



Trinity Episcopal Church  
*The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Holy Eucharist  
26 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 below.

### 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.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## RITE II

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

### PRELUDE

*Ich folge dir gleichfalls  
from St. John Passion, BWV 245*

J. S. Bach

Rebekah Alexander, Soprano

Ich folge dir gleichfalls mit freudigen Schritten  
und lass dich nicht.  
Mein Leben, mein Licht.

Befordre den Lauf und hore nicht auf,  
Selbst an mir zu ziehen, zu schieben, zu bitten.

I follow Thee also with joy in my footsteps,  
and leave not Thy sight, my life, my light.

Promote the course of my life of faith  
and do not cease  
drawing, pushing, imploring me.

*Please stand for the Processional Hymn.*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 388

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

TUNE: *Hanover*

### 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 God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the Lessons.*

### FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 3.5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL – Psalm 119.129-136

*Mirabilia*

129 Your decrees are wonderful; \*  
therefore I obey them with all my heart.

**130 When your word goes forth it gives light; \*  
it gives understanding to the simple.**

131 I open my mouth and pant; \*  
I long for your commandments.

**132 Turn to me in mercy, \*  
as you always do to those who love your Name.**

133 Steady my footsteps in your word; \*  
let no iniquity have dominion over me.

**134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, \*  
and I will keep your commandments.**

135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant \*  
and teach me your statutes.

**136 My eyes shed streams of tears, \*  
because people do not keep your law.**

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8.26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day

long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

*Please stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel*

SEQUENCE HYMN 711

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

*Handbells by the Trinity Sunday School Children*

THE GOSPEL

St. Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

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

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.” He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.” “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

*Priest*     The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

THE SERMON

Fr. Geoffrey Mackey

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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 ANTHEM – *Look to the Things That are Above*

WORDS: Julie Taylor Green

MUSIC: Robert J. Powell

Look to the things which are above,  
and set your mind in holy love;  
tend to graciousness in thought;  
whate'er is noble, pure and just.

Seek first that which is true,  
and all that is lovely and good;  
pray God renew.

The peace of God will guard your heart,  
and hold your mind safe in Christ Jesus.

*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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The musical notation for the Sursum Corda consists of four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

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 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 POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 635

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide

Thee

TUNE: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*

THE DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

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### **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 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **JULIET's AUGUST GATHERING**

This dinner group which is open to women from both Trinity and Good Shepherd will meet on Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM at the Boathouse in Marietta. Please plan to attend and let the parish office know by August 3<sup>rd</sup> if you will be there.

### **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<sup>th</sup>. Contact the office with any questions.

#### **This Week at Trinity**

|           |            |                                      |
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| MONDAY    | 11:00 a.m. | 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.  | Movie Night (Conference Room)        |
| 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  | 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)           |



*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Susan & Tom Walsh  
to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for  
the blessings of family and friends.*



### **SAFE CHURCH TRAINING**

There will be an in-person Safe Church Training on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at Good Shepherd Church in Parkersburg. Safe Church Training is required of all staff, vestry, and anyone who works with children or the elderly in Episcopal Churches. And it is encouraged for *all people* in our parish. It must be renewed every three years for parish leaders. If you need this training (or to renew it), please let the parish office know. As soon as we have registration information, we will make that available.

### **Serving This Week**

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

Lectors: Dan Thomas (5:30p); Mary Thomas (8a); Roland Mezick, Paula Sellers (10:30a)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Thomas (5:30p); Sue Ellen Johnson (8a); Paul Miller, Kim Couch (10:30a)

Crucifer: Jacob Miller (10:30a)

Altar Guild: Leslie Miracle (8a); Cara Bowen, Cheryl Harb (10:30a); Mickie Richardson (Tuesday); Linda Tucker (Wednesday); Amy & Justin Warren (Friday); Sherry Smith (5:30p)

Ushers: Ken Currier (5:30p); Joe Handlan (8a); Julie & Tom Gyongyosi (10:30a)

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

Coffee Hour: Mary Ellen Dearth & Michael McKibben

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Blair Couch (**M**), Bill Mildren (**T**), Joan Ramsay (**TH**), Andrew Bennett (**SA**); and the anniversaries of Liza & Richard Adams (**T**), Linda & Larry Tucker, Katharin & Ted Foster (**SA**).



### **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.

### COVER ART

*Parable of the Hidden Treasure* (ca. 1630)  
school of Rembrandt (possibly Gerrit Dou)  
Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest

### 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



## Trinity Episcopal Church

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