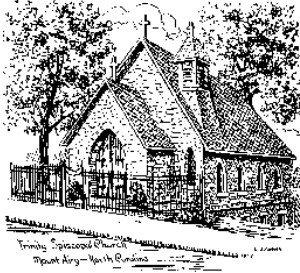


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The Very Reverend Sarah Carper Morris, Rector
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Howard Ward, Organist

The Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026

Nursery care is available downstairs.

If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor Card and put it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter.

Restrooms are located downstairs.

Coloring books and crayons can be found in the narthex for children. Please return them at the end of the service.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Hymn in Procession # 208

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1 The strife is o'er, the battle done,
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun.
Alleluia!
- 2 The powers of death have done their worst,
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:
let shout of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!
- 3 The three sad days are quickly sped,
he rises glorious from the dead:
all glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!
- 4 He closed the yawning gates of hell,
the bars from heaven's high portals fell;
let hymns of praise his triumphs tell!
Alleluia!
- 5 Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live and sing to thee.
Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

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.*

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect *(kneel or stand as you are able)*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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 2:14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law.

But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16 *Conserva me, Domine*

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the
land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn # 214

- 1 Hail the day that sees him rise
glorious to his native skies;
Christ, awhile to mortals given,
enters now the highest heaven! Alleluia!

- 2 There the glorious triumph waits;
lift your heads, eternal gates!
Wide unfold the radiant scene;
take the King of glory in! Alleluia!

- 3 See! he lifts his hands above;
See! he shows the prints of love:
Hark! his gracious lips bestow,
blessings on his Church below. Alleluia!

- 4 Lord beyond our mortal sight,
raise our hearts to reach thy height,
there thy face unclouded see,
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluia!

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

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

The Gospel: John 20:19-31 (*stand as you are able*)

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Earnest Graham

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 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.

Prayers of the People *(Standing)*

Intercessor Gathered with the living Christ among us, let
us offer prayers to God for the needs of all the world,
saying: *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, and
our bishops Sam and Jennifer, that signs and wonders born
of faith and love may be worked among all peoples
through believers who bear testimony to Jesus.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For this parish family that we may witness to Christ's
resurrection with words and by serving the needs of
others.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those who live in fear and anxiety in this time of
uncertainty, that the gift of Easter may give them peace
and hope.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For peace in the Middle East, that world leaders will put aside hatred, division and destruction and turn to dialogue, diplomacy, justice and harmony.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who struggle with faith or who lack belief, that God's presence and love may be made known to them and bring light to their life's journey.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may find healing in the name of the Risen Christ.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have died, that having acknowledged Jesus as their Lord and their God, they may rejoice forever with the Living One.

Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us the Easter word of peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of glory and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit. Glory to you, O blessed Trinity, now and always and unto the ages of ages. *Amen.*

The Peace

BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory and Doxology *Lasst uns erfreuen*

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, Alleluia.

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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

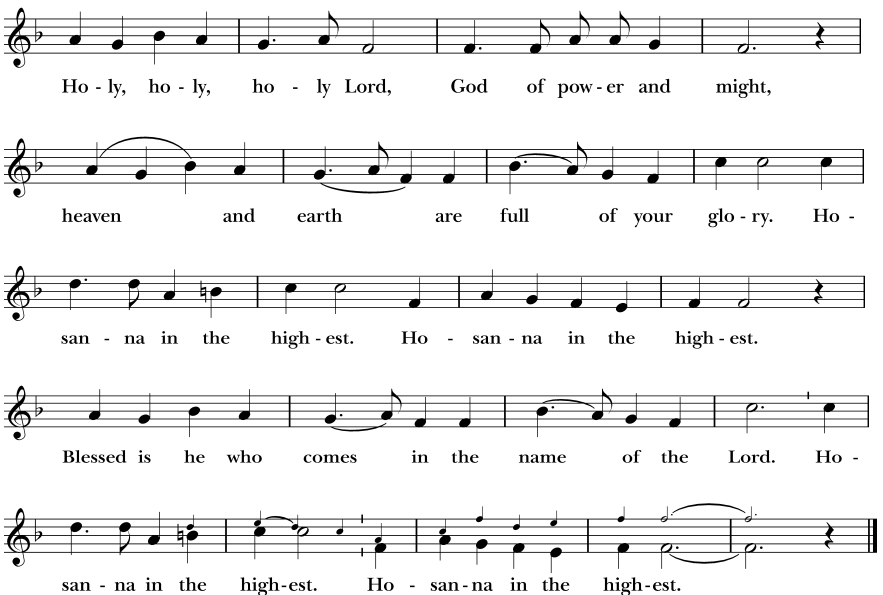
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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, #125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover Hymnal S155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.*]

Hymn During Communion # 209

- 1 We walk by faith, and not by sight;
no gracious words we hear
from him who spoke as none e'er spoke;
but we believe him near.

- 2 We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
but in his promise we rejoice,
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
and may our faith abound,
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:

- 4 that, when our life of faith is done,
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are,
with full and endless sight.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn in Procession # 212

- 1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice
and on his praises dwell.
- 2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise
the saints their Savior greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes
but by his hands and feet,
- 3 those hands of liberal love indeed
in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed
for millions and for me.

4 His enemies had sealed the stone
as Pilate gave them leave,
lest dead and friendless and alone
he should their skill deceive.

5 O Dead arise! O Friendless stand
by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command
your host from heaven restored!

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:	Michelle Mayes	John Derrick
Michelle	Cheryl Menezes	Paul Derrick
Mike	Robert Morris	Ken Foil
Diana Adelizzi	Angie Nolfo	Steve Hines
Teresa Auld	Diane Prichard	Kenny Holt
Jody Caudle	Sheila Robbins	Carrie Krahn
Jim Causer	Stephanie Serika	Kitty Martin
Heath Church	Beatie Smith	Kenny Matthews
Ken Collins	Sid Spencer, Sr.	Barbara McGatlin
Bob Correll	Bruce Springthorpe	Lorene Ramsey
Clarence & Rosie Derrick	Matthew Stevens	Phyllis Rose
Harman Gilbert	Kelli Vincen	Erika Rowe
Greg Goad	Joe Waddell	Candace Sammons
Jennifer Green	Brent Wall	Mac Sammons
Jan Frye-Hill	Donna Ward	Kris Saunders
Ray Hanna	Page Warner	Denny Shelton
James (Pete) Haynes	Henrietta Williams	Jeanette Staples
Phyllis Frye James	Dakota Wood	Betty Town
Kyle Jones	<i>Western NC</i>	Vicky Town
Gus Lewis	Long Term Needs:	John Townsend
Cynthia Light	Jane Carper	
Libby Lovill	Ann Cochrane	

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Andrew's, Greensboro/St. Barnabas', Greensboro
St. Francis', Greensboro

BIRTHDAYS

10th Lee Wilsonwithers

ANNIVERSARIES

12th Mark & Kate Appler

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the friendship and support we have found here at Trinity,
from Jim & Wendy Tatman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we welcome The Rev. Earnest Graham as our celebrant and guest preacher while Sarah is out.

Thank you to everyone who donated Easter Flowers, and to Marge Wilmoth who ordered and arranged them. They are beautiful! Donors, please take a potted lily or azalea home today as you can take much better care of them at home. If they are not picked up in the next 2 weeks, we may use them for church landscaping.

Sarah & Robert-As Sarah announced on Easter, she will be on leave for the next few months. Hospice is now working with her husband, Robert; and they need as much time together now as they can manage.

This makes our **Pastoral Care Committee** more necessary than usual, so all who are interested in helping are invited to join our next meeting on Wednesday April 22nd at 1:30 pm in the Parish Hall. We are hoping to find someone, or several someones who would be interested in taking altar flowers after church and visiting parishioners who might be cheered up by having them (the flowers, and the visit.)

Supply Clergy for the next few weeks will be:

April 19 th	The Rev. Earnest Graham
April 26 th	The Rev. Joan Killian
May 3 rd	The Rev. Joan Killian
May 10 th	The Rev. James Franklin
May 17 th	TBA

The Rev. Andrew Heil from Grace Moravian will be here on Wednesday evenings for the 5:30 Eucharist.

Our **annual parish picnic** with Sunday service, will be held at the home of Jim & Wendy Tatman on Sunday, May 31, starting at 11:00 am. More details will follow, but we hope you will put it on your calendar now.

Trinity's Book Group meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 and will continue the book called "*Wisdom Jesus*" by Cynthia Bourgeault. If you have questions, please contact Kate Appler.

Introduction to the Biblical Wisdom Books

Part 3



➔ Saturday, May 2 ➔

9:30: Refreshments and Fellowship.

Session Time: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Mount Airy Friends Meeting Fellowship Hall (located behind the main church)

109 West Wilson Street, Mt. Airy

Jack Ciancio, DRS will conclude his presentations on biblical wisdom literature with a study of Ecclesiastes (Qoheleth), a review of Ecclesiasticus (Sirach), and a final summation of biblical wisdom literature as an unparalleled source for seeking meaning to our lives in relationship with God.

Reading Recommendations: All of Ecclesiastes (Qoheleth). If possible, review Ecclesiasticus — (Google search Ecclesiasticus pdf).

MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Pat Clark	LECTOR	Pat Sanderson
Mike Wilson	CHALICE BEARER	Jessica Simandle
Pat Sanderson	GREETER	Mike Wilson
Mike Wilson	ACOLYTE	Jessica Simandle

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Gloria Lawrence	LECTOR	B.K. Duke
Lucinda & Karen	CHALICE BEARER	Wendy & Brenda
Nate & Christine	GREETERS	Ann Marie & Ann V.
Kate Appler	ALTAR GUILD	Vicky Town
Wendy Tatman	VESTRY	Margie Martin
Karen Nealis	ACOLYTE	David Silvia

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.	Medical Loan Closet
	3:00 p.m.	Youth Group
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Book Group
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
	1:00 p.m.	Art Class
	3:00 p.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Next Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

*No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
Who wants to have a relationship with you*