feed the poor. In re -

1. mem - brance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is  
2. mem - brance of me, o - pen the door and let your broth - er

1. done. In re -  
2. in, Let him in.

Take, eat, and be com - fort - ed; drink and re - mem - ber

too. That this in my bod - y and pre - cious blood shed for

you. shed for you. In re - mem - brance of me

search for truth. In re - mem - brance of me al - ways love. In re -

mem - brance of me, don't look a - hove, but in your heart

— look for God. Do this in re - mem - brance of me.



## Invitation to Communion

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.

## Music During Communion

As you return from communion, please sit for the singing of the remaining communion hymns.

### Take, O Take Me As I Am X 3

MHSO 46

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall  
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

### Send Out Your Light X 3

CAYP 48

Send out your light, Lord, send your truth to be my guide.  
Then let them lead me to the place where you re - side.

### Taste and See X 3

WLP 764

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness  
of the Lord. O taste and see. Taste and  
see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.


**Fine**



1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let  
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in  
 3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all




earth re - joice: let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him  
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,  
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness



and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -  
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are  
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall



da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through  
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that  
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so



all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

**People: Amen**

May God who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

**People: Amen**

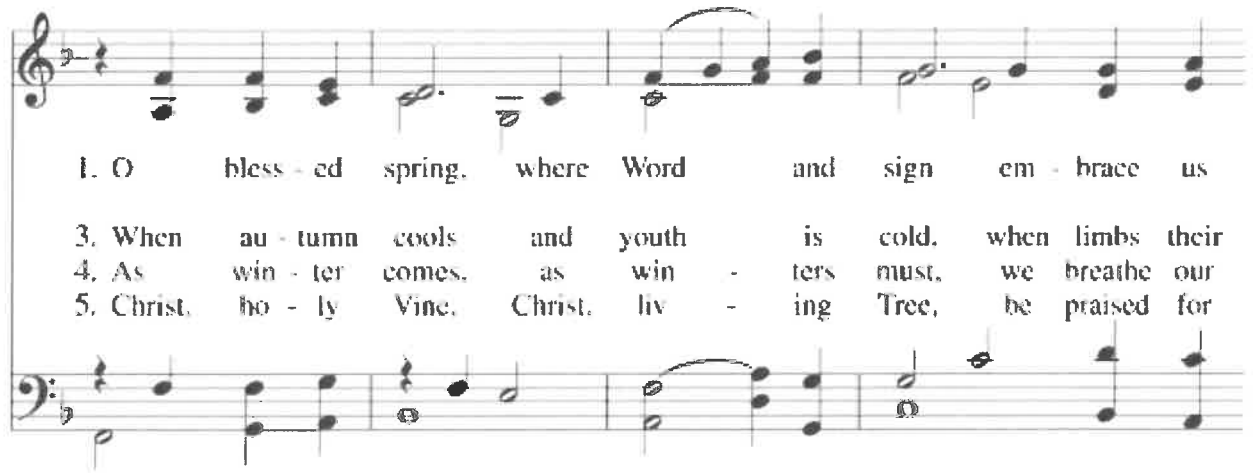
May God, who brought us out of bondage to sin into true lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

**People: Amen**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**People: Amen**

**Recessional Hymn: O Blessed Spring WLP 765 vss 1, 3, 4 & 5**

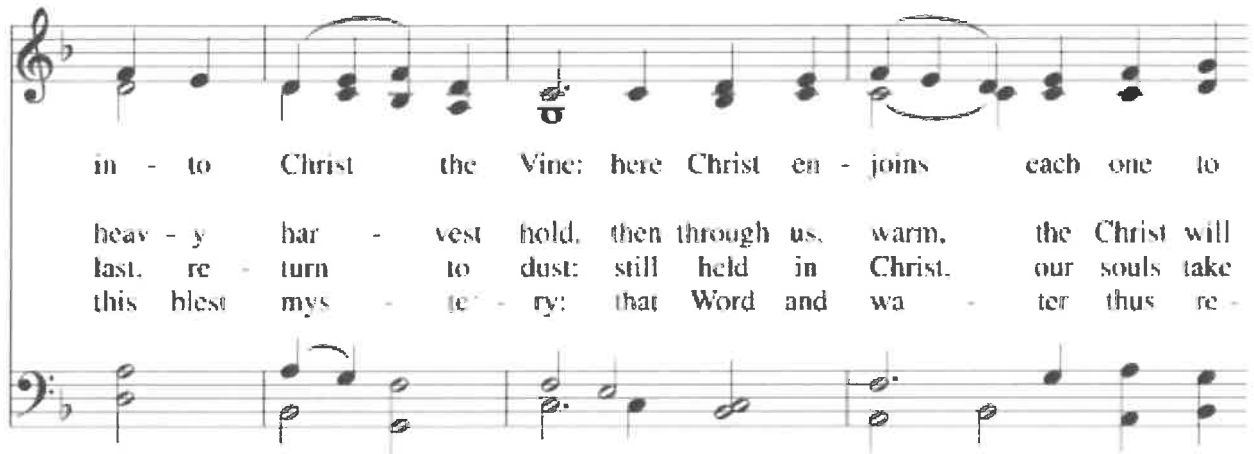


1. O bless - ed spring, where Word and sign em - brace us

3. When au - tumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their

4. As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, we breathe our

5. Christ ho - ly Vine, Christ liv - ing Tree, be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each one to

heav - y har - vest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will

last, re - turn to dust: still held in Christ, our souls take

this bless mys - te - ry: that Word and wa - ter thus re -



be a branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.

move with gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love,

wing and trust the prom - ise of \_\_\_\_\_ the spring,

vive and join us to your 'Tree \_\_\_\_\_ of Life.

## **The Dismissal**

*St. Benedict of Nursia*

Celebrant: Gracious and holy God

**People: Give us wisdom to perceive you,  
Diligence to seek you,  
Patience to wait for you,  
Eyes to behold you  
A heart to meditate on you,  
And a life to proclaim you;  
Through the power of the Spirit of  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Postlude**

Please join us in the parish hall following the service  
for coffee and fellowship.

## **Those Serving Today**

Celebrant:	The Rev. Eileen C. O'Reilly
Organist:	Brandon Evans
Flutist:	Christina Roberts
Lectors:	Jim Beerbower, Jerry Knapke
Usher:	Pat Marchal
Camera:	David Cobb
Altar Guild:	Phyllis Donahoe, Pat Marchal, Carole Van Osdol

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY—APRIL 21

- Mon. April 29 11:00 am**      **Contemplative Prayer Via Zoom**  
Zoom Meeting ID: 818 9854 4534  
Password: 438678
- Wed. May 1 7:00 pm**      **Celtic Prayer Service WL**
- Thurs. May 2 11:00 am**      **Book Study:**  
*Caste: The Origins of Our Discontent*  
by Isabel Wilkerson

**Parish Cycle of Prayer**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants ***Shannon Hanf, Jessie Hull, Patrick, Elizabeth, and Victoria Jacobs; Cheryl and Douglas Jones***. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer For Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants ***Shannon Hanf, Javier Pfeiler***, Be with them as they continue to trust in your wisdom and grace all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces**

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The Episcopal Churches of the Miami Valley will welcome Bishop Kristin White at the Hope Rising Convocation on Sunday, **April 28, 4 pm at St. George's, Dayton.**

The evening will begin with choral evensong at 4 .m. followed by a reception to hear Bishop White's thoughts about mission strategy, engage in conversation and connect with other congregations.

The Rev. Jodi Baron, the diocese's new canon to the ordinary, will preach at the service.



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