



Trinity Episcopal Church

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

13 September 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.

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.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE II

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

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King

Proulx

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 473

Lift High the Cross

TUNE: *Crucifer*

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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SONG OF PRAISE

Ash Grove Gloria

M. Forster (b. 1946)



1. Sing glo - ry to God in the height of the hea - vens, sal - va - tion and
peace to his peo - ple on earth; our King and our Sa - viour, our God and our
Fa - ther, we wor - ship and praise you and sing of your worth. Cre -
a - tion u - nites in the power of the Spi - rit, in praise of the
so sim - ple, so
clear, so mys - te - rious, our God e - ver Three, yet e - ter - nal - ly One.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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

Genesis 50.15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL – PSALM 103.8-13

Miserator et misericors

The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

As a father cares for his children, *
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 14.1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 671

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18.21-35

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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.**

THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM – *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

MUSIC: Temple, arr. D.E. Wagner

WORDS: Sebastian Temple

Please stand as the Offerings are brought forward and we sing

All things are 'Thine; no gift have we, Lord of all
 gifts, to of - - fer Thee; and hence with grate - ful
 hearts to - day 'Thine own be - fore Thy feet we lay.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Eucharistic Prayer B

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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
 It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS – S 130

Schubert, arr. Proulx

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 164

Schubert, arr. Proulx

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN 336

Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus

TUNE: *Werde munter*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 371

Thou, Whose Almighty Word

TUNE: *Moscow*

THE DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

Excerpt from St. Michael Antiphonies

Carson Cooman



*The Altar Flowers this week are given by Susie Fitcher to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of her brother, Albert Thomas Ball, III,
and in Loving Memory of Mary Lou Hague.*



PRIVATE PRAYERS FOR 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.

Blessed, praised, and adored be our Lord Jesus Christ; on his throne of glory, in the most holy Sacrament of the altar, and in the hearts of his faithful people. May the souls of the faithful ✠ departed, through the mercies of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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