

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Year C

KICKOFF SUNDAY

Holy Eucharist Rite II

With Livestreaming on Facebook

September 14, 2025

10:00 am



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Home Is Who We Are

Welcome to Trinity Church

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Trinity is a diverse community of faith where all people find a home in Jesus and each other. We unite to transform the world to celebrate God.

No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we!

We encourage you to get to know us better by visiting our website, www.trinitychurcharlington.org. As by God's grace we become more like Christ in his life of self-sacrificing love and service, we welcome you to the amazing adventure of participating with God through Trinity Church in changing our world for the better.

And please, take this bulletin home with you as a reference and reminder of your worship experience, the prayers we prayed and ask you to pray, and the upcoming program year events and activities.

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Prelude ‘*Prière à Notre-Dame*’ from *Suite Gothique*, op 25 **Léon Boëllmann**

The Bidding Prayer (seated)

Celebrant: Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of 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.**

Opening Hymn MHSO-52 (All sing, standing) *All who hunger gather gladly*



All who hun - ger gath - er__ glad - ly;__ ho - ly__ man - na
All who hun - ger, nev - er__ stran - gers, seek - er,__ be a
All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er,__ Je - sus__ Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and__ wan - d'ring.
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and__ roam - ing.__
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and__ long - ing.__



Here in__ truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
Here, in__ joy we keep the feast. We that once were
Here, in__ peace we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of__ full - ness, all a - round us is our__ food.
lost and__ scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
from this__ ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.

Taste and see that God is good.
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The Word of God

Opening Sentences

BCP, p. 355

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

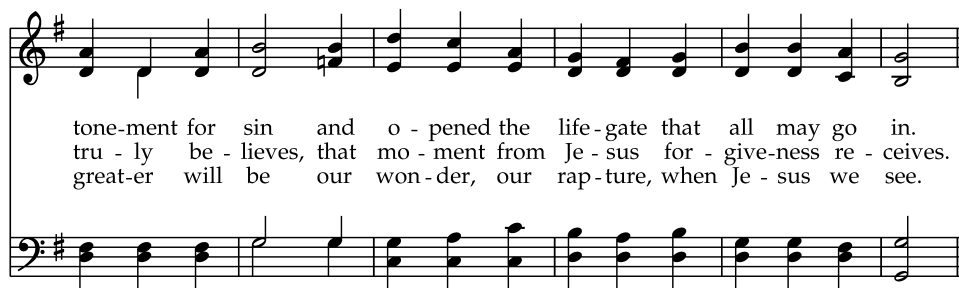
Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise VF-108, v. 1 (All sing, standing) *To God be the glory*

1 To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the
2 O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - ery be -
3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

world that he gave us his son, who yield - ed his life an a -
liev - er the pro - promise of God! The vil - est of - fen - der who
joic - ing through Je - sus the son; but pur - er and high - er and



tone-ment for sin and o - pened the life-gate that all may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give-ness re - ceives.
 great-er will be our won - der, our rap - ture, when Je - sus we see.

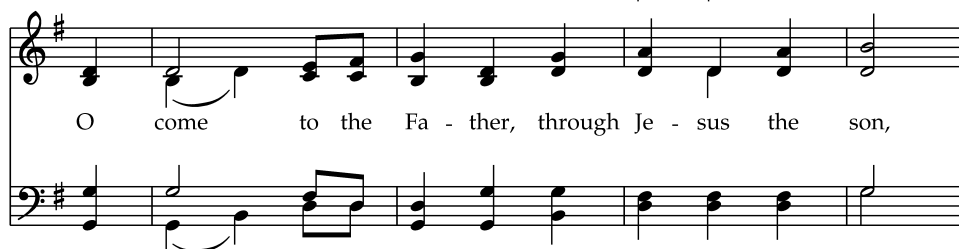
Refrain



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice!



O come to the Fa - ther, through Je - sus the son,



and give him the glo - ry! Great things he has done!

Words: Fanny Crosby (1820–1915).
 Music: W. H. Doane (1832–1916).

The Collect of the Day (Standing)

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.**

The congregation may be seated.

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah:

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish,
they do not know me;

they are stupid children,
they have no understanding.

They are skilled in doing evil,
but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void;
and to the heavens, and they had no light.

I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking,
and all the hills moved to and fro.

I looked, and lo, there was no one at all,
and all the birds of the air had fled.

I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert,
and all its cities were laid in ruins
before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.

Because of this the earth shall mourn,
and the heavens above grow black;

for I have spoken, I have purposed;
I have not relented nor will I turn back. [The Word of the Lord]

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn H-538 (All sing, standing) *God of mercy, God of grace*

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy
2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy
dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt. Music: *Lucerna Laudoniae*, David Evans (1874-1948). By permission of Oxford University Press.

The Second Lesson (seated) 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Beth Lofgren

A Reading from the Epistle of Timothy:

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. [The Word of the Lord.]

People: **Thanks be to God**

Invitation to Children's Chapel

Second & Fourth Sundays

Sequence Hymn H-645 (All sing, standing) *The King of love my shepherd is*



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody, harm. *Hymnal* 1982.

The Holy Gospel (stand)

Luke 15:1-10

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
 People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Kim L. Coleman
Rector

Silent Reflection

The Nicene Creed (all say, standing)

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People (Kneeling)

Leader Kneeling as we are able, let us offer our prayers in the power of Jesus' holy Name, responding to each petition by saying, "Lord, hear our prayer." (Silence)

The Leader and People pray responsively:

For the gift of silence, that the Word of God may gently fall upon our hearts, revealing fresh insights and paths to understanding beyond our reasoning; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for the Eucharistic Meal through which we are nourished by Jesus' Being, strengthened to be his hands and heart in the world; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That our churches may welcome all people who seek a spiritual home, accepting them as they are, yet leading them, with us, into the transforming love of the Savior; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those preparing for ordination to the priesthood, especially Joy, Kara and Chris who will be ordained this coming Saturday, all teachers and students returning to school, and the symbols of learning that we will ask you to bless today, that their lives may be blessed by God's help and assistance; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the ministries that we hold in common as a diocese and Anglican Communion, that we may have a broad vision of the international Church and support its work amongst the poorest of peoples; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who belonged to the community of the faithful on earth, and who now reside in God's eternal kingdom, especially David Smith and Jerry Riley, former Rector of Trinity Church, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For whom and what else shall we pray today?

The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our bishops; for Kim our priest, and Elliott our assisting priest; for all who are ministers at Trinity by Holy Baptism; and for all bishops and other ministers, that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray also for Donald, our president, and Glenn, our governor, that you will grant them the wisdom and strength to know and to do your will; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve the people of this nation in your fear, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures you have created. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for all nations, peoples, and tribes throughout the world, remembering especially all who have asked us for prayers, including the family and friends of Adrian Hanley, Jerry Riley, David Smith and all who mourn; the under or unemployed; the medically vulnerable; those experiencing homelessness as well as food insecurity; victims of gun violence; and people around the world facing strife and war, including those in Gaza, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Russia, Haiti, and South Sudan.

We also pray in thanksgiving for the blessings of this life, especially for Crystal Kleitz who celebrated her birthday last week and those celebrating their birthdays this week, including Georgena Johnson, Eniola Ogunsuyi, Norene Williams, Austin Britain, Jace Minguez, Gyselle Rodriguez and Cameron Warburton; all those celebrating their wedding anniversary this week; and for those people and things we now name before you silently or aloud.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

Praying together our prayer for discernment:

Gracious God, you sent your Son Jesus to proclaim to all the Good News of your Kingdom, and through him inspired individuals to sow the seeds for this, your church: Help us as we strive to continue this work through the redevelopment of Trinity's properties and land. We commit our discernment and planning processes to you, confident that as we do, your plans working through us will succeed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, you have made us one with your saints in heaven and one earth; Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Kneeling as we are able, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Absolution (Remain kneeling)

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace (all stand)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us share the peace with one another and especially with our guests.

During the Exchange of Peace, the people of God greet one another with enthusiasm and exuberance in the Name of Christ.

Words of Welcome

Vestry Member

We welcome all newcomers to Trinity and invite you to sign the Guest Register Book located in the Narthex so that we may acknowledge your visit with us.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence (Seated)

Celebrant: Let us walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

The Offertory

At this point in our worship we bless God by giving back to God a portion of all that we have received. For our worshippers who are joining us virtually, during the Offertory selection, please feel free to click "Donate Here" or go to our website at www.trinitychurcharlington.org and make an online donation.

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Offertory Hymn VF-93 (Seated)

God, creator, source of healing

1 God, cre - a - tor, source of heal - ing here we
2 Je - sus, known to friend and seek - er ex - er -
3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, bring us whole-ness, come with
4 Tri - ni - ty of awe and won - der yours the

pray for whole-ness and health. Guide our work, our
 cis - ing heal - er's art, may the strong sup -
 your trans - form - ing love; give us free - dom,
 glo - ry, yours the praise. Strike our bind - ing

thoughts, and feel - ing, guide the shar - ing of our wealth.
 port the weak - er show - ing love with head and heart;
 hope and bold - ness, raise our eyes to see from a - bove;
 chains a - sun - der, lib - er - ate our cramp - ing ways.

Give dis - cern - ment in our de - ci - sions give com -
 give fresh en - er - gy and pur - pose un -
 shape our sys - tems, in - sti - tu - tions, clar - i -
 May our lives re - flect your splend - our, in a -

pas - sion in our care; rec - on - cile our
 rea - son - ing blocks your grace, spare us harm, in
 fy our blind - ed sight, as we seek God -
 bun - dance Lord we ask. God, our guide and

strife and di - vi - sions as we search for means to share.
 dan - ger a - lert us, show the ra - diance of your face.
 giv - en so - lu - tions, help us greet the just and right.
 our be - friend - er, give new mean - ing to our task.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
 People **And also with you.**
 Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
 People **We lift them to the Lord.**
 Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

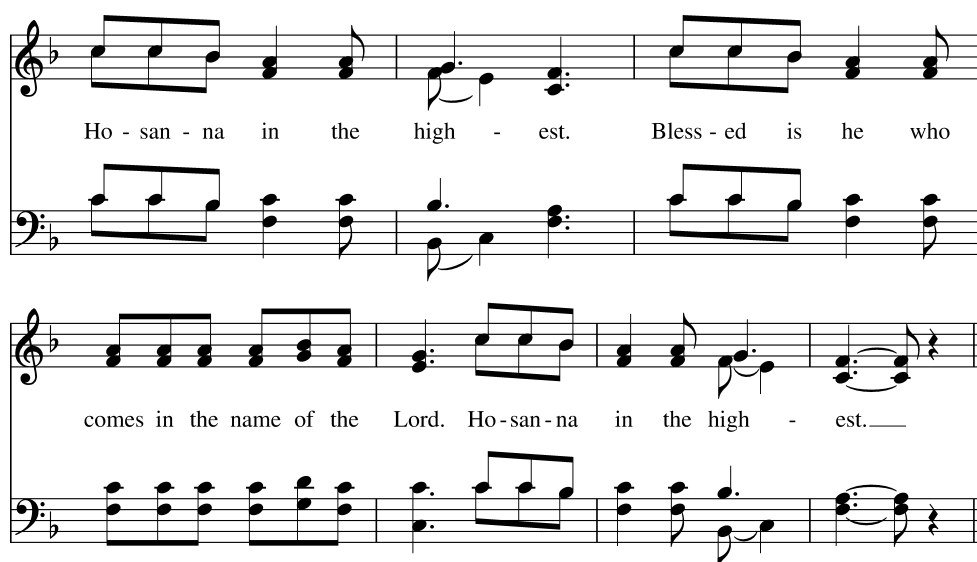
By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

The Sanctus L-256 (All sing; remaining standing) *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

The musical score for "The Sanctus L-256" is presented in two systems. The first system features a vocal line for the Leader, marked "(piano)" and "Leader", with the lyrics "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of". The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics "pow'r_ and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry." The piano accompaniment is written in a 6/8 time signature and consists of two staves, one in treble clef and one in bass clef, providing harmonic support for the vocal lines.



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The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues:

[Kneeling or standing as we are able and so desire, we continue to pray.] And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Fraction Verse L-151, v. 1 (All sing, seated) *One bread, one body*

One bread, one bod-y,

one Lord of all, one cup of

bless - ing which we bless. And we, though

man - y, through-out the earth, We are one

Last time bod - y in this one Lord.

1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or

1. free, wom - an or man, _____

1. — no more. _____ One

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Lord. _____

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Communion of the People of God

All are welcome to come to the Altar to receive Holy Communion or a blessing from our clergy. You may receive the wine either with the bread by intinction or from the chalice directly. If you are baptized and/or receive Communion in your home church, you may receive Communion at Trinity. To receive a blessing from our clergy instead of the sacraments, simply cross your arms in front of your chest. The bread and the wine are given to the communicants with these words: The Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Please let the Celebrant know your preference when you come to the Altar.

Celebrant All are welcome to the Lord's Table. Won't you come

Communion Hymn VF 95 (All sing, seated) *A long lost lamb*

1 A long lost
2 The lit - tle
3 The fish - er
4 Let ev - ery -

lamb is in the fold, a wo - man's coin re -
man who climbed a tree has found a friend at
man who turned a - way re - ceives an - oth - er
one who suf - fers now from guilt and deep de -

tried _____ a way - ward son is home a -
 last, _____ a wo - man with her cup of
 chance. _____ A Phar - i - see has seen the
 spair _____ re - turn un - to the house of

gain, most lov - ing - ly re - ceived. _____
 tears has put be - hind her past. _____
 light and mourns his ar - ro - gance. _____ Good news! It's
 God, for love a - waits you there. _____

time to ce - le - brate with friends who ga - ther round. _____

— So God re - joic - es, Je - sus said, when -

e'er the lost is found! _____ 1. 2. 3. 4.
 2 The found! _____
 3 The
 4 Let

Post-Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving (Kneeling or Standing as able)

Celebrant Remembering our virtual worshippers, let us pray together the prayer for spiritual communion.

All **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. Believing you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

Celebrant Continuing to pray, together:
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Blessing of the Backpacks

Celebrant I invite learners of all ages who want to be blessed in any new or continuing educational endeavor to please come forward and gather in front of the altar platform at this time. Bring your backpacks, briefcases, lunch bags, diaper bags, and book bags with you! I also invite all teachers – past, present, and yet to be – to stand up.

Let us pray: God of Wisdom, we give you thanks for schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day. We thank you for new beginnings, for new books and new ideas. We thank you for sharpened pencils, pointy crayons, and crisp blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank you for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers.

Today we give you thanks for these children and teachers, and we ask you to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks, briefcases, lunch bags, diaper bags, and book bags be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for everyone. **Amen.**¹

¹ Backpack Blessing prayer written by Wendy Claire Barrie, the Program Manager for Children and Youth at Trinity Wall Street in New York City.

Distribution of Backpack Cards

And now may Jesus who calls us each by name give you ...*card recipients shout out what their card is seeking* ... and confidence to be his disciples wherever you may be, at school, at work, and at home. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Students and learners may return to their seats and teachers may be seated.

Community Announcements (Seated)

- **We welcome all virtual and in-person guests to Trinity Church this morning!** Please know it would be our joy and delight to have you join this community. We invite our in-person visitors to please sign our guest register in the Narthex as you depart; And for our virtual first-time visitors, please send your name via the Chat, or email info@tecarl.org. We hope to see you again real soon!
- **Mark your calendar! The Rev. Deacon Joy Warburton will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, September 20, 10:30 am,** at St. John's Episcopal Church in McLean. Trinity will be partnering with the Warburton Family to host a private celebration for Joy that begins here at 1:00 pm following the ordination service. All Trinity members are invited and welcome to attend. To contribute to the reception and/or a gift for Joy, please go online to Trinity's website and contribute. See Yvette Conell, Reception Coordinator, to assist with the reception.
- **It's postcard writing time!** If you are willing to write post cards to Virginians to encourage them to vote in the November 4, 2025, election, please see Marion Spraggins. The cards must be mailed on October 15, 2025. These cards are nonpartisan. The election in November is a gubernatorial election.
- **We will gather for our customary monthly Community Gathering after worship next week on Sunday, September 21.** The agenda will include discussing specific strategies for increasing membership and member retention. We will feast on leftovers from the post-ordination reception and gather in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Recessional Hymn MHSO-60 (All sing, standing)

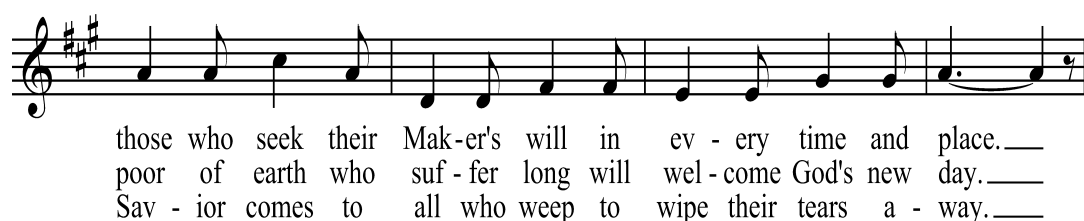
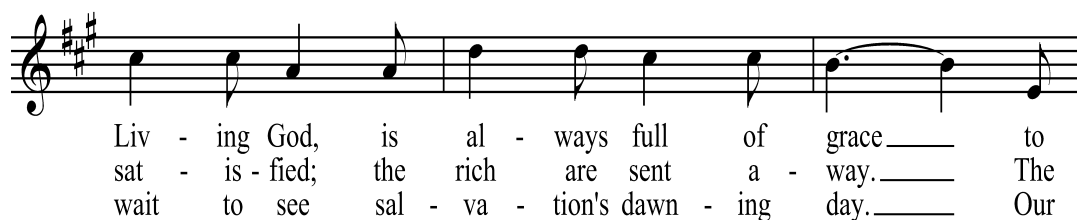
My heart sings out



1 My heart sings out with joy - ful praise to God who rais - es
2 The arm of God is strong and just to scat - ter all the
3 The prom - ise made in a - ges past at last has come to



me. _____ Who came to me when I was low and
proud. _____ The ty - rants tum - ble from their thrones and
be, _____ for God has come in power to save, to



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The Dismissal (Standing)

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Chorale Prelude: 'Nun danket alle Gott', op 65 no 59*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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UPCOMING TRINITY EVENTS

SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 2025 - REVISED



13/
SAT

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ADRIAN HANLEY, 11:30 AM

We gather at Trinity for an uplifting memorial service followed by a 2:00 pm repast at LAYLI, 3033 Wilson Boulevard (next to Clarendon Metro)



14/
SUN

KICK OFF SUNDAY, 10:00 AM

We launch the church's new program year with the choir's return, Children's Chapel, and the Blessing of Backpacks for all learners.



20/
SAT

10:30 AM ORDINATION OF DEACON JOY WARBURTON & 1:00 RECEPTION

Rev Joy will be ordained a priest at St. John's Episcopal Church (McLean) followed by a 1:00 pm reception at Trinity.

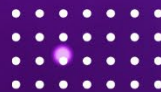


21/
SUN

WORSHIP & COMMUNITY GATHERING, 10:00 AM

Join us as we celebrate our plans to redevelop Trinity property and grounds and receive the marketing/feasibility study findings from VEREP.

**MORE
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John 5:25-39

I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

Daily Prayers for Trinity's Redevelopment and Our Growth

Lord Jesus, you commissioned us to make disciples of all the nations and promised that you would be with us always: So guide this congregation to see the peoples you would have us reach and empower us to be instruments of your saving work, for the glory of God. **Amen.**

Eternal God, you have promised your salvation to all peoples, and have given us a vision of a great multitude around your throne, from all nations and tribes and languages: Help us to bring this vision into our time and place; banish from us all prejudices and false presumptions; and enable us to hear and to speak new words of hope and praise; through Jesus Christ, the living Word. **Amen.**

Gracious God, you sent your Son Jesus to proclaim to all the Good News of your Kingdom, and through him inspired individuals to sow the seeds for this, your Church: Help us as we strive to continue this work through the redevelopment of Trinity's properties and land. We commit our discernment and planning processes to you, confident that as we do, your plans working through us will succeed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Christ Jesus, you go before and behind us, you are our light and our shield; guide our path, be our clear sight, lift us up in your Gospel joy, and bless the work we do in your name and honor, for you are our beloved, and our life made new. **Amen.**

Prayers adapted from Book of Occasional Services 2018, Prayers for Church Planting.

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