



Trinity Episcopal Church

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

12 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.

COVER ART

Jesus Mafa. *Parable of the Sower*.
Cameroon, 1973.

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 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 THE WHOLE WORLD

O God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE II

The Liturgy begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer.

PRELUDE

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 493

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

TUNE: *Azmon*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – S 280

SETTING: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the Lessons.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55.6-13

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress, instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

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

GRADUAL – Psalm 65.9-14

Visitasti terram, et inebriasti

The Psalm is recited responsively by whole verse.

9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.

**10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.**

11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

**12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.**

13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.

**14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.**

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8.1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

Please stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel

SEQUENCE HYMN 632

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

TUNE: *Munich*

THE GOSPEL

St. Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

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

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!" "Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is

sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Fr. Geoffrey Mackey

Please stand for the Creed.

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM IV

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THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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THE PEACE

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Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements may be made at this time.

THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.
During the Offertory music, a collection is taken.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand as the Offerings are brought forward and we sing

THE DOXOLOGY

TUNE: *Old Hundred*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS – S 129

SETTING: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People may remain standing or kneel after the Sanctus

THE CONSECRATION

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Traditional*)

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THE FRACTION

THE AGNUS DEI – S 163

SETTING: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 512

Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove

TUNE: *Mendon*

THE DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

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This Week at Trinity
July 13th – 19th, 2026

MONDAY	11:00 a.m.	Feeding Ministry (Trinity Hall)
TUESDAY	8:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast (Trinity Hall)
	10:00 a.m.	Clergy Bible Study (Conference Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Pub(lic) Theology (North End Tavern)
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	Book Sorting (Trinity Hall)
	12:15 p.m.	Healing Eucharist (Adams Chapel)
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Chancel)
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Conference Room)
	11:00 a.m.	Knitters (Trinity Hall)
FRIDAY	6:00 p.m.	G.H. Dance Club (Trinity Hall)
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)
	12:00 p.m.	Blessing of Vehicles (Parking Lot)



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.**

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.

Serving This Week

Presider: Fr. James Offenberger (5:30p); Fr. Geoffrey Mackey (8a & 10:30a)

Lectors: Dan Thomas (5:30p); Connie Bookman (8a); Bob Harris, Roland Mezick (10:30a)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Thomas (5:30p); Connie Bookman (8a); Michael McKibben, Larry Tucker (10:30a)

Crucifer: Jacob Miller (10:30a)

Altar Guild: Susan Shock (8a); Cara Bowen, Cheryl Harb (10:30a); Mickie Richardson (Tuesday); Linda Tucker (Wednesday); Susie Fitcher, Carol Snyder (Friday); Jeannie Gallagher (5:30p)

Ushers: Ken Currier (5:30p); J.T. Thomas (8a); Mark Edwards, Kevin Oliphant, Jr. (10:30a)

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

Coffee Hour: Michael Dillon

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Tiffany Orem Deem, Fr. Jeffrey Mackey (**S**), Jean Jackson (**M**), Abigail Darnell (**W**), Sylvie Juliette Dauphin-Dove (**TH**).

*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Jennifer Currey to the
Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Christopher Paul and
Timothy Andrew Salvati.*

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PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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 Liturgy of the Chaldean Church



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