

# The Rev. Sarah Carper Morris, Rector The Rev. Bill Pendleton, Deacon Dr. Ryan Whittington, Organist

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023

*Covid Update: Masks are available at both entrances to the church. We encourage you to do what you need to stay safe.* 

Kid's bags are in the narthex including a children's bulletin, crayons and other fun for the kids during church. 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 # 400 (standing as you are able)

 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia!
 Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams,

*O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia*!

2 Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,

O praise him, Alleluia! Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining, find a voice,

# Refrain

 3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia!
 Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light,

# Refrain

4 Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show:

# Refrain

5 All you with mercy in your heart, forgiving others, take your part, O sing now: Alleluia!All you that pain and sorrow bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:

Refrain

6 And even you, most gentle death, waiting to hush our final breath, O praise him, Alleluia!You lead back home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:

# Refrain

7 Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

# Refrain

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** (8:30 service only)

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.

#### Song of Praise Hymn # 210

(10:30 service only)

 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

#### (kneel or stand as you are able)

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

# The Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



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# Psalm 66:7-18

## Jubilate Deo

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; \* make the voice of his praise to be heard;
  8 Who holds our souls in life, \* and will not allow our feet to slip.
  9 For you, O God, have proved us: \*
- 9 For you, O God, have **proved us**; \* you have tried us just as silver is **tried**.
- 10 You brought us into the **snare**; \* you laid heavy burdens upon our **backs**.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; \* but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my **vows**, \* which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in **trouble**.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; \*I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear **God**, \* and I will tell you what he has done for **me**.

- 15 I called out to him with my **mouth**, \* and his praise was on my **tongue**.
- 16 If I had found evil in my **heart**, \* the Lord would not have heard **me**;
- 17 But in truth God has heard **me**; \* he has attended to the voice of my **prayer**.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \* nor withheld his love from me.

## The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

# The Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn # 705** (standing as you are able) 1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today our first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand. A world in need now summons us 2 to labor, love, and give; to make our life an offering to God that all may live; the Church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true: a world redeemed by Christ-like love;

all life in Christ made new.

3 With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself in Jesus Christ thy Son, help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.
Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

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

## The Gospel: John 14:15-21 (stand as you are able)

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Celebrant	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### Sermon

The Nicene Creed (standing as you are able) 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.

## The Prayers of the People (standing or kneeling as you are able)

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

#### Celebrant

Blessed are you, O Holy God, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light, hear the prayers we offer in the hope of eternal glory, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live forever in the joy of the resurrection. Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

## The Peace

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

PeopleThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

## Announcements

<b>Offertory</b> <i>Celebrant</i>	All things come of Thee O Lord
Celebrant	All things come of Thee, O Lord.
People	And of thine own have we given

(10:30 service only)

**Offertory and Doxology** *Lasst uns erfreuen (standing)* Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

# **Eucharistic Prayer B**

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.

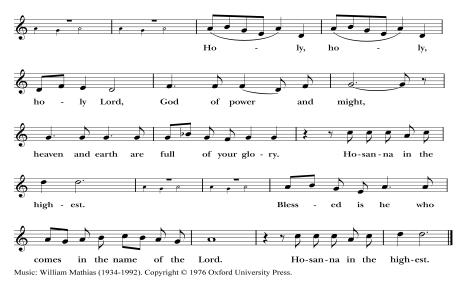
*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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



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

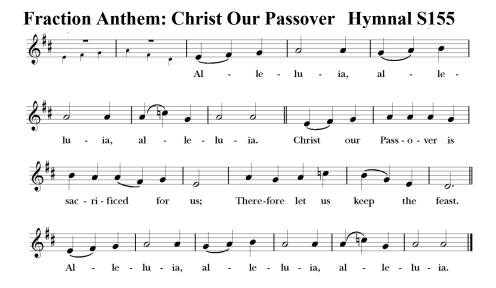
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the 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



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*.]

# **Communion Hymn LEVAS #184**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 O what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

# Refrain

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain

Meditation after Communion Eat this BreadTaizéEat 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. *(standing or kneeling)* 

### 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 # 292 (standing as you are able)

 O Jesus, crowned with all renown, since thou the earth hast trod, thou reignest and by thee come down henceforth the gifts of God.
 Thine is the health and thine the wealth that in our halls abound, and thine the beauty and the joy with which the years are crowned.

2 Lord, in their change, let frost and heat, and winds and dews be given;
all fostering power, all influence sweet, breathe from the bounteous heaven.
Attemper fair with gentle air the sunshine and the rain, that kindly earth with timely birth may yield her fruits again:

3 that we may feed the poor aright, and, gathering round thy throne, here, in the holy angels' sight, repay thee of thine own:
That we may praise thee all our days, and with the Father's Name, and with the Holy Spirit's gifts, the Savior's love proclaim.

### 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:** Emily Erin Apperson Beatrice Attuah & Lailaity Cindy Blackwell **Bobbie Bledsoe** Tina Brown Marie Carl Mazie Chilton Ann Cochrane Anne Cox Sarah Springthorpe-Denmark Debbie Dockery Sonia Donnell Marcus Ford Ashley Fulk Gus Galloway Polly Hall Steve Hines Melissa Hopkins Jacky Karlinsky Joy King Kay MacAllen Carol Mays Arba Montgomery Tammy Moore Howard Morris

Craig New Wade Nichols Bill R. Pendleton Kerry Reagan Rob Sanderson Emily Jarvis Simmons Susan Slate David Smith Wade Smith Rose Mary Smoot Johnny Springthorpe Tammy Springthorpe Sharon Sutphin John Townsend Celeste Tsaklis Betty Wright Pat Zebrowski Grayson County Summer Stage Long Term Needs: Stacie Adams Jean Amburn \*Anonymous Tina Brown Sally Cebula Kat Cook Mary Couture Melissa Roth Culver

Paul Derrick Ron Doerschug Linda Doerschug Barbara Embry Donna Fargo Ginny Gilbert Johnnie Gunter Linda Hicks Betty Hooven Kelly Jarvis Carrie Krahn David Kroupa Angelia Lawrence Rebecca McNabb John Moore Michael Morgan Angie Nolfo **Bill Pendleton** Beverly Putynkowski Victoria Rogelin Candace Sammons Evedene Schafer Sid Spencer, Jr. Betty Town Vicky Town Jack Woltz

#### 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 & Matthew Quilliman.

#### **DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. Mark's, Hailfax All Saints', Hamlet

#### BIRTHDAYS

May 15th Scott Green, 15th Sharon Hines, 17th Sid Spencer

#### ANNIVERSARIES

May 16<sup>th</sup> Gray & Lucinda Fallin, 17<sup>th</sup> Ted & Faith Ashby, 20<sup>th</sup> Steve & Sharon Hines

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are interested in **Confirmation**, **Reception**, **or Reaffirmation**, please see Sarah. We will be starting a class in June. This class is for anyone who wants to go deeper in their faith or to revisit or learn the basics of our Episcopal tradition.

We hope to have **Backyard Bible Study** this summer. We will study the book of Revelation. We will have a potluck supper, fellowship, and study. This will be on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of June, July and August. If you are willing to host, please let us know.

**Missing Dishes?** We have several dishes downstairs that are missing their owners. Please check the table and see if anything belongs to you.

**Calling all graduates!** If you have someone special that will be graduating this year, please send us their picture and information. We will be including them in the June newsletter.

**Organ Recital**-Wilson Smith and Sherri Collins will give a recital on the Noack at Trinity on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. Please mark your calendars and plan to enjoy this lovely music.

**Larry Keesler Organ Fund**—In Larry's memory and honor, we are fundraising to make two additions to the organ on this, the instrument's thirtieth anniversary. The estimated cost of the additions is \$8,600. If you would like to give to the organ fund in honor of Larry, please mark your contribution as "organ fund" or call the church office during the week. To date we have collected \$5470.00.

**Caregiver Support Group-**A Caregiver Support Group will meet Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:30. Bring your lunch and join us. Please contact Sarah if you are interested.

#### **FLOWERS**

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gerald Michael Malmo, Jr. by his children-Gerry Malmo, Sallie Carr and Joanie Howard and their families on what would have been his 97<sup>th</sup> birthday.

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Nursery Care is available for the 10:30 service. Restrooms are located downstairs.

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#### **MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE**

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Theresa Gray	LECTOR	Angela Stroup
Mike Wilson	CHALICE BEARER	Jim Couture
Ted Ashby	GREETER	Benny Combs
Mike Wilson	ACOLYTE	Vicky Town

#### **MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE**

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Gloria Lawrence	LECTOR	Callie Delacroix
Karen Nealis	CHALICE BEARER	Wendy Tatman
Margie & Martha	GREETERS	Jesse & Ann V.
Martha Marcum	ALTAR GUILD	Brenda & Lucinda
Ross Borders	VESTRY	Jim Tatman
Wyatt Fallin	ACOLYTE	Roxann Moore

#### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Today	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Tuesday	10.00 a m	Loon Closet
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Loan Closet
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Group
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Book Group
	5:30 p.m.	·
	5.50 p.m.	Thory Edenarist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
-	3:00 p.m.	Loan Closet
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Saturday	5:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Toxt Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
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	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

#### TRINITY VESTRY

Ross Borders, Margie Martin, Roxann Moore, James Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson, Lee Wilsonwithers