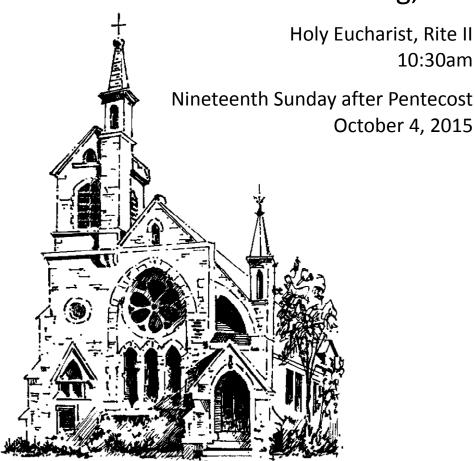
Trinity Episcopal Church Parkersburg, WV



"The Mission of Trinity Episcopal Church is to seek and share the love of God made known through Jesus Christ with all people through the guidance of the Holy Spirit." Welcome! We are delighted to have you worship with us today. If you are new to Trinity or to the Episcopal Church this program will guide you through the service. Or if you wish, you may follow the service beginning on page 355 of the *Book of Common Prayer*—the red book with a gold cross found in your seat and abbreviated **BCP** in the program. Congregational music for the service can be found in the red hymnal and is also found in your seat, unless otherwise noted. Music marked with **S-###** in the program corresponds to music found in the front of the hymnal. Times where kneeling is appropriate are marked with an asterisk. Activity packs for our younger visitors can be found in the back of the church, however child care is also available. Feel free to ask a greeter for any assistance.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude Adagio (Organ Sonata 1) Felix Mendelssohn

Processional Hymn Deus tuorum militum Hymnal 448

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Response And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

Collect for Purity BCP 355

Gloria in Excelsis Hymnal S-278

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

Response And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for St. Francis

Most high, omnipotent good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of

you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy. O God, you have made us and all living things. You are even more wonderful than what you have made. We thank you for giving us these pets who bring us joy. As you take care of us, so also we ask your help that we might take care of those who trust us to look after them. By doing this, we share in your own love for all creation. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

First Lesson Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

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

Psalm 8

O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children * your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

What is man that you should be mindful of him? * the son of man that you should seek him out?

You have made him but little lower than the angels; * you adorn him with glory and honor;

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; * you put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

O LORD our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Said by all Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Second Lesson Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might

taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
Response Thanks be to God

Gospel Hymn Hyfrydol Hymnal 657 (vv 1-2)

The Gospel Mark 10:2-16

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

Response Glory to you, Lord Christ

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

Response Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gospel Hymn Hyfrydol Hymnal 657 (v 3)

The Sermon The Rev. Art Bennett

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

Prayers of the People* Special Insert

Confession and Absolution* BCP 360

The Peace BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Response And also with you.

Greetings and Announcements

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Anthem For the Beauty of the Earth John Rutter

Presentation of Gifts Old 100th Hymnal 380 (v. 2)

Eucharistic Prayer C BCP 369-372

Celebrant The Lord be with you.Response And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

Response We lift them to the Lord.

CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.ResponseIt is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus Hymnal S-114

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The Lord's Prayer* BCP 364

Fraction Anthem* Christ Our Passover Richard Proulx

Invitation BCP 364

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward and receive the Sacrament. If you do not wish to receive the Bread and Wine we invite you to come up for a blessing by crossing your arms on your chest in an "X" pattern. Ushers are available, should you need assistance during Communion. If you do not feel comfortable brining your pet to the Communion Rail, you may receive communion from where you are sitting.

Communion Hymn Land of Rest Hymnal 304

Closing Prayer*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Response: Almighty God, our great Creator, yours are the praise, the glory, the hon

or and all blessings! To you alone do all things belong. Be praised for giving us the animals, birds and fish which fill your world. May we think of you and thank you when we play with and care for our pets. Be praised for making us so happy to have our pets and to have them to play with. We ask you, Lord, that we may be good to our pets always, so that they may be happy also. Help us always to take care of them so that they will be healthy. O God, your world is wonderful. May we all come into your even greater world of the kingdom of heaven where we shall see even more wonderful things and where we shall live and love forever. This we ask to your eternal praise, and to our blessing. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn Hymn to Joy Hymnal 376

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Choral Benediction God Be In My Head John Rutter

Postlude

Blessing of the Animals in Trevor Chapel

Thank you for your visit! We would love to get to know you a little more, so please feel free to join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall at this time.

One of our greeters would be happy to direct you.

Serving Today

Celebrant: The Rev. Paul L. Hicks (8:00 am & 10:30 am)

Sermon: The Rev. Art Bennett (8:00 am & 10:30 am)

Readers: Lynn Fury-Prather (8:00 am); Scott Ramsay, Bernard Bookman, Dan Thomas (10:30 am)

Chalice: Sue Ellen Johnson (8:00 am); Paul Miller, Jennifer Currey (10:30 am)

Ushers: Jim Batten

Altar Guild: Gary Vincent, Cara Bowen, Connie Warren (Sunday); Lynn Fury-Prather, Denny Prather (Sat.)

Shepherd: Pam Parsons

Coffee Hour: Linda and Larry Tucker

The Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for all Carma's children and grandchildren, by Carma Guertin and Jennifer Currey.

Today, we celebrate the birthdays of Rod Ingraham and Sue Palmer.



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