

Trinity Episcopal Church, Collinsville, CT

May 4, 2025

9:00 a.m.

The Third Sunday of Easter

Service of the Word Rite II



*MISSION STATEMENT: "With God's love, we joyfully welcome and nourish all;  
with God's help, we serve our community and beyond."*

## **Welcome to Trinity**

We welcome all who worship with us at Trinity Episcopal Church in Collinsville, CT -- those here in our sanctuary and those who join us by live-streaming.

Please know that your presence and your prayers are a beloved gift to this faith community. We pray that you sense the love of Christ, the stirring of the Holy Spirit, and God's presence here.

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Sunday, May 4, 2025  
The Third Sunday after Easter  
The Service of the Word  
Presider/Homilist: Stan Moraski

Prelude

Opening Hymn:      **We Walk by Faith #209**  
Words: Henry Alford, Music: Gordon Slater

1. We walk by faith, and not by sight;  
no gracious words we hear from him  
who spoke as none e'er spoke;  
but we believe him near.
2. We may not touch his hands and side,  
nor follow where he trod;  
but in his promise we rejoice;  
and cry, "My Lord and God!"
3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
and may our faith abound,  
to call on you when you are near,  
and seek where you are found:

4. that, when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light  
we may behold you as you are,  
with full and endless sight.

## Welcome

## Opening Acclamation

Presider: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## Collect for Purity (in unison)

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. Amen.

## The Gloria

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Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the  
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Presider: Let us pray

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known  
to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the

eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

## Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

[The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight."

But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to

bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."]

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God



## The Psalm

## Psalm 30

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

**People:** O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

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

**People:** Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

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

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

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

**People:** Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

**Reader:** I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

**People:** "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

**Reader:** Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."

**People:** You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

**Reader:** Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

## The Epistle

## Revelation 5:11-14

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

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

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Alleluia verse



## The Gospel

## John 21:1-19

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

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn.

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

**Presider:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Homily**

**Stan Moraski**

A period of silence is kept

**Choir Anthem**

**A Joyful Alleluia**

Music: Gordon Young

**The Nicene Creed** (in unison) (all stand) BCP p. 358

**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.**



Choral Call to Prayer    O Lord, Hear My Prayer  
Words and Music by Francesco Blackmore

The Prayers of the People    Form III BCP p. 387

**Reader:**     Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People:**     **That we all may be one.**

**Reader:**     Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People:**     **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

**Reader:**     We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**People:**     **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

**Reader:**     We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People:**     **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

**Reader:**     Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People:** That our works may find favor in your sight.

**Reader:** Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People:** That they may be delivered from their distress.

**Reader:** Give to the departed eternal rest.

**People:** Let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Reader:** We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People:** May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

**Reader:** We pray especially for those on our intercession list \_\_\_\_\_, and for those named here (pause for the congregation to add their intercessions).

Lord, in your mercy.

**People:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** Let us pray for our congregation and our Vestry as we seek a new priest for our faith community.

Dear God, You are the God of creativity. You created the world out of nothing. We ask for that same creativity to flow through us. As we discuss and brainstorm ideas, may your Spirit inspire us with fresh perspectives and innovative solutions. Help us to think outside the box and see things in new ways. May your creativity ignite a fire within us to use our own unique gifts and talents, in your name we pray. Amen.

**Reader:** In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, let us pray for St. John's, New Haven; St. Luke's, New Haven; St. Paul and St. James, New Haven and retirement communities, especially Armsmear; chaplains at retirement communities and Retired Clergy Chaplains. We also pray for The Church of Ireland.

**Reader:** Let us pray for peace in the world:  
God of peace and justice, we pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East, in Ukraine and Russia, and in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for all in these wars who have died, are wounded or missing. We pray for all who grieve, live in fear, and wait anxiously for the return of their loved ones. We pray for those who protect and defend our country. May your kingdom of justice and peace reign throughout the world.

**Presider:** O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Offering

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

## Offertory Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim #535

**Hymn:** Words: Charles Wesley, Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson

1 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;  
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

2 God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

4 Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
and honor and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never-ceasing and infinite love.

**The Doxology      Old 100<sup>th</sup>      Hymn 380 Verse 3**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

**Presider:** All things come of thee, O Lord.

**People:** And of thine own have we given thee.  
Amen.

**The Lord's Prayer**

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

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 Peace

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

People: And also with you.

## Announcements

## The Grace

Presider: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and  
the love of God, and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit, be with us all, now and  
forever. Amen.

## Closing Hymn Alleluia! Sing to Jesus #460

Words: William Chatterton Dix, Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard

1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2 Alleluia! not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

3 Alleluia! Bread of Heaven,  
thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:



Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

5 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of holy Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

## **The Dismissal**

**Presider:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

**People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia

## **Postlude**

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# The Altar Flowers and the Sanctuary Lamp are Given to the Glory of God

## Celebrating the Worship Service

The People of God gathered in Trinity Church and at home.

Presider/Homilist: Stanley Moraski

Reader: Mimi McGill

Usher: Robin and Joe Mengual

Altar Guild: Phyllis and Dawn Lowell

Music: Francesco Blackmore, Director  
and the Trinity Choir

## May Worship Services

Sun, May 4	Service of the Word, Rite 2 Presider: Stan Moraski
Sun, May 11	Service of the Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 The Rev. Salin Low, Celebrant
Sun, May 18	Service of the Word, Rite 2 Presider/Homilist: Mimi McGill
Sun, May 25	Service of the Word, Rite 2 Presider/Homilist: Stan Moraski (This is Memorial Day Weekend)

## Bishop Visitation Sunday, June 1

We are honored to have The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey W. Mello, Bishop Diocesan, celebrating a Service of the Holy Eucharist with us on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

We will have a Coffee Hour for Bishop Mello to get to know us, to answer questions we may have, and to share news from the ECCT. After the Coffee Hour, Bishop Mello will meet with the Vestry.

## May Events Calendar

<b>Monday, May 5</b> 6:00 -7:00 p.m.	Canton Food Bank Open Miriam's Closet Open Mimi McGill attending
<b>Tues, May 6</b> 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Canton Food Bank Open Miriam's Closet Open, Maryellen Prudhomme attending
<b>Sat, May 10</b> 9:00 – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Trinity Tag Sale</b>
<b>Mon, May 12</b> 6:00 -7:00 p.m.	Canton Food Bank Open
<b>Tues, May 13</b> 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Canton Food Bank Open
<b>Mon, May 19</b> 6:00-7:00 pm	Canton Food Bank open Miriam's Closet Open, Betsy Jahne attending
<b>Tues, May 20</b> 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Canton Food Bank open Miriam's Closet Open Deb Asaro and Linda Burgess attending
<b>Wed, May 21</b> 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Vestry Meeting
<b>Thur, May 22</b> 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
<b>Mon, May 26</b>	Canton Food Bank closed for Memorial Day
<b>Tues, May 27</b> 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Canton Food Bank Open
<b>Thurs, May 29</b> 9:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Episcopal Church Women Annual Meeting and Luncheon at the Aqua Turf, Southington, CT.

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