

Trinity Episcopal Church

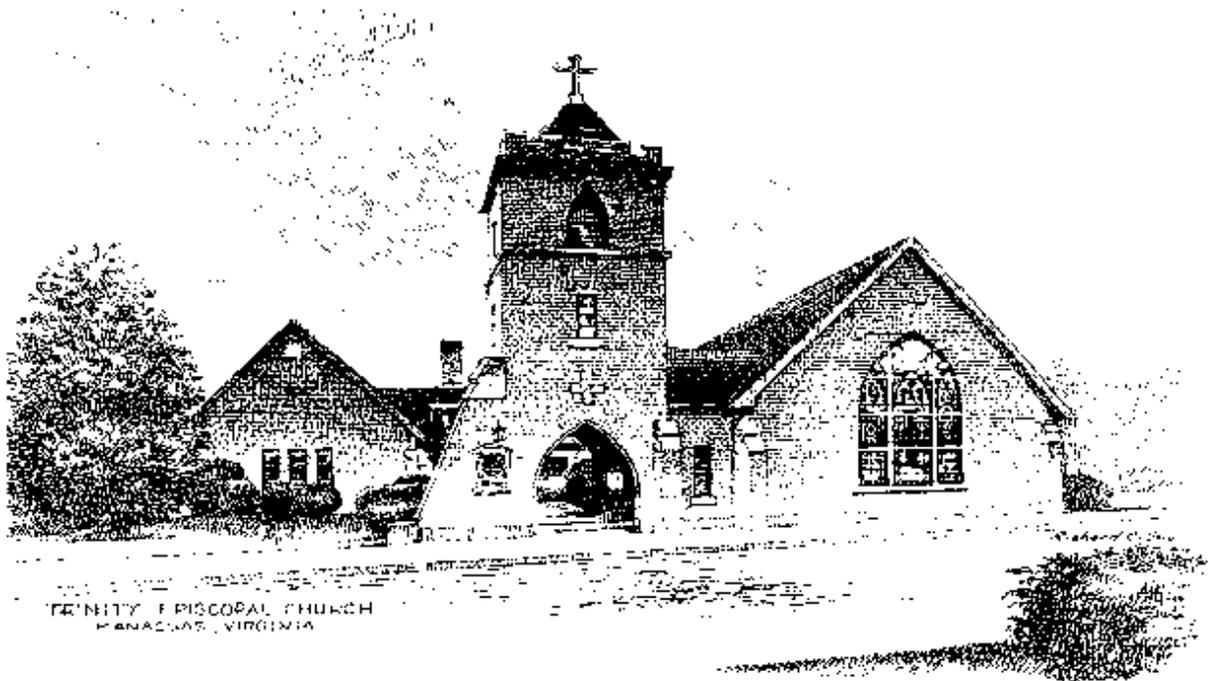
All Are Welcomed & Loved

March 22, 2026

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Please welcome our Supply Clergy, The Rev. Philene M Ware Dunn

Please welcome our Supply Musician, Carole Keily



Jesus had one new commandment:
"Love one another as I have loved you."

We let Jesus' own words remind and refocus our journey in life and in faith.
We invite you to share your journey with us!

PRELUDE Hayrope

Irish Tune arr. Winston

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #495

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!

A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation.

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Holy God *Trisagion* (Sung three times)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The people sit.

THE FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

A RESPONSE: Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

THE SECOND LESSON: Romans 8: 6-11

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN #508

Breathe On Me, Breath Of God!

THE GOSPEL: John 11: 1-45

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

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here,

my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

Standing

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 FORM III BCP 387

Standing or Kneeling

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

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

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

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

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

PARISH PRAYER LIST *Please keep in mind these people as you pray:* Sally H., Wes S., Debbie M., Ginger D., Barbara Y., Carol F., The Johnsen Family, Freida C., Mary P., Judy, Linda B., Debbie S. & family, Donna A., Lillian H., Dave K., Al O., Maureen and Jack D., Cheryl M., Craig S., Carol L., Mark Y., Dave C., Ervie Anne E., Joseph F., Christina H. & Family, Sharyn H. & Family, Mary H., Patti J., Richard M., Melissa N., Gretchen S.

*We kindly invite individuals to submit their prayer requests emailing
info@trinityepiscopalchurch.org to add a name to our prayer list.*

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE BCP 360

All standing

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on this your servant as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

Gracious God, we bring before you this couple. Keep them safe all the days of their lives, comfort them in adversity, and support them in prosperity as you fill their home with blessings. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY Prayer Of Saint Patrick

Schweizer

PRESENTATION HYMN #380 v.3

All Standing

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP 367

The people remain standing

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 our 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. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

SANCTUS 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are
full, _____ full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
_____ in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Standing or kneeling as you are able

The celebrant continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD BCP 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

FRACTION ANTHEM S164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome at God's table. Please come forward to the communion rail with your palms out to receive the host (gluten-free host will be provided upon request.) Wine may be consumed directly or you may give your wafer to the Altar Assistant to intinct into the wine for you. You may also touch the cup with your hand to participate without consuming.

Anyone wishing to come forward for a blessing rather than communion may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest.

INVITATION

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.

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.**

During the distribution of communion the following hymns are sung:

COMMUNION HYMN #314 Humbly I Adore Thee

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

Kneeling or standing as you are able

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN #635

If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Me

DISMISSAL BCP 366

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Quittez, Pasteurs

Shaw

The flowers and greens on the altar and in the narthex are given by Rich and Ann Meyer in thanksgiving for their granddaughter, Madison Meyer, and to the Glory of God.

Extraordinary People for Ordinary Time: The Church's Calendar of Saints

Life stories and pictures at <http://satucket.com/lectionary/Calendar.htm>

Mar 22 James DeKoven (d.1879), American Priest and Educator

Mar 23 Gregory the Illuminator (d.332) Bishop, Missionary to Armenia

Mar 24 Oscar Romero (d.1980) Bishop, and the Martyrs of El Salvador

Mar 25 THE ANNUNCIATION TO THE VIRGIN MARY

Mar 26 Harriet Monsell (d.1883), Irish founder of Anglican Sisterhood of St. John the Baptist; Richard Allen of Pennsylvania (d.1831), First Bishop of African Methodist Episcopal Church

Mar 27 Charles Brent (d.1929) American Missionary Bishop to Philippines

Mar 28 James Russell (d. 1935), American Priest and Educator

Worship Leaders

<p>Vestry 8:30: Kelly Odom Vestry 11:00: Chas Hill Altar Guild: Ellen Patterson & Sara Williams Flower Guild: Anne Burns & Sandra Jackson Videographer: Tim Wells</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8:30</p> <p>Ushers: Reader: Catharine Guest Altar Assistant: Joanne Georg & Isaac Randall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11:00</p> <p>Ushers: Jeff & Judy Schneider Reader: Virginia Cantu Altar Assistant: Joanne Georg & Brenda Smith Acolyte: Lily Overmiller</p>
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Weekly Schedule of Events: March 23 – March 29

Monday		
Tuesday	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Food Ministry Bag Packing Bible Study
Wednesday	9:30 AM 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM	Food Ministry Distribution Pastoral Care Healing Service with Eucharist Book Club
Thursday	10:00 AM – 11:00 AM 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Greek Class Yoga
Friday	10:00 AM	Quilters
Saturday	8:00 AM	Men's Group
Sunday	8:30 AM 9:45 AM 11:00 AM	Service Fellowship/Launch Pad/Choir Rehearsal Service

Security Procedures

Our church doors will be locked each Sunday at the beginning of the first reading and unlocked during the recessional hymn. Please ring the doorbell at the Sanctuary doors or the Florida Room doors for admission if you arrive late. All are welcome, regardless of the time.

If you need to leave during the service, please use the side aisle and exit through the Chancel door past the piano to enter the Narthex.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with these safety efforts.

Easter Flowers



The Flower Guild is taking orders for Easter Flowers. If you would like to donate a Flower in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one, please complete the form below.

Return this form to the church office, with a check made payable to Trinity Flower Guild, by Sunday, March 29. The cost of each donation is \$25.00

Please print all of your information.

First Donation:

I would like to donate a Flower (check one)

In memory of _____ in thanksgiving for _____

By: _____

Second Donation:

I would like to donate a Flower (check one)

In memory of _____ in thanksgiving for _____

By: _____

Your Name _____

Address _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

Email _____

Announcements

Coat Drive – Our coat rack will be put away for the season at the end of March. Please continue to bring in coats, however, as we will store any not used this month to stock the rack when it returns next winter. For the remainder of the month, we would be happy to add rain coats and jackets to help those in need through the spring.

Trinity Book Club – Next Meeting: March 25th - "The Girl They Left Behind" by Roxanne Veletzos

Easter Flowers - Our annual sale of Easter Flowers has **one week remaining**. Flowers can be purchased in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for blessings. Forms can be found in the narthex or this leaflet and are due back in the office by Sunday, March 29th.

Save the Date - Summer's coming! It's time to start planning for Vacation Bible School! Join us for Camp Firelight. July 20-24. 9:00am – 12:00 pm

Unified Service – Sunday April 26th we will celebrate one unified service at 11:00 AM with a lunch reception to follow. Please join us.



Holy Week Service Schedule

Palm Sunday March 29th 8:30 am & 11:00 am		Good Friday April 3rd 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Maundy Thursday April 2nd 7:00 pm		Easter Saturday Vigil April 4th 7:00 pm
Easter Sunday April 5th 8:30 am & 11:00 am		

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