GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch" by Herbert Boeckl

The Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024 • 5 p.m.

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

- If you are a visitor or new attendee, we invite you to fill out a welcome card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate or complete the form online. Use this QR code to access the form.
- If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.
- Restrooms are available in Founders' Hall. A changing station is available in the restroom at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

Service Notes

- Page numbers listed are from The Book of Common Prayer.
- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
- Donations may be placed in the offering, made through the Cathedral website: kccathedral.org, by scanning the QR code to the right or by texting "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Eucharist

VOLUNTARY: "A Quaker Reader"

- IV. "There is a spirit that delights to do no evil..."
- VII. A Secret Power
- VIII. "… No darkness at all…"

The Order for Evening





The presider adds a prayer for light.

* O GRACIOUS LIGHT Phos hilaron: 25





Ned Rorem



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The Word of God

* Collect of the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.
	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 .

The Lessons

First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

Lector

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.



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Cantor	My praise is of him in the great as sembly; * I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
All	 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: * "May your heart live for ever!" All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, * and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. For kingship belongs to the Lord; * he rules over the nations. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before him.
	My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; * they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Lesson: 1 John 4:7-21

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

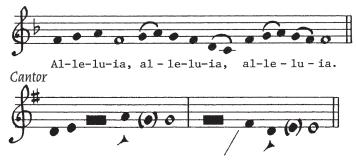
By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the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

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

* ALLELUIA VERSE Cantor; then People



Christ being raised from the dead will never die \checkmark again; death no longer has dominion \checkmark over him.

All repeat the three alleluias.

* The Holy Gospel: John 15:1–8

Gospeller	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.
Gospeller	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."
	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

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All	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.	

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* Prayers of the People, Form III

Intercessor	Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People	That we all may be one.
Intercessor	Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People	That your Name may be glorified by all people.
Intercessor	We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People	That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
Intercessor	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.
Intercessor	Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People	That our works may find favor in your sight.
Intercessor	Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People	That they may be delivered from their distress.

	Intercessor People	Give to the departed eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.	
	Intercessor People	We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.	
I	Intercessor	Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.	
		Silence	
		The People may add their own petitions.	
		The Presider adds a concluding Collect.	
* Тне Р	PEACE		page 360
ł	Presider	The peace of the Lord be always with you.	
3	People	And also with you.	
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Celebration Prayer			
1	All	O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they beg another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in y goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Bishop Search Prayer			
1	All	O Creator God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on us in the Diocese of West Misso and guide us as we discern our call of a new bishop. O Jesus, be present in our discernment lead us to a shepherd who will invite us to live out the Gospel every day. O Holy Spirit, ins with your wisdom, and kindle our hearts with the fire of your love, that we may be renewed	, and pire us

The Holy Communion

prepare to welcome the ministry of our next bishop. This we ask trusting in You. Amen.

Offertory Sentence

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Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians* 5:2

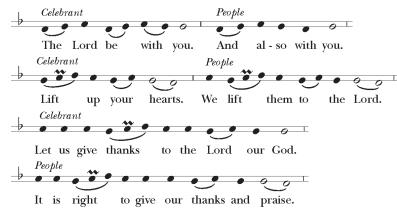
* Offertory Hymn: 489 "The great Creator of the worlds"



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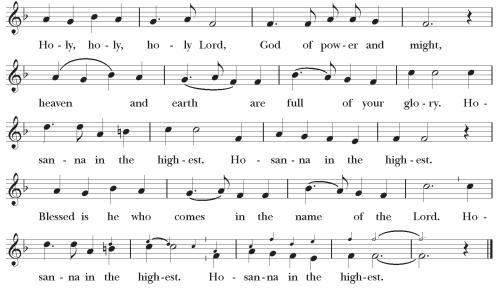
* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

S120: The Holy Eucharist II, Lift up your hearts: Sursum corda



Presider 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:

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Presider 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."

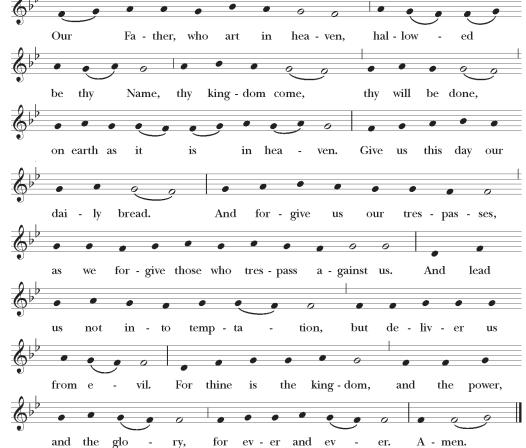
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All	Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
Presider	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.
All	AMEN.

Presider

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



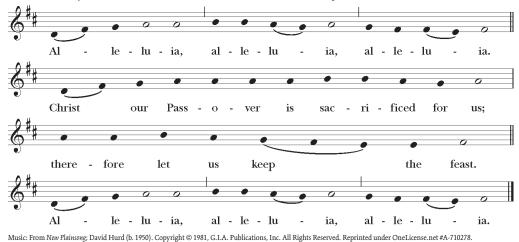
S119: The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

S154: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei



Presider 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.

Communion

All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down. For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

On the first Sunday of each month, prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.

* Postcommunion Prayer

Presider	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.

Dismissal

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Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Following the dismissal,PeopleThanks be to God.

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* CLOSING HYMN: 657 "Love divine, all loves excelling"



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Voluntary: Fantasia in F

Serving Today

Presider & PreacherThe Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. KeyseLectorGeorge HelmkampEucharistic MinisterGeorge HelmkampCantorKatie CrawfordOrganistDr. Lucas Fletcher

Announcements



EVENSONG. Sunday, May 19 • 5 p.m.

A service of Choral Evensong is offered by the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem. With its origins in Archbishop Thomas Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer (1549), Evensong is one of the most uniquely Anglican liturgies and is sung in cathedrals and parishes throughout the world.

Spring Work Day

Saturday, May 11 • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Come help with the gardens and various projects inside and outside the Cathedral. If you can, please bring garden tools from home. Lunch will be provided.



Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Jesus' I Am Sayings"

Today's focal illumination (see the Bible on display up front) is by Thomas Ingmire who also created the "Ten Commandments" illumination. It focuses on Jesus' identity. The frequent "I AM" declarations in John's Gospel identify Jesus with the heavenly Father, an affirmation central in today's visio divina. These sayings connect to Old Testament



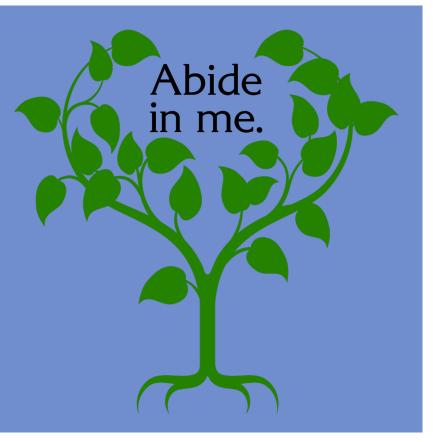
metaphors for God. This illumination features five vertical panels, one for each of the five metaphors conveyed by these I AM statements: bread, gate, way, light, and true vine. The base for the panels is the word "YHWH". From that base ascend geometrical sparks, spinning suns, and arcs. What does each of these metaphors say to you about Jesus' identity? How does this expand your perception of today's gospel reading?

Announcements

Youth Sunday & Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 5

Our youth take key leadership roles in the service and the Cathedral's youth leadership will preach. We celebrate all graduates as part of our Youth Sunday celebration. *If you know of a graduate, send their name to communications@kccathedral.org by Sunday, April 28.*





The Cathedral will provide the main course.

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

We'll also have fun activities for kids of all ages.

Dress casually and enjoy this time of fun and fellowship!

This is a great Sunday to invite a friend or neighbor to worship with you.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Penny Citro; Pat and Larry Martin; Joyce Morrow; Midge Purty; Brend; Liliana; Jim Verhague; Judy Houtman; Lynn Schneider; Tim Allen; Deacon Donna Stanford; Joey; Bill Crain; Willard Welch; Gordon Hansen; Phineas & LaGreta Gitta; Cathy Davis; Joe & Joan Bacchus; Kenny Cabean; the With family; Annie Benitez; Aiden; Bethany; Mark Bontrager; Ann Ryder; David Hayes; Nelda Leon; the Biellier Family; All those fighting cancer; Bonita White; Charlotte Colburn; Doyle White; First Responders; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Jinny McCoy; Larry McMullen; Mike Barzee & Family; Pat Lieve; Phyllis & James Shaffer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers

Children & Youth Prayers: World Central Kitchen; Hamas Israel; Ukraine/Russia; Traveling Mercies; Everyday life in the USA; Housing Search; School; That the Royals, Chelsea and Lincoln Prep win; My Brother

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of Julia Horowitz; the family and friends of Mary Jane Thomas; the family and friends of those lost from the World Central Kitchen; the family and friends of Anna Marie; the family and friends of Francis Grant Jr.; the family of Margaret Brogdon; the family of Robert Van Gorp; the Rich family; the Hatteberg family; the Lopez-Galvan family; the Morrison family; the Sailer family and the friends, families and staff of Operation Breakthrough; Davina and the Reed family; Ellen and the Spake family; the East family; all families affected by gun violence

Pray for the Departed: Julia Horowitz; Mary Jane Thomas; Those lives lost from World Central Kitchen; Anna Marie; Donald Dickens; Francis Grant, Jr. ; Cody Allen; Drexel Mack; Margaret Brogdon; Robert Van Gorp; Arthur Ernest Rich III ; Jeri Hatteberg; Lisa Lopez-Galvan; Julia Nucci Kelly; Brent Spake; Grayson O'Connor; Karen Danna; Mtr. Emily Richards; Robert F. East; Sgt. Breonna Moffett; Sgt. Kennedy Sanders; Sgt. William Rivers; Sister Berta Sailer; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church, Branson—The Rev. Dr. Bob Seney, Priest in Charge; The Rev. Deacon Kathleen Easter, Deacon; Bishop's Search Committee

For the complete prayer list: kccathedral.org/prayers

To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, **bwegener@kccathedral.org.** Requests are held in prayer for 90 days.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 29

Deborah Buckner Deante Finnie

April 30

Ann Reed Jordann Ryder Henley Spake

May 1

Kristen Nichols

May 2

Terry Duncan Whitney Kerr, Sr. Coyote Schaaf

May 3 Kim Watkins Smith

May 4 Scott Claasen

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your birthday or anniversary: jtoma@kccathedral.org or 816.474.8260.

Weekly Flower Donations

Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone who wants to acknowledge special events or people in their lives. Gifts are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your

donation in a flower envelope and place in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

See kccathedral.org/flowers for more information or contact Julie Toma, jtoma@ kccathedral.org.



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