

Trinity Episcopal Church

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

5 July 2026 at 10:30 AM

Welcome to Trinity Church

Everyone is welcome here.

Page numbers marked **BCP** are from the Book of Common Prayer in your pew rack. The Hymns can be found in *the Hymnal 1982* in your pew rack. The text in **bold type** is the parts of the service that you say.

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 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.

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.

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COVER ART
Russian icon (ca. 1850)
depicting Christ as *Sophia* – *The Wisdom of God*

A PRAYER 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.

A PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear your servants' prayers, and grant to our parish all things that are necessary for its spiritual welfare; enlighten and guide its priest; 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 FOR SUNDAYS

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER – RITE II

Please stand for the Opening Hymn and the entrance of the Ministers

OPENING HYMN 657

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

TUNE: *Hyfrydol*

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill, and to your dwelling.
Ps. 43.3

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Kneel as able. Silence is kept.

All say **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution ☩ and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

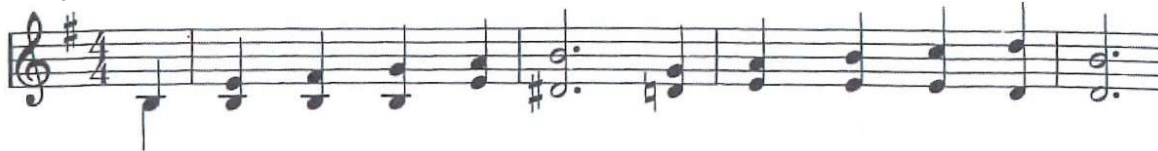
THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

THE JUBILATE



1. Be joy - ful in the Lord; be joy - ful, all you lands.
 2. Ap - proach God's house with thanks and fill its courts with praise;



With glad - ness of - fer praise to God: draw near with song.
 with awe in - voke God's ho - ly Name: come and a - dore.



Know that the Lord is God, who made us and still stands
 The Lord our God is good, whose mer - cy lasts al - ways



to guard the folk, who like a flock, to God be - long.
 and whose great faith - ful - ness en - dures for ev - er - more.

PSALTER - *Audi, filia*

Ps. 45.11-18

Please be seated. The Psalm is recited responsively between Lector and People.

“Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *
 forget your people and your father's house.

**The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *
 he is your master; therefore do him honor.**

The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *
 the rich among the people seek your favor.”

**All glorious is the princess as she enters; *
 her gown is cloth-of-gold.**

In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
 after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

**With joy and gladness they are brought, *
 and enter into the palace of the king.**

“In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *
 you shall make them princes over all the earth.

**I will make your name to be remembered
 from one generation to another; *
 therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever.”**

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON: Zechariah 9.9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTUS DOMINUS DEUS (*standing, as able*)

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
 2. With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
 3. My child, as proph-et of the Lord, you will pre - pare the way,

and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree.
 the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham, from foes to save us all;
 to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.

So have the proph-ets long de-clared that with a might-y arm
 that we might wor - ship with-out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
 Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease

God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
 in ho - li - ness and right - eous-ness to serve God all our days.
 to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Please be seated.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 7.15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

**You are God: we praise you;
You are the Lord: we acclaim you;
You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;
 Father, of majesty unbounded,
 your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
 and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.

THIRD LESSON: Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

Jesus said: 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds. At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Here a homily is read.

After the homily, please stand.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.
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. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

The People may stand or kneel.

**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 SUFFRAGES

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance.
R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. **We praise your Name for ever.**
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. **For we put our trust in you.**
V. In you, Lord is our hope;
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Proper 9, BCP 230

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FOR OUR COUNTRY

BCP 820

Almighty God, you have given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech you that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought here out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those who in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, let not our trust in you fail; all this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand.



1. This is my song, O God of all the na-tions,
2. My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king-doms:



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine;
Thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.



This is my home, the coun-try where my heart is;
but oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
O hear my song, thou God of all the na - tions,
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the na - tions;



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

The Officiant concludes with this Collect

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM - *The King of Love and Grace*

WORDS: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877; John Newton, 1725-1807

MUSIC: St. Columba, Irish tune; New Britian, *Southern Harmony*, 1835;

arr. Christopher Aspaas

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants
give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CONCLUDING SCRIPTURE

Officiant ✠ May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 482

Lord of all Hopefulness

TUNE: *Slane*



This Week at Trinity
July 6th – 12th , 2026

MONDAY	11:00 a.m.	Monday Feeding Ministry (Trinity Hall)
TUESDAY	8:00 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast (Bob Evans)
	10:00 a.m.	Clergy Bible Study (Conference Room)
	6:00 p.m.	JULIET’s Meeting (Las Trancas)
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	Book Sorting (Trinity Hall)
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Chancel)
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Conference Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Katie’s Ladies (Cheddars)
SATURDAY	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	7:00 p.m.	A.A. Meeting (Trinity Hall)
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Trinity Hall)

JULIET’S JULY GATHERING

This dinner group which is open to women from both Trinity and Good Shepherd will meet on Tuesday, July 7, at 6:00 PM at Las Trancas Mexican Cantina on Bosley Parkway in South Parkersburg. Please plan to attend and let the parish office know by July 6 if you will be there.

KATIE’S LADIES JULY GATHERING

Katie’s Ladies, the women’s group at First Lutheran Church has invited the women from Trinity to meet them for dinner on Thursday, July 9, at 6:00 PM at Cheddar’s in Vienna. Please RSVP to our office by July 7.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ON HIATUS FOR JULY

Our adult religious education class on the history of Christianity will be on break for the month of July. It will resume on Wednesday, August 5th.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Attention graduating seniors and current higher education students attending West Virginia institutions. Applications are now open for the **Fred Davis, Jr. Scholarship**. Fred. L. Davis, Jr. was a respected Parkersburg attorney who was actively involved in his church and multiple community positions before his untimely passing in 1990. His loving wife, Sally R. Davis, passed in 2024. His three adult children Debbie (Davis) Wright, John R. Davis, and Fred “Rick” L. Davis, III share in his legacy both in their community involvement and through the administration of this scholarship. The Fred. L. Davis, Jr., Scholarship is perpetual and intended to be awarded annually to a recipient or recipients who exhibit good character, scholarly aptitude, Christian faith, and a community-oriented mindset as well as who are attending a West Virginia institution of higher education. In addition to other requirements, applicants are asked to write an essay addressing their spiritual commitment, financial need, past scholastic achievements, general character, and leadership skills. For full application information, please contact Ginger Smith in the office at gingersmith.goodshepherdwva@gmail.com. **Completed applications, along with two reference letters, are due July 31.**



Serving This Week

Officiant: Paul Miller (8a & 10:30a)

Lectors: Larry Tucker (5:30p); Everett Orem (8a); Paula Sellers, Bob Harris (10:30a)

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Larry Tucker (5:30p)

Altar Guild: Jennie Brannon (8a); Cara Bowen, Cheryl Harb (10:30a); Mickie Richardson (Tuesday); Linda Tucker (Wednesday); Amy & Justin Warren (Friday); Jeannie Gallagher (5:30p)

Ushers: Ken Currier (5:30p); Joe Handlan (8a); Michael Dillon, Kevin Oliphant, Jr. (10:30a)

Musicians: Lori Clark (vocalist, guitarist) (5:30p); Marie Mallory (organist, pianist) (10:30a)

Coffee Hour: Mickie Richardson

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Fr. Paul Hicks (**M**), Tanner Welling (**T**), Alan Zipf (**TH**), Paula Sellers (**F**), and the anniversary of Dianne & B.J. Hess (**F**).

*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Paul & Karen Miller
to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of their grandparents.*



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