

Trinity Episcopal Church

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

15 November 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 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.

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.

COVER ART

William George Rich (1857-1921)
The Parable of the Talents [detail] (ca. 1884)
originally for the Chapel at Tatton Park, Cheshire, UK

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 595 — God of Grace and God of Glory

TUNE: *Mannheim*

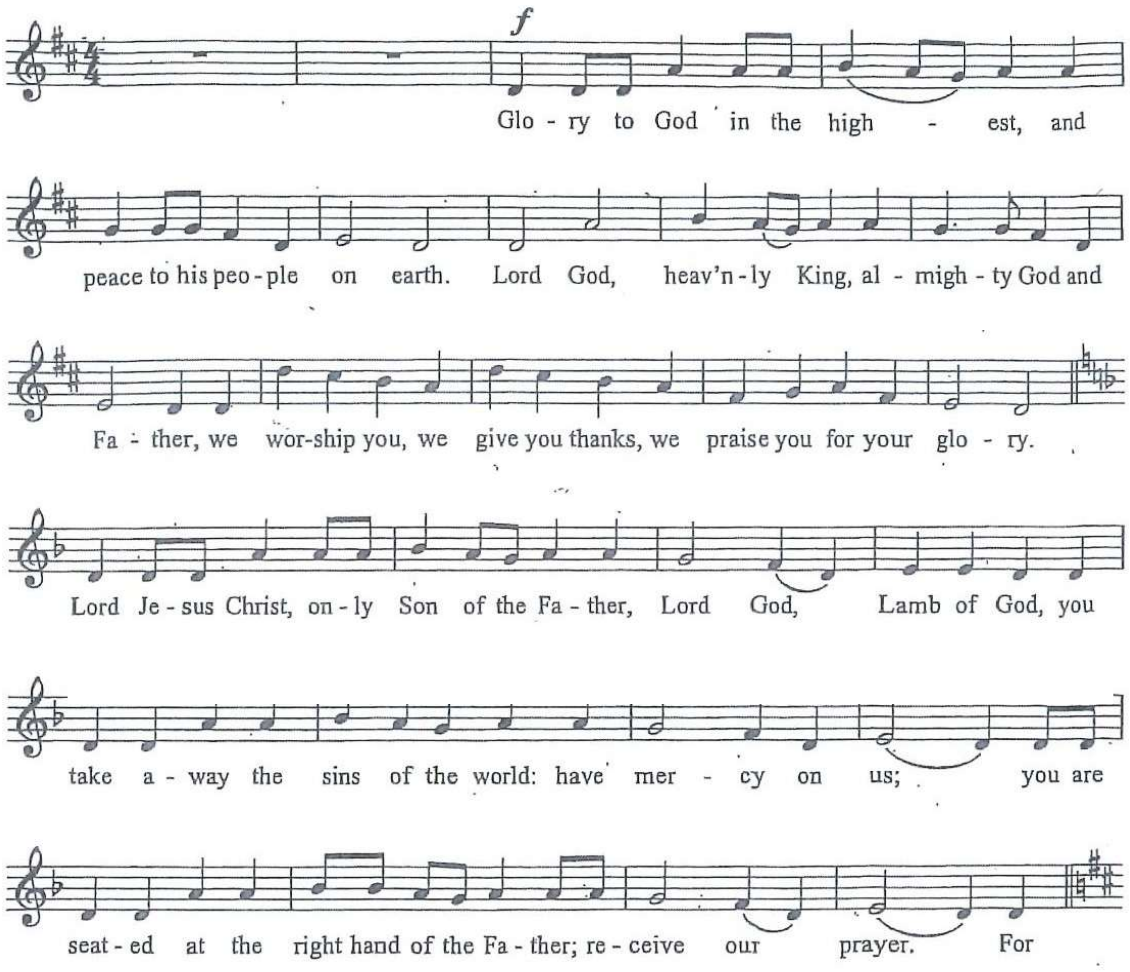
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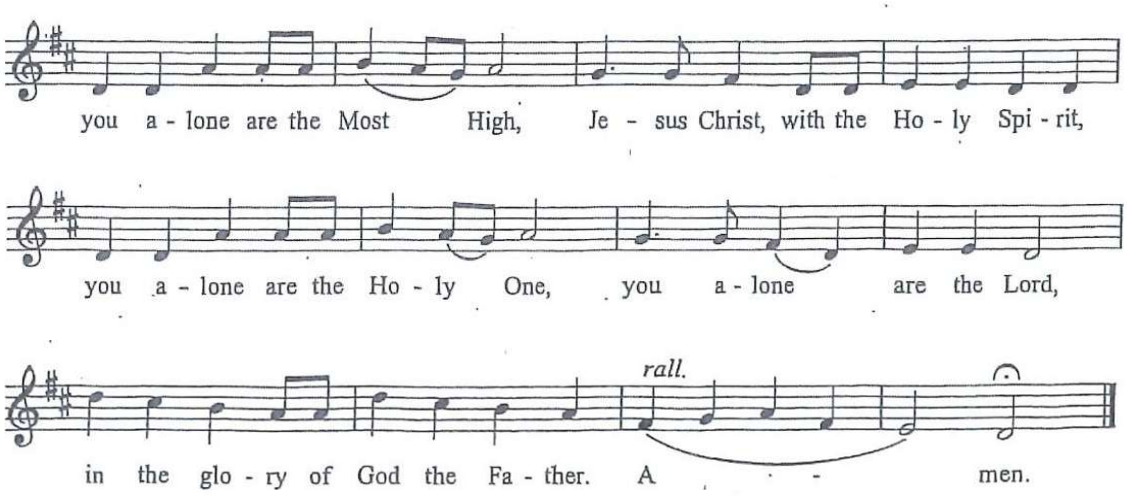
Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY — BCP 355

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS — SETTING: *Missa Simplex*

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 Zephaniah 1.7, 12-18

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

GRADUAL PSALM 90.1-12 *Domine, refugium*

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

8 Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

9 When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

10 The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

11 Who regards the power of your wrath? *
who rightly fears your indignation?

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 601 O Day of God, Draw Nigh

TUNE: *St. Michael*

THE GOSPEL Matthew 25.14-30

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

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

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON — Mtr. Catherine Duffy

Please stand for the Creed.

THE NICENE CREED — BCP 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - FORM IV — BCP 388

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION — BCP 360

THE PEACE — BCP 360

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.
During the Offertory music, a collection is taken.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM – *Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown*

MUSIC: David L. Mennicke
WORDS: Charles Wesley

Come, o thou traveler unknown,
whom I still hold but cannot see.
My company before is gone
and I am left alone with Thee.
With Thee all night I mean to stay,
and wrestle till the break of day.

I need not tell Thee who I am,
my misery and sin declare;
Thyself hast called me by name;

Look on Thy hands and read it there.
But who, I ask Thee, who art Thou?
Tell me Thy name, and tell me now.

Yield to me now, for I am weak,
but confident in self despair!
Speak to my heart in blessing speak,
Be conquered by my instant prayer.
Speak, or Thou never hence shalt move,
and tell me if Thy name is Love.

'Tis Love! Thou diedst for me,
I hear Thy whisper in my heart.
The morning breaks, the shadows flee,
Pure, Universal Love Thou art.
To me, to all they mercies move;
Thy nature and they name is Love.

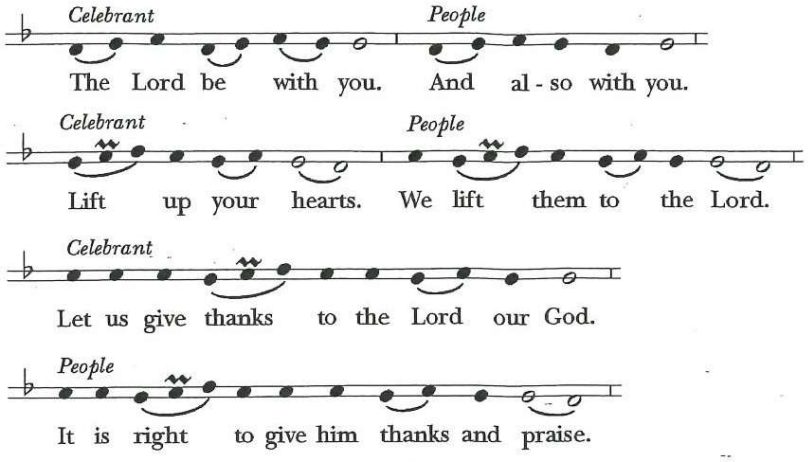
Please stand as the Offerings are brought forward and we sing

DOXOLOGY – HYMN 380, verse 3 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

TUNE: *Old 100th*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

SURSUM CORDA BCP 361



THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS – S 130 Schubert, arr. Proulx

The People may remain standing or kneel after the Sanctus

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)* BCP 364

THE FRACTION/THE AGNUS DEI – S 164 Schubert, arr. Proulx

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 680 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

TUNE: *St. Anne*

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

POSTLUDE

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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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