

The Prelude

The Hymn

Immortal, Invisible

Hymnal 423

The Word of God

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord

7 God, heavenly King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we

13 praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of

19 God, you take a - way the sin of the world have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

25 righthand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

31 you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

36 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice, we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First lesson

Acts 8:26-40

A Reading from the Acts of Apostles

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks to be God**

Psalm 22:24-30 *Please recite the Psalm responsively by half verse.*

My praise is of him in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

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.

The Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

A reading from First John

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.

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People **Thanks to be God**

The Hymn

The Easter day with joy

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The Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory to you Lord Christ**

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.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Elaine Caldbeck

The Nicene Creed

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 to 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,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.
 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,
who with the Father and Son is worshiped and glorified.
who 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

Layreader: Loving God, 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.

God of liberation, we pray for all your children who enslaved by human trafficking;

Free them from their bondage, heal them of their wounds, and protect them from future harm.

We pray for all first responders and all those who serve in our military (pause)

We give thanks for all those who volunteer at St. Peter's. I invite your prayers of thanksgiving.

(pause)

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially our companion dioceses of Nzara, Brechin, and Swaziland and those in need of prayer, Fr. Steve, David H., Jose, Caryl, Cherilyn, Sandra, Andrea Jo, John T., Bill, Ben, Courtney, Liz S., Tom S., Ann, Will, Diane, William, Jerry, Rorie, Beatriz, Gaye, Spencer, Scarlett, Jonas, Danielle, Irene, Sean, John, Rick, Jade, and Amanda. Are there others? (pause)

We invite all those with birthdays or anniversaries, to come forward at this time.

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer now and for ever.
Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

Announcements

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

The Offertory

We know that Christ is raised

Hymnal 296

(Donations may be made online at www.saintpetersbettendorf.org/donate or in the alms basin)

When the offering is brought up

Celebrant All things come of you, O Lord

People **And of your own we have given you.**

We believe that Christ is present with us as we share in the sacrament of Communion. We invite all who are drawn by this faith to join us.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

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 thanks and praise.**

We praise you, God of freedom, for you breathed life into the void and showed yourself as the one who loves in freedom. From the nothingness of slavery, you called a people into being and led them to springs of life; the presence of your glory went with shattered exiles into strange and distant lands and gathered from the valley of despair the flesh and blood of living hope.

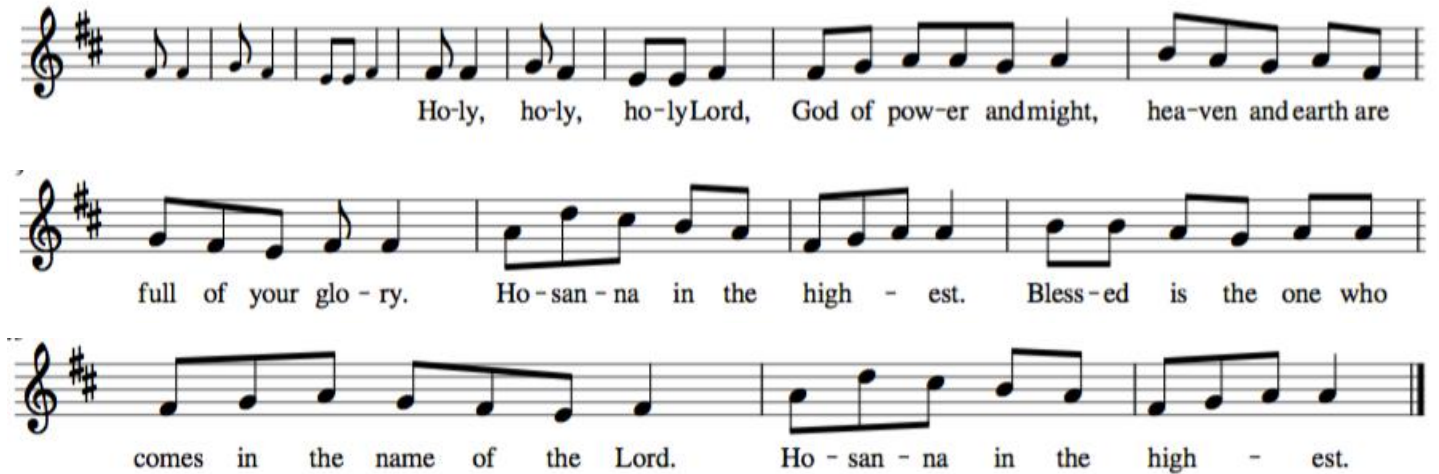
In Jesus, you confronted the powers that killed and oppressed you spoke to those considered dead and helped them stand again; he taught us to die that we might live. He gave himself for us

tortured and forsaken, but he could not be confined by death; in the garden he speaks our name, in the breaking of the bread he shows himself among us; by the lakeside in the new day, he calls us to take up his work.

Therefore, with all who lost faith, all who walked away in sadness, with the women at the tomb, and the men who hid in fear we confess ourselves surprised by the suddenness of dawn and join the undying song of heaven:

The Sanctus

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.' In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now, he offers himself to touch and taste beyond all words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, we come to him in whom all is created in heaven and on earth, who's cross and resurrection make all things new. We offer this to you, asking you to smile upon the gift we bring, for you alone are the Giver and Christ's the gift through which we live once and for all. Through him who was emptied to bear your fullness we make our prayer with all created life to the glory of the God who fills all in all now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: 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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**
Celebrant 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.

Approach the altar rail as directed by the usher. Stand or kneel as you wish. The priest will distribute the bread and then the lay minister will bring a chalice, you may dip the wafer or share from the common cup. The chalice bearer will wipe the cup between each person. If you want only a blessing, you may approach the altar rail with your hands crossed over your chest.

The Communion Hymn

I am the Bread of life

Hymnal 335



1	I	am	the	bread	of	life;	they	who
2 (The)	Bread	that	I	will	give	is	my	
3 (Un-)	less			you	eat	of	the	
4	I	am	the	re -	sur -	rec -	tion,	
5 (Yes,)	Lord,		we	be	-	lieve	that	



1	come	to	me	shall	not	hun -	ger;	they	who	be -
2	Flesh	for	the	life	of	the	world,	and	they	who
3	Flesh	of	the	Son	of	Man		and		
4	I		am	the		life.		They	who	be -
5	you		are	the		Christ,		the		



1	lieve	in	me	shall	not	thirst.	No	one	can	come	to
2	eat		of	this	bread,	you	they	shall	live	for	
3	drink		of	his	Blood,		shall	not	have	life	with -
4	lieve		in	me,			e -	ven	if	they	
5	Son		of	God			who		has		



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. 5 Yes, day.

last day. 2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes,
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1-4 *Final Ending*

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

Let us pray

Post-Communion Prayer

Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands; the word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love. Amen.

The Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying.

May the living God remove the suffocating shroud that lies upon our world; may the risen Savior draw the sting of death, bringing all to life in him; May the flowing Spirit set us and all creation free and seal our hearts with faith; and the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us all, now and forever. **Amen.**

Communion

Good Christians all rejoice

Hymnal 205

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

The Postlude

Our Servers This Morning

Celebrant..... The Rev. Dr. Elaine Caldbeck
Guest Musician..... Xin-Yan
Lay reader..... Meredith Bodnar
Acolyte Ghada Hamdan-Allen
Chalice Ghada Hamdan-Allen
Usher Rick Leuthauser
Coffee Host..... Carolyn Krenos-Bodnar

Announcements

- We invite you to join us for coffee, snacks, and conversation after this morning's service.
- Safe Zone Training May 18th 5-8pm at Trinity Cathedral, Join us for an evening of SAFE Zone Training to learn more about LGBTQI+ awareness and allyship. Katie Petersen, M. Wolff, and Julie Knaak will lead you through terminology, activities, and discussion. All levels of background are welcome and encouraged to participate. DINNER and CHILDCARE included. For more information visit RSVP Meggan Fitzpatrickmeggan@qctrinity.org
- Summer Ministry School & Retreat, June 14-16, 2024- at Grinnell College, Retreat or take ministry classes, great fun, all are welcomed, children included.

Calendar of Events

April 28	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist Pentecost Sunday
May 5 th	9:30am	Holy Eucharist
May 12 th	9:30am	Holy Eucharist
May 18 th	6-8 pm	Episco Pride- Safe Zone Training
May 19	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist

Vestry 2024

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