TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 7, 2023

8:00 A.M. AND 10:00 A.M.

A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING



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Good Morning!

Whether this is your first time at Trinity, your first time in a long time, or if you're here every Sunday, we are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS If you are new to Trinity, we hope that you will introduce yourself and sign

one of the guest books at either entrance to the Church. Restrooms are located in two places. Exit through the rear doors of the Sanctuary and go to your right. The white doors on your left are the restrooms. Restrooms can also be found if you exit the door at the front right of the Sanctuary and go down the hall toward the exit to the parking lot. The restrooms are on your right once you pass the fireplace.

NAMETAGS In order to make it easier for us to get to know each other, we ask everyone

to wear a nametag. If you do not have a reusable nametag, there are stickers and markers at each entrance. If you would like to have a reusable nametag made for you, please print your name on the clipboard next to the trays of

reusable nametags.

KIDS IN CHURCH Copies of 'The Sunday Paper Junior' coloring sheets and crayons available

at each Sanctuary entrance. Each week the coloring sheet will highlight some aspect of the Scripture for the day and includes notes to help parents talk to their kids about the theme. Please feel free to let your kids color and otherwise be themselves during the worship service. All are welcome as they

are, including kids!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER Private intercessory prayer is available with members of our Intercessory

Prayer team in the side aisle while Communion is being distributed at the 10:00 AM service. Additionally, there are Prayer Jars at each entrance to the Sanctuary where you can share prayers requests that will be prayed over

for the next month.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP Most of the worship service is printed in this leaflet. Music that is not

printed in the leaflet can be found in *The Hymnal 1982* (the red book on the shelf under the chair in front of you) or in *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (the red, black, and green book found on a cart at each entrance). We stand,

if able, for the hymns and stand or kneel, according to one's personal

tradition, for prayer.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

MAY 7, 2023

8:00 A.M. AND 10:00 A.M.

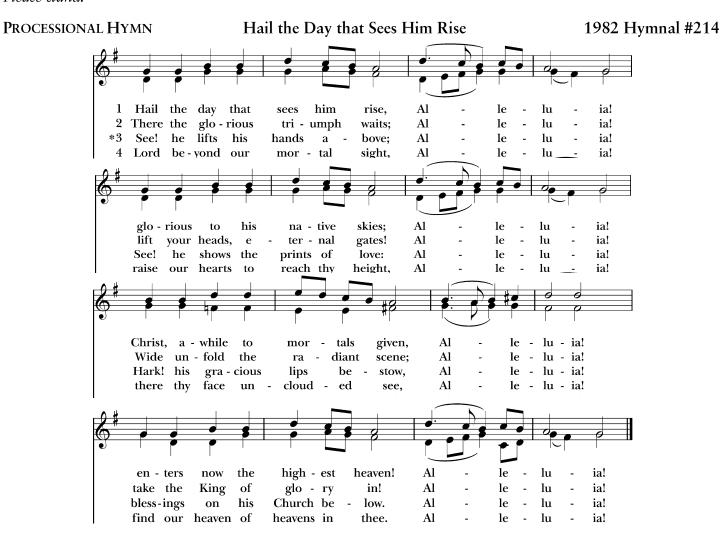
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

Toccata on Llanfair

Knut Nystedt (1915-2014)

Please stand.



Presider

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

All

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 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.

People Amen.

Please sit.

THE FIRST READING Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 BCP 622

George Thalben-Ball



- In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; √ let me never be / put to / shame; * de/liver me / in your / righteousness.
- In/cline your / ear to me; * make / haste / to de/liver me.
- Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, √ for you are my / <u>crag and</u> my / stronghold; * for the sake of your / <u>Name</u>, / <u>lead me</u> and / guide me.
- Take me out of the net that they have / secretly / set for me, * for / you are my / tower of / strength.



Sung to second half of chant

- Into your hands I com/mend my / spirit, * for you have redeemed me, √
 O / Lord, O / God of / truth.
- 15 My times are / in your / hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, √ and from / those who / persecute / me.
- Make your face to / shine up-on your / servant, * and in your / loving-/kindness / save me."

THE SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.



THE GOSPEL John 14:1-14

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *People Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON D. Littlepage

Silence for reflection.

THE NICENE CREED

All We believ

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, 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 the 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.

^{*}This version of the Nicene Creed is from one of the sources that has been approved for use by the General Convention of the Episcopal Church. The most significant difference is that this version changes 'who proceeds from the Father and the Son' to 'who proceeds from the Father.' This change restores the Creed to the version that was originally accepted by both Western and Eastern Orthodox Churches. (The phrase 'of the Son' was added a few hundred years later by a regional synod and was never adopted by Eastern Orthodox Churches).

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM VI

BCP 392

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (silence) For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world; People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jeff and Laura our Bishops, and for all bishops and

other ministers;

People For all who serve God in God's Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died especially Susanne Mantel, in whose memory the altar

flowers are given, and all those recently killed by gun violence, that they may have a place

in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

(from *The Messiah*)

Terri Huntington, soloist

Please stand or adopt another posture of prayer.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

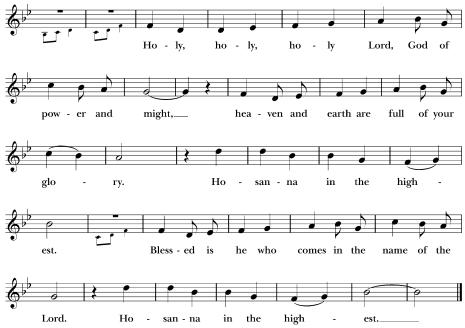
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where 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:





Presider

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.

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,

All

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Presider

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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today 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,

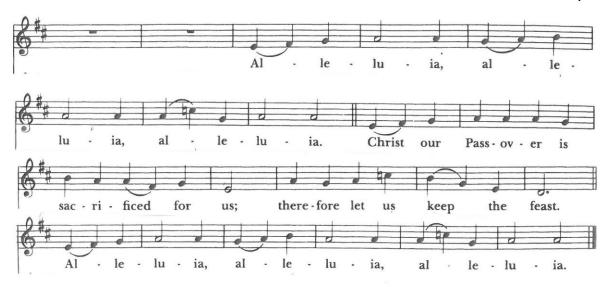
Now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

1982 Hymnal #S155



Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail. If you would like to have a blessing instead of receiving Communion, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available on request. Please remember that if you wish not to receive wine, receiving Bread only imparts the full benefit of the Sacrament.

Please sit.

COMMUNION MUSIC O Taste and See Ralph Vaughn Williams

Please stand.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER BCP 366

Presider Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us God's children through the

resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing.

People Amen.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty, the One Holy and Undivided Trinity, be upon you and

remain with you for ever.

People Amen.

Philip Moore (b. 1943)



THE DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

Presider Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. People

Fantasia on "Moscow"

You may choose to stay for the postlude (and express a spoken "amen" afterward if you'd like), but it is never expected! You may leave after the final hymn if you'd rather. Please feel comfortable to make whatever choice is best for you.



LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Pamela Duval; Linda Eckert; and Bella, Ray, Sasha and Sophlya Esponda.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Intentional Episcopal Communities in Connecticut, including the Episcopal Church at Yale, Seabury Retirement community, Haven community and All Saints Chapel, West Cornwall; parish prayer groups; intercessory prayer chains; healing prayer groups, and parish and community bible studies.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Church in Wales.

We pray for
Nancy Miller
Carol
Phillip Andrews (brother of
Dianne Bowens-Waller)
Carol Walter
Dianne Lewis
Ray Wilson
Gwendolyn Stevens
The Stevens Family
Betty Chien Reed (mother of
George Chien)
Margaret Daniel
Tony Charron Vreeland
(son of Peter Vreeland)

Cheryl Russo

Winifred Costa Iacqui Lucier John E. Robinson Grace Crooks Philip Green (son of Peter & Anne Green) Nora Baldwin Stephanie Holland (niece of Kitty Peterson) Elizabeth Mackie Sandy Cone Foley J.B. Parke Laurie Lavoie Paulette McCurdy Rhonda McKenzie Carmen Belgrave Linda Cushner Kate Smith

Iuli Porter Iuhudi Mgombo Katie Reynolds Tori and Trevor Henry Louise Krippenstapel Carlene Lewis Judy Miller Valentina Moore Helen Strassner Lindsey Tengatenga Richard Green (brother of Peter Green) Donald Bowens (son of Dianne Bowens-Waller) Diane Bowens-Waller Peter Vreeland

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Susanne Mantel by her family.

A funeral for Louise Loomis will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. here at Trinity Church.

+ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP +

The Rev. D. Littlepage – Presider & Preacher

Readers

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM) Kate Smith (10:00 AM) Elizabeth Rousseau (10:00 AM)

Intercessor

Cecelia Timothy (8:00 AM) Faith Wada (10:00 AM)

Ministers of Communion

Jackie Lucier Kate Byroade

Announcements

Flowers George Chien

Virtual Verger Casey Rousseau, Jake Troiano

Acolvtes

Jon Garcia, Kenny Okeke

Intercessory Prayer Ion Reik

Director of Music Michelle Horsley

Altar Guild Louisa Cummings, Mary Register, Kitty Peterson

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Announcements

ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION TODAY!

THE MORALITY OF TAXES: A JEWISH-CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ETHIC

The deadline for filing our tax returns for the year 2022 is now behind us. But it is not too early to think about what our Jewish-Christian social ethic has to say about the morality - even the ethical imperative - to put taxation in its proper social context. We will set the stage for a robust discussion of what would be a fair and effective tax system in a social democratic republic such as our nation claims to be.

The Adult Christian Formation team invites you to come to the Library following the 10 AM Eucharist today to explore the issue of taxation with Frank Kirkpatrick.

Get a cup of coffee and a snack and join us!



Have You Updated Your Information on Realm?

Rev. D and Kristen have recently bought a house in West Hartford and they took a few minutes to update their contact information in the Church's Realm Database. Even if you haven't moved and your phone number hasn't changed for thirty years, please take a moment to ensure that the Church has your correct information by filling out the database

update form. The yellow sheets are for adult information and the green sheets are for information about dependent children. If you are new to Trinity and would like to be added to the Database, please also fill out a form. Even if you do not wish to sign up to use Realm, please fill out the form and opt-in to be included in the directory. Printed directories are no longer available and so Realm is the best way to be able to stay in touch with each other! Forms can be given to Rev.D. or scanned and emailed to Barbara in the Office.

Graduating High School, College, Grad School in 2023?

If you or a loved one is graduating high school, college or graduate school in either May or June, please contact the office, so you can be recognized on Youth Sunday, June 11, 2023! Provide your full name, the name of your school and the degree you will be receiving.



Call for Annual Reports for Trinity Church Annual Meeting – June 4, 2023

Yes, it's that time of year again. Some reports have already been submitted. Due date for reports to be in the office will be Monday, May 15. Any questions, please contact Barbara in the office.

Needed For The Dadwall Family

Trinity's refugee resettlement team is looking for the following used but serviceable items for the Dadwall family:

- life jackets for Mohammad, Amjad, and Zoya (ages 5, 4, and 18 mo.)
- a full-length mirror for Saheba's sewing business
- a television. It needn't be one of those monster-sized ones. We'd like him and Saheba to watch the nightly news to help them improve their spoken English skills and vocabulary.

If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Drew Smith at ktadsmith@comcast.net or 860-519-1591. Thank you very much for whatever you can contribute.

Anne Rapkin, for the Refugee Resettlement Team

2ND ANNUAL



A CALL TO CHANGE AND ACTION — FOR GOD'S PEOPLE WEARY OF GUN VIOLENCE

Camp Washington, Lakeside, CT

May 12-13, 6PM - 2 PM: Youth Overnight
May 13, 10AM - 2 PM: Open to All

This is a free event. Registration information here.

This Fragile Earth, Our Island Home: Social Justice And The Environment Adult Christian Formation Save the Date: May 21, 2023

Challenging and sometimes disastrous weather events all across the country have been dominating the news. Many people think that these events are at least partly the result of global warming. To make matters worse, the people most seriously affected by damage to our environment are those who live in the poorest communities, where residents have the fewest resources to mitigate the effects. Locally, some Hartford residents have suffered flooded basements several times in the past year, while the closed trash recycling plant in the South End is now sitting on land that is dangerously polluted and therefore unable to be used.

It is easy to feel overwhelmed and hopeless about our environmental troubles. On May 21, we will welcome Letitia Colon de Mejias, an expert on the environment, and on environmental justice. She is the founder and president of Green Eco Warriors, a program of youth education on environmental conservation. She is also the CEO of Energy Efficiencies Solutions, and serves on both local and national task forces on environmental concerns. Letitia Colon de Mejias is a powerful speaker, and she comes with information on the scope of the problems we face and, more importantly, ideas about how we can address the issues.

Please plan to join us in the Library on May 21 following the 10 a.m. Eucharist.



Cystic Fibrosis Walk on May 20, 2023

Hello all! Kate and Drew Smith's Cystic Fibrosis walk will be held at a new location: the Riverfront Park, Glastonbury, on Saturday, May 20th, 10 am. Our granddaughter Sarah was born 13 years ago with Cystic Fibrosis and is doing quite well. She has started taking the new drug Trikafta and has grown several inches. She is now taller than her mother!

Team Strolling for Sarah supports the Great Strides program which raises research dollars for this genetic lung and digestion disease. The new drug Trikafta treats some of the causes for her illness and not just the symptoms.

If you cannot walk we hope you will support us at our website or mail us at: 106 Vista Way Bloomfield, CT 06002. Visit our website: http://bndfr.com/2bsbd for more information. Any questions? My email is: Kate48smith@comcast.net or call 860-519-1591. Thanks so much, Kate and Drew Smith

Weekly Calendar

Sunday May 7th	The Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
10:00 A.M.	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)
11:30 A.M.	Adult Christian Formation (Library)
	The Morality of Taxes

Tuesday, May 9th

6:00 P.M. Choir School Rehearsal (Church)

Wednesday, May 10th

7:00 P.M. Property Team Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday, May 11th

12:00 P.M. Noonday Prayer (Chapel) 6:00 P.M. Choir School Rehearsal (Church) 6:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday, May 12th

7:00 P.M. NA Group Meeting (Huntington Hall)

Sunday, May 14th The Sixth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church) 10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

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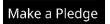
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