



Holy Trinity Parish – Decatur, GA
Pentecost 10 – August 17, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.



The Word of God (BCP p 355-360)

Procession Hymn 636, stz 1-3, 5

How firm a foundation

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Gloria

BCP 356 (S-280)

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lessons

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Sermon

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

Confession, Absolution, & Peace

BCP 360

Welcome & Announcements

The Holy Communion (BCP 361-366)

Offertory Anthem

sung by the Summer Choir

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus

BCP 363 (S-129)

Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

BCP 364 (S-152)

Communion Hymns

Hymn 328

Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Hymn 691

My faith looks up to thee

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

Blessing & Dismissal

BCP 366

Procession Hymn 561

Stand up, stand up for Jesus

The Lessons

Epistle

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Psalm (*read responsively by whole verse*)

Psalm 82

God takes his stand in the council of heaven;
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

**"How long will you judge unjustly,
and show favor to the wicked?**

Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;

**Rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

**Now I say to you, 'You are gods,
and all of you children of the Most High;**

Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,
and fall like any prince.'"

**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

Gospel Refrain

Celtic Alleluia

Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son and son against father,

mother against daughter and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

This Week at HTP

Sun Aug 17, 2025 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel

9:15am Christian Formation Classes for Youth and Adults

9:15am Children's Formation Open House

10:30am Holy Eucharist (In Person/Streaming), Nave

12pm Outreach Committee Meeting, :Comer Center and Zoom

Tue Aug 19, 2025

1pm Yoga, Narthex

6:30pm Vestry Meeting, Gaylord Room

Wed Aug 20, 2025

9:15am Preschool Chapel, Chapel

11am Holy Eucharist and Healing Service, Chapel

Sun Aug 24, 2025 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8am Holy Eucharist, Chapel

9:15am Christian Formation Classes for Youth and Adults

10:30am Holy Eucharist (In Person/Streaming), Nave

Announcements & Updates

Men Under 50 Bible Study

Father Greg is starting a new Bible Study this fall for men under the age of 50. We'll meet right after Wednesday Night Supper from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and in our first year we'll study the stories of significant men in the Old Testament.

Interested in Becoming a Verger?

One of the important ministries for our worship is the role of verger. A verger is a kind of "master of ceremonies" for services in the nave. You often see them leading processions in their black and grey vestments, but they also take care of lots of last-minute details behind the scenes. There are currently 6 vergers serving at Holy Trinity and we would like to increase that number. We will have a meeting after the 10:30 a.m. service on August 31st to talk about the ministry and to do some training led by Richard Perry, retired head verger at the Cathedral of St. Philip. If you are interested please talk to a verger or Fr. Greg (tallant@htparish.com). If you are definitely coming to the meeting please let Fr. Greg know.

Registration for Fall Session of Allan Folk School is Open

The Allan Folk School at Mikell offers both spring and fall sessions. Working directly with skilled artisans, you can learn a wide variety of arts and crafts such as copper enameling, stained glass and woodturning.

For over 26 years, Camp Mikell has hosted the Allan Folk School at our St. Joseph the Carpenter Craft Center. Activities at the Craft Center are a great way to add exciting new dimensions to your next retreat. Consider planning your next retreat around our wonderful facility! We are glad to arrange for art specific instructors for you.

The Fall Allan Folk School will be held Friday, October 24 - Sunday, October 26, 2025. Register at <https://campmikell.com/>

Welcome back to Wednesdays at Holy Trinity!

Our full schedule starts back on September 10.

9:15 a.m. Preschool Chapel in the Chapel: Come worship with our preschoolers as they sing and dance and laugh and learn. You can find them in the chapel each Wednesday at 9:15 a.m.

10 a.m. Women's Bible Study in Comer Center Commons: All women are welcome. We'll start by introducing ourselves and sharing stories of our "relationship" to the Bible

11 a.m. Healing Service in the Chapel: Each Wednesday at 11 a.m. we gather in the Chapel for a service of healing and Eucharist. Come join us mid-day and mid-week

for a time of prayer and worship.

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper & Formation in Tisdale Hall: Food, fellowship, formation! Come feast, fellowship, and grow together. We will have adult, youth, and children's formation and fellowship offerings each week evening from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Men Under 50 Bible Study in Comer Center: Father Greg is starting a new Bible Study this fall for men under the age of 50. We'll meet right after Wednesday Night Supper from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and in our first year we'll study the stories of significant men in the Old Testament.

Prayers of the Parish August 17 (feel free to tear off and take home with you)

Sunday

For those who are ill or in need: Andrea, *Giulia Galvin's sister*; Margaret Hertlein; Ellen Bishop and Family; Sara June McDavid, *friend of Lynne Pickens*; Bill Williams, *Ed Watkins' brother-in-law*; Charles Berkeley, *Ed Watkins' cousin*; Bob Huber, *Katie Johnson's father*; Kathy Garner; Daniel; Grant Knox

For those who have died: Ken Bagwell, *Alvin and Mayo Moses' family friend*

Monday

For those who are ill or in need: Jimmy Pirkle, *Ada Smedley's cousin*; Kay Hunt; Rosalind and her daughter Rachelle; Jim; Nancy Qarmout; Doreen Lewis, *Jeanne Knox's friend*; Katy Pope, *Linda Pope's daughter*

Anglican communion cycle of prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church; Diocese of Southern Nyanza – Anglican Church of Kenya; Diocese of Nzara – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; Diocese of Del Occidental – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico; Diocese of Offa, Diocese of Ogbaru, Diocese of Ogbia – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Tuesday

For those who are ill or in need: Jackie Williams, *Stacy Reece's mother*; Aiden, Yanna, Maeve, and Mari Downey, *friends of Anna Ingwersen*; Tyler Dunstan and family, Sharon, *friend of Lynne Pickens*; Carlton, *Anthony Grant's family member*; Jim; Zack Spratlin, *Chotsy Waites' neighbor*

For the Vestry and Officers: Cindy, David, Ellen, Greg, Hope, Julia, Mollie, Nathan, Stacy

Wednesday

For those who are ill or in need: Donna Warfield; Beth; Bill Clark; Gail Wasdin, *Chotsy Waites' sister*; Gracie Kennedy, *Ginna Evans' friend*; Carroll Fregosi, *Giulia Galvin's sister-in-law*

For the Staff: Will, Ellen, Amanda, Christian, Amy, Kate, Mike, Heather

Parish birthdays: 8/18 Hildreth Stafford; 8/19 Britt Mobley; 8/20 Augie Edwards-Miller; 8/21 Esther Ann Comer, Denise Norris

Thursday

For those who are ill or in need: Ed Black, *friend of Lewis Thorp*; Lewis Thorp; Ken, *friend of Alvin and Mayo Moses*; Geta Reid; Sunny; Elaine Barfield; Jane and Berry Skelton, *Leslie King's sister and brother-in-law*; Diane Smarro, *Belinda Watkins' sister*; Greta Betty

For preschool staff, teachers, students and parents

Parish wedding anniversaries: 8/22 Mayo and Alvin Moses

Friday

For those who are ill or in need: Susan Deaver; Lee Echols, *Mo. Ellen's brother*; Jamie Jayanna and family; James; James; Leslie Funt, *Albert Nim-Dixon's friend*; Debra Kay, *Nana Freret's friend*

Parish baptism anniversaries: 8/20 Ahloni Merritt

Welcome!



All deserve equal access to worship, study, and corporate prayer. All have gifts to contribute. Please speak to an usher or priest if you need assistance.

Welcome! We are so glad you are here. If you are visiting please use this QR code to fill out a visitor card or use the one in the pew.



Sign language interpreting is offered for our 10:30 service.



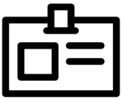
Assisted Listening Devices are available for all services in the Nave. An usher is happy to help you with one.



Our nursery, staffed by trained, caring professionals, serves infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.



Our children's worship resources shelf, located in the narthex, includes materials to help children 3-10+ enter into our liturgy. Included parent info sheets explain how to use these items to support children's worship.



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For a listing of clergy, staff, and vestry, and to learn more about the parish, visit our website, holytrinitydecaturn.org