Trinity Episcopal Church

All Are Welcomed & Loved

Sunday, November 8, 2026
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost



Jesus had one new commandment:
"Love one another as I have loved you."

We let Jesus' own words remind and refocus our journey in life and in faith. We invite you to share your journey with us!

PRELUDE Wachet Auf — J.S. Bach

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #57 — Lo He Comes, With Clouds Descending

SALUTATION BCP 355
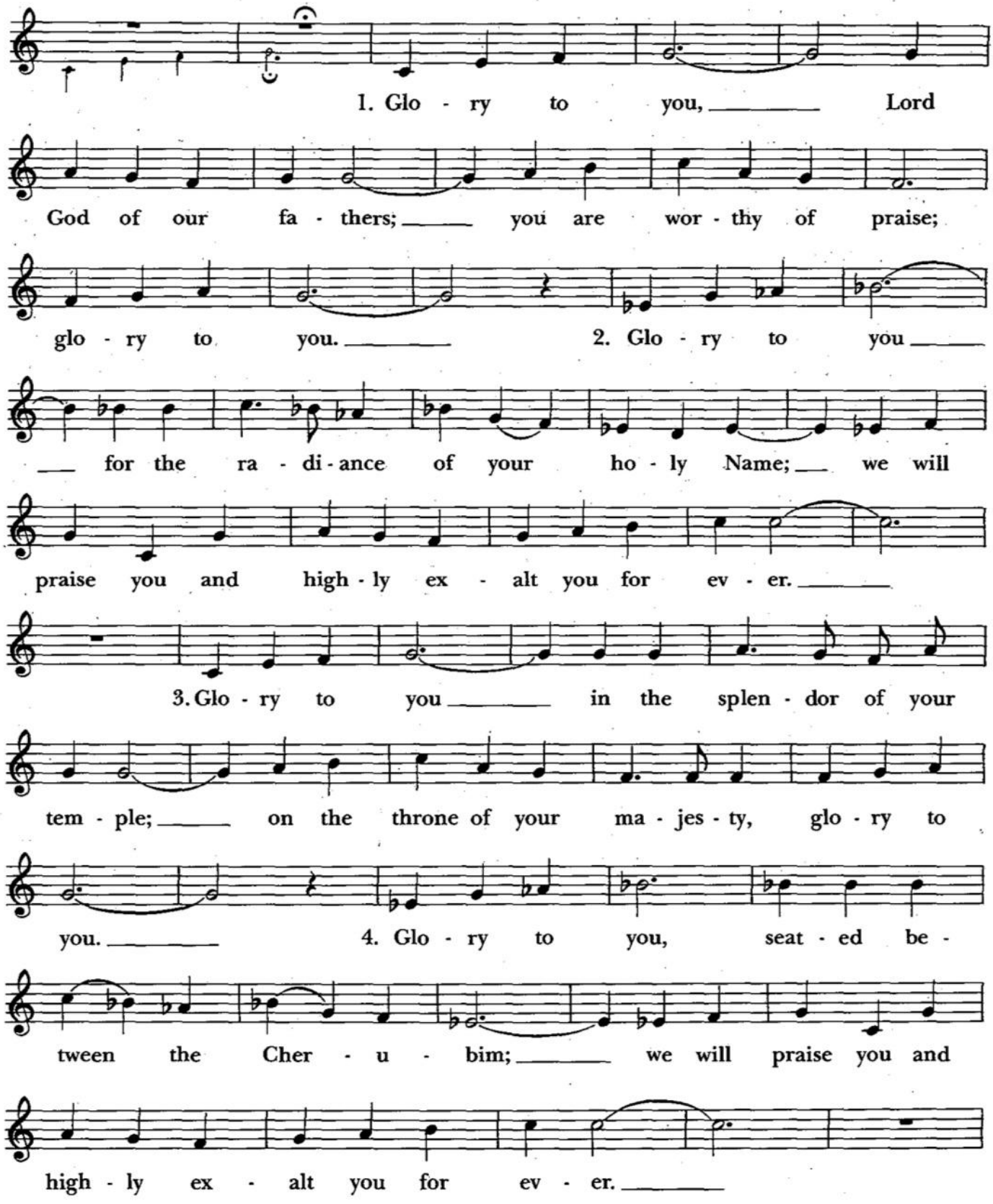
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

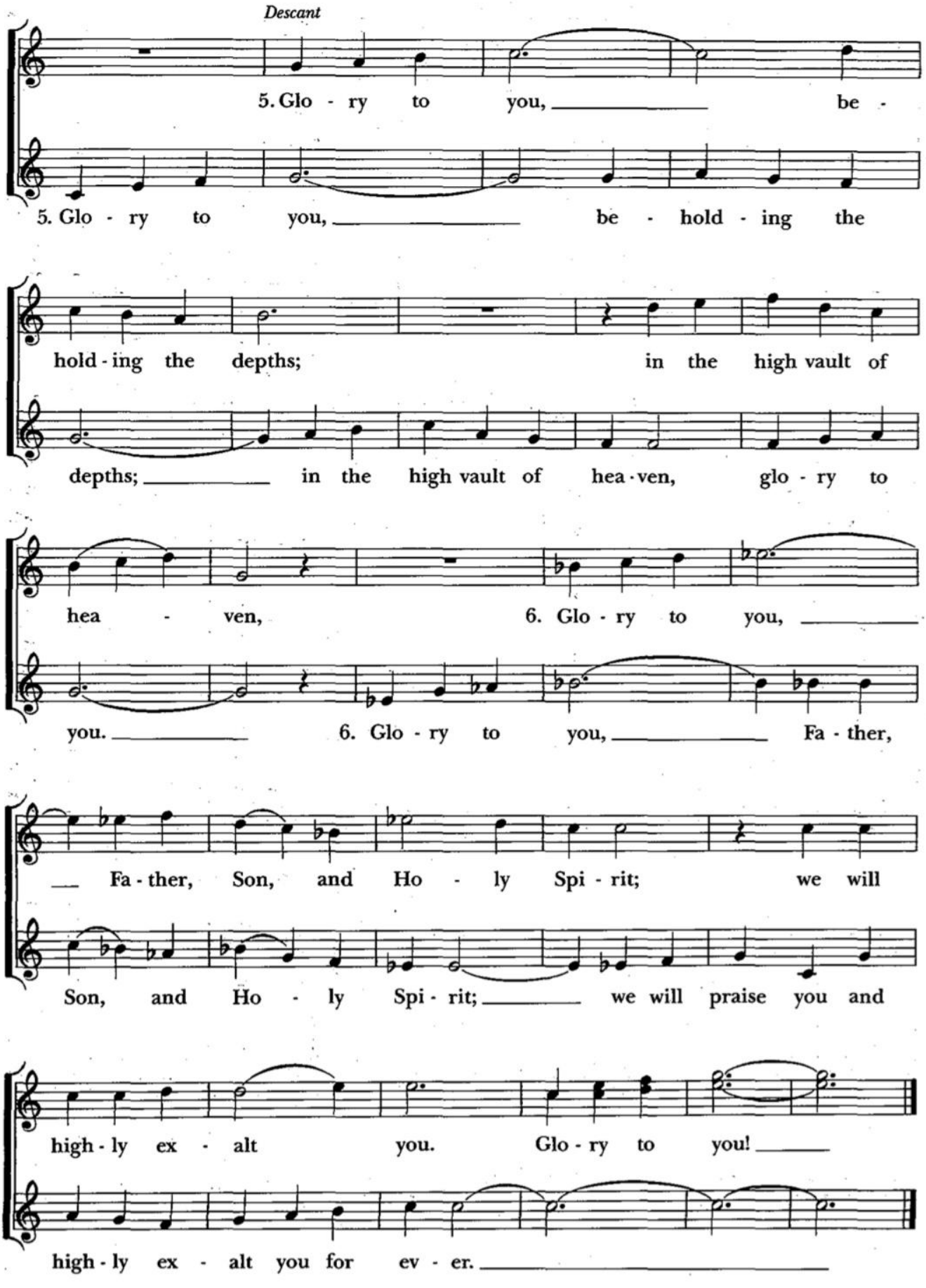
People **And blessed be God's reign, now and forever, Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP 355

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**.

A Song of Praise *Benedictus es, Domine*





Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: Amos 5:18-24

A Reading from the Book of Amos.

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord:

Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light;
as if someone fled from a lion,
and was met by a bear;

or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,
and was bitten by a snake.

Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;

and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.

Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A RESPONSE: Psalm 70

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

GOSPEL HYMN #61 Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 25: 1-13
Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took

flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

THE SERMON The Rev. Joseph Wood

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

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 FORM IV BCP 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

PARISH PRAYER LIST Please keep in mind these people as you pray*: Tony L., Ron M., The P. Family, The M. Family, Chip,Rex S., Mary Jo G., Maramis C., George D., Clem R., Mark G., Lisa K., Griffin, Richard & Marilyn P., Randy & Margaret M., Marian P., Frankie, Courtney, Todd L., Doug B., Nancy & Susan, Schuyler K., Greg K., Debra B., Maryanne C., Phyllis C., Chris N., Cindy P., Ilona P., J.P., Jocelyn R., Janice D., Donnie A., Andrew W., Bill H., Wes S., Ginger D., Barbara Y., Judy, Lillian H., Craig S., Mark Y., Ervie Anne E., Joseph F., Christina H. & Family, Sharyn H. & Family, Mary H., Patti J., Richard M., Melissa N., Gretchen S.*

Please join us in praying for those who have recently died: Joseph P., *Dan V.*

We kindly invite individuals to submit their prayer requests for the parish prayer list. Please email info@trinityepiscopalchurch.org to add a name to our prayer list.

A CONCLUDING COLLECT

CONFESSION OF SIN BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 our Savior 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

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 BCP 360

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

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on this your servant as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

Gracious God, we bring before you this couple. Keep them safe all the days of their lives, comfort them in adversity, and support them in prosperity as you fill their home with blessings. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent French Carol

PRESENTATION HYMN Lasst uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

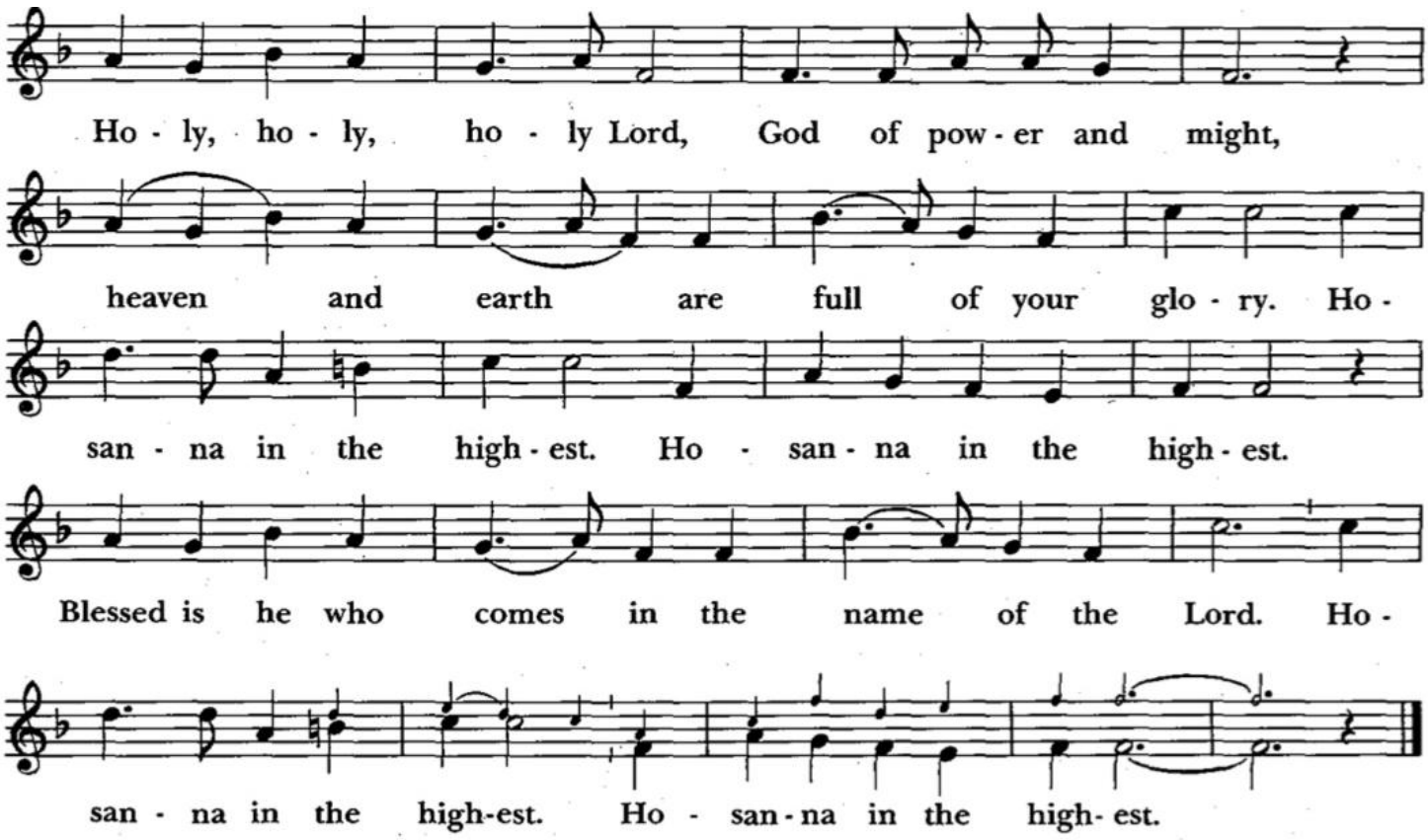
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP 367

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S125



The people may stand or kneel as they feel comfortable.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
All **We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

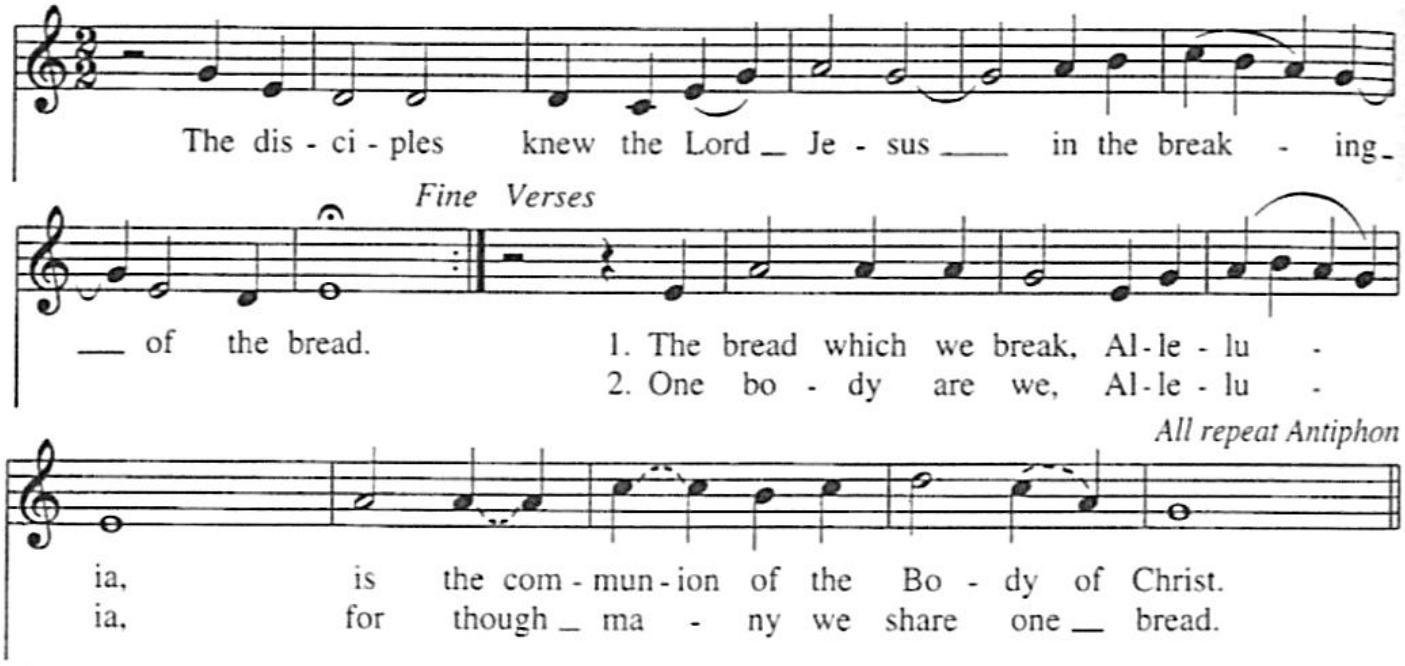
THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

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 BCP 364

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A Note about Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome at God's table. Please come forward to the communion rail with your palms out to receive the host. (Gluten-free host will be provided upon request.) Wine may be consumed directly or you may give your wafer to the Altar Assistant to dip it into the wine for you. You may also touch the cup with your hand to participate without consuming.

Anyone wishing to come forward for a blessing rather than communion may indicate such by crossing their arms over their chest.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

During the distribution of communion the following hymns are sung:

COMMUNION HYMNS #321 My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread

#333 Now Is The Silence

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN #436 Lift Up Your Heads

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

Postlude Song to the Earth Sterling Proctor

The flowers and greens on the altar and in the narthex are given to the Glory of God by a grateful congregant in thanksgiving for the Flower Guild and all they do to beautify our sanctuary.

The Church's Calendar of Saints

Nov 8	Ammonius (d. 403) Monastic Hermit of Egypt
Nov 9	Richard Rolle (d.1349), Walter Hilton (d.1396), Margery Kemp (d.1440), English Mystic Writers
Nov 10	Leo the Great (d.461), Bishop of Rome
Nov 11	Martin (d.397), Bishop of Tours, France
Nov 12	Charles Simeon (d. 1836), English Priest and Educator
Nov 13	---
Nov 14	Consecration of First American Bishop, Samuel Seabury, 1784

Worship Leaders

8:30	11:00
8:30 Vestry: Kim Albrecht **11:00 Vestry:** Carrie Rainoff **Altar Guild:** Ginger Critchley & Sandy LeFever **Flower Guild:** Judy Schneider & Sallie Ronan **Videographer:** Karl Baetcke	**Ushers:** Ginger Critchley & Virginia Cantu **Reader:** Tim Wells **Altar Assistant:** Dexter Fox & Sallie Ronan	**Ushers:** Mark & Barbara Yow **Reader:** Joanna Ward **Altar Assistant:** Joanne Georg & Eileen McIntyre **Acolyte:** Ryan Robison

Weekly Schedule of Events: November 9 – November 15

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	8:30 AM Food Ministry Bag Packing **10:00 AM** Bible Study	Office Closed **9:30 AM** Food Ministry Distribution **12:00 PM** Healing Service	**10:00 AM** Greek Class **11:30 AM** Yoga	**10:00 AM** Trinity Quilters	**8:00 AM** Men's Group **11:00 AM** The Funeral of Joseph Levi Petracca **7:00 PM** MSO Recital	**8:30 AM** Eucharist Service **9:45 AM** Launchpad & Adult Forum **11:00 AM** Eucharist Service

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ALTAR
OF HOPE
FILL THE BASKETS



- **Canned Green Beans (29 ounce)**
- **Canned Sweet Potatoes (40 ounce)**
- **Instant Mashed Potatoes (13.75 ounces)**
- **Stuffing Mix (such as Stove Top (6 ounces)**
- **2 Boxes of Mac and Cheese (7.25 ounce each)**
- **Cranberry Sauce (14 ounces)**
- **Gravy (18 ounces)**
- **Monetary Donations (meals are valued at $75)**



Members Recital

Benefits Unity Braxton Middle School Music Department

SATURDAY | NOV. 14 2026
7:00PM

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN MANASSAS
Trinity Episcopal Church
9325 West Street | Manassas, VA 20110

Announcements



Stewardship – Our annual stewardship campaign, You Welcomed Me, is entering week three. Please prayerfully consider how you can support both Trinity and our ministries, and return the pledge that represents your support by November 22nd. You may also scan this code to pledge online:

Altar of Hope – Altar of Hope needs your help to fill our baskets. Please contribute food items or funds to assist in feeding 60 families this Thanksgiving. Let's make those collection baskets overflow next week!

Manassas Symphony Recital to Benefit the Trinity Food Ministry – The Manassas Symphony Orchestra will hold its 5th annual recital concert here at Trinity Church on November 14th at 7:00 pm. Admission is free and donations will be accepted for the Trinity Food Ministry and to benefit underfunded music programs in our area.

Game Night –Our next game night, sponsored by Domino's Pizza (10175 Hasting's Drive), will be held on November 20th at 6:00 PM. Text Jo Brent at 703-220-7767 to RSVP.

Adult Forum – Father Jim's adult forum series on The Women of the Bible returns today and concludes on November 15th. Please join us between services in the Parish Hall to continue learning about these influential women.

Coat Rack – Our coat rack is once again out to serve those who need warmth in the winter. Please consider donating gently used coats and other warm clothing to our cause.

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