

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026, 10 a.m.

Trinity300: Founding our Future

Welcome to Trinity!

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. This bulletin is designed for use with the Book of Common Prayer. Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Text in *italics* provides directions or details. Unless otherwise indicated, hymns can be found in the 1982 Hymnal.



Processional Hymn 413

New songs of celebration

Rendez à Dieu

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant says the collect for Purity

Song of Praise



The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:1-4,12-16*sung by the choir*

John Goss

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
- 12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
- 13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls.
- 14 He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.
- 16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

Second Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the Gradual Hymn and the reading of the Gospel

Gradual Hymn 637 (vs 1-2) How firm a foundation

Lyons

The Gospel

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

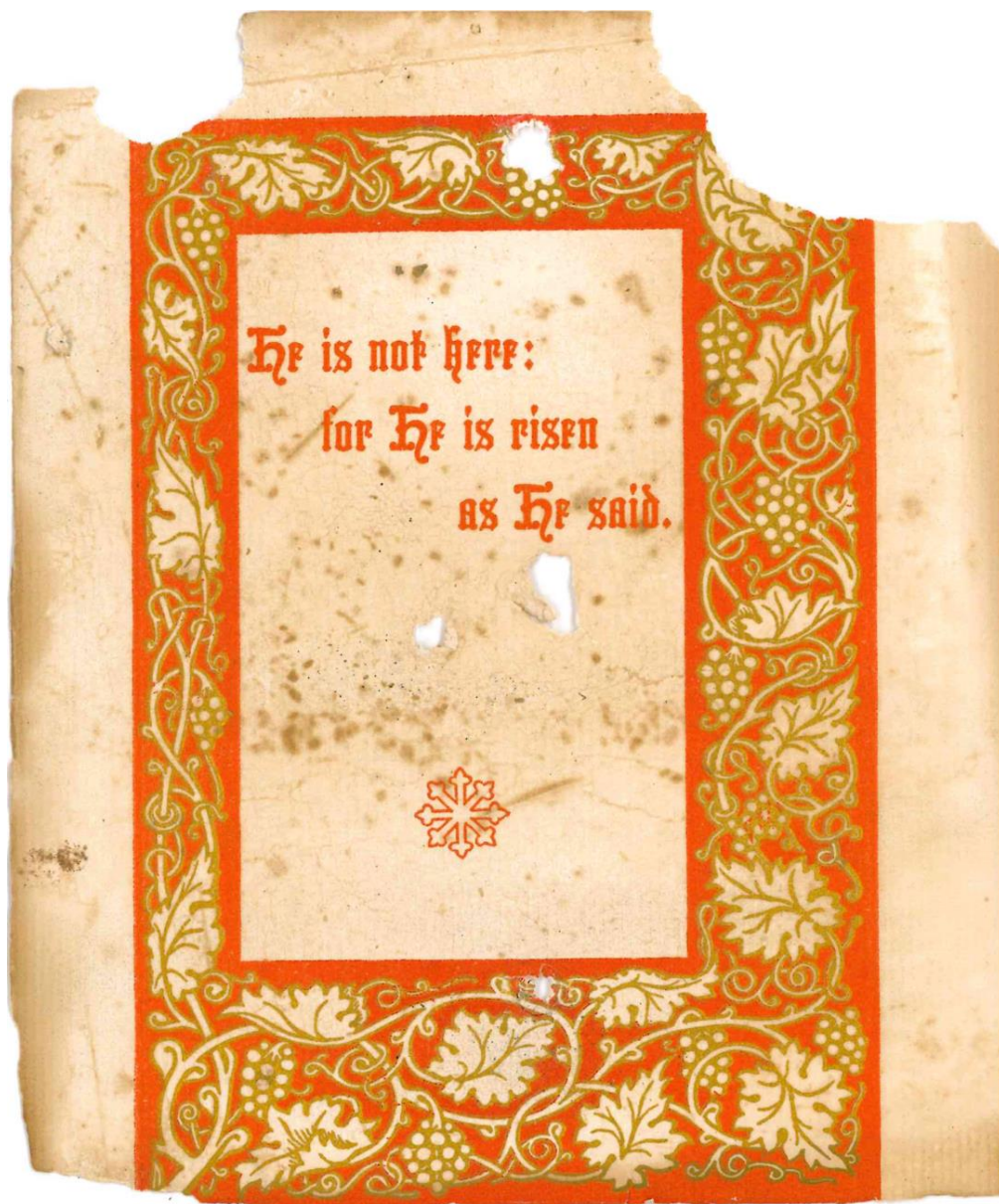
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ



The Nicene Creed*The people stand*

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: A Litany of Thanksgiving

We ask you, O God, to break open the hard rock of drought in places that once brought forth abundant life. In particular we pray for Rhode Island's Woonasquatucket, the Providence and the Pawtuxet Rivers and the those human and more-than-human neighbors who live by their challenged waters. Break open the hard hearts of those whose decisions lead to thirst, poverty and the death of many placed on the margins of a world where power flows to the few. Let us give thanks to God our Father for these and all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of all people, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Confession

BCP 360

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 offers the Absolution.

The Peace

BCP 360

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 or scan the QR code on the right.

**Offertory Anthem**

Sing to the Lord a new song

Andrew Boyacigiller

Presentation Hymn 380 (Verse 3)

Old 100th

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise him all creatures here below;
 praise him above, ye heavenly host:
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and Praise.

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:

Sanctus S-125

Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed 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

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.

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.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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.

Fraction Anthem S-154

Hurd

This setting is not used in Lent.

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

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

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

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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 usher directions to the altar rail via the center aisle and return to your seats by the side aisles. If you are sitting in the balcony, come down whenever you wish to receive. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew, please just let your usher know.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the rail, 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 Sing my soul his wondrous love Ned Rorem

Communion Hymn 304 I come with joy Land of rest

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

Recessional Hymn 569 God the Omnipotent Russia

The Dismissal BCP 366

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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

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Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

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Lector & Intercessor: Brad Carter

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Altar Society: Lisa Trainor, Pam Alexander, Terry Commodore

Coffee Hour: Nikita Valencia

WEEKLY PRAYERS AND DEDICATIONS

This week we pray for: Eric, Jackie, Miriam, James, Sandra, Todd, Anita, Michael B., Peter, Laurie, Elizabeth, Susan, Robby, Leonard, Lewis, Anne H., Pam F., Waring, Mimi, John C., Alexander G., Will, Alex D., Mark, Charlie, Elizabeth, Karen, Cameron, John G, Stan, Donna, Kathy, and Sara. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we join the Bishop in prayer for St. Michael's, Bristol.

We pray also for Thomas Maguire & Julia Janikies, and Rebecca Bertrand & Brody Karn as they prepare to celebrate the sacrament of holy matrimony in this place in October.

Give thanks this week for the life of Floride H. Taylor, Susanne P. Whitley, Anna Louise French, Archie Chambers, Richard Farnsworth Hunnewell, Cora Lee Gibbs, Mildred Ann Grinnell, Raymond F. King III, Eleanor Beebe, Ethel Davis, the faithful departed on the anniversary of their passing.

Give thanks this month for the birthdays of Nancy Bills, Brierley Barber, Christopher Skeechn, Arthur Buckles, Vance Gatchel, Jane Roach, Noah Moniz, Kristen Fagan, Chrissy Pimentel, Vail Palumbo, George Tumblin, June House and Jeffrey Clark.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Season of Creation Each year from September 1 to October 4, the Christian family unites for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. It is a special season where we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation as the divine continuing act that summons us as collaborators to love and care for the gift of all that is created. This year's theme, "Living Water", explores Ezekiel 47:9 and 12 as a powerful biblical vision of hope and ecological healing.



Blessing of the Animals: Next Sunday October 4th bring your pets and your lawn chair for an outdoor service where we will bless our animals (stuffed animals and photos of pets are most welcome). Please Note: There will not be Sunday School, and the service will not be live streamed.

Mark your Calendars! Pumpkins arrive on October 6th at 4 p.m.

Save the Date: Sea Service Sunday On October 11th at the 10 a.m. service, in proximity to the birthday of the US Navy, we will honor Trinity's long-time connection with the US Armed Services, in collaboration with the Naval War College.

Pumpkin Patch Volunteers Needed! From October 6-31st help will be needed for a variety of jobs to make this year a success. See the E-Tower for more information or contact Elizabeth at elizabeth.cooke.stevens@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Bakers Needed Please help us make our upcoming Pumpkin Patch (Oct 7-31) a success. We need volunteers to bake assorted goods for our bake sale. For more information see the E-Tower. If you are interested in helping please contact Ellen Patterson, erp0317@gmail.com or Dolores Bauer, dbauer104@gmail.com.

Attention Crafters! It's hard to believe that summer is nearing the end and it's already time for us to start thinking about one of Trinity's longstanding traditions, our annual **Silver Tea!** See this weeks E-Tower for more information or if possible, please join us on Tuesday afternoons, beginning on September 15th, at 12:30 PM in the Hawes Room.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, September 28: Community Meal, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, September 29: Silver Tea Crafters, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30: Healing Service and Eucharist, 12 p.m.

Thursday, October 1: Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 5: Worship Service 8 a.m & 10 a.m..

Bible Study in the Glenn Family Center, 9 a.m.

Blessing of the Animals, 10 a.m.

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Guided Tours after today's service by Harle Tinney

Alternate times per special request to Charlotte Johnson

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