



Trinity Episcopal Church
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
23 August 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

Peter Receives the Keys

by the Master of the Pericope Book of Henry II (11th cent.)

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 TO GROW IN GRACE LIKE MARY

Lord Jesus Christ, help us to follow the example of Mary, always ready to do your will. At the message of an angel, she welcomed you, God's Son, and, filled with the light of your Spirit, she became your temple. May we, aided by her prayers, grow in grace as we go forward in faith and may we be united in your Holy Spirit with Mary and all the saints, in the joyful kingdom you have prepared for us. Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE II

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

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts (*Traditional Shaker*)

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 427

When Morning Gilds the Skies

TUNE: *Laudes Domini*

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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

Isaiah 51.1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL – PSALM 138

Confitebor tibi

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;**

For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

**When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.**

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.**

Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.**

The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 12.1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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

Please stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel

SEQUENCE HYMN

Lord, You Have Come

AUTHOR: *Cesáreo Gabaráin*

Estrofas/Verses



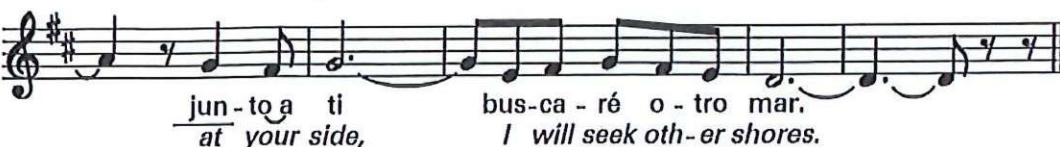
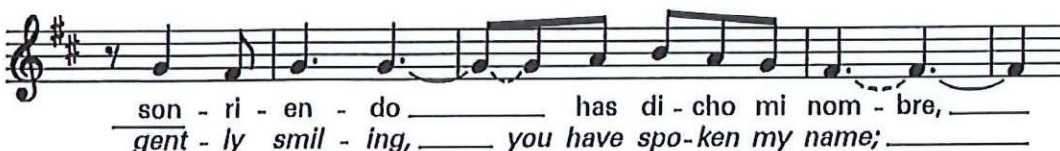
1. Lord, you have come to the sea shore,
2. Lord, see my goods, my pos - ses - sions;
3. Lord, take my hands and di - rect them.
4. Lord, as I drift on the wa - ters,



1. nei - ther search - ing for the rich nor the wise, _____
2. in my boat you find no pow - er, no wealth. _____
3. Help me spend my - self in seek - ing the lost, _____
4. be the rest - ing place of my rest - less heart, _____



1. de - sir - ing on - ly that I should fol - low.
2. Will you ac - cept, then, my nets and la - bor?
3. re - turn - ing love for the love you gave me.
4. my life's com - pan - ion, my friend and ref - uge.



THE GOSPEL

St. Matthew 16.13-20

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

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

Fr. Geoffrey Mackey

Please stand for the Creed.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM VI

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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 HYMN

It is Well With My Soul (*Spafford & Bliss*)

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.

People
 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

R. Powell

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

R. Powell

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN

Church in the Wildwood (*Pitts*)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 470

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

THE DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

Will the Circle Be Unbroken? (*Habershon*)

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Serving This Week

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

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

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

Crucifer: Jacob Miller (10:30a)

Altar Guild: Susan Shock (8a); Pam McGraw, Leslie Miracle (10:30a); Paul Miller (Tuesday); Susie Fitcher (Wednesday); Joan Ramsay, Marjorie Thomas (Friday); Sherry Smith (5:30p)

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

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

Coffee Hour: Marie Mallory

This week we celebrate the birthdays of Scott Ramsay, Edith Mezick (**S**), Sean Curry (**T**), Caroline Bullock, Lynn VanFossen, Connie Warren (**F**), Michelle Turner (**SA**).

*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Edith Newman
to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory
of her husband, Bob Newman, her parents, and Bob's parents.*

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This Week at Trinity
August 24th – 30th, 2026

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)
	5:00 p.m.	Smoot Girls Choir (Trinity Hall)
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	Book Sorting (Trinity Hall)
	12:15 p.m.	Healing Eucharist (Adams Chapel)
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Education (Conference Room)
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer (Chancel)
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study (Conference Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Movie Night (Conference Room)
SATURDAY	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Ft. Boreman Park)
	7:00 p.m.	A.A. Meeting (Trinity Hall)
SUNDAY	4:00 p.m.	Boat Ride (Valley Gem, Marietta, OH)

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JULIET's SEPTEMBER GATHERING

This dinner group which is open to women from both Trinity and Good Shepherd will meet on **Tuesday, September 1st at 6:00 PM** at Cham's Lebanese Cuisine in Parkersburg. Please plan to attend and let the parish office know by August 31st if you will be there.

A SUMMER POT-LUCK BOAT RIDE

Our brothers and sisters at First Lutheran Church have invited us to join them on the Valley Gem Sternwheeler on **Sunday, August 30, 2026 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM**. Boarding begins at **3:30 PM** on 601 Front Street in Marietta. Please bring your favorite dish to share with for the Potluck Supper. Soft drinks and serving ware will be provided; other drinks can be purchased at the bar. No need to pre-register!

AN INTRODUCTION TO GODLY PLAY



Godly Play is a method of Christian Education used throughout the Diocese and here at Trinity. It is used periodically in our Sunday School and at our twice-annual Godly Play Days held here at Trinity in Advent and Lent. If you are interested in learning more about the rationale and method Godly Play, there will be an *Introductory Training* on **September 14, 5:00 – 8:30 pm** at **St. Matthew's Church, Charleston**. This does not replace the Core Training for facilitators, but will provide an overview and an explanation of the vital components. There is no cost for this event, as it is being covered through the generosity of Lilly Endowment's Nurturing Children

Through Worship and Prayer Initiative. For more information or to register, scan the QR code.

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Join us on Thursday, **August 27 at 6:00 pm**, for our next parish Movie Night! We will be watching the 1991 fantasy-adventure film ***Hook***, based on the lore of Peter Pan and directed by Steven Spielberg and starring Robin Williams, Dame Maggie Smith, Julia Roberts, and Dustin Hoffman. A short time of spiritual/theological discussion of themes in the film follows.

PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands which have been held out to receive the holy things. Grant that the ears which have heard the music of your songs may be closed to clamor and dispute; that the eyes which have seen your great love may also behold your blessed hope; that the tongues which have sung Holy, Holy may also speak the truth; that the feet that have walked your courts may ever walk in the paths of light; that the bodies which have tasted your living Body may be restored to newness of life. Amen.

From the Liturgy of Malabar

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