



Trinity Episcopal Church

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

19 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

Parable of the Weeds Among the Wheat (detail)
attributed to Isaac Claesz van Swaneburg (ca. 1600)

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 596

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor

TUNE: *Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens*

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.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son 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

Genesis 28.10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

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

GRADUAL – Wisdom of Solomon 12.13, 16-19

Non enim est alius Deus

There is no god besides you, whose care is for all people,

to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;

**for your strength is the source of righteousness,
and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.**

For you show your strength
when people doubt the completeness of your power,
and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.

**Although you are sovereign in strength,
you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us;
for you have power to act whenever you choose.**

Through such works you have taught your people
that the righteous must be kind,
and you have filled your children with good hope,
because you give repentance for sins.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8.12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel

SEQUENCE HYMN 632

For the Fruits of This Creation

TUNE: *Ar Hyd Y Nos*



1. For the fruits of this cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God;
2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done;
3. For the har-vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to God;



1. For the gifts of ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God;
2. In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will be done;
3. For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks be to God;



1. For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are
2. In the world-wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de -
3. For the won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that will con -



1. sleep-ing, Fu-ture needs in earth's safe-keep-ing, Thanks be to God.
2. spair-ing, In the har-vests we are shar-ing, God's will be done.
3. found us, Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

St. Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Matthew.

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

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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.

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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 Hundreth*

**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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SURSUM CORDA

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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.

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

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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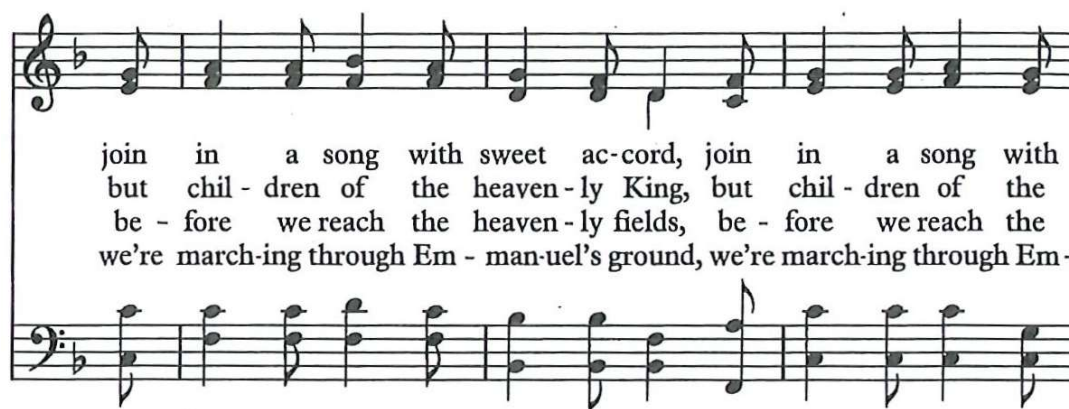
THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

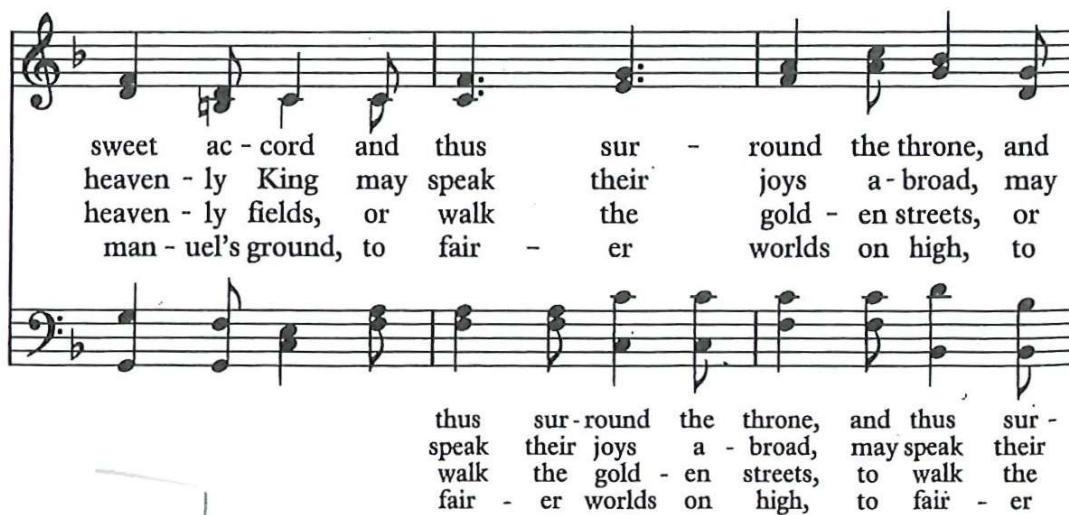
Marching to Zion



1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
2. Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
3. The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets
4. Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - ery tear be dry;



join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with
but chil - dren of the heaven - ly King, but chil - dren of the
be - fore we reach the heaven - ly fields, be - fore we reach the
we're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Em -



sweet ac - cord and thus sur - round the throne, and
heaven - ly King may speak their joys a - broad, may
heaven - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets, or
man - uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to
thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur -
speak their joys a - broad, may speak their
walk the gold - en streets, to walk the
fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er

thus sur-round the throne. We're march - ing to Zi - on,
 speak their joys a - broad.
 walk the gold - en streets. We're march - ing on to Zi - on,
 fair - er worlds on high.

round the throne.
 joys a - broad.
 gold - en streets.
 worlds on high.

beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on; we're march - ing up - ward to

Zi - on, the beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.
 Zi - on, Zi - on, the

THE DISMISSAL
 POSTLUDE

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*The loose offering this weekend is for the Rector's
 Discretionary Fund*

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This Week at Trinity
July 20th – 26th, 2026

MONDAY	11:00 a.m.	Feeding Ministry (Trinity Hall)
	5:45 p.m.	Finance Committee (Conference Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Vestry Meeting (Conference Room)
TUESDAY	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast (Bob Evans)
	10:00 a.m.	Clergy Bible Study (Conference Room)
	6:30 p.m.	Pub(lic) Theology (Northend 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)
SATURDAY	12:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Trinity Hall)
	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)



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.**

COFFEE HOUR

Part of what makes Trinity Episcopal a special place is our tradition of sharing hospitality. The Monday ministry is an exceptional example of this, but our weekly welcome at coffee hour is often overlooked as another example of outreach. Please consider participating by signing up to bring a snack for coffee hour. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall. Thank you for your assistance in this ministry of hospitality to guests and fellow worshipers.

MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO (MSP)

The ministry schedule for August, September, and October will be generated the last week of this month. An email was sent asking everyone to set their service preferences and to note the dates they are unavailable to serve. Please make these changes by July 27. Contact the office with any questions.

Serving This Week

Presider: Fr. Geoffrey Mackey (5:30p, 8a & 10:30a)

Lectors: Tim Northrup (5:30p); Sue Ellen Johnson (8a); Bob Harris, Kim Couch (10:30a)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Northrup (5:30p); Sue Ellen Johnson (8a); Paul Miller, Scott Ramsay (10:30a)

Crucifer: Kim Couch (10:30a)

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

Ushers: Volunteer Needed (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: Julie & Tom Gyongyosi

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Abby Hayhurst, Jacob Miller, Gary Vincent (**M**), Larry Tucker, Sharon Flanagan (**TH**), Gavin Fury (**F**), Camille Currey-Wiley, Katharine Nutter (**SA**); and the anniversaries of Sarah & Andrew Patrick (**T**), Karen & Tim Northrup (**TH**).

*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Carol Snyder to the
Glory of God and in Loving Memory of her father, Clarence Snyder,
and her brothers, David Snyder and Daniel Snyder.*

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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