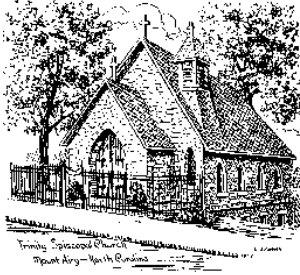


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The Very Reverend Sarah Carper Morris, Rector
The Reverend Bill Pendleton, Deacon
Dr. Ryan Whittington, Organist/Choir Director

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist & Baptism
April 28, 2024

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Restrooms are located downstairs.

Kid's bags are in the narthex. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Hymn in Procession # 47 *(standing as you are able)*

- 1 On this day, the first of days,
God the Father's Name we praise,
who, creation's Lord and spring,
did the world from darkness bring.

- 2 On this day the eternal Son
over death his triumph won;
on this day the Spirit came
with his gifts of living flame.
- 3 Maker, who didst fashion me
image of thyself to be,
fill me with thy love divine,
let my every thought be thine.
- 4 Holy Jesus, may I be
dead and buried here with thee;
and, by love inflamed, arise
unto thee a sacrifice.
- 5 Thou, who dost all gifts impart,
shine, blest Spirit, in my heart;
best of gifts, thyself bestow;
make me burn thy love to know.
- 6 God, the blessed Three in One,
dwell within my heart alone;
thou dost give thyself to me:
help me give myself to thee.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

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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.*

Song of Praise Hymn # 210

- 1 The day of resurrection!
 Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
 the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
 from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over
 with hymns of victory.

- 2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
 that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
 of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents,
 may hear so calm and plain
his own “All hail!” and, hearing,
 may raise the victor strain.

- 3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
 let earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
 and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
 their notes together blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
 our joy that hath no end.

The 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. *Amen.*

Please be seated during the reading of the Lessons and the Psalm.

The First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

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:

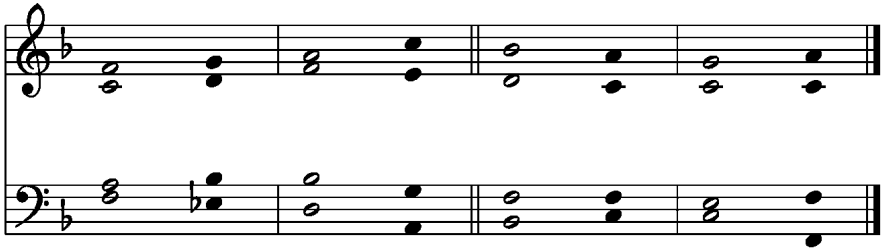
“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 22:24-30

Deus, Deus meus

24 My praise is of him in the great as-sembly; *

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
be-fore 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 **be-fore 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 **un-born** *

the saving deeds that he has **done**.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn # 379 *(standing as you are able)*

- 1 God is Love, let heaven adore him;
 God is Love, let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him
 and exalt him with one voice.
God who laid the earth's foundation,
 God who spread the heaven above,
God who breathes through all creation:
 God is Love, eternal Love.

- 2 God is Love; and Love enfolds us,
 all the world in one embrace:
with unfailing grasp God holds us,
 every child of every race.
And when human hearts are breaking
 under sorrow's iron rod,
then we find that selfsame aching
 deep within the heart of God.

- 3 God is Love; and though with blindness
 sin afflicts all human life,
God's eternal loving-kindness
 guides us through our earthly strife.
Sin and death and hell shall never
 o'er us final triumph gain;
God is Love, so Love for ever
 o'er the universe must reign.

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

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

The Gospel: John 10:11-18 (*stand as you are able*)

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, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Very Rev. Sarah Carper Morris

Baptism Hymn # 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither, by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Then the candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present John Springthorpe, V to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that this child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *John* in *his* life in Christ?

People We will.

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with *John* who *is* committing *himself* to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of
 God?

People

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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching
and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and
in the prayers ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,
whenever you fall into sin, repent and return
to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the
Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all
persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among
all people, and respect the dignity of every
human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for *John* who *is* to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver *him*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open *his heart* to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill *him* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep *him* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach *him* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send *him* into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring *him* to the fullness of your peace and
 glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

 The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through it you led the children of Israel out of their
bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son
Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by
the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us,
through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of
sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

John, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop or Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *him* your *servant* the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *him* to the new life of grace. Sustain *him*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *him* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying to each one

John, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

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

Announcements

(8:30 service only)

Offertory

Celebrant

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

People

**And of thine own have we given
Thee.**

(10:30 service only)

Offertory and Doxology

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.

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Stand as you are able. The Celebrant faces the people and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Music: William Mathias (1934-1992). Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

Stand or kneel as you are able

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

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.

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 [_____ and] 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.

People *AMEN.*

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

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

Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover Hymnal S155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, please cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

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

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

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

Music at Communion # 512

- 1 Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,
with light and comfort from above;
be thou our guardian, thou our guide;
o'er every thought and step preside.

- 2 The light of truth to us display,
and make us know and choose thy way;
plant holy fear in every heart,
that we from thee may ne'er depart.

- 3 Lead us to Christ, the living Way,
nor let us from his precepts stray;
lead us to holiness, the road
that we must take to dwell with God.

- 4 Lead us to heaven, that we may share
fullness of joy for ever there;
lead us to God, our final rest,
to be with him for ever blest.

Communion Meditation *Eat this Bread* by Taizé

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Trust in him and you will not thirst.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

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.*

Hymn in Procession # 296

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold
And our despair he turned to blazing joy
Hallelujah!

We share by water in his saving death
Reborn, we share with him an Easter life
As living members of our Savior Christ
Hallelujah!

The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life
The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God
Baptized, we live with God the Three in One
Hallelujah!

A new creation comes to life and grows
As Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood
The universe restored and whole will sing
Hallelujah!

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:	Kenny Matthews	Mary Couture
A.G.	Arba Montgomery	Melissa Roth Culver
Emily	Craig New	Roger Danley
Esme	Clara Powell	Paul Derrick
Mary	Lorene Ramsey	Ron Doerschug
Erin Apperson	Kerry Reagan	Linda Doerschug
Nicole Baker	Joanie Robbins	Mark Donnell
Cindy Blackwell	David Rodden	Barbara Embry
Bobbie Bledsoe	Helen Roop	Donna Fargo
Bert Bond, Jr.	Locke Rowe	Johnnie Gunter
Greta Brown	Stephanie Serika	Betty Hooven
Marie Carl	Emily Jarvis Simmons	Kelly Jarvis
Jane Carper	Angela Shur	Carrie Krahn
Mazie Chilton	Eva Smith	David Kroupa
Anne Cox	Wade Smith	Angelia Lawrence
Bishop Michael Curry	Rose Mary Smoot	Rebecca McNabb
Pam Dickenson	Summer Stage	John Moore
Liz Dilley	Matthew Stevens	Michael Morgan
Debbie Dockery	Sharon Sutphin	Wade Nichols
Carmen Eldridge	Arlis Thomas	Angie Nolfo
Michael Flannigan	Celeste Tsaklis	Bill R. Pendleton
Carol Ford	Scarlett Vaughn	Rev. Bill Pendleton
Marcus Ford	Carroll Vick	Sylia Poggi
Katie Freeman	Kelli Vincen	Beverly Putynkowski
Forrest Gallimore	Evan Wagner	Victoria Rogelin
Gus Galloway	Tracy White	Candace Sammons
Jimmy Gravely	Henrietta Williams	Evedene Schafer
Polly Hall	Larry Wirick	Susan Slate
Steve Hines	Betty Wright	Sid Spencer, Jr.
Melissa Hopkins	Jerry Wuenscher	Levania Tillotson
Ronald Hull	Long Term Needs:	Betty Town
Fred Johnson	Jean Amburn	Vicky Town
Joy King	*Anonymous	John Townsend
Gus Lewis	Beatrice Attuah &	Stacey Turnmire
Cynthia Light	Lailaity	Jack Woltz
Kay MacAllen	Ann Cochrane	
Kitty Martin	Kat Cook	

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Wesley Frye, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch,
Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert
Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Andrew's, Haw River
Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson
St. John's, Henderson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we welcome John Springthorpe, V (Jett) into the household of God. He is the son of Jay and Jessica Springthorpe and the grandson of John & Karen Springthorpe and the late Carol Ann Edmond & the late Bert Edward Gronseth.

Baptism Reception-There will be a reception today following the 10:30 service. Everyone is invited. Please join us.

There will be a **retirement celebration** for Ted Ashby at the William Alfred Moore House on Tuesday, April 30th from 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to stop by and offer your congratulations. No gifts please but if you would like to contribute to the Mt Airy Restoration Foundation in Ted's honor and his mother's memory it would be appreciated.

Book Group-Our book discussion on Wednesday mornings from 10:30-12, continues on April May 1st: *Being Mortal, Medicine and What Matters in the End*, by Atul Gawande. All are welcome to join us.

Mark your calendars! The church picnic will be held on Sunday, May 19th at the Tatman's.

The United Thank Offering UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box. Boxes should be turned today or as soon as possible.

The new edition of *Forward Day by Day* devotional is available in the narthex.

Altar Guild booklet inserts for 2024 are in the sacristy for those who have not picked up your new copy.

Prayer List-*In an effort to condense our prayer list, unless we hear from you about names to keep-all names will be removed at the end of April.*

BIRTHDAYS

April 23rd Jill Borders, 30th Kate Appler
May 1st Amory King, 3rd Elizabeth Fawcett Smith

ANNIVERSARIES

12th Mark & Kate Appler, 21st Tom & Mary Fawcett,
22nd John & Karen Springthorpe

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my husband, Richard Nealis, by Karen Nealis.

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Jessica Simandle	LECTOR	Vicky Town
Vicky Town	CHALICE BEARER	Jim Couture
Bruce Strohl	GREETER	Mike Wilson
Jim Couture	ACOLYTE	Jim Couture

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Lucinda Fallin	LECTOR	Ann Vaughn
Wendy & Jesse	CHALICE BEARER	Karen & Jackie
Sandy & Ann	GREETERS	Bill & Janet
St. Elizabeth's	ALTAR GUILD	Beckie Derrick
Wendy Tatman	VESTRY	Ann Vaughn
Nemo & Jesse	ACOLYTE	Wyatt & Jackie

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist & Baptism Reception
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Loan Closet
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Group
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Book Group
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
	1:00 p.m.	Art Group
	3:00 p.m.	Loan Closet
	4:00 p.m.	Caregiver/Grief Support
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

TRINITY VESTRY

Ross Borders, Roxann Moore, Jessica Simandle,
Wendy Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson, Lee Wilsonwithers

*No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
Who wants to have a relationship with you*