

The Blessing of the Animals  
October 5, 2025, 10 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist



# Trinity Church

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Welcome Home!

Whether this has been your church home for many years, or this is your first time visiting us, we hope you feel at home here. If you are new or visiting, please introduce yourself to one of our ushers or the clergy.

The language in the bulletin comes from the Book of Common Prayer. Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Text in *italics* provides directions or details.

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## Opening Hymn 8

## Morning has broken

Bunessan

*Unison or harmony*

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,  
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird. \_\_\_\_\_  
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass. \_\_\_\_\_  
 born of the one light E - den saw play! \_\_\_\_\_

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!  
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,  
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! \_\_\_\_\_  
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. \_\_\_\_\_  
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day! \_\_\_\_\_

## Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

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.**

## Song of Praise

“Morning comes and evening comes”

Fran McKendree

Morning comes, and evening comes

Thank you for this day.

## The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The people are seated for the Lessons and the Psalm.*

### First Lesson

Lamentations 3:19-16

The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall! My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 137**

- 1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, \*  
**when we remembered you, O Zion.**
- 2 As for our harps, we hung them up \*  
**on the trees in the midst of that land.**
- 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,  
and our oppressors called for mirth: \*  
**"Sing us one of the songs of Zion."**
- 4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song \*  
**upon an alien soil.**
- 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, \*  
**let my right hand forget its skill.**
- 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth  
if I do not remember you, \*  
**if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.**
- 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD,  
against the people of Edom, \*  
**who said, "Down with it! down with it!  
even to the ground!"**
- 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, \*  
**happy the one who pays you back  
for what you have done to us!**
- 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, \*  
**and dashes them against the rock!**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The people rise in body or spirit for the Gradual Hymn and the reading of the Gospel*

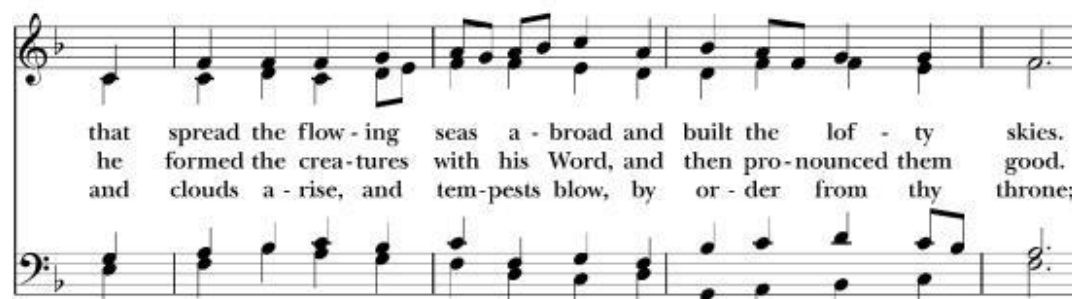
# Hymn 398

I sing the almighty power

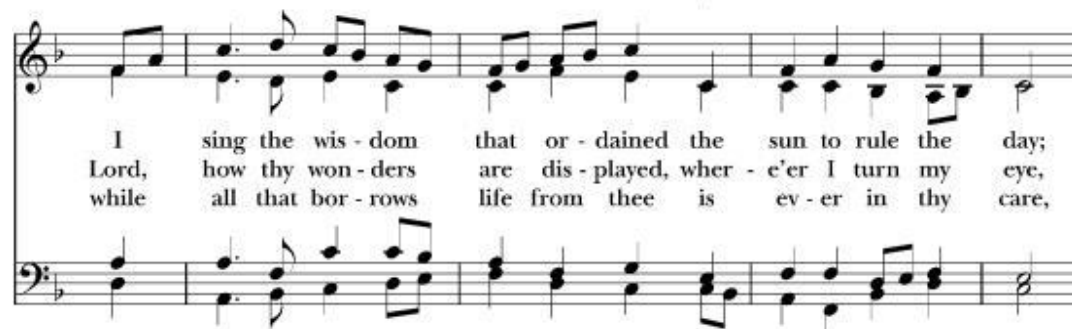
Forest Green



1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

**The Gospel**

Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

**The Nicene Creed***The people rise in body or spirit*

**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.

### **Litany for All Creation and Prayers of Intercession**

*The leader and people pray responsively*

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, **Have mercy upon us.**

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful, **Have mercy upon us.**

Grant that all your creatures may serve you with thanksgiving;

**Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Grant favorable weather, temperate rain, and fruitful seasons, providing food  
and drink for all your creatures; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Open our eyes to the wonder of creation, that we may see you in all your  
works; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Stir in us the desire to care for your creation;  
**Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Make us wise and faithful stewards of creation, caring for the earth, the waters, the air, and all that live therein; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Forgive us who waste and pollute your creation and strengthen us to restore what we have disregarded; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Look with compassion on those that are abused and mistreated, show us their dignity in your creation; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

Remember those creatures that have died yet remain dear to us, that they may rejoice in your new creation; **Pour out your blessing on earth, O God.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, we pray for: **Larry Waring, Rosemary, Miriam, Joan, James, Jackie, Molly S., and Sandra.**

*The People then may add their own names and petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Savannah Rhode Schellin, who will be baptized here next week.

*The People then may add their own names and petitions.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People then may add their own names and petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

Holy Immortal One: No sparrow falls without your knowing it; nothing dies but is remembered by you; nothing comes into being that you do not see. Give us courage and resolve to build up the common good, holding fast to the hope of a new creation in which all shall dwell eternally, through Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. **Amen.**

*At the instruction of the Celebrant, the animals are brought forward for blessing.*

## **The Confession**

*The Celebrant says*

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 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 Celebrant says*

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**

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

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **The Offertory**

The people remain seated as an offering to support the mission and ministry of the church is collected. If you would rather give online, you can give at [www.TrinityNewport.org](http://www.TrinityNewport.org) or scan the QR code on the right.



**Offertory Anthem**

“Prayer of St. Francis”

Temple

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up unto the lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**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.

*The Celebrant says the proper preface*

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the Highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

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

### **The Lords' Prayer**

**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**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*The Celebrant says*

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.

*Please follow the instructions to come forward for communion. Gluten-free wafers are available at the, just place your hand over your heart (like the Pledge of Allegiance). If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you wish to receive wine, you may either sip from the cup or dip (intinct) your bread carefully into the wine.*

**Communion Anthem**

**“The gift of love”**

**Hopson**

## Communion Hymn

## Let us break bread together

Hurd



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer-cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_



3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,



O Lord, have mer-cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_

Words: African-American spiritual. Music: *Let Us Break Bread*, Afro-American spiritual; arr. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950).

## **Post Communion Prayer**

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**



## Hymn 178

## Alleluia give thanks to the Risen Lord

## Alleluia No. 1

*Descant*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Refrain*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

*Repeat Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.  
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -  
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

## **The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Our worship is now over, and our service in the world begins.*

## **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

**Preacher:** The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Noël Robinson

**Musicians:** Diane and Chris Myers

**Acolyte & Crucifer:** Karen Nash

**Lector & Intercessor:** Anne Glenn

**Ushers:** Richard Alexander, Karina Valencia, and Terry Abbott

**Altar Society:** Mary Sinnott, Jeanne Kelley, Helen Brennan,  
Candy Gilmartin, Nancy Murray, and Brad Carter.

**Coffee Hour:** Deb Lengyel

## WEEKLY PRAYERS AND DEDICATIONS

**This week we pray for:** Waring, Rosemary, Miriam, Joan, James, Larry, Jackie, Molly S., Sandra, Todd, Anita, Ginny, Michael, Karen, Peter, Jackson, Lucien, Laurie, Sara, Elizabeth, Benedict, Susan, Robby, T. Joseph, Leonard, Lewis and Eric. Remember those who have died in recent days. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for all priests that they may be constant in faith and witness.

**Give thanks this week for** the life of Hazel Florence Morris, Louise M. Downing, Sylvia Wedge, Sarah Miles, Sean Frandsen, and Jean Harsham Nott, the faithful departed on the anniversary of their passing.

**Give thanks this month for** the birthdays of Dolores Bauer, Petra Napolitano, Hunter Rucker, Elaine Burress, Vicky Escalera, Dennis Kretzschmar, Bastian Schweibenz, Marie Beebe, Joan Bartram, Turner Scott, Nancy Ryan, Chloe Green, Kim Doherty, Tricia Baylor and Polly Meadows.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Trinity Church Reading Group:** October 20, 2025, 5:30 p.m. The book, *The Chancellor's Mansion: A Renovation Story of Family, Home, History, and Mystery*, by Jamie Arty, will be discussed. If interested, please contact Anne Glenn, [annedglenn@gmail.com](mailto:annedglenn@gmail.com).

### Pumpkin Patch

Pumpkins will arrive October 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 p.m. and our Patch opens October 8<sup>th</sup> 12-6 p.m.. Volunteers are needed to work the patch throughout the three weeks the patch is open. Contact the church office or scan the QR code to sign up! **Hours of the Pumpkin Patch: Weekdays: 12-6 p.m., Weekends 10-6 p.m.**



### Calling all Bakers!

Please help make our Pumpkin Patch (Oct 8-31) safe, fun, successful and delicious! We need volunteers to bake small and large Pumpkin breads and Cranberry breads, cookies, cupcakes, donuts, etc. for us to sell. The Pumpkin Butter workshop will be coordinated Diane Meyers. Please let me know which weekends you can bake for: Oct 10-12, Oct 17-19, and/or Oct 24-26. Thanks and see you in the Patch! If you have any questions please contact Ellen Patterson at [erp037@gmail.com](mailto:erp037@gmail.com).

## LEARN MORE & GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ministry opportunities at Trinity, and we would welcome your presence. Our weekly newsletter can be found online at [www.trinitynewport.org/news1](http://www.trinitynewport.org/news1)

Contact Molly Chamberlain, our parish administrator at the Church office to learn more about any of our ministries at Trinity, or contact Meaghan, our rector, to arrange to meet and discuss how you might best become more involved.

### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

**Monday, October 8:** Community Meal, 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 7:** Silver Tea Craft Group, Honeyman Hall, 12:30 p.m.  
Pumpkins are to be delivered in the afternoon.

**Wednesday, October 8:** Healing service and Eucharist, 12 p.m.  
Men's Bible Study, 12 p.m.  
Pumpkin Patch Opens at 12 p.m.

**Thursday, October 9:** Prayer shawl Group, 1:00 p.m.  
Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

**Sunday, October 12:** Bible Study in the Glenn Family Center, 9 a.m.  
Baptism 10 a.m.  
Sunday School 10 a.m., Teen Program 9 a.m.

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