



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OF THE
NATIVITY

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

TRINITY SUNDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

MAY 31, 2026

11:00 AM

Quiet in the nave before the service helps us to mark sacred space and time.

We invite you to use this time to prayerfully prepare for worship.

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

Voluntary

Prelude in E-flat, 'St. Anne', BWV 552i

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Word of God

Hymn 362, Standing, sung by all

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty NICAEA

The Opening Acclamation

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria, Sung by all

Franz Schubert

Glo - ry be to God in the high - est,
You are seat - ed with the Fa - ther,
peace on earth in all our days. Lord and King, al -
hear our pray'r, by all a - dored. You a - lone are
might - y Fa - ther, laud and thanks to you we raise.
ho - ly and high - est, Je - sus Christ, you are the Lord,
Je - sus Christ the Son of the Fa - ther. Je - sus Christ, the
in the glo - ry of the Fa - ther, with the Spi - rit
Lamb of God. Take, O take our sins a - way.
ev - er - more. A - men, a - men.

Text: German, Johann Philipp Neumann (1774–1849), tr. & adapted by Douglas Cowling

Music: Franz Schubert (1797–1828), *Deutsche Messe*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading, *Seated*

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of

the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 13, *Please join the choir in singing the bold portion of the Canticle.*

Tone VIII.2



Glory to you, Lord God of our / fathers; *

you are worthy of praise; / glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your / holy Name; *

we will praise you and highly exalt / you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your / temple; *

on the throne of your majesty, / glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the / Cherubim; *

we will praise you and highly exalt / you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the / depths; *

in the high vault of heaven, / glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy / Spirit; *

we will praise you and highly exalt / you for ever.

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn, *Standing, sung by all*
Please see insert.

Firmly I believe and truly HALTON HOLGATE

During the sequence hymn, children aged 4 through 4th grade are invited to follow the children's cross to Children's Chapel. Parents are always welcome to attend. All will return during the Peace.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Michael Goldsmith

The Nicene Creed, *Standing*

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The Prayers of the People, Form VI, *Standing or kneeling*

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace, *Standing*

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

You can tell the world

Margaret Bonds

You can tell the world about this,
You can tell the nation about that,
Tell 'em what Jesus has done,
Tell 'em that the Comforter has come,
And he brought joy, joy, joy to my soul.

He took my feet out the mercy clay. (Yes, he did)
He placed them high on the Rock to stay. (Yes, he did)
You can tell the world about this, etc.

The Lawd done done jus' what he said. (Yes, he did)
He healed the sick and raised the dead (Yes, he did)
You can tell the world about this, etc.

—traditional Spiritual

Presentation Hymn 205 st. 5, *Standing, sung by all*

GELOBT SEI GOTT

To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One,
we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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 with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being: and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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 S130, *Sung by all*

Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Standing or kneeling

Celebrant 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,

All **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.**

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

The Lord's Prayer, *Said by all*

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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

Agnus Dei S164, *Sung by all*

Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Invitation to Communion

Regardless of the denomination of your baptism, you are invited to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. If you are interested in being baptized please speak with a clergy person after the service or contact the church office. Gluten free wafers available upon request.

Music during Communion

Benedicimus Deum

Plainsong

We shall bless the God of heaven, and in the sight of all the living we shall proclaim his praise, for he has shown us his mercy and lovingkindness. *Cant.* Let the people of God glorify the Lord; let them praise and highly exalt him for ever. (Tobit 12; Daniel 3)

Hymn 370

I bind unto myself today ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take communion to the sick or homebound, the following is offered:

Celebrant We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Postcommunion Prayer, *Said by all, standing or kneeling*

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Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People **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 367, *Standing, sung by all*

Round the Lord in glory seated RUSTINGTON

The Dismissal

The Celebrant offers a dismissal followed by:

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

Fugue in E-flat, 'St. Anne', BWV 552ii

Bach

*The flowers on the altar are given in to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Peter Zehentner by Anette and Clay Carnes.*

CELEBRANT The Rev. Dr. Melissa M. Hartley

PREACHER The Rev. Michael Goldsmith

ASSISTING The Rev. Rose Veal Eby

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