

Trinity Episcopal Church

All Are Welcomed & Loved

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Please welcome our Supply Clergy, The Rev. Jim Hughes



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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #488

Be Thou My Vision

SALUTATION BCP 355

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, 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**

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

A VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REFLECTION

Campfire Light Chant

Sung by the VBS Campers under the direction of Carole Keily & Amy Verney

C-A-M-P fire L-I-G-H-T

(4x)

Light it up, light it up, light it up, (Hey!)

(4x)

Let's take it down a little...

God you go with us, you lead the way.

You share your wisdom, you give peace along the way.

And you spark joy, so we shine bright

Through it all, we learn to trust at Campfire Light

(2x)

1-2-3-4

Is everybody ready?

Yeah, I think I'm ready!

I said, is everybody ready?

Yeah, I think I'm ready!

Gonne light it up, like a lightning bug

Gonna shine it bright, like a firefly.

A city on the hill for the world to see

So, where are you going?

I know we'll all be!

(2x)

Light it up, light it up, light it up, (Hey!)

(4x)

C-A-M-P fire L-I-G-H-T

(4x)

A VBS SCIENCE MINUTE

By Dexter Fox

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 29: 15-28

A reading from the Book of Genesis

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A RESPONSE: Psalm 119: 129-136

- 129 Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.
- 131 I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.
- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.
- 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.

THE SECOND LESSON: Romans 8: 26-39

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN

We Are One In The Spirit

Unison



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come.

We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
And all praise to Christ Je - sus, his on - ly Son.

And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's pride.
And all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one.

Refrain

And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

Standing

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: Elizabeth J., Cindy P., Patricia G., Ilona P., J.P., S.M.S., Jocelyn R., Jacquie, Brian A., Tim K., Jocelyn, Janice D., Seleeta F., Donnie A., Donna J. & Family, Elise C., Enslie G., Suzanne L., Andrew W., Sallie & Bill, Lea B., Wes S., Debbie M., Ginger D., Barbara Y., The J. Family, Judy, Linda B., Donna A., Lillian H., Craig S., Mark Y., Dave C., Ervie Anne E., Joseph F., Christina H. & Family, Sharyn H. & Family, Mary H., Patti J., Richard M., Melissa N., Gretchen S.*

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.

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

CONFESSION OF SIN BCP 360

Standing or kneeling as you are able

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

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

OFFERTORY 8:30
11:00

The Servant's Song
I Will Arise

Singers: Meg McEvoy & Dexter Fox

The Servant's Song

1.&6. Won't you let me be your ser - vant; let me be as
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney; we are trav - 'lers
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time

Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to
on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,

let you be my ser - vant, too.
walk the mile and bear the load.
speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
'til we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

All Standing

**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

The people remain standing

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 God 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho -
san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues:

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 he 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,

Celebrant and People **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his 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 sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, 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

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

Fraction

LAMB OF GOD

1. 2.

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us,
Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

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 intinct 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 this by crossing their arms over their chest.

INVITATION

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 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 hymn is sung:

COMMUNION HYMNS #312
#711

Strengthen For Service Lord
Seek Ye First

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

**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

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

The flowers and greens on the altar and in the narthex are given to the Glory of God.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on Trinity Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Worship Leaders

Vestry 8:30: Joanna Ward Vestry 11:00: Chas Hill Altar Guild: Ginger Critchley & Sandy LeFever Flower Guild: Sallie Ronan & Judy Schneider Videographer: Chas Hill	8:30 Ushers: Ginger Critchley & Sallie Ronan Reader: Tim Wells Altar Assistant: Jean Duray & Joanne Georg	11:00 Ushers: Betsy Harlow & Jennifer Overmiller Reader: Marian Patey Altar Assistant: Joanne Georg & Carole Doerflinger
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The Church's Calendar of Saints

Life stories and pictures at <http://satucket.com/lectionary/Calendar.htm>

July 26	Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
July 27	William Huntington (d.1909) American priest
July 28	J Bach (d.1750), G. Handel (d.1759), H. Purcell (d.1695) Composers of Church Music
July 29	Mary and Martha of Bethany, Friends of Jesus
July 30	First Ordination of Women to American Priesthood, 1974
July 31	William Wilberforce (d.1833) and Lord Shaftsbury (d.1885) English Social Reformers
Aug 1	Ignatius of Loyola, Spain (1566) Priest and Monastic

Weekly Schedule of Events: July 27 – August 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		12:00 PM Healing Service 6:00 PM Book Club	10:00 AM Greek Class 11:30 AM Yoga	10:00 AM Trinity Quilters	8:00 AM Men's Group	8:30 AM Service 9:45 AM Fellowship 11:00 AM Service

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

benefitting the children of Georgetown South

Supplies due by August 3rd

Please leave the following supplies in the bus in the Narthex:

- BACKPACKS
- PENCIL BOXES
- MARBLE COMPOSITION, NOTEBOOKS
- FOLDERS, PREFERABLY PLASTIC
- COLORED PENCILS
- GOOD PENS
- LOOSELEAF PAPER
- BINDERS
- HIGHLIGHTERS
- CRAYONS
- MARKERS
- BROAD AND THIN PENCIL CASES



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Announcements

Trinity Stickers – New Trinity stickers are available on Sundays in the Parish Hall and weekdays in the Parish Office. All proceeds will benefit Trinity and its various ministries.

Trinity Apparel – Purchase your Trinity Shirt today! See the website for details.

Adult Forum with Father Jim –Join us today for the final installment of our six part series on Job!

Unified Service and Parish Picnic – We are looking forward to celebrating the end of summer with you at a Unified Service and Parish Picnic on August 30th!

Photo Directory - Please add your face to our directory. Add a photo in Realm or send one in to the church office. This is your chance to have a Trinity profile picture to help our eventual new rector get to know you.

Book Club – Our Book Club meets this Wednesday at 6:00 pm. All book lovers are welcome as we gather this month in the Parish Hall to discuss 1776.

VBS Thanks – VBS was a huge success, allowing us to share God's love with our children. Many thanks to all who volunteered countless hours and unbounded energy to the event: Catharine Guest, Jennifer Overmiller, Kim Albrecht, Terri Anderson, Betsy Harlow, Barbara Yow, Carole Keily, Amy Verner, Dexter Fox, Gene Molinelli, Christian Cobb, Betsy Williams, Alma Riegner, Evan Caudill, Elliot Fulda, Molly, Lily, Faith Mascarenhas, Diane Trafton, Molly Campbell, Madi Malone, Cec Anderson, Conner Cathell, Pat Cobb, Chas Hill.

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