Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

With the whole church we affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

With people everywhere we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong.

With all creation we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life; the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.

The Collect of the Day

First Reading	Acts 10: 34-43	insert
Psalm	118: 1-2, 14-24	insert
Gospel	Luke 24:1-12	insert
Homily		the Rev. Donna J. Gerold

The Prayers of the People

Voice 1: God of justice, keep us silent when the only words we have to utter are ones of judgment, exclusion or prejudice. Teach us to face the wounds in our own hearts. (Silence)

God of justice, give us power of speech to resist injustice, oppression and hate, not only on our own behalf but for others who are not heard. Make us peacemakers and restorers of our communities.

Voice 2: God of power, keep us silent so that we may listen respectfully to another person's pain without trying to fade or fix it, for you are present within each one of us. (Silence)

God of power, give us courage to share our gifts of speech to comfort, uphold and strengthen. Let us be a glimpse of your love to those in need.

Voice 3: God of love, in the silence of our hearts give us words of welcome, acceptance and renewal so that when we speak our words come from you.

(Silence)

God of love, give us voices of praise to celebrate each other and the glories of creation believing that we all live within your blessing. Amen.

The Peace

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God, through Jesus Christ your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; your brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor are yours, creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations. You delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ: *Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!* Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voice of unending praise: *Blessed are you now and forever. Amen*.

As Christ taught us, we now pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Postcommunion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another, and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Benediction

The cross we will take it. we will break it. The bread we will bear it. The pain we will share it. The joy The Gospel we will live it. The love we will give it. we will cherish it. The light The darkness God shall perish it!

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Trinity Episcopal Church Easter Sunrise Service April 21, 2019



The Reverend Donna J. Gerold, Priest in Charge