



## TRINITY SUNDAY

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST  
WITH THE RITE OF HOLY CONFIRMATION  
31 MAY 2026 AT 10:30 AM

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
WITH  
THE MEMORIAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD  
PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

## Welcome!

Welcome to Trinity Church! Today we are worshipping together with our sister parish, Good Shepherd. And we have our official episcopal visitation (bishop's visit) today, too! Some of the members of our community will be Confirmed during the service.

For your convenience, everything you need to follow today's liturgy (worship service) is found in this bulletin. The texts in **bold type** are the parts of the service that you say. Wherever there are instructions to sit, stand, or kneel, please understand that these are not required; participate to your level of comfort and ability. For instructions regarding communion, please see the inside of the back cover.

If you have arrived after the start of the service, please don't worry.

Please ask one of the ushers (welcomers) in the back – or anyone else – if you need any help.

Children are allowed to be children, whether they are sitting quietly, skipping around, or crying. There are special activities for them at the back of the church if you would like. If you need to take your little one out of the service for any reason, you may use the library, which can be accessed through the left-hand door (behind the piano). There is a speaker in that room so you can continue to follow the service.

Rest rooms are also available through that same side door.

We ask that you please refrain from cell phone use before and during the service. It is customary to prepare for worship by a period of silent prayer. Suggested prayers are found on the next page.

We are so glad you have joined us today and pray that your time worshipping with us might be full of joy and blessing.



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### COVER ART

*The Hospitality of Abraham*, anonymous Greek icon (ca. 1375-1400)  
Benaki Museum, Athens, Greece

### PRIVATE PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

### A PRAYER FOR OUR PARISHES

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear your servants' prayers, and grant to our parishes all things that are necessary for their spiritual welfare; enlighten and guide their priests; strengthen and increase the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wandering; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of your Gospel; bring all to be of one heart and one mind within the fold of your holy Church; to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

O adorable Trinity! What hast thou done for me? Thou hast made me the end of all things, and all the end of me. I in all, and all in me. In every soul whom thou hast created, thou hast given me the similitude of thyself to enjoy! Could my desire have devised such sublime enjoyments? Oh! Thou hast done more for us than we could ask or think. I praise and admire and rejoice in thee; who are infinitely infinite in all thy doings.

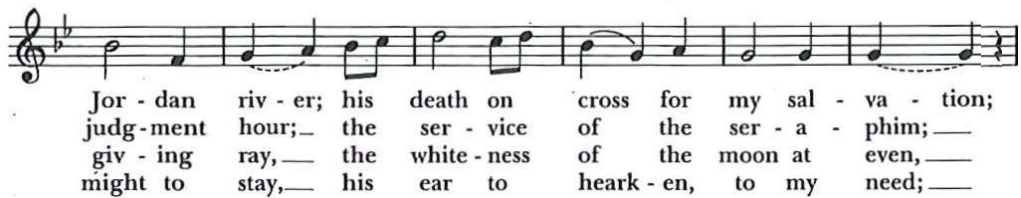
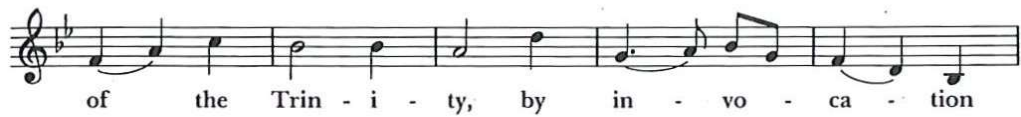
Traherne

- Thomas

PRELUDE  
*Gloria*, RV 589  
VI. *Domine Deus*  
Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

*Please stand as able.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN  
Saint Patrick's Breastplate  
MUSIC: Irish melody; adapt. Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)





his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing  
 con fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'  
 the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing  
 the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to



up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the  
 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -  
 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the  
 guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to



day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.  
 to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.  
 deep salt sea, a - round the old e - ter - nal rocks.  
 give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

\* 6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,  
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to  
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,  
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name  
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion  
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.  
Of whom all - na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal  
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of  
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

TEXT: Attributed to St. Patrick (5<sup>th</sup> cent.)  
Translation by Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND VERSICLES

*Bishop*

✠ Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

*People*

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

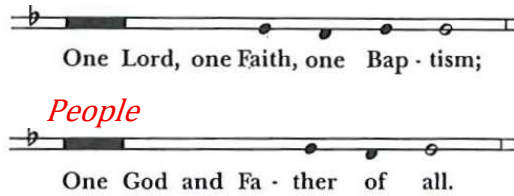
*Bishop*

There is one Body and one Spi - rit;

*People*

There is one hope in God's call to us;

*Bishop*



### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 1.1 – 2.3

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, 'Let the

waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**THE GRADUAL** – *Benedictus es, Domine*  
 SETTING: John Rutter (b. 1945)

1. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord  
 God of our fa - thers; \_\_\_\_\_ you are wor - thy of praise;  
 \_\_\_\_\_ for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; \_\_\_\_\_ we will  
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,

\_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you. Glo - ry to you! \_\_\_\_\_

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*Please be seated.*

**SECOND LESSON**  
2 Corinthians 13.5-13

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless, indeed, you fail to meet the test! I hope you will find out that we have not failed. But we pray to God that you may not do anything wrong—not that we may appear to have met the test but that you may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak but you are strong. This is what we pray for, that you may be restored. So I write these things while I am away from you, so that when I come I may not have to be severe in using the authority that the Lord has given me for building up and not for tearing down. Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**  
*All stand as able.*

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN**

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing  
 TUNE: *Augustine*, Erik Routley (1917-1982)

*Antiphon* 1-2 *Final Ending*

Let all the world in ev-ery cor-ner sing, my God and King! King!

1 The heavens are not too high, his praise may thith - er fly; the  
 2 The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but,

*Repeat Antiphon*

earth is not too low, his prais - es there may grow.  
 a - bove all, the heart must bear the lon - gest part.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Saint Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew

28.16-20

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, O Lord.**

*Please be seated.*

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Matthew Cowden  
*Bishop of West Virginia*

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Bishop* The Candidates will now be presented.  
*Presenters* I present *this person* for Confirmation.

*The Bishop then addresses the candidates*

*Bishop* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Candidates* I do.

*Bishop* Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidate* I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

*The Bishop then addresses the congregation*

*Bishop* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Bishop* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

*Bishop* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, how only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*People* I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

*Bishop* Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?  
*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent, and return to the Lord.  
*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?  
*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as  
yourself?  
*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,  
and respect the dignity of every human being?  
*People* I will, with God's help.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

*Bishop* Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to  
Christ.

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

*Leader* We pray to you also, for our own needs and concerns.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

*Then the Bishop says*

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### THE CONFIRMATIONS

*The Bishop lays hands upon each candidate, saying*

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *[Name]* with your Holy Spirit; empower *him* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days of his life. **Amen.**


*The Bishop then concludes with this prayer.*

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SIGN OF PEACE


*All stand, as able.*

*Bishop*



The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

*People*



And al - so with you.

*The Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of Christ.*

*Announcements may be made here.*

*The Bishop may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing?

TUNE: Traditional Quaker Hymn (circa 1800); arr. Gwyneth Walker (b. 1947)

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.  
I hear the real though distant song that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing.  
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest loudly roars, I hear the truth; it's living!  
What though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it's giving!  
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.  
Since I believe that love abides, how can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble when they hear the bells of freedom ringing,  
When friends rejoice, both far and near, how can I keep from singing?  
In prison cell, in dungeon dark, our thoughts to them are winging.  
When friends hold courage in their heart, how can I keep from singing?

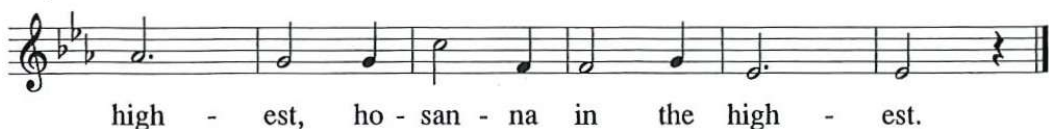
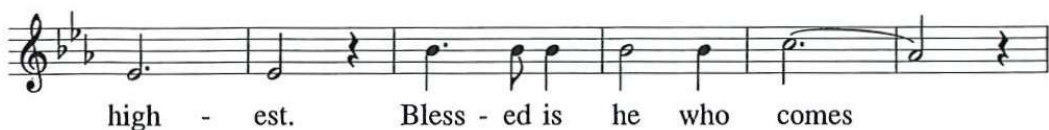
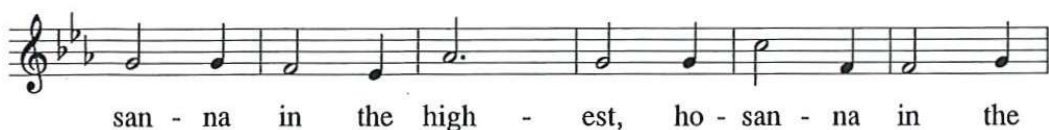
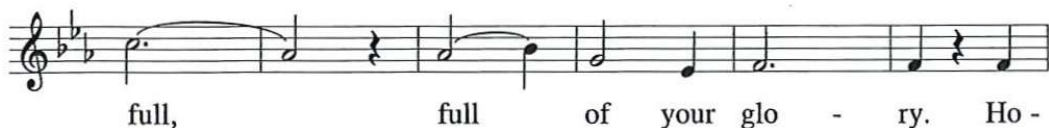
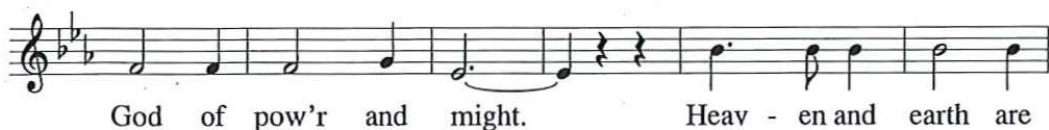
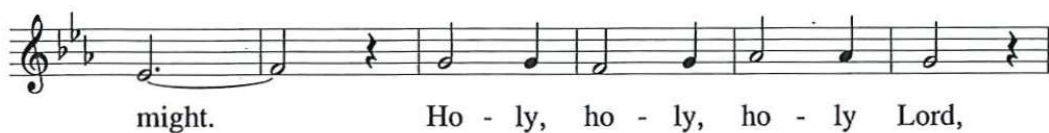
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.  
Since I believe that love abides, how can I keep from singing?

TEXT: Traditional Quaker Hymn, alt.

*Please stand, as you are able, as the offering is brought forward.*



SETTING: *Deutsche Messe*, F. Schubert (1797-1828); arr. R. Proulx (1937-2010)



*The People may remain standing or kneel as able. The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*People*    **We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Bishop continues*

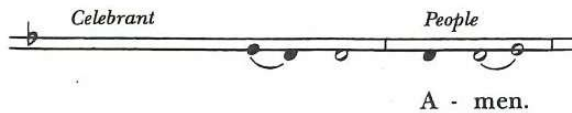
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy

catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember Bryar, Elizabeth, and Isabella, who today have been Confirmed in the Faith. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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 FRACTION

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

*Celebrant* The bread which we break is a sharing in the Body of Christ.

*People*

We being many are one bread, one body, for we all share in the one bread.

**AGNUS DEI**

SETTING: *Deutsche Messe*, F. Schubert (1797-1828); arr. R. Proulx (1937-2010)

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on  
us. Je - sus, Bear - er of our sins, have  
mer - cy on us. Je - sus, Re - deem - er, Re -  
deem - er of the world, give us your peace,  
give us your peace.

*The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds and then immediately deliver it to the People. For instructions on Communion, please see the inside of the back cover of this bulletin.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast  
TUNE: *O Waly Waly*; arr. Noel Tredinnick

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both staves have a key signature of one sharp (F#), indicating the key of G major. The music is written in a common time signature. The upper staff contains a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a fermata over the second measure. The lower staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

The second system of music continues the piece with two staves in the same key signature of G major. The upper staff features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a fermata over the second measure. The lower staff continues the harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The system concludes with a double bar line.

let every soul be Jesus' guest.  
Ye need not one be left behind,  
for God hath bid all humankind.

be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;  
O taste the goodness of our God,  
and eat his flesh and drink his blood.

Do not begin to make excuse;  
ah! Do not you his grace refuse;  
your worldly cares and pleasures leave,  
and take what Jesus hath to give.

See him set forth before your eyes;  
behold the bleeding sacrifice;  
his offered love make haste to embrace,  
and freely now be saved by grace.

Ye who believe his record true  
shall sup with him and he with you;  
come to the feast, be saved from sin,  
for Jesus waits to take you in.

TEXT: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant and People say together*

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 to Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

*Bishop*



Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

*People*



The maker of heaven and earth.

*Bishop*



Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

*People*



From this time forth for ever - more.

*Bishop*

May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,  
2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,  
3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,  
4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O  
they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the  
Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the  
o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O *Fine*

roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.  
way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.  
peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.  
roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

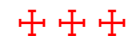
And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,  
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - - jah! And his words are  
To - rah o - ra,

*Da Capo*  
words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - - jah!  
To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - - jah!





## PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

<b>CELEBRANT</b>	The Rt. Rev. Matthew Cowden <i>XVIII Bishop of West Virginia</i>
<b>ASSISTING CLERGY</b>	The Very Rev. Geoffrey Mackey <i>Rector, Trinity Church</i> The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa <i>Rector, The Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd</i>
<b>BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN</b>	Xenia Smykova, <i>Pastoral Intern</i>
<b>LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Toni DeVore and Paul Miller
<b>LECTORS</b>	Paula Sellers and Roland Mezick
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Marie Mallory, <i>Director of Music, Trinity Church</i> Scotty Rockhold, <i>Music Director, Good Shepherd</i> The Choirs of Good Shepherd & Trinity
<b>SOLOIST</b>	Rebekah Alexander, Soprano
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Michael McKibben
<b>TORCHBEARERS</b>	Eva Crocker and Yazmin Allander
<b>USHERS</b>	Michael Dillon and Tom Gyongyosi
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Betty Earl and Pam McGraw

### BISHOP'S OFFERINGS 2026: PETERKIN CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER



Throughout 2026, the loose offerings received during Bishop's Visitations will support the work of Peterkin Camp & Conference Center as it seeks to strengthen the spiritual lives of campers of all ages through its youth and intergenerational programs.

Nestled in a valley near historic Romney, West Virginia, Peterkin Camp and Conference Center boasts 1,400 acres of unsurpassed natural beauty, with clean mountain streams and miles of hiking trails. Peterkin offers a refuge of serenity amid the stress and hectic pace of our everyday lives, a

**NOTICES**  
**May 31, 2026**

**TRINITY BLOOD DRIVE**

Trinity is holding its (now annual!) blood drive on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 11am to 4pm. We need to do our best to get all 30 spots reserved. If you or someone you know can participate, please reserve a donation time at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). (Search for blood drives in zip code 26101) There are detailed instructions posted in Trinity Hall. Tom Gyongyosi can help anyone register as well, just leave him a message at 304-422-4121.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER HELP**

Since Bree will be at Peterkin in June and July, she is asking for help with Sunday School during those months. There is a sign-up sheet in the Memorial Library. One leader and one helper are needed each week, beginning June 7 through July 26. Lesson plans will be provided.

**PETERKIN SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATIONS OPEN!**

Our Diocesan Summer Camp in Romney, WV – Peterkin – is now accepting registrations for their Summer 2026 camps: **Junior Camp** (entering grades 4-6) – June 14-20; **Intermediate Camp** (entering grades 7-9) – June 21-27; **Seeds of Faith Camp** (New Campers & their Adults) – June 28 – July 1; **Senior Camp** (entering grades 10-grads); and **MAD Camp** (Music, Art, Drama) (entering grades 4-12) – June 14-20. Diocesan and Trinity parish scholarships are available. To register visit [Peterkin.org](http://Peterkin.org).

**HELPING HANDS FOOD & CLOTHING CLOSET NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Please consider donating non-perishable, easy open food to help those in need in our community. Saltine, Ritz, Graham, & Club Crackers, small jars of peanut butter, individual size pop top cans of Vienna Sausage, Chef Boyardee and other pop top meats, tuna pouches, single serve cereal, Fit & Active Tuna or Chicken Salad kits (available at Aldi), shelf stable individual milk boxes, dry dog & cat food are all items that are greatly appreciated. Please drop off donations at Trinity Episcopal Church, Monday through Friday 10am to 2pm.



**CALL FOR GRADUATES TO RECOGNIZE**

We will recognize Trinity graduating seniors (high school, college, and graduate level) next month. Please call the office by June 22 with their names, where they are graduating from, and what their future plans are. We will acknowledge them on June 28 and in the *Trinity Times*.

**JULIETS MEETING THIS WEEK**

The JULIETS June Gathering will be on **Tuesday, June 2 at 6:00 PM** at **Napoli's** in Belpre. This dinner group is open to women from both Trinity and Good Shepherd. Please contact the Trinity parish office at 304-422-2362 by Monday, June 1 if you would like to attend.



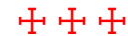
May our Lord Jesus Christ – whom we have served and celebrated and honoured in his holy, glorious, life-giving, and divine mysteries – in his grace and mercy make us worthy of the beauty and glory of his kingdom, and of joy with his holy angels; and to have guiltless faces before him, standing at his right hand in the Jerusalem which is above. To him be praise and may the right hand of his providence rest upon us and upon all creatures, now and for ever. Amen.

- From the Chaldean Liturgy

Well done, O Christ, O Wisdom and Power and Word of God, and God almighty! What should we resourceless people give Thee in return for all things? For all things are Thine and Thou askest nothing of us but that we be saved. Even this Thou hast given us, and by Thy ineffable goodness Thou art grateful to those who accept it. Thanks be to Thee who hast given being and the grace of well-being and who by Thy ineffable condescension hast brought back to this state those who fell from it. Amen.

- Saint John of  
Damascus

Blessed, praised, and adored be our Lord Jesus Christ; on his throne of glory, in the most holy Sacrament of the altar, and in the hearts of his faithful people. May the souls of the faithful ✠ departed, through the mercies of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### ON RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All those who have been baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church. Simply come forward with your pew at the time indicated. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail. If you would like to receive sitting in your pew, please indicate this to an Usher and the Ministers will be happy to bring communion down to you.

To receive the consecrated Bread, simply hold out your hands, placing one hand on the other with your palm facing up. The Celebrant will place the Host in your hand. You may either consume it immediately or wait to intinct (dip) it in the Chalice. When the Chalice-Bearer comes to you, you may intinct the Host or, if you have consumed it, you may sip directly from the Chalice.

When you have received, you may return to your seat via the side aisles.

If, for reasons of discipline or conscience, you wish not to receive Communion, you may come forward for a blessing. In this case, when you arrive at the altar rail, simply cross your arms over your chest. This will indicate to the Priest that you are not receiving the Eucharist and would instead like to receive

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*The Reverend Katie Beth Miksa, Rector*  
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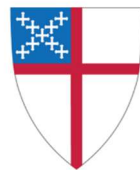


## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*The Very Reverend Geoffrey Mackey, Rector*  
“We exist to love God and our neighbor.”  
[trinity-church.org](http://trinity-church.org)

## THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WEST VIRGINIA

*The Right Reverend Matthew Cowden, Bishop*  
Serving 55 counties through 60 churches and 8,000 parishioners.  
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*The Most Reverend Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop and Primate*  
An international community of 1.5 million Christians in North and South America, Europe, and Taiwan.  
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A global community of more than 85 million Christians in more than 165 countries.  
[anglicancommunion.org](http://anglicancommunion.org)

